#### Fall 2002 NEWSLETTER Issue 27

# FALL LSIA General Meeting & Social Thursday, October 24th at 7:00 PM Mark your calendar!

The Fall LSIA meeting is held at Independence City Hall on County Rd 90, just north of Highway 12. Topics include:

Coffee and cookies will be provided after the meeting. Come to socialize and to find out more about the Lake Sarah Improvement Association!

## 2003 LSIA Calendar

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Ice Cleanup	03/01/03	
2003 LSIA Board Elections	04/24/03	
• 6 <sup>th</sup> Annual July 4 <sup>th</sup> Boat Parade	07/04/03	
Summer General Meeting	07/24/03	
• 13 <sup>th</sup> Annual LSIA Picnic	07/27/03	
Fall General Meeting	10/23/03	

## **Wanted: Directory Updates**

By Robbie Douglas, Membership Director

Want to correct your name, address, or phone number in the Lake Sarah Area Directory? Want to add a neighbor's name or phone number? Help us keep our Directory current! Please contact Robbie Douglas NOW at 763-479-2367. The updated Directory will be published in January. Last date for corrections is 12/20/02.

## **Water Level Control Project**

By Steve Riley, Safety/Navigation Director, with Al Moen, Water Level Director

The Water Level Control Committee consists of Ron Jorgenson, Al Moen, Dick Tubesing, Ed Penney, Kim Jacobson and Steve Riley. The committee was formed in 2001 to determine the cause of high water on Lake Sarah and recommend a course of action to the LSIA Board. The driver is the high amount of water entering Lake Sarah. The ratio of acreage drained to lake area is three times normal. 3:1 is the average for most lakes; it is 7:1 for Lake Sarah. Because of all the rains in recent years, Lake Sarah has a huge inflow that cannot exit quickly.

The cause of the continuing high water level and slow outflow includes several factors:

- Inadequate 60" culvert under the CP railroad bed OR blocked outflow OR both
- Bog buildups on beaver dam
- Obstructions in culvert
- Sediment buildup in Three River Parks wetland

One of the many steps the committee is taking to resolve the issue of sediment buildup in the wetland is to survey the wetland with Otto & Associates. The survey will cover a 100'-300' cross-section, elevations on the beaver dam and old railroad trestle, culverts on Co 92 and CP Rail bed, aerial survey, and limited sediment samples.

## **Outlet Project Update**

Re: Survey of Outlet by Otto & Associates - update as of 9/13/02

Ron Jorgenson delivered Tom Emmer's canoe to the outlet as scheduled this morning at 7:30. Remarkably, the CP Rail flagman and survey crew also showed up as well. Steve Riley was on hand to brief the survey crew on what to expect when navigating the outflow as well as explain LSIA's objectives in obtaining this survey.

As of 2 PM today, Ed Otto's survey crew reports that they have completed the portion of the survey that requires the use of the CP Rail bed. They determined that we have an excellent slope of 2' from the old RR trestle to the CP Rail culvert. Yet to be determined is the slope from the CP rail culvert to the culvert under County Road 92. They will tackle that portion of the survey next week but will need to locate a smaller boat than Tom Emmer's canoe to deal with a 400' segment between the CP Rail culvert and the wooded section of the outflow; the length of this entire segment is slightly in excess of ½ mile.

As most of you know, the survey is required to complete our engineering studies to determine where to dredge the outflow and determine how much material needs to be removed from our outflow channel as it flows through the wetland owned by Three River's Parks to County 92. It will also tell us if we have the necessary slope to allow the instillation of an outflow pipe or culvert such as has been successfully installed elsewhere in similar situations. As soon as we have that information, the lake level committee chairman will meet with HCD, Mayor Swanson, Mayor Johnson, their respective engineers, DNR and Three River's Parks to determine our options and cost of same.

Our committee currently favors the instillation of a drainage pipe with a shut-off valve so that we don't have to continually remove floating bogs from our outflow and deal with sediment buildup. However, it remains to be seen whether the HCD, DNR and Three River's Parks will allow this option, assuming we have the necessary slope, and whether it is cost effective. Dredging presents its' own problems, such as how to remove and keep sediment from accumulating in the wetlands, preventing blockage from floating bogs, beavers and trees, not to mention future channel maintenance.

