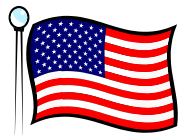
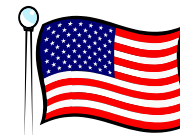


# The Three Lakes Development Association



## (TLDA) Newsletter



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TLDA Fall Meeting Minutes  
August 29, 2020

**Roll Call:** Elizabeth called the ZOOM virtual meeting to order (approximately 20 members were present) at 9:10 am.

**Present:** Board members Elizabeth Simonson, Gary Lindberg, Carla Montgomery, Renee McAdamis, Chris Magney, Pat Smith, Bill Kubiak, Michelle Lyons, and Bill Lowry; and Ad Hoc members Peter Jongewaard and Gordy Westendorf,

**Absent:** Ad Hoc member Ken Maeckelbergh.

**Secretary's Report:** Minutes from the June 6, 2020 meeting were read. Motion by Michelle Lyons to accept the minutes as written, seconded by Carla Montgomery, motion approved.

### **Financial Report:**

|                                 |            |
|---------------------------------|------------|
| Expense - New Batteries for AED | \$ 129.45  |
| TLDA Balance                    | \$3,828.54 |
| Expense - Water Quality Testing | \$ 255.00  |
| Water Quality Balance           | \$1,707.49 |

Dues invoices will be sent out this fall. There have been some concerns about people not having signs and have paid their memberships. If you are a member, and do not have a sign, please e-mail Elizabeth so we have a list and can clean-up our records.

### **TLDA 2020 Schedule of Events**

#### **(Remaining):**

September 26 Fall road and garden clean-up (9:00 a.m.) – meet at the “T”

November 28 Burning of the brush pile (9:00 a.m.)

### **New Business:**

- Minutes of the General membership meetings will be posted on the web page for one year.
- Nominations for the Board for the coming year:

President – Elizabeth Simonson

Vice President (Dual) – Gary Lindberg and Sally Blank

Treasurer – Carla Montgomery

Secretary – Renee McAdamis

Director (Strand) – Chris Magney

Director (Rose) – Michelle Lyons

Director (Elora) – Bill Lowry

Director (Dodo) – Pat Smith

Director (At-Large) – Bill Kubiak

Motion by Michelle to accept the nominations, seconded by Bill Kubiak, motion approved.

- The water reports have been posted on the web site (go to the main page, click on “about”, click on “community projects”, scroll down to “Three Lakes Sampling Summary – July 20, 2020”.) Graphs are posted on two principal nutrient variables – chlorophyll and phosphorus for each lake. Lake Elora is showing increases for both and has been for the last several years.
- The brush pile is getting quite large this year. People have approached the board with concerns about people bringing in large trees. The brush pile is for TLDA residents only, not for contractors. Dan Hartel has done an incredible job trying to keep the pile manageable; however, he does not have the equipment to lift some of the larger logs off the pile, which may require hiring someone to remove them (it shouldn't have to come out of Dan's pocket). The St. Louis County Land Department approves the brush pile in 5-year increments. The DNR gives us the permit through the Cloquet Forestry Department out of Virginia/Eveleth. It is up to all residents to be more

responsible.

- Memorial Garden – Please do not leave signs by the garden advertising stuff such as mosquito removal, roofing signs, etc. We want to keep the garden as natural and beautiful as possible.
- Reminder for residents of Rose Lake – When out boating, due to the size of the lake being so small, remember to go counter clockwise around the lake.
- French Club 3-Miler and everything associated with it (spaghetti dinner the night before and picnic afterwards) have all been cancelled until next calendar year due to social distancing.
- There was a question concerning a lot being cleared on Hwy 49, across from Lake Dodo. Scott Twining is building a home on the west side of the road, and a boat landing on the east side.
- Jim Burho questioned what happened to the light at the intersection of Hwy 53 and Three Lakes Road; it has not been working for quite a while. Elizabeth will call and find out.
- The by-laws were not brought to this meeting for approval. The Board has reviewed them a couple of times. They are posted on the web site for your information (go to the main page, click on “about”, scroll down to “Association By-Laws”). Motion by Bill Kubiak to accept the by-laws as written, seconded by Pat Smith, a quorum was met, motion approved.
- The amount of dust generated on South Strand Lake Road was brought up. Every time they reblade the road, more dust is created. It was suggested they use class 5 on the road.

