

# NALMS Notes & Lake News

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## July is Lakes Appreciation Month!

### Student Poster Contest

Thank you to everyone who submitted an entry in the Lakes Appreciation Month student poster contest! This spring, we invited elementary, middle, and high school students to submit posters reflecting on how important lakes are to all of us. Submitted artwork will be a big part of NALMS' celebrations through July.



With nearly 60 entries, our volunteer judges had a tough job deciding our three winners (one per grade category). Entries were judged on creativity and originality, how well they represented Lakes Appreciation Month, and overall presentation. We are excited to share the results with you!

Winner, 1st-4th Grade Division  
**Isabella Garcia-Whitko**  
Hawken School, Lyndhurst, Ohio



Winner, 5th-8th Grade Division  
**Annaliese Horvath**  
Brandywine Heights Middle School, Topton, Pennsylvania



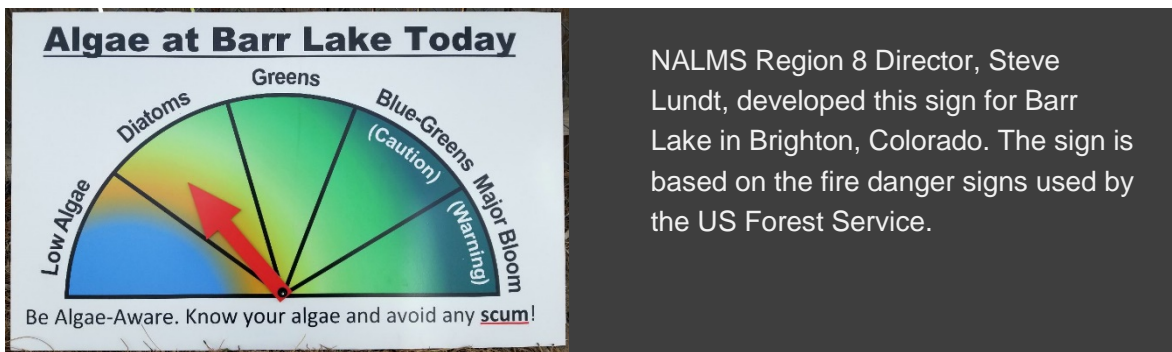
Winner, 9th-12th Grade Division  
**Eliot Lundt**  
East High School, Denver, Colorado



[View all the entries](#)

## Ways You Can Celebrate Lakes Appreciation Month

- ▶ *Request a Lakes Appreciation Month Proclamation.* It might not be too late to put in your request to state and provincial governments to proclaim July as Lakes Appreciation Month. [Visit the website to get started.](#)
- ▶ Organize a (physically-distanced) shoreline cleanup.
- ▶ Help monitor your local waterbody or watershed.
- ▶ Start a watershed storm drain stenciling program.
- ▶ Go birding or take pictures at a lake or pond (don't forget your mask!).
- ▶ [Visit the Lakes Appreciation Month website for more ideas.](#)



## Participate in the Secchi Dip-In

[The Secchi Dip-In](#) is a demonstration of the potential of volunteer monitors to gather environmentally important information on our lakes, rivers and estuaries.

The concept of the Dip-In is simple: individuals in volunteer monitoring programs take a transparency measurement on one day during the month of July. Individuals may be monitoring lakes, reservoirs,



estuaries, rivers, or streams. These transparency values are used to assess the transparency of volunteer-monitored lakes in the United States and Canada.

Although the Dip-In event is held in July, participants are welcome to monitor water quality and submit data year-round.

*Coming soon ... new data entry forms!*

### **Meet our intern, Maggie Reilly**

I'm Maggie, and I am finishing up my undergraduate degree at the University of Vermont as an Environmental Science major with a concentration in Water Resources and a minor in Statistics. I have always had a passion for the environment and our natural waters, so I am looking forward to this opportunity to intern for the North American Lake Management Society! I know being the Secchi Dip-In intern will be fun for me because of my interest in both water quality and citizen science, which is so important to the overall management and protection of our environment. I'm hoping to go on to get my master's in Limnology, so I can further my knowledge and be able to study natural inland waters more extensively.



## **Thank You to Our Lakes Appreciation Month and Secchi Dip-In Sponsors!**





## **NALMS 2020 Is Going Online! Submit Your Abstract!**

### **NALMS at 40: Advancing our Mission to Forge Partnerships**

After careful consideration and in consultation with our partners and planning team, NALMS has decided we will not be able to hold our 2020 annual symposium in Minneapolis as planned. Instead we will hold a virtual symposium during those dates in keeping with the best interest of the health and well-being of our attendees, sponsors, exhibitors, and staff.