#### Re: Survey of Outlet by Otto & Associates - update as of 9/24/02

The fieldwork by Otto and Associates on Lake Sarah's outflow was completed on 9/23/02. Ed Otto expects to have his survey maps completed by the end of this week. Ed has been asked to immediately forward an electronic copy of the survey to the City of Greenfield's engineer and Steve Riley will be personally delivering a paper copy to Mayor Swanson and Ali at HCD. Thereafter we will review our options.

I'd like to again personally thank the members of the lake level committee for their efforts to date, as well as others who have volunteered to help, including, but not limited to: Mike Peterson, Brad Spencer, Tom Emmer, Steve Hancock, John & Jerry Wise, Ron Lyrek, Todd Zaugg, Kevin Ward, Roger Pitts, Dick Tubesing and Pat Maloney.

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Generation Watershed Management Plan public hearing November 21, 2002 at 6 p.m. Independence City Hall

Public comment period for the Plan ends on October 4, 2002. Visit

http://www.hcd.hennepin.mn.us/watershed/index.html to review the Pioneer-Sarah Creek 2nd Generation Watershed Management Plan Draft - Revised, July 12, 2002.

## **Shoreland Habitat Grants Program**

From Hennepin Conservation District

Do you hate what high water does to your grass? Native vegetation is the answer. Grant money is available to assist your efforts. Read the following and get more information.

The DNR recently sent out an announcement about their Shoreland Habitat Program grants. They will provide grants \$10,000 and up for shoreland restoration projects. This year they plan to fund larger projects of the following type (3:1 funding, DNR: Project Partner):

- Establish buffer zones along lakes and rivers
- Improve the supply or techniques for installing native aquatic plants for restoration
- Develop educational materials/forums to promote buffer zones and native aquatic plants
- Measure the effects of riparian buffer strips on water and habitat quality

For individual projects, the project has to be at least 150 feet of frontage with a 25' deep buffer. For projects on private properties, 75% of the frontage should be restored with an adjacent buffer zone of at least 25 feet depth.

The application deadline is November 1, 2002. To obtain an application, contact Carolyn Dindorf, Hennepin Conservation District, at (763)-420-2157 or email at <a href="mailto:carolyn@hcd.hennepin.mn.us">carolyn@hcd.hennepin.mn.us</a>. The DNR Contact is Kevin Bigalke at (651)-296-2548.

## Wanted: Future LSIA Board Members

Five LSIA Board of Director positions will be up for re-election in April 2003: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Government Liaison, and DNR Liaison. Though most of the Board members are willing to serve another two-year term, we are always looking for new participants. Currently, there are no candidates for the Vice President position. If you are interested, please contact Harold Burrows at 763-479-1900 for information.

## **Membership Update**

By Robbie Douglas, Membership Director

The 2002 membership total for LSIA was strong reaching 170 members compared to 145 in the year 2001. What a great way to show our support and commitment to our community! Keep an eye out for the annual membership sign-up, which should go out in January.

Superior trash numbers are also up, with a total of 70 members using the service. Talk to your neighbors and see if they are happy with their service (if they are not using Superior). We only need 5 more users to get the next price cut. If you have any membership or Superior trash questions, please call Robbie Douglas at 763-479-2367.

#### Welcome! Welcome! Welcome!

By Robbie Douglas, Membership Director

The LSIA Board members would like to take this opportunity to welcome all new neighbors who have moved on or around the lake in the year 2002. The Lake Sarah area continues to be a wonderful place to purchase your first home, raise a family, or finally get away from the hustle and bustle of the city and retire. We are fortunate to have such wonderful neighbors in such a beautiful setting. The following is a list of new neighbors in the area that we are aware of. If your name does not appear on the list and you have moved here in 2002, please call Robbie Douglas at 763-479-2367.

> David and Mary Allen\* Joey Schmitt\* Tom and Angie Goodnature\* Jim Smith\* Mary Granger\* Andy and Missy Sorensen Ryan Gustafson Brad and Laura White\* Jon and Julie Myhre Todd and Laurie Zaug\*

\*LSIA Members

Paul Russon\* and Penny George\*

## LSIA Activities in 2002

By the LSIA Board of Directors

So what is LSIA all about? Here is a collection of our year 2002 activities.