Motion by Peter Jongewaard to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Jim Burho, motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 10:00 am.  
Submitted by:  
Renee K. McAdamis, Secretary

### Memorial Day vs. Veterans Day

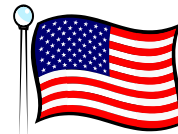
*Memorial Days is meant for remembering and honoring military personnel who died in the service of their country, particularly those who died in battle, or as a result of a wound sustained in battle. Veterans Day is intended to thank all those who have honorably served in the military – in wartime or peacetime.*

## Memorial Garden

The Memorial Garden has already been spruced up this spring. The weeds have been pulled and the mulch



roughed up to create a beautiful and welcoming site at the T. Even though the clean up is done, there is *always* room for more flowers. Several new memorials have been put in the garden.



## 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade Plans Underway

The 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade is going to take place on Sunday, July 4<sup>th</sup> beginning at 10:00 A.M. Line up for floats and other units will be at the Lake Elora and Rose Lake triangle (by Bob Watts’ house). The parade will once again have a “patriotic” theme and plans are to have the floats judged by area celebrities. Who will get to hold the coveted traveling trophy for 2021? You had better make plans to watch and see or better yet, join in the fun!

## RUMMAGE SALE



Plans are underway to have a rummage sale this year. Our target date is June 19<sup>th</sup> from 8AM-2PM. Start your spring cleaning and get your change boxes ready because one person’s “stuff” is another person’s “treasure!” If you are interested in having a sale at your residence, please let Michelle Lyons know so she can get you on the map!

## Schedule of Events

Spring Membership Meeting Sat. **June 5 9:30**

4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade **Sunday, July 4 10:00**

Fall Membership Meeting Sat, **Aug 28 9:30**

Fall road and garden clean-up  
Saturday, **September 25 9:00**



## Website News

Have you checked out our website lately? It's a must for all things TLDA: newsletters, minutes, photo, general information. Don't miss out – check it out at:

<https://threelakes.mnlakesanddrivers.org/>

We have a new thing on the TLDA website, contributed by the Jim Rich family. In 1978 Glenn Maxham interviewed Mr. Jasper Barncard on tape, Jasper and family had purchased their lot (Rich's place) in 1921. The interview (now a big 32-meg .mp3 file, thanks Liz!) is available to listen to, or download, under the "Resources" tab, then click on "Historical Development", scroll down and you'll find it with the 1940 air photo of Rose Lake. Very interesting recollections of the very early days around the Three Lakes. Many thanks to the Rich family for making this available to us all.

Here's a link to the page where you can access it:

<https://threelakes.mnlakesanddrivers.org/historical-development-2/>



The TLDA Board on behalf of the membership would like to thank Scott Carlson for installing the AED cabinet attached to the garage at 6992 Lake Elora Drive (Pat Smith's place). It was installed several months ago and is a heated cabinet that contains the Cardiac Science G3 automatic

defibrillator. Scott was kind enough to take time from his busy day to wire the lights, alarm, and heater and the cabinet is functional and working well. There are several things everyone should know about the cabinet, though.

First, when you open the door from the top an ear-piercing alarm will sound and will continue until you close the door or 3 minutes elapse.

Second, there are two lights that will be illuminated at night. A white light will flash at night to locate the cabinet in the dark. Flashing red lights will appear when the temperature falls below about 40 degrees.

Thirdly, the cabinet has a heater and fan in it that keeps the AED functional between 123 to -4 degrees Fahrenheit. In this cold weather the AED is inside Pat's cabin. The cabin door will be left unlocked while Pat is

there. When he is gone directions on how to access the AED will be left on the cabinet door.

Thanks again Scott for your time and effort!

The Board would also like to remind everyone that knowledge of CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) is a major component with the AED in resuscitating someone who experiences a cardiac arrest. Classes are offered through the Red Cross and community education. We encourage everyone to take the class and to create a plan within your household should that emergency ever occur.

If you have any questions, feel free to call Pat at 612-221-0267.

## Brush Dump

Rumor has it that the brush dump is open once again. Several residents have already had a spring visit. Please be reminded to only dump burnable refuse in the dump (sticks, twigs, brush). It is everyone's responsibility to use the dump wisely – so please dump appropriately. New signage will be posted soon.



