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This is a blog for those interested in the management of and support for our beautiful ponds and lakes with the help of Internet for Web communication and education. Your comments and ideas are most welcome, and please bookmark and share this site with others! This site is managed and maintained by lake enthusiasts and we're always looking for partners!

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Shoreland Education Workshops Offered Statewide

University of Minnesota Extension Service Shoreland Education Program

Sixteen shoreland education workshops are being offered statewide. Presented by the University of Minnesota Extension Service Shoreland Education Program, the series includes workshops focusing on shoreline revegetation and maintenance, aquatic and wetland plant identification, basics on shoreland management, and curly leaf pondweed control. The curly leaf pondweed workshops are co-sponsored by the Minnesota Lakes Association and the Initiative Foundation. For more details, including workshop dates and locations, registration forms and fees, and online registration options, visit:

www.extension.umn.edu/water/shore/workshops.html
In the three-day Shoreline Revegetation workshops, you will learn how natural shorelines can reduce runoff and erosion, filter nutrients, improve wildlife habitat, and protect your privacy and property values. In addition, you will learn design techniques, plan a revegetation project, and participate in a hands-on planting project. The one-day Shoreland Revegetation workshop is a basic introduction. There will be two workshops focused on Maintenance for Shoreland Revegetation projects. At these workshops you will learn how to ensure that your investment survives and thrives. The Wetland and Aquatic Plant Identification workshops will help you understand the value of shoreland plants, identify common native and exotic plants, and acquire skills to use in lake mapping and developing lake management plans. Two Shoreland Volunteer workshops will train interested lake and river leaders and property owners in basic aquatic ecology, limnology, watershed concepts, aquatic plant management, shoreline management, and

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communication tips. Curly leaf pondweed workshops will describe the unique life history of curly leaf pondweed and the challenges involved in attempting to control this invasive exotic plant. You'll learn about options for management and the permitting process, and have a chance to talk with other shoreland owners about their experiences with curly leaf. These workshops will be valuable for property owners, lake association leaders, Master Gardeners, nursery professionals, naturalists, educators, local units of government, and elected officials. The Extension Shoreland Education Program is supported by the University of Minnesota Extension Service, Water Resources Center, and Minnesota Sea Grant Program.

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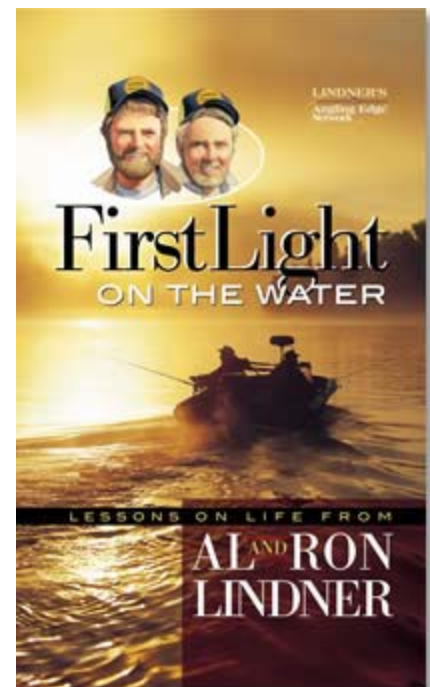
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