

Long Lake Resorts

Timberlane Resort

Timberlane Resort is located on the northeast shores of Long lake and has 18 cabins. It was built from scratch in 1951 by Chris Redberg and he started with 6 cabins and a large beautiful lodge. However, he went bankrupt after two years and another party purchased Timberlane but could not make a go of it.

In 1959, Towering Pines, a resort which was directly next to Timberlane, was purchased to make the resort larger. Towering Pines had been built in 1947 and had 7 units. The turning point was in 1962 when Paul and Bernedine Chrysler purchased the resort and did very well. He was a great promoter and they expanded the restaurant business with a night club atmosphere and even at one time sold memberships to local residents that were interested in enjoying the resort amenities.

Timberlane was the first resort in Minnesota to have an indoor swimming pool. Then in 1972 Timberlane was sold to Allen and Kristal Gustafson who, 10 years later sold it to Robert Stacey. Mr. Stacey started building a 9-hole golf course, but never completed it.

Allen and Kristal again became the owners and sold it to the present owners Lee and Kathy Zaczkowski in 1988. They updated all the cabins and in 1992 they moved one cabin back from the lake and built a four unit villa in its place. The latest addition to the resort was a new residence built in 1994 with the intention of turning the grand lodge into a convention/conference center.

Timberlane continues to offer a full service restaurant facility to their guests and also to all Park Rapids residents. Long Lake residents are encouraged to arrive by boat for an evening of fine dining. Timberlane employs from 15 to 30 people depending on the time of year. It is a real asset to Long Lake.

Edgewood Resort

Edgewood Resort was started in 1946 by Jim and Sophie Laverty. Three cabins were built in the hopes of selling them off one by one. No one would buy them so the Laverty's built more cabins with plans to turn it into a resort. A lodge was built in the 1950's in hopes of a dining business, but later was turned into a "grand lodge" rental and later into permanent living quarters for the owners.

Laverty's sold the resort to Gene Wilkie of Omaha, Nebraska, in 1967. He built two more cabins and a game room. The next owners were Bud and Donna Klemmond who purchased Edgewood in 1974 and turned it into a nice family resort. After 10 years, Klemmonds sold Edgewood and the next nine years it went through a series of owners, none of which appears to be very aggressive.

In the Fall of 1991, Tom and Diane Guinn purchased Edgewood. They saw much potential in the amount of land and the fact it was on a very prestigious lake. By 1994, they had added two new four-bedroom cabins and in 1995 built their third new cabin, a unique two-bedroom with an open loft. They don't plan to stop there and have plans in the future to build two more units plus a large lodge that will house owner's quarters plus a large unit aimed at a huge family grouping. As of 1999, these have been completed.

Edgewood offers full service gas to all Long Lake residents, a unique gift shop with hand painted items and clothing, an old-fashioned candy store with pop and ice cream bars. They are open in the winter to accommodate the snowmobilers, cross-country skiers, fishermen and all winter enthusiasts. They employ from 2 to 10 people depending on the time of year. It is one of the most beautiful resorts in Northern Minnesota.

It is an interesting fact that the former developer and former owner of Edgewood Resort remained on Long Lake during their retirement. Jim and Sophie Laverty moved to a lake home approximately 5 lots south of Dakota Beach on the East side of the lake. After Bud and Donna Klemmond retired they built a retirement home 2 lots south of Dakota Beach on the East side. After working and watching the sunrise each day, they now enjoy the beautiful sunsets.

Pine Island Lodge

Originally known as Island Park Lodge, then Hamilton's and now known as Pine Island Lodge.

From the Hubbard County Journal of September 18, 1930:

A business deal of great importance to Park Rapids has been completed this week whereby M. B. Hamilton and son, Andrew B. Hamilton, became owners of Island Park Lodge. Andrew Hamilton will be the general manager of the place and will have the assistance of his father who will be here in the summer time season. Their home is in Kansas City, Missouri. The owners will not open their place for business this coming season, but will have it ready for the season of 1932. Starting this Fall extensive cleaning up and rearranging some of the buildings will take

place. In the Spring, the place will all be modernized in every way. Electric lights, running water, baths, and every known modern improvement will be made for the comfort of the guests.

