

Dedicated to the care and preservation of our lakes, for the enjoyment and safety of all.

Join us!



when do we do what we do?

WCOLA has monthly meetings May through September on the third Saturday of those months. We encourage any and all interested people to attend our meetings. We begin at 8:30 a.m. with coffee and friendship. At 9:00 a.m. we are entertained and educated by our guest speaker. From 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. we conduct our business meeting. These meetings are when we gather together to laugh, listen, brainstorm and form a plan of action for the future.



where are we?

Our meetings are held at the Wabana Town Hall on Route 49 in Wabana Township. Our work is carried out on the Wabana Chain of Lakes (Trout, Little Trout, Wabana and Bluewater) and their surrounding lands.



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find out more about us

www.WCOLA.org

For more information please come to a meeting or contact our Membership Committee chair, Alida Zimmerman at 218-327-3188. You can view past copies of our newsletter at www.WCOLA.org.

We hope you will choose to join our association for an annual fee of \$30.00. Please send your membership information and dues to:

Wabana Chain of Lakes Association
Jean Koewler, Treasurer
32040 Wakeman Bay Trail
Grand Rapids, MN 55744

Your Information:

Name _____

Address 1 _____

Address 2 _____

Phone 1 _____

Phone 2 _____

Email _____

who are we?

We are the Wabana Chain of Lakes Association (WCOLA).

We are a community of individuals who love the surrounding lakes and all that they afford us. We are a group of active, interested and concerned neighbors.



what do we do?

We work hard to preserve our chain of lakes – their clarity and quality, their history and social community so that they may be enjoyed now and in the years to come.

how do we do that?

We work with and pay attention to how the policies, practices and requirements of local agencies and offices might impact our chain of lakes. Examples:

- We have worked with the County to gain 90% compliance of new shoreline septic systems within Wabana Township.
- We have worked with the Chippewa National Forest to match funding on projects that have helped to maintain the beauty and cleanliness of Joyce's Point as public awareness and traffic have increased.
- We have volunteers who provide road clean-up twice a year. The County supports us in this project by supplying us with reflective vests and plastic garbage bags.
- We bring fun, educational and pertinent speakers to our meetings.
- We continue to work with State and local labs to test the clarity and quality of our waters.
- We share our stories, family histories, photos and resources to promote and recognize the history that this area has to offer. Some of that local history is on display at the Wabana Town Hall.
- We have staffed the public boat accesses to inspect boats for noxious weeds.
- We publish five newsletters per year to help keep our members informed.
- We meet monthly (May – September) to continue our current projects and pursue new ideas.



why are we members?

We are members because:

- Our membership will allow us to participate in an organization of active and interested people.
- Our membership will allow that group to speak and to be heard.
- We want to know our neighbors and stay connected in our rural community.