## Brush Burn

On Friday March 5<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 am a small but dedicated crew began the process of burning one of the two brush piles at the Strand Lake Road Brush Pile. With 2 feet of snow on the ground and similar blanket on top of the pile the task appeared in the words of Jack MacNally “futile” but by noon we had enough of a blaze to attract a few locals who joined us for lunch. With the help of clear skies and a steady breeze the pile continued to burn through the afternoon and evening under the watchful eyes of the crew and many visitors. By Saturday morning all that remained were the edges of the pile. These edges continued to be worked till Sunday when a friendly neighbor with a skid steer stopped by to push the remains to the center where they were burned to ash.

The second pile was lit on the morning of Friday March 12<sup>th</sup>. This pile started much better thanks to a week of mild weather that melted much of the snow cover on the pile. Again, a small crew with weed burners and leaf blowers worked the fire steadily throughout the day. Again, the fire continued into the evening under the watchful eyes of our dedicated volunteers. On Saturday the skid steer arrived to push the remains to the center to burn all to ash.

The crew led by Kurt Gronseth consisted of Jack and Keegan MacNally, Peter Jongewaard, Bill Lowry, Fred Zorn, John Gulland, Greg Larson, Dan Hartel, Tyler Gronseth, Paul Pichetti, Tom Serre, Kevin and Brendan Johnson, and Jack Stebe. It is estimated that it took over 150 volunteer hours to complete this burn. Due to the wind storm this year’s pile was especially large. We are very thankful for the innumerable volunteer hours put in by Dan Hartel on his skid steer managing the pile through the summer and fall. Going forward it is important for all TLDA Members to remember this is a brush pile maintained by volunteers for the benefit of TLDA members. It is not intended for use by non-members or professional tree services or contractors. Do not bring materials from outside the TLDA membership area. When dumping brush please follow these simple rules.

## Rule #1 Brush Only

No stumps, no building or demolition materials, no logs, no rotten firewood, no more wood chips.

We hope to designate an area for logs that can be cut into firewood. There is an area designated for leaves and other yard waste.

Please read the signs and follow the rules, when leaving brush please place it on the pile. Don’t just dump and run.

We are allowed to operate this site at the pleasure of St. Louis County. If it cannot be maintained or is abused it will be shut down.

All trash should be hauled to the Cotton canister site or Voyageur’s Landfill in Canyon.



## Bob's "Corner of the World"



## Safety Issues

### God Bless The Red, White And Blue

*Dear Lord, I've fought for freedom  
for many nights and days  
It's now on bended knee I come to you  
These words please hear me pray.*

*For all my friends and patriots  
who never said a word  
Just raised their hand and gave a nod  
When they were asked to serve.*

*Please honor them and hold them  
Your love keep them from harm  
May they find some peace tonight  
In Your loving arms.*

*For all who love this country  
and stood up so brave and true,  
It's only for her rights we fight  
God bless the red, white and blue.*

*Amen*

## French Club News

Mass will once again be held beginning Saturday, May 29<sup>th</sup> at 5:30. Mass will be held outdoors at the grotto unless it is raining, then it will be held in the club. Watch for additional Club events coming this summer.

### Ask the expert



**Dear Expert: Do I need a permit for a buoy or swim raft?  
If so, how much does a permit cost?**

MN Rules 6110.1800 state a permit is needed if a temporary structure, such as a buoy or swim raft which does not extend from shore, is left in the waters between the hours of sunset and sunrise. A written permit must be obtained from the DNR where the buoy or swim raft is located.

There is a \$10.00 permit application fee and it is valid for a two year period.



**Safety Begins at the Dock** - Before heading out for the 2021 boating season, take the time to check and inventory all safety equipment aboard your boat to make sure it is in proper working order. This will give you peace of mind, knowing it is ready if you need it, and will help prevent an unpleasant experience if your vessels boarded by the Coast Guard.

**Fire Extinguishers** - Check all fire extinguishers, and make sure they are fully charged. Check to see that there are no signs of corrosion. If there is any doubt on the condition of the unit, replace it or take it to licensed fire extinguisher company to have it serviced.