The new proprietors expect to be able to cater to a class of trade which has not been visiting Park Rapids because it has not been able to get the modern conveniences that it demands. A modern dining room which will have a seating capacity of 100 people or more will be built, besides many other features.

Mr. Hamilton and his son have traveled all over the state and finally landed back at Park Rapids, deciding that Long Lake had the best possibilities of any place they had visited. The architect who will have charge of redesigning the property, will be here in a few days to make a survey of the work to be done. Next Spring the most important work will begin so that it will be ready for Grand Opening in 1932.

We have received the following information from Mr. Jim Cashman, owner of Pine Island Lodge: "Pine Island Lodge is one of the oldest, if not the oldest resort in the area. For many years before it was called Hamilton's Lodge, it was known as Island Park Lodge. This was the name of the resort from about 1900 to when Hamilton bought the lodge in 1930. The new Hamilton's Lodge was designed by a firm in St. Louis, Missouri, and built when carpenters were paid 25 cents an hour and the stone masons were paid 35 cents an hour. Shortly thereafter, Hamilton put in central water, added the bathroom and the front or living room to all the present buildings. The back main rooms of all the present buildings are still the old log cabins built in the late 1800's. Hamilton sold the property (whole island of 24½ acres) to Al and Virginia Schmiedeberg in 1961. At that time, Schmiedeberg divided the island in half. The East half is the present resort, and the West half he divided in lots where he sold the cabins and made about 8 extra lots where homes were built in the 1960's. Schmiedeberg hired different managers to run the resort starting in 1964. They concentrated on running the dining room in the Lodge. Every year there was a different manager. In 1968, Jim and Billie Cashman and Burt and Marilyn Hedstrom bought the resort from Schmiedeberg. We closed the dining room and added kitchens to the cabins and set up a family style resort as it is today. In 1989, the Cashman's bought out the Hedstroms and continue to run the resort."

It still has the reputation of being one of the finest resorts in the Park Rapids area.

Cedar Shores Resort

Shady Point 1931 to 1952 later known as Fortune's then Northward Ho and now Cedar Shores Resort.

The original Shady Point Resort was founded by Dr. Carlyle (dentist from Sioux Falls, South Dakota) and Janet Hokanson in 1931. At that time, they lived in a home on the Point and built three cottages which they rented out for \$15 a week. They were 2 bedrooms with an outside

toilet and outside pump for water. A new 16' Alexandria boat went with the cottage and the people staying there got to enjoy the most beautiful sand beach on Long Lake.

Dr. Carlyle owned all the lakeshore from 500 feet north of the Point, all the way down the East side including the farm to the road now named BB, which has a couple hundred acres and 4000 feet of shore line.

They were very congenial people and went out of their way to be great hosts. Most of their renters always returned year after year.

They sold the resort area to Anderson's in 1949 and Anderson sold the east portion of the resort to Howard and Mary Fortune from Chicago, Illinois in 1952. Dr. Carylyle and Janet then moved to the farm and lived there for a few years. Janet was the aunt of O'Dean Hokanson, the Park Rapids Assessor for many years. O'Dean still lives on Shady Point.

We believe Shady Point to be one of the first resorts on Long Lake in the 1930's. In the 1939, there was only one lake home between Shady Point and Camp Colonel which at that time was owned by a Dr. Owen King from Aberdeen, South Dakota.

In later years, Fortune's sold the resort and it was renamed Northward Ho. It is now known as Cedar Shores and has 10 cottages very well done with beautiful grounds and still has one of the finest sand beaches on Long Lake.

