

## Your lake needs you!



A healthy Clear Lake is critical to this area's economic and recreational vitality. Whether your interest in the lake is fishing, swimming, sailing, skiing, or simply enjoying its beauty, you have a stake in the continued improvement of our wonderful treasure.

By becoming a member of APCL, you will stay informed on the progress of the various cleanup efforts, through

- Quarterly newsletter
- Annual picnic
- Access to Association contacts

You can also make your voice heard on important lake protection issues.



## Get involved!

Yes! I wish to help protect Clear Lake by becoming a member of the Association for the Preservation of Clear Lake.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

### Membership Type

- |  |         |
|--|---------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Individual                  | \$10    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family                      | \$20    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bronze                      | \$100   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Silver                      | \$250   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gold                        | \$500   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Platinum                    | \$1,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Diamond > \$1,000 (specify) | _____   |

### Be more involved?

- I am interested in serving on the APCL Board of Directors.

Make check payable to "APCL" and mail along with this response form to

Association for the Preservation of Clear Lake  
PO Box 54  
Clear Lake IA 50428

## Let's *keep* Clear Lake clear!



Protecting Clear Lake since 1940



The Association for the Preservation of Clear Lake is a group of private citizens dedicated solely to the protection and enhancement of North Iowa's most valuable natural resource - Clear Lake.

A 501(c)(3) organization  
[www.clearproject.net/apcl](http://www.clearproject.net/apcl)

## How APCL has helped Clear Lake

Throughout its many years, the APCL has contributed greatly to the improvement of Clear Lake. Important historic projects have included:

- Assisting with creation of Clear Lake Sanitary District, which initially completed the sanitary sewer system around lake in the 1950s.
- Helping secure lands to protect the watershed, including McIntosh Woods State Park, Ventura Marsh Wildlife Area, and McIntosh Wildlife Area.
- Collecting water samples and funding water quality investigations and studies.

In more recent years, the APCL has continued its important work:

- Assisting with the establishment of the CLEAR Project.
- Providing financial and administrative support for the "little lake" (Ventura) dredging project, and for the Ventura Marsh restoration project.
- Helping acquire beach cleaners to help reduce animal waste entering the lake.
- Helping fund watershed practices such as pervious or permeable pavers, shoreline stabilization, and rain gardens or bioretention cells.
- Providing financial assistance for fish barriers to protect adjacent marshes from destructive carp.
- Funding improvements to enhance commercial removal of carp from the lake.
- Assistance with goat grazing at McIntosh woods to improve timber stand and reduce sediment runoff.



## Into the future

The APCL is committed to helping protect the investments that have already been made in cleaning up the lake by

- Continuing to educate the public about water quality issues and protection efforts.
- Seeking additional opportunities to protect land within the watershed.
- Following expert recommendations for additional lake protection or improvement initiatives.



## How the APCL works

As a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization, the APCL is able to receive donations that are tax-deductible to its donors, and to apply for grants that require this status.

To understand what work needs to be done, and to help *get* it done, the APCL maintains strong and productive relationships with the local, state and federal government officials and agencies, and especially with the CLEAR Project Coordinator.