- Conducted the final non-phosphorus fertilizer program.
- Supported state legislation on non-phosphorus fertilizer usage, replacing the LSIA program.
- Monitored water clarity and lake level and provided data for the MN DNR's web site.
- Launched the Lake Sarah web site at lakesarah.com to keep residents informed on lake information.
- Coordinated passage of No Wake Zone legislation with Independence and Greenfield.
- Pursued steps toward a permanent resolution to the constrained outflow from Lake Sarah, in progress.
- Surveyed eurasian watermilfoil levels and determined that past treatments of common areas are effective.
- Encouraged owners to treat their own shorelines, which reduces the overall number of weeds in the lake.
- Participated in cleanup of debris left from icehouses.
- Printed a spring Best Practices placemat, used by Dobo's Cafe to educate area residents.
- Coordinated a group rate for trash removal service from Superior.
- Represented LSIA at meetings of Pioneer-Sarah Creek Watershed Commission and Citizens Advisory Committee.
- Provided a Lake Sarah Area Directory and spring and fall newsletters for local residents.
- Helped Lake Sarah neighbors to socialize at the summer picnic.
- Held 3 LSIA membership meetings and published minutes to keep you informed and educated.

## **LSIA Accomplishments Over the Years**

By Harold Burrows, Vice President

- Brought a proposal to the DNR that resulted in the successful construction of a rough fish barrier.
- Initiated a request to the City of Independence, the City of Medina, and the Met Council to allow a sewer hookup system for failing septic systems around Lake Sarah. Continued the lobbying efforts until an "innovative" sewer system was designed and built using approximately 94 percent government financing.
- Continued to work on solving the remainder of individual failing systems until the aforementioned entities agreed to put a major sewer system around Lake Sarah (Greenfield also) and to redo the "innovative" system that was not working correctly.
- Initiated a request with the City of Independence to build paved roads around Lake Sarah. Lobbied until it was completed. LSIA supported some new council members more willing to work with us.
- Requested the Hennepin Conservation District to do a Lake survey to find pollution problems and to recommend solutions. As a result of the recommendations, two holding ponds have been built on Loretto Creek and a third has been designed. LSIA and HCD have met with Keven Leuer who has a location for a possible detention pond that would help on Dancehall (Rush) Creek.
- Coordinated a phosphorous-free fertilizer delivery program and have submitted letters to cities and elected officials to support and implement the newly enacted statewide program.
- Coordinated the general weed treatment program as well as the eurasian milfoil program.
- Worked with the City of Independence, City of Greenfield, and the DNR to pass an All-Lake No-Wake ordinance. Continued participation in developing the 2<sup>nd</sup> Generation Watershed Management Plan.
- Completed a survey of the Lake Sarah outlet. Currently working with CP Rail, the City of Independence, the City of Greenfield, and the Hennepin Conservation District to recommend a course of action for a long-range solution to the water level problem. This may turn out to be the biggest challenge to LSIA because of the parties involved and the potential cost.

## **LSIA Financial Report**

By Kevin Ward, Treasurer

Through September 10, 2002, LSIA expenditures were \$6,853.83 vs. our total 2002 budget for expenditures of \$13,465.00. The majority of these reduced expenditures are a result of the postponement of our next Pond Retention Project and the DNR's rejection of the LSIA Milfoil Treatment Plan for Lake Sarah this year. These two projects represent a \$7,500 reduction of planned LSIA 2002 expenditures. However, both of these projects will likely be carried forward in our proposed budget plan for 2003. LSIA receipts YTD totals \$6,147.50 vs. our total 2002 budgeted receipts of \$7,856.00. The majority of this shortfall is due to the elimination of a \$1,356 grant expected from the DNR for the LSIA Milfoil Treatment Plan for Lake Sarah. LSIA funds on hand through 9/10/02 are \$2,527.01 in cash plus 2 bank CDs.

#### Lake Sarah Web Site

By Cheryl Wise, Secretary

Don't forget to bookmark the new Lake Sarah web site at <a href="www.lakesarah.com">www.lakesarah.com</a>. The web site contains a number of interesting topics such as information on the current lake level (based on data from Ed Penney), charts of recent and historic lake levels, shoreland management, information on the no-wake ordinance, and upcoming LSIA events and meetings. The web site will also be used to post LSIA Board communications to Lake Sarah residents, such as no-wake zone notices or cancellation of an event.