Shady Point Resort

The original Shady Point Resort was founded by Dr. Carlyle in 1931. The East section is now known as Cedar Shores. The West section which consisted of his home and three cottages was purchased in 1965 by retired military Captain Lee Tucker and his wife Goldie. They operated Shady Point Resort for several years and it was sold in 1969 to a family by the name of Schmitts when Captain Tucker died. Later Schmitts sold it to a party by the name of Wolfe. Currently it is owned by Terry and Char Setter. Mrs. Goldie Tucker remarried to Mr. Hoff and moved to Pine Island in 1971. She advises that she still enjoys the summers at her lake home.

Spruce Hill Campground

The original campground was started by Ray Homme in 1968. Mr. Homme worked for Northwest Airlines in Minneapolis. He had the area landscaped and planted new trees. He also constructed the camp sites making a very desirable campground.

He sold the campgrounds in 1976 to Marv Hinz who also continued to improve the area. Marv sold it to Duane and Sharon Matson in the Spring of 1986. The Matsons owned the campground for four years and then sold it to John and Judy Nelson.

Recently, the Nelson's have hosted the "The Park Rapids Chamber of Commerce Long Lake Fishing Contest" which has been very successful. The function has been very well attended. If you live on the lake and you want to see a huge amount of bass, walleyes, and northerns caught in one day, then this is the place to be.

Wildwood Resort 1930 to 1950's

Wildwood Resort was located on the very North end of Long Lake. It consisted of 23 cottages. There are still two remaining original cottages owned by Craig Husbyn and Zarrel & Lois Balesole. All the other cabins have been removed with exception of the big resort owners original home. One of the original cabins from this resort is located on Highway 34 East of the East Long Lake Road. It did serve as a shop for Capistran a local artist.

Bernie Delahunt now Bernie Schumacher wrote the following: "The big white house, known as the lodge had 7 bedrooms in it. Al and Virginia Schmiedeberg owned this resort in the 1940's and were responsible for adding running water and modernizing some of the cabins. It was actually moved onto the property in two pieces. Roscoe and Vera Sasse moved into the home around 1960 and lived there for approximately 7 years. It was then sold to the Marsh family and they in turn sold it to Mr. & Mrs. Andy McCarty."

An interesting story was back in the early 1940's, the owners by the name of Whaley were going to raise the home and put a basement under the house. They had it jacked up and in the process an accident happened and the house fell on Mr. Whaley and he was killed.

This resort area is now the homes of John & LaVonne Fischer, Ed & Carol Delahunt, Talaine & David Collins, Andy & Karen McCarty, Dave & Jolene Delahunt, Tony & Carol Szymczak, and Rev. Don & Connie Fondow.

Oak Ridge Cottages Resort

The Oak Ridge Cottage area was located on the East side in the middle of Long Lake in a cove area. The resort was developed by Bill Huggins, a lawyer from Omaha, Nebraska. He purchased 28 areas of land and lakeshore from Daryl Cheney in 1958. He had spent three years exploring the area looking for a premium property.

He built five cottages and spaced them far enough apart so that if they did not go as rental units, he could sell them to individuals. With the wide spacing, it gave everyone total privacy. A beach was built in the bay area so the guests would have a place to visit and enjoy the lake.

Mr. Jim Huggins provided the following information:

“When the resort, “Oak Ridge Cottages” was in operation, guests were invited to return the following year if they seemed to appreciate the secluded close family-unit privacy benefits. Those seeking sponsored activities and on-site restaurant dining and full service attention were advised that Oak Ridge followed a different strategy but were welcome to stay if they wished to experience a different approach. After the first three years of operation, repeat business kept July and August full and no additional advertising was required.

A subdivision of the remaining land on the North side and creation of Oak Ridge Estates including 5 cottages and 6 lots was established solely to reduce the incredible increase in property taxes, that made smaller resorts impossible to operate in the short 6-week season. The separation of the original cabins was purely a vision of Bill’s on how a “big city” family could best enjoy Minnesota ecology and wild life.

In the late 1950’s construction using low slope roofs and glass window walls was unique at that time in this area. All local carpenters (but one) felt the snow would crush the window walls. Luckily Vern Becker had built similar housing using west-coast “drift pinning” of the 4 by 6 beams at the crown and at the plate. The 40 year old original roof was re-shingled for the first time in 1988, on the two first units located in the center of the bay.

