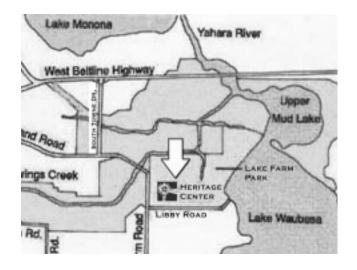
## ANNUAL MEETING

Sunday, May 4, 2003 - 2:00 P.M.



# Lussier Family Heritage Center Lake Farm County Park 3101 Lake Farm Road Madison, Wisconsin

(located 1 mile south of the Beltline. Travel south on South Towne Drive, left on Moorland at the Farm Tavern)

## **Keynote Panel**

# **Proposed MG&E Cogeneration Plant**

#### Mark Pernitz, Moderator

Dane County Lakes & Watershed Commission, Yahara Lakes Association and LWCA Boards

#### **Panelists**

Tim Bliefernicht, Madison Gas & Electric Ken Johnson, WDNR Lower Rock River Water Leader Dave Taylor, Director of Special Projects, Madison Metropolitan Sewerage District

Come hear the latest on what is being planned for this facility, and find out what impact it will have on the waters of the Yahara River and Chain of Lakes.

#### **Annual Election of Board of Directors**

Nominees for Board Positions: Dean Hein, Kevin Kesterson, Dale Ollhoff, Judy Plambeck, Stan Solheim.

**Continuing Board Members:** Kitty Brussock, Jim Bowen, Cal DeWitt, Doug Kornetzke, Bill Lunney, NIK Meiers, Sally Ann Miller, Mark Pernitz, Judie Pfeifer, Kathy Sitter, Scott Zimmermann, Jan Zimmermann, and Tim Zinkgraf.

If you would like to be considered for nomination, or are interested in nominating someone for LWCA Board membership, please contact Judie Pfeifer (Treasurer) at 222-0070 or Jan Zimmermann (Exec. Director) at 221-8423.

# **Alien Invaders !!!**

More than 160 species of exotic aquatic organisms have established a foot hold in the Great Lakes. Freed from the predators, parasites, pathogens and competitors that have kept their numbers in check, invasive species can crowd out native ones. Their numbers can explode under favorable environmental conditions and once firmly established, exotic species are difficult to manage and nearly impossible to eliminate. Some were intentionally introduced, such as the carp, but most found their way into Wisconsin in or on boats. . . across the ocean, up the Mississippi or down the St Lawrence. "CLEAN BOATS, CLEAN WATERS" remains the cornerstone of the Wisconsin DNR's program to prevent aquatic exotics from spreading. People can spread invasive species through the ballast water of ships, recreational boating, sport fish stocking and accidental releases associated with the aquaculture industry, aquarium trade, bait business or horticultural practices.



Here are some of the species that have made the **Wisconsin Exotic/Alien Species Watch List:** 

zebra mussel eurasian water milfoil purple loosestrife rainbow smelt common carp curly-leaf pondweed white perch ale wives ruffe fish spiny water flea flowering rush rusty crayfish sea lamprey round goby



## Follow these steps to help prevent the spread of exotic/alien species:

**REMOVE** plant parts and animals from your boat, trailer and accessory equipment.

**DRAIN** water from live wells, bilges and other containers before leaving the launch area.

**DO NOT RELEASE** live bait or aquarium pets into any waters.

**WASH** your boat and trailer thoroughly with tap water when you get home. Flush water through your motor's cooling system, live wells and other areas that hold water. Dry the boat in a sunny location before transferring it to a new body of water.