## **Snowmobile Regulations and Safety Tips**

By Cheryl Wise, Secretary

The Minnesota DNR has a great booklet with a summary of Minnesota's 2001-2002 snowmobile regulations, rules of the road and trail, and safety tips available on their web site at <a href="http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/regulations/snowmobile/index.html">http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/regulations/snowmobile/index.html</a>. This information is also available upon request by sending an email to the DNR Information Center at <a href="mailto:info@dnr.state.mn.us">info@dnr.state.mn.us</a> or calling them at (651) 296-6157.

Reminder: The owner or person in lawful control of a snowmobile is jointly responsible for laws broken by a minor on that snowmobile.

## Minnesota Residents

Prior to October 1, 2002, any resident of Minnesota born after December 31, 1979 must have a snowmobile safety certificate to operate a snowmobile anywhere in Minnesota including private land.

Beginning October 1, 2002, any resident of Minnesota born after December 31, 19<u>76</u> must have a snowmobile safety certificate to operate a snowmobile anywhere in Minnesota including private land.

## Snowmobile Safety Training

Minnesota offers two courses to promote snowmobile safety and to train snowmobile operators. Both courses will lead to a Snowmobile Safety Certificate upon successful completion of the course. For more information, visit the Minnesota DNR website at <a href="http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/safety/snowmobile/index.html">http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/safety/snowmobile/index.html</a>.

#### Youth and young adult course

The youth and young adult snowmobile safety course is an introductory course of approximately 11 hours designed primarily for the snowmobile rider with little or no experience in snowmobile operation. The course includes a hands-on operating field day. It is available to students age 12-17, and may be taken by individuals over 12 years of age who desire to take an introductory Snowmobile course.

#### **Adult course**

The adult snowmobile safety course is a one-session 4 hour course for snowmobile operators age 16 and over designed to show the student the most common causes for snowmobile accidents in Minnesota, and how to avoid becoming an accident statistic. The course may include a hands-on driving component if it is possible to do so. Students with little experience should talk to the instructor prior to the course, and may want to take the youth and young adult course prior to taking this course.

Both of these courses are taught by volunteer instructors with the assistance of Minnesota Conservation Officers. A Snowmobile Safety Certificate is issued to graduates of both snowmobile safety courses. Successful graduates can also have an endorsement placed on their driver's license.

## Publication Focusing on New MN Phosphorus Lawn Fertilizer Law

From Hennepin Conservation District

Starting this year, it is required by Minnesota state law to clean up any fertilizer spread or spilled on paved surfaces. Starting 2004, it is required to use 0% phosphate lawn fertilizer in the seven county metro and 3% phosphate or less lawn fertilizer in Greater Minnesota (with exceptions for new lawns or when a soil test shows need).

A NEW PUBLICATION that outlines this new law is now available through the Minnesota Office of Environmental Assistance (OEA). It is a joint production of the Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA), Minnesota Office of Environmental Assistance (OEA), University of Minnesota Extension (UM Ext) and Metro WaterShed Partners. Design and printing was done via OEA.

Take a look at the publication at www.reduce.org. There is a link to it right from their home page. Supplies are available at no cost from OEA. Call 800-877-6300 (Metro 651-215-0232), or email clearinghouse@moea.state.mn.us.

## LSIA Picnic Squeaks Through

By Dolores Ullstrom, Picnic Chair

The high water receded just in time for the annual LSIA Picnic on July 28 at Kim and Becky Jacobsen's wonderful gathering place. About 90 Lake Sarah area residents attended the picnic, and quests included Independence Mayor Marvin Johnson and Councilman Jim Smith, and Minnesota dignitaries Gen Olson, Steve Smith, and Penney Steele. Unfortunately, the festivities were cut short by a downpour around 5PM, but we squeezed in a lot of fun between 3 and 5PM! The cooks began their magic at 4PM, the kids games began right after that, and everyone enjoyed the great variety of foods before the rain came in earnest. Participants who arrived at the usual eating time were surprised to find that everyone was done eating and hurriedly packing up food, tables, and chairs. A big thanks to the many people who contributed their time and energy to this event.