With the uncertainty of the past several months, we understand that some prospective presenters were not able to submit an abstract for the 2020 conference but may now be interested in participating in a virtual meeting presentation format. **[We are reopening abstract and special session submissions until July 31.](#)**

**[Learn More and Submit Your Abstract](#)**

## **President's Message**



*Perry Thomas, NALMS President*

As the 2020 summer solstice passes, NALMS is responding to new challenges, while keeping an eye on the organization's bottom line. So far, so good, thanks to teamwork by our staff, conference host committees, board, and larger membership.

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## **Lake Photo of the Month**

*Breakfast View in Bavaria* by Chris Mikolajczyk

Chris' photo was an entry in the 2019 NALMS Photo Contest held at the

Burlington Symposium. The 2020 contest will be held online as part of the 2020 NALMS Symposium. Look for entry information soon.



### **NALMS Releases Statement on Racism and Equality and New Diversity Webpage**

*Why is it necessary for NALMS to speak out on racism and inequality?* NALMS strives to make our Society a safe, welcoming, diverse, and inclusive environment for everyone. We also believe our efforts are enhanced by including a diversity of people and voices. Recent events have revealed how pervasive racism is in the US, Canada, and beyond, including in the sciences and the environmental management field in general, but also in the lake and watershed communities where NALMS members and partners live and work. We cannot accomplish our mission "To forge partnerships among citizens, scientists, and professionals to foster the management and protection of lakes and reservoirs for today and tomorrow" without doing our part to address racism that causes harm and inequity for our members, the broader lake management community, and society as a whole. We hope you will take the time to [review the new diversity webpage](#) with the NALMS mission in mind. Our action plan is a work in progress.



### **NALMS Now Accepts Recurring Donations**

Thanks to a recent upgrade to our payment systems, we can now accept recurring donation payments. In addition to a one-time donation, you can have donations charged to your credit card monthly, quarterly, semi-annually, or annually.

### **Call for Board Nominations**

NALMS is seeking candidates that will add diversity and breadth to the Board and its committees.

You could become a nominee for a position on the NALMS Board of Directors, to take a more active role in steering the direction of activities that relate to these precious resources. Experience or training in lake management is not required for a board position, and we encourage candidates with expertise in nonprofit management, leadership development, marketing, fundraising, legal issues and membership growth and development to consider running for a Board position.

### **Call for Award Nominations**

We want to hear, share, and recognize the efforts of individuals, organizations, programs, and corporations who are making a notable impact in lake and reservoir management. Consider nominating a deserving individual or group for a NALMS award.



Nominations for the 2020 Achievement Awards are due by **August 15, 2020.**

## LakeLine Call for Articles

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**LAKELINE**

We're looking for articles to fill the summer and fall issues of *LakeLine*, based on the themes of Back to Basics and NALMS at 40.

[Learn more...](#)

### Phishing attempts

Have you received suspicious emails from NALMS or other organizations lately? You're not alone. The [New York Times](#), [Wall Street Journal](#), and other national news outlets have reported that there's been a rise in phishing emails during the pandemic. We've heard that some members have recently received emails purportedly from our President, Perry Thomas, asking the recipients to purchase gift cards.

*How can you tell if such a request is legitimate?*

1. Check the email address. The emails we've seen have Perry's name on them, but don't originate from a NALMS email address. Any official email from NALMS will come from an address ending in nalms.org.
2. Official emails from NALMS for mass distribution will always include a footer, like that found below, which includes our mailing address and a link which allows you to opt out of future emails from us.
3. Direct communications from NALMS staff and leadership will contain a signature including, at a minimum, our name, title, and phone number.

*What should I do if I receive an email from NALMS that looks suspicious?*

1. If you're certain that it's not from NALMS, mark it as spam in your email client. This lets your email provider know that you've received something that doesn't look quite right.



2. If you're not sure if it actually came from NALMS, let us know by forwarding it to us at [info@nalms.org](mailto:info@nalms.org).

### **Survey to Improve Science Communications with Lake Managers**

In an effort to improve science communication to interdisciplinary collaborators, our research team has created a survey aimed at gathering lake manager experiences with and perspectives on working with scientists. This project is a group effort stemming from the [Global Lake Ecological Observatory Network \(GLEON\) All Hands' Meeting](#) in 2018. The idea arose from a discussion about wanting to better disseminate science to management organizations in order to ensure all current, relevant knowledge is available for protecting our lakes. We are aiming to get insights from managers about:

- the challenges they face in managing lake ecosystems,
- the role of science in lake management planning and decision-making, and
- how we can more efficiently communicate in order to effectively collaborate together.

Results from the survey will:

- be published in an open access, peer-reviewed journal, and
- help inform the next phase of the project which is to develop tools that can assist scientists with communicating their research to managers.

