



# CEDAR LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT

## LAKE STUDY GRANT

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The proposed study to determine why Phosphate levels increase 3-5 fold in July and August which was scheduled to start in 2008 and run until 2010 has been postponed due to a lack of funding from the US Corp of Engineers. Buzz Sorge of the Wisconsin DNR had secured all of the State of Wisconsin funding necessary, but we needed an additional \$135,000 commitment from the Corps to complete the necessary testing.

Representative Ron Kind had supported our grant and made a strong attempt to secure the funding, however the need for money to support the Hurricane Katrina victims took precedence. The study is not "dead." We can and will re-apply next year. Our chances then look good.

## THE PASSING OF A LAKE LEADER

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Cedar Lake has lost it's best friend, when Jack Hayes passed away on Easter Sunday at the age of 73. Since moving to the lake in 1981, Jack has been a Commissioner of Cedar Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District for over 20 years and served as Chairperson for 15 of those years. Jack tirelessly donated his time and talents to maintain and monitor the dam and aerator, served as liaison with the Wisconsin DNR, and effectively provided communication, respect and educational opportunities to all lake residents.

Jack never wanted to be recognized for his efforts. It was not about him, but instead about Cedar Lake. Buzz Sorge, who has been with the DNR for over 30 years and worked with Jack for 25 , said it best when he commented that in his career, Jack was the only volunteer that never quit. Jack will be greatly missed by his family, friends and Cedar Lake.

Star Prairie Land Preservation Trust, which Jack served as a director since its inception, will honor Jack with a memorial site at the Cedar Creek dam location. The dedication of the site is scheduled for Saturday, October 19th at 1:00 p.m.. Please park at the recently completed McMurtie Preserve parking lot on County Road M and proceed straight west on the main trail to the dam site. Tours of the McMurtie Preserve and refreshments will be available following the brief dedication.

If you wish to make a contribution to the Jack Hayes Memorial Fund, please make checks payable to the Star Prairie Land Preservation Trust and mail to P.O. Box 88, Star Prairie, WI 54026.

## BOB MENKE

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It is with sadness that we also relay the passing of another friend of Cedar Lake. Bob Menke passed away March 30, 2008. Bob and Phyllis Menke's generous donation of land established the McMurtie Preserve in early 2005.