Many local businesses and LSIA members contributed door prizes. Thanks to:

- Bill Hibbard of Budget Printing for 4 sets of personalized stationery, won by Gene & Dolores Ullstrom, Jim & Gaye Shrack, Dan & Jane Maland Cady, and Rob & Donna Sheeley.
- Holiday in Rockford for a two \$10 gift certificates, won by Steve & Teri Hoogenakker and Ryan Smith (Steve Smith).
- Holiday in Maple Plain for two 12-packs of soda, won by Ken & Marcie Kociuba and Mickey & Terri McClellan.
- North American Foods for a \$10 gift certificate, won by Brad & Lisa Spencer.
- ABC Lettering in Rockford for a T-shirt, won by Jeff & Kris Harper.
- Westbank for two T-shirts, won by Bill & Mary Ralph and Steve Hancock & Paulette Tollefson; and two caps, won by Gene & Dolores Ullstrom and Pat & Joan Lyrek.
- Burger & Chicken Express in Rockford for two \$5 gift certificates, won by Kim & Becky Jacobsen and Ken & Marcie
- Dueber's Variety Store in Rockford for a glass serving platter, won by Kim & Becky Jacobsen.
- Carol Weller of Weller Works for a sweatshirt, won by Mike Peterson; and a cap, won by Tim & Roberta Douglas.
- Woody's on Main in Rockford for thirteen sandwich certificates, won by Harold & Renee Burrows, Jim Smith, Val LaMere, Earl & Jean Truax, Fred & Lynette Lang, Andy & Missy Sorenson, Mickey & Terri McClellan, Steve & Julie Riley, Gene & Edi Moorhead, Craig & Mary Lou Peterson, Marvin Johnson, Steve Smith, Penney Steel.
- McDonald's Corp in Buffalo for a T-shirt, won by Steve & Julie Riley.
  McDonald's Corp in Rogers for a T-shirt, won by Gene & Dolores Ullstrom.
- McDonald's Corp in Hopkins for a frisbee, won by Steve Hancock & Paulette Tollefson.
- McDonald's Corp in St. Louis Park for a frisbee, won by Mike Peterson.
- Walmart in Buffalo for a water toy, won by Brad & Lisa Spencer.
- Target in Buffalo for two sets of 2 beach towels, won by Tim & Roberta Douglas and Steve Hancock & Paulette Tollefson.
- Scott's Books in Delano for a Weeknights Cookbook, won by Rob & Donna Sheeley; and a Weekend Cookbook.
- Axel's in Loretto for a \$25 gift certificate, won by Andy & Missy Sorenson.
- Dairy Queen in Maple Plain for five gift certificates, won by Fred and Lynette Lang, Val LaMere, Mike Peterson, Harold & Renee Burrows, and Brad & Laura White.
- Tim's Accounting Service for a golf bag, won by Dan & Jane Maland Cady.
- Coborn's for a stuffed cow, won by Kim & Becky Jacobsen.
- Dobo's Café and Bakeshop for two \$5 gift certificates, won by Pat & Joan Lyrek and Jeff & Kris Harper.
- Olson's Conoco for six 12-packs of soda, won by Bill & Mary Ralph, Steve & Teri Hoogenakker, Brad & Laura White, Andy & Missy Sorenson, Earl & Jean Truax, and Jim & Gaye Shrack.
- Maple Plain Family Center for a grill tool set, won by Craig & Mary Lou Peterson.
- Friday's in Plymouth for a \$20 gift certificate, won by Gene & Edi Moorhead.
- Tom and Sue Mizell for the paper products for the picnic.
- Ron and Mary Jorgenson's businesses for the meat and buns for the picnic.

## Lake Sarah History: The Klaers Farm Has A Long History

By Dolores Ullstrom

Not long ago, I was in the presence of Rich and Eileen Klaers and I could not help but notice the love and devotion they obviously feel for each other. Could it be that their fifty year marriage was actually made in heaven? Whatever it is, it's working and it is fun to be with them.

I went to their home to talk about Lake Sarah and its history. Rich has lived on the lake his whole life. Eileen joined him in 1952 when they married at Sts. Peter and Paul in Loretto. From a book of Klaers' family history and from their recollections. I was able to put together a short history of their farm and ancestors.

#### **Area History**

In 1862, during the Civil War, Congress passed the Homestead Act. Land was made available at no cost to settlers who promised to work the land for five years. This caused a great influx of immigrants who were actively recruited to settle in Minnesota. From the first census in 1857 to the 1900 census the state's population increased more than tenfold to 1,750,000. At the turn of the century, Minnesota had a diverse economy but more than half of the population was farmers.