The second generation continues to enjoy the “backwoods” retreat atmosphere complete with minimal development to encourage the animal wild life. The third generation teens do miss TV and video games but have developed an appreciation for reading, beach camp fires, and summer recreation. The last two properties will stay together for the 3rd generation if interest continues”.

The Oak Ridge Estates was plotted in 1977.

New Frontier Resort

“Quality built on pride” best describes the New Frontier Resort located in the middle of the West side of Long lake. Every lake cabin is like a secluded hideaway in the 24 acres of majestic Norway Pine and birch tree forest that surrounds it.

Since 1982, Ralph and Sherri Notch have owned and managed this beautiful resort of 10 cabins, 2 chateau and 1 chalet to accommodate their guest. Each cabin has a 14 foot boat and dock space and a beautiful sand beach for swimming. A fishing guide is available in June. All of these amenities make it one of Long lake’s first class resorts.

Camp Colonel

Located on the Northeast end of Long Lake is a very quiet family resort of 7 cabins located in the pine tree wooded area.

It was one of the first summer estates owned by Dr. Owen King of Aberdeen, South Dakota. The original estate consisted of a lodge, guest house and caretakers home. Dr. King added a honeymoon cabin for his niece and held the wedding on the lake.

In the 1950's, Hazel and Vern Florence bought the estate from Dr. King and named it Camp Colonel the same name Dr. King had used.

It has been expanded to the present lake home and 7 cabins. It was sold and from 1966 to 1975 was owned by Ken and Jacenita Titsworth. Previous owners of this very nice resort were Ray and Lela Cox, Joe and Lorraine Hempton, Dough and Kathy Bangston.

From 1985 to 2000 it was owned by Wendy and Tom Hardacre who have just sold it to Mark and Mardel Stengel from Wells, Minnesota.

Pine Haven Beach Resort: starting around 1945 or 46 to 1967 (North end of Chippewa Loop on the west side)

Harold and Delpha White turned their small truck farm on Long Lake into a small family resort. Harold had been the superintendent (care taker) for the Pine Haven Beach Development Area and Recreation Sites since April 1930. The family had been providing services which included renting the private cabins in the Pine Haven area, running a small store for the area, building and repairs for the cabins and an ice route.

But in 1944 they moved one cabin (Jim and Peg Riley's current cabin) from the church camp area to the north side of the property to start their own resort. They also acquired another cabin 1 lot to the south. (The current Larry and Carol Davis Cabin)

The main house had one room that was converted to an office and small store. The store sold ice cream, eggs, bread, milk, pop, candy, some fishing tackle and bait such as minnows and worms. They also put in a gas pump for customers to buy mixed oil and gas for the outboard engines. There was also a wash house next to house which had an extra bathroom with a shower.

In 1957 or 58 a third cabin (current Alf and Mary Joyce Thomas cabin) was build by their son Dick White and his crew, so there were 3 cabins for rent. A couple of years later the Whites purchased the Grayson cabin just south of their 3rd cabin and tore it down. A newer cabin was built by Dick White and crew to complete the 4 cabins for the resort. (the current Ray and Jo Clark cabin) .

The Whites continued to run the resort with mostly the same families returning each year until 1967 when they retired and sold the 4 cabins to families that had been renting all those years.

Storyland Resort 1946 to 1960's

Storyland Resort was located near Pine Haven Beach on the Southwest side of Long Lake. Two sisters by the name of Story from Mason City, Iowa, had inherited their father's lake home. In 1946, Hazel and Vern Florence purchased the Story property. They remodeled the home and built 6 cabins on the site and named it Storyland Resort.

In 1950, they sold Storyland Resort and in 1960 purchased Camp Colonel Resort. Hazel Florence advised us that the Story sisters had never married and when one of the sisters died, the other sister married at the age of 82.

The Storyland Resort area now consists of lake homes owned by the following: Olsons, Wissink, Engst, Nystrom, Emerson and Brolin families. A very beautiful area of Long lake.

