

# MAH-WASH-KESH

#### CONSERVATION ASSOCIATION

NEWS ..... JUNE 1993



### GOOD NEWS! WE DID RECEIVE A GRANT FOR SUMMER HELP!

The newly formed Stewardship Committee of the association is pleased to announce that our project has been granted full funding from the Ministry of the Environment's Environmental Youth Corps. We may hire two technicians for 9 weeks at \$7.00 an hour.

This job will involve monitoring boat traffic, conducting a creel census, liaison with the MNR, MOE, OPP, etc., monitoring for zebra mussel and purple loosestrife, monitoring shoreland activity, collecting basic weather data, fauna and flora surveys, performing MOE water quality testing, promoting the Wah Wash Kesh Conservation Association, and other functions including completion of a season-end report.

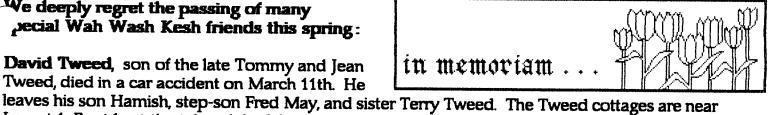
Positions are reserved for those 15 to 24 years old (up to age 29 for disabled. At least one of the applicants will need access to a boat, for which there will be a \$50 per week allowance. The job will begin on July 5th and terminate on September3rd. If you know of a good candidate, please pass along the enclosed information sheet.

We deeply regret the passing of many pecial Wah Wash Kesh friends this spring:

David Tweed, son of the late Tommy and Jean Tweed, died in a car accident on March 11th. He

Lovesick Rapids at the inlet of the Magnetawan River.

in memoriam



Glenn Mundy, who owned Toggle Point in the Top Lake, died on April 15th. He was a founder of the association and a staunch advocate. He served on the Executive for many years, as a board member and as Secretary. Glenn constantly endeavored to achieve two goals all of us have wished for - the improvement of walleye fishing and replacement of the dam. He leaves his wife Mid and daughters Kate, Ellen, Martha and Julie, his son Danny, and 12 grandchildren.

Albert Bottrell, whose father, Ed, started Linger Long Lodge, died on April 27th. He had worked on the lake at both Wah Wash Kesh Lodge and Morton's Point. Before moving to a retirement home in Parry Sound, he lived in a house on Wah Wash Kesh Road. Albert leaves his wife Alice, three grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Sally Weaver, a doctor of anthropology and distinguished professor at the University of Waterloo who was widely respected for her work, died on May 5th. She leaves her husband Dr. David Weaver. Sally consistently supported the association and rarely missed a meeting. The Weaver cottage is in dian Narrows.

Barbara Wigston, member of a well-known Wah Wash Kesh family, died on May 15th. Her summer home was on Wigston's Island in the Top Lake. She is survived by her husband Arnold and sons Allen and Guy. The daughter of Isabelle Griffin, Barbara is also survived by her sisters, Stephanie Griffin and Frances Schurman.

## Wah Wash Kesh DUMP SITES could close - MEETING set for June 29th

The Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) currently operates waste disposal sites in unorganized areas, such as McKenzie township. (Most of our lake is in McKenzie township.) The MNR has been experiencing problems such as unregulated use of the dumps, dumping of hazardous and prohibite wastes, reduced funding, and revised environmental regulations causing higher operating costs.

For these reasons, the MNR is re-examining its responsibility for operation of such dump sites. Options being considered on a site-by-site basis are: selection of a contractor to maintain the site with user fees, assigning the operation to a citizen group to maintain under approval from MNR, or closing the sites and people would need to use other dumps.

An **OPEN HOUSE** at the **Dunchurch Community Center** on **Tuesday, June 29th** at **7 p.m.** will allow users of the <u>Auld's Road</u> and <u>Wah Wash Kesh Lake</u> (Bennett's Bay) dump sites to express their views, ask questions and help the MNR select a suitable management option.

If you can arrange to be at the lake then, get involved! Attend this important meeting!

The COTTAGEDIRECTORY will be mailed in June



to <u>current</u> members of the association. The number of copies will be limited. If you have not yet paid your **1993 DUES**, do so soon if you would like a copy of the new Directory. Dues notices are enclosed for those who have <u>not</u> yet paid.

February newsletters were returned... can anyone notify Ginnie or Paul of their new addresses?

John & June Fraser Mark Herrin Norman Percy

1993 SOCIAL EVENTS CALENDAR

<u>Wiener Roast</u> -Saturday, July 17th

<u>Information Meeting</u> -Thursday, July 29th

Annual Meeting - Saturday, July 31st

<u>Corn Roast</u> -Saturday, August 14th

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