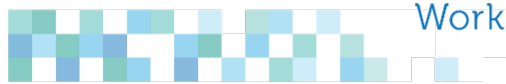
If you are a lake manager responsible for the development and implementation of management action, please consider sharing your experiences and insight in our survey (weblink: [www.surveymonkey.com/r/Y65L395](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Y65L395)). Sharing this weblink with your network is also highly appreciated! The survey is 25 questions and estimated to take 20 minutes. Thank you for your consideration. Questions related to this project can be addressed to [MANTEL@nioo.knaw.nl](mailto:MANTEL@nioo.knaw.nl).

## NALMS Affiliate News

In this issue, we have updates from the **Florida Lake Management Society (FLMS)** and the **New York State Federation of Lake Associations (NYSFOLA)**.

[Check out their updates...](#)

### 12th NATIONAL MONITORING CONFERENCE



Working Together for Clean Water

April 2021



### *Save the Date!*

The National Water Quality Monitoring Council will host its 12th National Monitoring Conference during the week of April 19, 2021, likely in Providence, Rhode Island. All federal, state, tribal and local water professionals, nonprofits, academia, and volunteer citizen scientists are welcome at this important national forum.

**Look for the call for abstracts soon!**

## Conferences & Events

### Wednesday Wildflower Walk

Beaver Watershed Alliance; Arkansas Native Plant Society; & Ozark Chapter,

Arkansas Native Plant Society

July 8, 2020 // Rogers, Arkansas

◆ **Webinar: An Introduction to Lake Ecosystems – A New York State Perspective**

July 9, 2020 @ 10:00 am – 11:00 am EDT // New York State Federation of Lake Associations & Syracuse University Environmental Finance Center

**Paint the Lake Fundraiser featuring Michael Israel**

Chautauqua Lake Association

July 9, 2020 // Mayville, New York

**Online Course: Pond Design, Management, and Maintenance**

July 14 – 15, 2020 // Rutgers University

◆ **CLRMA Webinar**

July 15, 2020 @ 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm EDT // Colorado Lake and Reservoir Management Association

**Lake Hopatcong Foundation Virtual Auction**

July 20 – 23, 2020 // Lake Hopatcong Foundation

◆ **Webinar: Towns and Lakes Working Together Through Zoning and Water Quality Issues**

July 23, 2020 @ 10:00 am – 11:00 am EDT // New York State Federation of Lake Associations & Syracuse University Environmental Finance Center>

◆ = NALMS Affiliate Organization

Let us know what your NALMS Affiliate Organization is up to and we'll share it in an upcoming issue of *NALMS Notes*.

- [Email the details to us.](#)
- [Don't forget to add your event to our online calendar of events.](#)

# Latest Articles from *Lake and Reservoir Management*

*NALMS Student, Professional, Life and organizational memberships include full online access to Lake and Reservoir Management articles.*

## **Invasive bivalve establishment as a secondary effect of eradication-focused nuisance aquatic plant management**

David L. Holbrook, Aaron N. Schad, Gary O. Dick, Lynde L. Dodd & James H. Kennedy // Published online: 01 Jun 2020

## **Note: Limnological characteristics of Missouri reservoirs: synthesis of a long-term assessment**

John R. Jones, Anthony P. Thorpe & Daniel V. Obrecht // Published online: 26 May 2020

## **Assessing the hierarchy of long-term environmental controls on diatom communities of Yellowstone National Park using lacustrine sediment records**

Victoria L. Shaw Chraïbi & Sherilyn C. Fritz // Published online: 19 May 2020

## **Tracking ~200 years of water quality in Muskrat Lake, a eutrophic lake trout lake in Ontario (Canada) with cyanobacterial blooms**

Brigitte Simmatis, Clare Nelligan, Kathleen M. Rühland, Adam Jeziorski, Victor Castro, Andrew M. Paterson & John P. Smol // Published online: 18 May 2020

## **Book review: Internal phosphorus loading in lakes: Causes, case studies and management**, edited by Alan D. Steinman and Bryan M. Spears. Plantation (FL):

J. Ross Publishing, 2020. 466 pp. ISBN: 978-1-6042-7822-4.

Kenneth J. Wagner // Published online: 15 May 2020

## **Hypolimnetic oxygenation 4. Effects on turbidity in Camanche Reservoir and its downstream fish hatchery**

Alex J. Horne // Published online: 15 May 2020

## **Assessing phosphorus distribution and bioavailability in Lake Decatur, IL**

Marcel L. Dijkstra, Miles J. Corcoran, John J. Sloan & Brittany L. Lutz // Published online: 06 May 2020

**Comparison of qPCR and traditional beach monitoring methods at select Great Lakes beaches and the impact on beach management**

Aaron Campbell & Greg Kleinheinz // Published online: 01 May 2020



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