Corrections or additions by Dean & Ardis Christen:

Harry Parmenter owned Storyland Resort, just south of Long's Point, and sold it to Monsons. Then it was sold to individuals. Present owners: Olson, Wissink, Engst, Nystrom, Emerson, Brolin. The road to it is on Chippewa Drive.

Gale's Resort -Early 1940's
Kopp's Kabins – 1946
Hawkeye Haven – 1949
(All the South end of Chippewa Drive)

Joyce Kopp sent the following information via Nancy Tague:

“My parents, Harold and Christa Kopp purchased the resort named “Gale’s Cabins” from “Skinny” and Anna Gale in 1946. I was 13 years old. The purchase price was about \$7,500. They then changed the name of the resort to “Kopp’s Kabins”. Cabin rental was \$35 per week for four persons, and \$70 per week for eight. I don’t know how long the Gale’s owned the resort, however, considering the age of the cabins, there had to be a previous owner. Due to my father’s failing health, the resort was sold to the Dumbals in 1949 and was renamed Hawkeye Haven. I know there were other owners after the Dumbals prior to the five-cabin resort being split up to privately owned cabins.

I will pass on a brief description of resort life in the 1940’s. We got electricity in 1947 or ’48, but we continued to use ice boxes due to the cost of purchasing refrigerators. The ice was cut from Long Lake in the winter by Alden Potter and Kelly Shaver and was hauled in hundred-pound blocks and stored in an ice house where it was covered with a thick layer of sawdust. Ice boxes were usually filled about three times per week, and twenty-five pounds was the normal block size. I became really good with an ice pick, splitting a hundred-pound block into quarters. We had an ice route along Pine Haven Beach, selling and delivering ice to private cabins. Twenty-five pounds of ice, delivered, sold for twenty-five cents. I was not old enough to have a driver’s license; however, back then it didn’t seem to matter.

Fish for eating and taking home were kept in wire live-boxes attached to the dock for each cabin. If guests wished to take fish home, the fish were packed in two wooden boxes, the smaller packed inside the larger box with a layer of sawdust in between. The smaller box was lined with cardboard, packed with fish and covered with a heavy layer of ice. A two-layer sandwich cover was nailed on top. My father used to build the boxes during the winter months.

Since the water table was high, each cabin had a small hand pump by the sink. All the toilets were outside two-holer types. Guests took their baths in the lake during the day with bathing suits on. After dark some would wear a robe to the lake, then go skinny-dipping.

In 1947 a small store was constructed which sold fresh milk, bread, canned goods, and cold pop. A gas pump was installed which was the old pump-by-hand and dispense-by-gravity type. The store had a reasonably good business, not only from guests at the resort, but from people in private cabins who didn’t want to drive to town since Highway 87 was a gravel road.

Some time after we sold, two cabins were moved to the lake side of the road, and a home was constructed which later became the “Taco House”.

After I left the area and went into the army in early 1951, I returned for only brief visits so I have little information from then on.

**Lake View Camp and Adjacent Properties
1929 to present (??1999)**

Carl F. Carlson – Author

Eunice Jacobsen – Historian

Ann Symons - Photos

Before the stock market crash in 1929, Marcus & Frieda Jacobsen (Eunice Jacobsen's parents) and Charlie & Stina Carlson (my parents) bought property on the west side of Long Lake, directly across from Dakota Beach. They were vacationing at Wildwood Resort at the North end of Long Lake, when the lure of the lake hooked the two of them, as it has done to so many other people before and after them. The property was bought from a local farmer, Mr. William Devereaux, with the intention of building a resort. Despite the depression years, five very basic uninsulated cabins were built between 1930 and 1934 and Lake View Camp, the original name of the resort, began its existence. Each of the cabins was given a name. Starting at the North property line going South they were called: Sunnyside, Hillcrest, Limberlost, Mayflower, and Hootenanny. One 14 ft wood Alexandria boat was provided with each cabin for the guests. (See accompanying photos of each of the original cabins including lake and beach views. Notice the undeveloped East shoreline.)

