

CLAA History  
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History Form 10/03  
Bill & Jane Dieus &  
David & Joan Kresl  
5540 West Shore Drive Extension

Cottage Built - 18??

Ownership: Stellwagen owned it before our dad, Robert Cassidy bought it in 1957, log with bark

"We remember our Mom and Dad rethinking and pulling off all of our bark from the logs outside and then staining them. It was a huge job. We had water ski shows and all family picnics at Frank Butts' property. We played tennis there too. We went to the Dunes for family bonfires, too. Jane, Susie Lee, Jane Niblock, Ginny Birmingham and Joan remember long walks through the woods, sometimes at night but always barefoot. The summers seemed to last forever and were filled with the joy of being here at the lake, together again! All too soon it was time to pack up and go home, only to dream of the next summer!"

"I remember:

- John Cook could fix anything.
- Bob Cassidy's fish boils on the lake in front of our cottage
- Ardyce Hebal's wonderful cherry pies
- Dorothy Malzahn's great pancakes
- Caroline Cassidy's apple crisp and cherry jam, yum
- Lois Birmingham's lazy daisy cake
- Betty Cook always full jar of M&M's
  
- Out summer jobs picking cherries – hot and sticky but an occasional cherry thrown whizzing past your ear livened up the days! Then back to the lake for a swim and a ride on a very crude log raft the Cassidy boys, Bob and Tom built with Bill Hebal, Tom and Jerry Brigham, Charlie Otto, Dickie Lee, Defaults, etc.
  
- Lots of lazy nights, bonfires, dancing in the Brighams side yard. A great time of good summers. Beautiful stars and aurora borealis shows!
  
- We want these fun times for our children and grandchildren.