

**State Geographic Names Council Meeting Agenda/Proposals**  
**May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2002 1:00 PM**  
**Wisconsin Geological and Natural History Survey, 3817 Mineral Point Road**

**Followup from 2001 Actions**

**Hermanson Lake:** Was not approved pending action by the Township and County. Both the Township and the County have now passed resolutions in favor of this name.

**Ikwe Bay:** Pending resolution from the County and concurrence by the LaC Courte Oreilles Tribe. The County has approved this, still awaiting confirmation by the Tribe.

**Gundys Canyon:** Approved contingent on County Board approval. Have not received a county resolution.

**Slovak Valley Creek:** Approved contingent on County Board approval. The County has passed a resolution in support of this name.

**2002 Proposals**

Proposed Name: **Davis Lake**                      Current Name: Unnamed

Location: Oneida County T37N, R7E, S21      Size: 7 acres                      Access: Public land

This small lake has been known locally as Davis Lake, but it has never been formally named. Dept. of Natural Resources records show this as unnamed lake 21-3. The applicant proposes to officially name this lake to recognize the name it has been known as locally for more than 50 years. This name recognizes John Davis Sr.(deceased) who owned the west shore of the lake for approximately 30 years. Residents are concerned another landowner is attempting to name this lake something else. The Town of Cassian Board is in favor of the name Davis Lake. The U.S. Forest Service is a major landowner of adjacent land and they have no objection to this name.

**Discussion:** We discussed this proposal in relation to the Council policy of only considering lakes 10 acres or greater in size unless there is reason that warrants special consideration, such as substantial public use, or public benefit. Reportedly, someone was attempting to name this lake something other than what it has been known as locally. We determined this lake should be named by the Council since the Township of Cassian was interested in officially recognizing the name this lake has been known as for many years, and the lake has public access through a large amount of lakeshore frontage owned by the U.S. Forest Service.

**Action: Approved**