The lake is named in honor of Frank Opeka. Mr. Opeka was Des Plaines Park District attorney for 16 years and instrumental in securing the purchase of the Lake Park property. It took two years for the spring-fed lake to fill. The average depth of the lake is only 15 feet deep with portions down to 38 feet. In addition to providing a wide variety of recreational opportunities, the lake serves as an important stormwater retention asset for the surrounding neighborhoods as well as a wildlife refuge area.



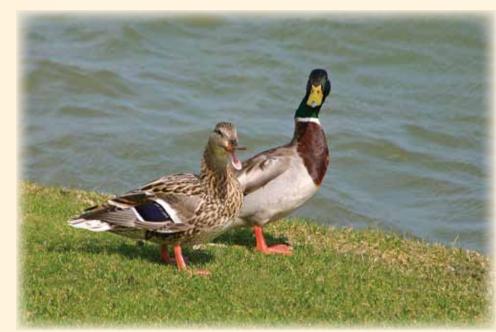
Frank M. Opeka



Sailing on Lake Opeka



Summer Evening



Please Don't Feed the Wildlife

If you feed the ducks, they lose their foraging instincts
as well as the need to migrate. Over-population causes a
shortage of resources, and disturbs the balance of nature.