**Life Jackets** - The law requires one PFD ("Personal Flotation Device") for each person on board your vessel. There are different types of PFD's depending on the type of boating to be done (offshore or inland). You must have the proper size PFD for each person on board. Check the condition of all PFDs for punctures, rips or deterioration. If any of these conditions exist, replace them immediately. Of the 2007 State boating fatalities, more than half (56%) of the victims drowned. Of that group, 67% were not wearing a life jacket.

**Speed** - Excessive speed can be one of the most serious and easily corrected hazards on the water. Always proceed with caution according to the prevailing conditions of the time including weather, sea conditions, and the number of vessels around your area. Excessive speed accounted for 33% of reported accidents resulting from collisions with other vessels in the State in 2007.

**Alcohol** - While out enjoying your boating activities on the water, remember the .08 drunk boating law. This law is the same for operating a vessel on the water as operating a car on the highway. The legal blood alcohol content level limit is .08% and if convicted is punishable up to a \$1,000 fine or six months in jail or both. Keep your family and friends safe. As a responsible captain, save having a beer or cocktail until you are safely at anchor or at a dock. 25% of 2007 State boating fatalities were found to be alcohol-related, where testing could be conducted.

**PWC** - Although personal watercraft account for only 21% of all vessels in MN, they were involved in 52% of all boating injuries. Excessive speed was the number one cause of PWC accidents.

Overall, boating is a pretty healthy and safe family sport. Accidents and fatalities are on the decrease. But you need to be responsible and heed the above issues to keep enjoying your boat.



**Safety First !**



## Obituaries



**Mary Josephine Lowry**, 89, of Duluth, died on Tuesday, Nov. 24, 2020 in her daughter Kathy's home, with her daughters by her bedside.

Mary was born in Duluth on January 22, 1931 to Mary and Edward Casey. She graduated from Stanbrook Hall in Duluth in 1949. She met the love of her life, Dick, in

grade school and they had been together over 74 years. They were married on August 22, 1953 at Holy Rosary Chapel. Mary and Dick raised six kids whom they loved dearly. She was a very loving wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. While raising a family in Woodland, she enjoyed sewing, knitting, and playing bridge. In 1968, Mary went to work at the Glass Block for the Christmas season, retiring in 1997. In retirement, she loved volunteering at the St. Mary's gift shop for 13 years.

In 1985, Mary and Dick built a permanent home on Lake Elora, where they lived for 16 years. In 2001 they moved to Baypoint Apartments on Park Point, and in 2015 to Ecumen Lakeshore Independent Living community, where they enjoyed many friends. Mary also enjoyed spending time with "The Mermaids".

Mary was preceded in death by her husband of over 66 years, who died this June, Richard "Dick" Lowry; parents; brothers, Edward and John; and great-grandson, Benjamin Dallum.

Mary is survived by her daughters, Kathleen (Peter) Nielsen and Nancy (John) Dallum; sons, John (Becky), Bill (Crys), Patrick (Diane), and Michael (Jayne); grandchildren, Marcus (Amanda) Dallum, Timothy (Sarah) Dallum, Allison Dallum, Ian (Hailey) Lowry, Mary (Brett) Erickson, Tressa (Zach) Haataja, Katelyn (Chad) Naze, Daniel Lowry, Molly Lowry, Amie (Kyle) Brower, Torie Mlodozyniec, and Sarah Mlodozyniec; 14 great-grandchildren; sister, Eileen Jobin; and several beloved nieces and nephews.

The family would like to extend a very special thank you to Mary's loving and caring physicians, Dr. Paul A. Jones, Dr. Susan Ash, Dr. Michael Maddy, Dr. Timothy Rich, and their staffs.

Private family service to be held at a later date. Memorials preferred to St. Mary's Medical Center Auxiliary.

