

July 15, 2026



Good Morning, Everyone.

First, thank you to Sue, Denny, Stephanie, Todd, and the entire Dillman's Resort staff for once again hosting the White Sand Lake Association Annual Meeting.

Thank you as well to the approximately 70 members who attended last Saturday's meeting. It was a beautiful morning on the shores of White Sand Lake, and we appreciate everyone who took the time to participate.

Here is a brief recap of the meeting.

1) U.S. Representative Tom Tiffany was a special guest and answered questions on topics that were of concern to membership.

2) Board Election

A total of **89 ballots** were cast, with no write-in candidates. Congratulations to **Clark Albert, Ray Frigo, Connie Winter, and Mike Rummel**, who were all reelected to their positions.

In addition, **17 members expressed interest in serving on Association committees or the Board**. Thank you for your willingness to get involved and support our lake community.

3) Federal Court Hearing

We reviewed the legal action recently filed in the U.S. District Court. The Association is asking the Federal Court to transfer the Tribal Court proceedings filed against the White Sand Lake Association to Federal Court and to allow the reopening of the Association's public landing. (one page summary: <https://whitesandlakelfd.com/landing/#FederalCase>)

An in-person hearing on this motion has been scheduled for:

Tuesday, August 11, 2026; 10:00 a.m.

Federal Courthouse
120 N. Henry Street, Suite 320
Madison, WI 53703

This hearing is open to the public, and members are strongly encouraged to attend. The proceedings may last several hours. If you believe you will attend, please contact me so we have an estimate of the number of members who will be present.

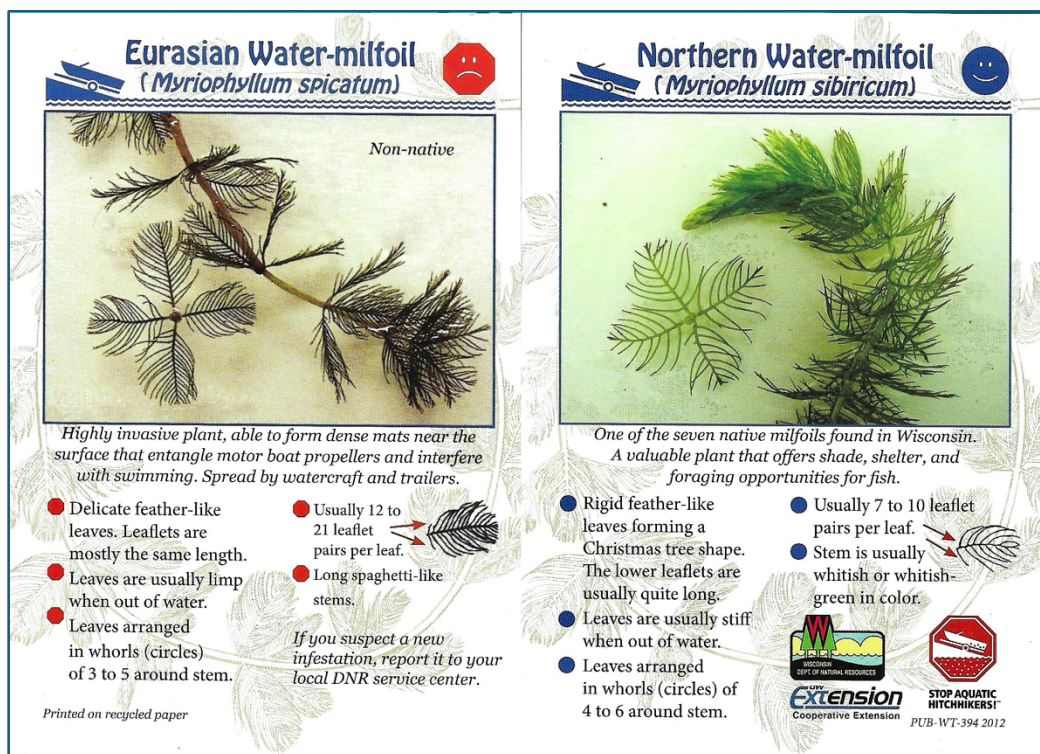
4) Eurasian Watermilfoil (EWM) Update

You will notice that the largest concentrations of Eurasian Watermilfoil (EWM) remain in the southeast portion of the lake. However, mature stands of EWM are now being found throughout White Sand Lake. ***Please review the attached lake map at the end of this newsletter.***

Please use the attached identification card and photographs to help identify EWM along your shoreline.

If you believe you have found EWM, please collect a six-inch sample, place it in a zip-top bag, and have it identified by the Tribal Natural Resources Department (TNR):

Tribal Natural Resources Department
1095 Old Abe Road
Lac du Flambeau, WI
54538



You may also contact **Gabe Bowman**, Aquatic Invasive Species Coordinator, at gbowman@ldftribe.com or (715) 904-1664.

Several shoreline property owners are also working to secure an outside vendor to assist the Tribal Natural Resources Department with removing EWM from the lake.

5) Northwoods Art Tour: Don't miss the **Northwoods Art Tour**, taking place **July 24–26**.

Learn more and download the tour brochure here: <https://www.northwoodsarttour.com/get-brochure>

One of the featured artists is right here on White Sand Lake:
www.sandlaketrading.com.

6) Melanie Rummel recently attended one of **Dillman's art workshops** and shared an enthusiastic review of her experience. If you've ever considered taking a class, learn more here: <https://www.dillmans.com/art-workshops/>

Lastly...

Did anyone lose this handsome fellow?

He was found taking an early morning swim along the west shore.



Finally, if you haven't already done so, please take a moment to **renew your White Sand Lake Association membership**:

<https://forms.gle/9tn7DHCzVDFyAQgt9>

Thank you for your continued support of the White Sand Lake Association. **Working together, we can help preserve and protect this special place for generations to come.**

Respectfully submitted,

Clark J. Albert
President
White Sand Lake Association

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