Hennepin County was organized in 1852. The land that is now Independence and Medina was mostly forested with basswood and maple. In 1854, a group of picnickers out for adventure discovered a large lake on July 4 and named it Lake "Independence" in honor of the holiday. The City of Independence was first settled by Protestants of English descent; Medina Township was settled primarily by Germans. The earliest name of the area was Hamburg, named for the city in Germany. At a town meeting in 1858, the residents changed the name to Medina.

In 1862 the Catholic congregation of Sts. Peter and Paul was organized with services in local homes. In 1867, a small log church was built; it was replaced by a frame church in 1876. The town of Loretto was established in 1886 around a Soo Line Railroad building. The building site was purchased from the Becker family who owned a 40 acre farm in what would become the City of Loretto.

#### The First Generation

The Joseph Klaers family was among the early German immigrants. Joseph married a woman named Luzia Goergen. Their first child, Mary, died during their trip across the Atlantic. They settled in the Lake Sarah area in 1857 in the northeast corner of Independence. Their second child, Nicholas, was born in Minnesota in October 1857. Theodore was born in 1859.

#### The Second Generation

Theodore Klaers married Anna Arens in 1881. The wedding was the first to be recorded in the permanent parish register established at Sts. Peter and Paul Church. Anna and Theodore settled on part of his father's land. They had eleven children

Education was very important and all of Theodore and Anna's eleven children attended five to eight years of school. Theodore expanded his holdings to 120 acres. His habits of hard work and constant thrift paid off and he became a highly successful farmer. He was skilled at making good deals. He continued to buy land throughout the years as his children were growing up. His goal was to provide each of his sons a farm at marriage or to provide a dowry of \$500.

Theodore and Anna's farm included land on the northeast shore of Lake Sarah. In previous articles it was referred to as the Klaers' Resort because they rented out fishing boats. Theodore and Anna loved to fish and often had many visitors who came by train to spend the weekend. In the 1920s Theodore moved to Loretto to the house that is currently used as Sts Peter and Paul parish rectory, home to Father Brian Fier.

## The Third Generation

Joseph was born May 6, 1886 and was Theo and Anna's fourth child (and second son). At the age of 30, he met a woman from St. Paul named Alice Maloney. Two years later, in 1918, they were married. At the time of Joseph's marriage, true to his word, Theodore bought him an 80 acre farm that was located on the south side of Lake Sarah. The price was \$8,000.

An 1873 map of the area shows the property belonging to John Reiffenberger. Mathias Schumacher married the Reiggenberger's only child. An 1898 map shows the property belonging to Schumacher. The story goes that Mathias and Theodore were out fishing one day and while in the boat, the deal was struck. Mathias reserved a small portion of the farm for himself and built a smaller house for himself and his wife. He lived there until his death in 1946.

Joseph and Alice had five children, two sets of twins. The eldest, James, was born in 1919. He and his wife, Geraldine, live on County Rd 90. Donald and Dolores were born in 1921. Richard and Raymond were born in 1925. Joseph was blessed with an iron constitution and had an endless capacity for work. Schooling for his children was important. They got to class by horse-drawn sled, no matter what the weather. Every Thanksgiving the family traveled across Lake Sarah by sled to join Theodore and Anna for the annual family feast.

Electricity arrived in the 1930s. Drought and depression years caused Joseph to sell his prize herd under the federal emergency relief act. He held back his six best cows with which to rebuild his herd. In 1958, at the age of 72, Joseph retired. He and Alice moved into the small house that Mathias Schumacher had built on the property.

#### The Fourth Generation

Richard Klaers stayed on the family farm. He married Eileen Grotz in 1952. Eileen, raised in Delano, considered herself a city girl. Richard and Eileen lived in the old Mathias Schumacher house for four years until they exchanged places with

Richard's parents. They had seven children. A set of twins, Joseph and Michael, were premature and died shortly after birth. They were followed by four girls and one boy, Randal. Randy and his wife, Colleen, now live on the farm. Richard and Eileen live nearby in a house built in 1982.

#### The Fifth Generation

Randal Klaers married Colleen Hayes in 1985. They transitioned from dairy farming to a beef cattle operation. They raise a type of lean cattle called Buelingo. Eileen describes them as looking like an oreo cookie, dark on both ends and white in the middle. Randy and Colleen recently purchased a pair of beautiful black Percherons draft horses. They farm with them and take family and friends for hay rides.

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