Please share online condolences and photos at [SunriseFuneralHomeandCemetery.com](http://SunriseFuneralHomeandCemetery.com)

**Anne Elizabeth (Tessier) Larson**, age 66, of Hermantown, died Thursday, December 31, 2020 at Edgewood Vista in Hermantown. She was born January 23, 1954 Duluth to Maurice and Eileen (Fournier) Tessier. Anne was a 1972 graduate



of Hermantown High School where she was involved with Cheerleading, the Drama Club, and was Homecoming Queen. She married Clyde Larson on October 22, 1977. Anne started her career with Burlington Northern, followed by the Hermantown Community and Family Education, retiring in 2015. She also served on the Hermantown Park board for many years. Anne enjoyed volleyball, bowling, softball, reading, and time spent at the cabin. She loved her dogs and most of all, her family. She was preceded in death by her parents Maurice and Eileen Tessier, husband Clyde and brother Philip Tessier. Anne is survived by her sons Scott (Jen), Eric (Lindsey), and Corey (Jean); her grandchildren: Dexter, Gus and Alma Jean; her siblings: Gary (Mary) Tessier, Adrienne (Jon) Sobczak, Paul, Carolyn and Mike (Michelle) Tessier. A PRIVATE FAMILY Mass of Christian Burial will be held. Burial will be at Calvary Cemetery. Arrangements by Dougherty Funeral Home, Duluth, 218-727-3555.

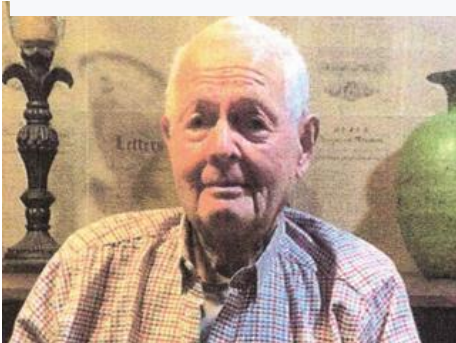
**Jervis Van Vleck “Van” Heimbach**, age 99, of Duluth passed away Saturday, December 6, 2020. He was born August 21, 1921 in Duluth to William Phillip and Jane Heimbach. Van joined the United States Army Air Corp in 1942 and became a fighter pilot flying P-51 Mustangs in the European Theater as a flight leader. He flew 52 long range missions, rising to the rank of Captain; he was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and Air Medal with 5 Clusters. In December of 1943, Van was united in marriage to Janet McCabe Miller in Mission, Texas, upon graduation from flying school. He spent his working years in “timber cruising” retail lumber and millwork, real estate, property management and banking.

Van and Janet raised three sons in Duluth. They moved to Rose Lake in 1968 to enjoy a simple country environment. Van enjoyed riding his Harley Davidson motorcycle, which he rode even into his 80’s.

He was preceded in death by his son, John and wife, Janet.

Van is survived by his sons, Robert (Kathy) and David; grandchildren, Ann Heimbach, Dr. Julie Heimbach (David Albrecht) and Robert Heimbach (Shelly); great-grandchildren, Kathryn and Tyler Koski, Harrison and Sydney Albrecht, Karly and Ava Heimbach; and two great-great-grandchildren, Maven and Molly.

At Van’s request, no services will be held. However, he did wish that all who knew him could celebrate his life, each in their own way. Take a hike, catch a fish, tell a good story, read a book, play a round of golf, make a good martini. Enjoy life and good friends, it’s gone quickly. Services entrusted to the Cremation Society of Minnesota in Duluth.



**David Ellis Roden**, 81 of Duluth passed away peacefully April 14, 2021 at Solvay Hospice House in Duluth. Dave was born February 14, 1940 in Fargo, ND to Vivian and Stewart Roden. Dave married Mary Anne Rovello August 5, 1961 in Duluth, MN. Dave enjoyed a long career in the grocery business where he started his career as a grocery bagger with National supermarkets. From there he progressed into management and ultimately acted as store manager for the National stores located in Duluth Heights, 6th Avenue East and Superior. In 1970 Dave began a career that spanned decades with Gateway Foods. Dave started as field salesman and ultimately ended his career acting as Division President with Fleming Foods. In 1992, he along with partners, owned and operated Jubilee and Festival Foods stores located in Duluth, Virginia, Pine City and Walker, Minnesota, as well as Superior, Wisconsin. Dave’s favorite times were spent with family and friends at his cabin on Lake Elora and winters in Fort Myers Beach, Florida where he could always be found enjoying a Windsor diet coke and fresh bag of popcorn. Above all Dave loved his wife Mary Anne, his children, grandchildren, and great grandson. Dave was an extremely generous person and throughout his life he taught us the true meaning of integrity, honesty, strength, courage and the of love of family. Dave is survived by his wife of 61 years, Mary Anne. Children: Cindy (Gordy Westendorf), Anne Marie (Jim) Bergman, Mary Beth (Kurt) Gronseth, and Brad (Mary Kay) Roden. Grandchildren: Micayla (Colin) Berg, Brianna, Kiara, Garrett, and Joshua Westendorf; Dan (Kari), Hannah, Tanner (Megan Cornelison) Bergman, Allyson and Tyler Gronseth; Emma and Tiegan Roden. and great grandson Ryker Bergman; Sisters: Susan (Robert) Thomson, Dona Roden and many nieces and nephews. Preceded in death by his parents Vivian and Stewart Roden, sisters Phylis Sornsin, Virginia Grady and brother Donald Roden. A private family service will be held with interment at Calvary Cemetery. In lieu of flowers memorials preferred to Solvay Hospice House. Arrangements by Dougherty Funeral Home, 600 E. 2nd St., Duluth, MN 218-727-3555 please visit [www.dfhduluth.com](http://www.dfhduluth.com) to sign the online guestbook.