Sometime between 1931 and 1934 Charlie Carlson sold his interest in Lake View Camp to the Jacobsens. Selling the property, however, did not change the lure Long Lake and Lake View Camp that was held by the Carlson family. My first trip to Long Lake was in 1931, with my parents and subsequently every summer thereafter until World War II.

Prior to 1935, the cabins were rented and maintained by Mr. & Mrs. William Devereaux, the neighboring farmers who sold them the property. Maintenance was simple, there was no indoor plumbing, electricity, or lawn mowing as the land was kept in its native state. During the summers of 1935 and 1936, Mrs. Jacobsen moved to Park Rapids from Chicago, Illinois to manage the resort. By this time electricity had been added to all the cabins although no public electricity was available through any power company. Mr. Jacobsen created a unique electrical power plant by connecting numerous car batteries in a series, and charging them using an old Packard automobile engine. When the glow of the light bulbs in the cabins dimmed, the batteries were recharged by running the engine. Starting the engine was interesting, as it was like starting the old outboard motors, wind the rope around the flywheel and pull.

In approximately 1937, the Jacobsens and their family permanently moved from Chicago, IL, to Lake View Camp in Park Rapids. The largest cabin, Limberlost, was raised one story, making it a two-story house, and insulated it to accommodate the family living there on a year-round basis.

Their children were Blanch, Anita, Eunice and a nephew, Kenneth Nelson. The Jacobsens raised Kenneth as Kenneth's mother, Frieda's and my mother's sister, had recently died. Both Eunice and Kenneth attended and graduated from the Park Rapids school system.

Cooking in the cabins was done on two burner table-top gas stoves. Each cabin had a wood burning stove for heat, and a small top-loading ice box. During the winter, with help of Mr. Devereaux, and his team of horses, large blocks of ice were hauled from the lake to an open-sided roofed ice house. The ice was stored in sawdust in this structure. This provided the ice for the cabin ice boxes all summer long, and lasted well after the tourist season was over. Also placed on the ice blocks in the ice house, covered with sawdust, were fish that guests had caught and wished to take home. Often, the fish location markers in the icehouse made it look like a cemetery.

Although the guests did not have the luxury of running water in their cabins, Marcus devised a central shower available for their use. This was next to the power house and contained an electric water pump. Water was pumped into a large barrel atop the roof of the shower house. This water flowed from barrel to the shower head by gravity. Although the water was cold when first pumped into the barrel, it became pleasantly warm on sunny days.

The resort was closed during World War II, and was reopened in 1946. In the summer of 1946, when it reopened, Mrs. Jacobsen (Frieda) was there alone to operate the resort as Marcus was unable to come up because of a previous job commitment in Chicago, IL. That summer David Schram, Frieda's grandson, and I spent the summer helping Frieda run the resort. Our jobs were to cut and deliver the ice, pick up garbage, clean the boats, and of course, fish and swim. Mr. Jacobsen sold Lake View Camp in 1948, and after a succession of four owners it was lastly bought by Irene Lee who changed the name of the resort to Lee's Resort. Irene Lee ran the resort for many years still using the original cabins and the main living quarters, although they had been modified somewhat to include necessary modern conveniences. She sold those cabins individually in the late 1980's.

The current owners of the North portion of the resort property are Dennis and Jean Bergren. Their property included the main house, Limberlost, and cabins, Sunnyside and Hillcrest. Limberlost and Hillcrest have since been razed and the Bergren's have built a beautiful home set back from the original location of Hillcrest. Sunny side is still in use at its original location, however, Dennis has remodeled it and used it for visiting family and friends.

The South portion of the resort property, which included Mayflower and Hootenanny, was sold to an individual from Wadena. He relocated both cabins further back from the lake front. A few years later, during the winter months, one of the cabins caught fire and burned to the ground. The property was then sold to a gentleman by the name of Dick Webb. He razed the remaining cabin and built a new very attractive home. His dream was short lived, as he died before he could ever move into his house. That house was purchased by the current owner, Mike & Anita Berneck, who are year round residents of Park Rapids.

