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Wisconsin Lakes Group Seeks Nominations for Stewardship Honors

Do you know someone who has made a difference in the protection and preservation of one or more of Wisconsin's lakes?

The Wisconsin Association of Lakes (WAL) wants you to nominate them for a Lake Stewardship Award, which will be announced at the Wisconsin Lakes Partnership convention in Green Bay on Saturday, April 12, 2003.

"You can say thanks and let others know of the good work done by submitting a nomination for a Lake Stewardship Award," according to Donna Sefton, Executive Director of WAL.

The Wisconsin Lakes Partnership – WAL, UW-Extension, and DNR -- annually gives awards in five categories: individual citizen; organized group; youth groups or other groups involved in the Adopt-A-Lake program; public official or employee; and business.

"These are the highest awards any person or organization can receive for protecting and enhancing Wisconsin lakes," Sefton added.

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Winners and all nominees will be recognized at the Wisconsin Lake Stewardship luncheon at the climax of the state-wide convention. Department of Tourism Secretary Kevin Shibilski has been invited to attend the awards celebration.

“These awards are designed to recognize an individual or group for an outstanding contribution of time and effort toward the well-being of Wisconsin lakes, the community and natural life in the state,” added Roger Walsh, president of WAL.

The awards are based on the following criteria:

- Participation in a diverse range of lake activities and substantial investment of time.
- Demonstration of benefits to a lake (or lakes), and a willingness to share skills and information with others.
- A commitment to teaching others about good lake stewardship.

Nomination details may be printed from the WAL website, at www.wisconsinlakes.org, or requested by e-mail to info@wisconsinlakes.org. The information is also available by calling the WAL offices at 800-542-5253 or 608-662-0923. Nominations must be submitted to WAL at One Point Place, Suite 101, Madison, WI 53719 before February 17, 2003.

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