**Jeanne Mendoza** passed away peacefully in her home surrounded by family on February 17, 2021 as a result of complications stemming from Covid-19. Jeanne was born to Russell and Naomi Doty on July 27, 1944 – the 3rd of 8 children. She married the love of her life and best friend, Donald Mendoza, on October 20, 1967. The focus of their lives has been raising two wonderful children and their seven beautiful grandchildren. Jeanne taught biology within ISD 709 for almost 30 years, 20 of which were at Duluth East High School. Jeanne loved teaching biology during this time because new discoveries in science were constant and she was eager to share this new knowledge with her students. After retirement, Don and Jeanne spent many enjoyable years traveling to Hilton Head Island, relaxing at their cabin on Rose



Lake with their family, and faithfully participating as members of Glen Avon Presbyterian Church. Jeanne bravely fought serious health issues, such as breast cancer and chronic lymphocytic leukemia, throughout which Don was her “rock and the best caregiver anyone could ask for,” according to Jeanne. She was known for her unwavering faith and deep devotion to her Lord and Savior, who she accepted into her life at the age

of 9. She enjoyed quilting, walks around the lake, spending time with her family, and reading novels in her free time. She is known for her immense generosity and infectious smile. Jeanne often said she hopes her legacy for her grandchildren is that they keep their life in the will of God. Jeanne was preceded in death by her father and mother, Russell and Naomi Doty, brother Ralph Doty, and brother-in-law Edwin Bashaw, Donald’s parents, H. James and Ruth Johnson, and his sister Marion Johnson. She is survived by her husband Donald Mendoza, her daughter Deborah Mendoza and granddaughters Lauren and Holly, her son James (Katie) Mendoza and grandchildren Simon, Andrew, Clare, John, and James, her six siblings Will (Marge) Doty, Linda Bashaw, Gary (Marcia) Doty, Peggy (Tim) White, Dan (Jeanne) Doty, Barb (Dave) Juntune, sister-in-law Diane Doty, and faithful friend, Sheila Christianson.

A public visitation will be Saturday, Feb. 27, from 10 a.m. to the 11 a.m. private family services. A private family service will be held on February 27, 2021 at Dougherty Funeral Home. You can live-stream Jeanne’s service, starting at 10:55am, Saturday, Feb. 27th at, <https://www.facebook.com/dfhduluth>.

A celebration of Jeanne’s life will be held this summer at her beloved cabin on Rose Lake, which friends and family are encouraged to join. Memorials are preferred and may be directed to Don Mendoza, c/o Dougherty Funeral Home. Arrangements by Dougherty Funeral Home, 600 E 2nd St. Duluth, MN 55805, (218) 727-3555.

**Craig Lorentzson**, age 54 of St. Paul passed away January 8, 2021. Craig was an avid fisherman, hockey player and cyclist. Survived by parents, Harold “Sonny” and Beverly Lorentzson; sister, Kelly Alexander; brother, Eric (Tiffany) Lorentzson; nieces,



Morgan Alexander, Paige Lorentzson and Sydney (Jared) Sachs; nephews, Blake Alexander and Grant Lorentzson. Due to Covid restrictions, a private service is being held. In lieu of flowers, please donate to Let’s Go Fishing at [Lgfw.com](http://Lgfw.com).



# Road Clean Up! Wish you were there!