Early resorts had a significant role in the development of property around Long Lake. That was also true of Lake View Camp. To the North, there was only one summer cabin, owned by the Ira Lindquists, between Lake View Camp and the Wyeth Estate, which in those days was called Marwythe after Margaret who was Mrs. John Wyeth. There was a vast expanse of undeveloped land on the East shoreline across the lake from the Wyeth's up to Camp Braernar. This was also true Southwest of Lake View Camp up to a point of land across from Braemar (see included Beach and Lake View photos).

Because Lake View Camp guests were, for the most part, repeat guests, one by one they started buying property adjacent to the resort. Two people who often stayed at Lake View Camp bought property to the North of the resort on the North side of the Tall Pine Resort which abutted Lake View Camp on the North. One was a minister by the name of Kutchell who vacationed at Long Lake with his sons. His intention was to build a cabin but he never did. The other was Ann Marro who did build two summer cottages on property that is now owned by Leonard and Joann Bergren, relatives of Dennis and Jean Bergren who purchased the North portion of Lee's Resort. Leonard and Joann have renovated both of Ann Marros original cabins.

Orville and Mary Essex bought the property just South of Lake View Camp. They built a summer cabin, which they used for many years. The current owner of this property is Mr. Carl Benson.

Louis and Agnes Lundgren, from Chicago, IL, close friends of the Jacobsen's and the Carlson's bought the property South and adjacent to the Essex's in the 1950's. They built a garage which was to serve as temporary living quarters until they could build a cabin. Unfortunately, Mr. Lundgren died of complications from a ruptured appendix before their plans could be fulfilled. After a few interim owners, Tom and Rita Carew from Wadena now own this property. When the Carew's purchased the property the garage that had served as living quarters for the previous owner, Mrs. Endorff, was still there, but pretty much run down. The Carew's razed the garage/ living quarters and have build a majestic home in its place.

Albin Anderson, from Chicago, IL, again fast friends of the Jacobsen's and the Carlson's bought the property South and adjacent to the Lundgrens in the late 1940's. He purchased and erected a surplus Army quonset hut on his land and subsequently lived there the rest of his life. The Rassmussen's, relatives of Albin Anderson, now own this property. The quonset hut has since been razed and a new residence has been built by the Rassmussen's.

Eugene Scott, a masseuse from Chicago, IL, purchased the property directly South of Albin Anderson's property in the 1950's and erected a cabin for his retirement. He lived there alone until his death in 1967.

In 1969 the Carlson family rented all four cabins at Lee's Resort and had a two-week family reunion. This included my parents, Charlie & Stina Carlson in Sunnyside, my sister Ann

Symons and her husband Stan in Mayflower, myself (Carl) and my wife, Irene, and two boys, Curt and Bret in Hootennany, and Ann's daughter, Carol and her husband Mike and their four children in Hillcrest.

This trip was very significant because in October of that year, 1969, my sister and I purchased Eugene Scott's property from Arvid Larson of Pine Realty. Four years later I purchased my sister's share of the property and began a long series of alterations and additions to the property. The original cabin had two rooms, about 450 square feet, with no kitchen.

An interesting side story relating to our purchase of this property is that my parents, Charlie & Stina, drove from Chicago to Park Rapids both in the spring and summer to spend at least one month at the cabin from 1970 to 1988, almost 20 years. They had never lost their love of Long Lake and the Park Rapids area. He loved to tinker and made many improvements to the cabin for us during those years. In 1984, at 88 years old, they stopped coming, as he could no longer make the drive from Chicago to Park Rapids by himself. They did manage to come up a few more times with either me or my sister. I have since made approximately seven alterations and/or additions to the original cabin, which is, still an integral part of the present building. In 1994, I retired from an engineering firm in Chicago, and presently my wife, Dorothy, and I spend summers in "God's country" enjoying the people, golf and fishing. As a footnote, I miss the excellent fishing that Long Lake had to offer up until the early 1980's (see enclosed photos).