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OTLPOA Annual Breakfast Meeting



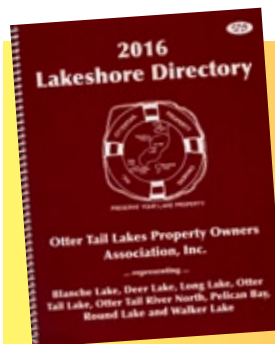
The OTLPOA Annual Breakfast Meeting was held on Saturday, June 25 at the Otter.

108 people attended a tasty breakfast with one of the highlights being the presentation by Glendalough Chairperson, Steve Nelson.

OTLPOA Annual Breakfast Meeting attendees were honored to hear speakers (from left) State Senator, Bill Ingebrigtsen State Representative, Bud Nornes and Glendalough State Park Board Chairman, Steve Nelson.

See Page 4 More Info And Photos

Look For Photos & History Of Otter Tail Lake On Pages 8 & 9



The New 2016 Lakeshore Directory Is Available

If you have not received yours email secretary@otlpoa.com

Blanche Lake Parade



See Page 13 For More Photos Of The Blanche Lake Parade

OTLPOA Appreciation Drop-In Gathering

The OTLPOA Appreciation Drop-in Gathering will be held Thursday, July 21, 6:00-8:00pm, at Betty Jo's Pavilion at Elmer's. There will be free finger foods, a celebration cake, and pop as well as a cash bar.

This is an opportunity for the Board of Directors to show their appreciation to you, our members, and also for your support. The board would also like to recognize our achievement of being named Association of the Year for Otter Tail County 2015!!

Celebrate Our Victories

The Otter Tail Lakes Property Owners Association (OTLPOA) has accomplished so much in such a short time.

Bernie Steeves, while he was president in the 1990's, wrote up this timeline...

- 1966 The association was formed
- 1968 The newsletter was established
 - Our Association was the first in the state to tackle the pollution problem
- 1969 Garbage collection started
- 1971 A sanitary sewage study began
- 1972 A tax committee was formed
- 1973 ID #'s were assigned
- 1975 A sewer district was established
- 1980 Water monitoring for clarity began
- 1984 Construction started on the sewer system
- 1987 County Rd 1 was reconstructed
- 1989 Tax reform was complete
- 1990 Tent caterpillar prevention was organized
- 1993 The legislature amended the shoreland ordinance for Otter Tail County for a 1 year grace period on the contiguous lot issue

He also wrote...

This is only an overview of the accomplishments that you and your board have achieved. Celebrate your victories! You are years ahead of other lake associations! You have saved thousands of dollars by using state and federal funding and solving problems before they become insurmountable.

The association has, in fact, been devoted to the social welfare of property owners (Article I of the by-laws) of Blanche, Deer, Long, Otter Tail, Round and Walker Lakes as well as Otter Tail River North, and Pelican Bay. Be proud too that in 2015 the OTLPOA was the Otter Tail County COLA's Association of the Year.

As Bernie says, Celebrate our victories!

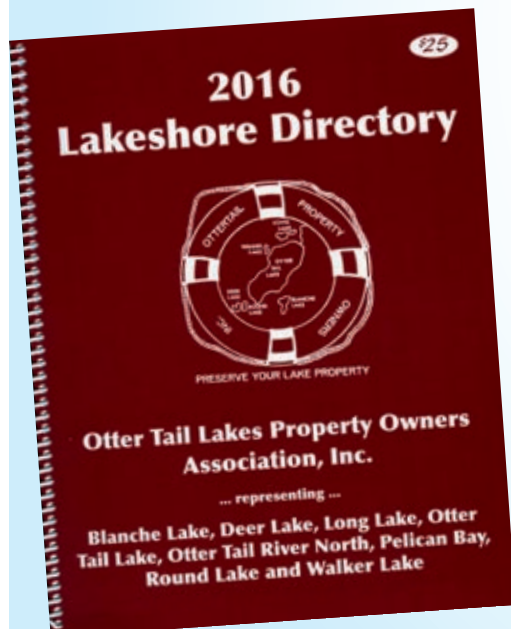
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President's Corner



Ken Wentz,
OTLPOA
President

As of this writing you should have received your directory. The directors have been making it a priority to deliver over one thousand directories over the



past couple of weeks. Each director is responsible for delivery of between fifty and one hundred fifty, depending on their delivery zone. Please let us know if you have yet to receive yours. Although the directory looks fantastic and is much easier to read, we are still making sure the names and addresses are as current as possible. Just in case you are trying to find your OTLPOA President's name under ABC order, you need to look under Jo, Kenneth and Mary...I must have changed our last name without knowing it. Nothing's perfect, but we're doing our best!

We will have some directories available at Betty Jo's on July 21st, which is our appreciation drop-in gathering from 6:00-8:00pm, at Betty Jo's Pavilion at Elmer's. There will be free finger foods, a celebration cake, and pop as well as a cash bar. This is an opportunity for the Board of Directors to show their appreciation to you, our members, for your support in addition to recognizing our award for being named Association of the Year for Otter Tail County, 2015!!

This July issue is loaded with pictures from our annual meeting which was highlighted by my wife,

Mary Jo, lingering around The Otter taking pictures, socializing, and greeting members before breakfast was served. Another highlight was speaker Steve Nelson, Chair of Glendalough State Park. Steve began by expressing appreciation to the association for the monetary funds contributed each year. He followed with information gained by asking questions of the audience, providing answers as well as specific facts concerning our park neighbor. We discovered many members have never visited our neighboring park, a gem in our state. We learned there were close to 80,000 visitors to Glendalough State Park last year, which was up over 20,000 visitors from previous years. Glendalough is one of only a few state parks that have yurts in their park. What is a yurt, you ask? I'll leave it up to you to look it up and discover this unique item located in the park. Through Steve we learned about Glendalough, a gem to be treasured. The business meeting started a little before 8:00am and thanks to Dan Carlisle, the Master of Ceremony and ever-mindful of protocol and expediency, we were adjourned at 9:00am.

Walker and Long Lakes will be the featured lakes in our August issue and we are looking forward to gaining many facts and history from the members who live there. Marc Wing, one of our directors and the association representative from Walker Lake, assured me we will learn many interesting facts about this body of water. Anyone who has pictures or stories you would like to share please forward them on to Marc or directly to Leah (at The Midweek) who is in charge of this subject matter at the publication.

If you have a new person that has moved to your lake we, the board, would very much like it if you could invite them to join our association. There are membership forms with every Lakeshore News publication or we would be more than happy to visit with them. Give us a call and we'll take it from there. Word of mouth is the best form of advertising and we feel you, our members, are our best voice in support of your association.

Again, we look forward to visiting you with at Betty Jo's Pavilion on July 21st at Elmers!

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Taking three seconds to buckle up will increase the likelihood of surviving a crash and reducing serious injuries. Unbelted motorists are often ejected from the vehicle, and airbags are not a replacement for seat belts in preventing injuries.


In 2015, 77 percent of vehicle occupants who died after being ejected or partially ejected were not wearing a seat belt.

In 2015 in Minnesota, airbags deployed a reported 18,152 times when the occupant was also buckled up. Fifty-six percent of these cases resulted in no apparent injury.

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Source: Minnesota Department Public Safety

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Battle Lake's 125th Anniversary

The upcoming Battle Lake 125th Anniversary will be quite the event, thanks in part to Network Battle Lake and Arvig. It takes place July 16-24, 2016 and will offer great, fun activities see below for the complete event calendar.

Saturday, July 16

Saturday, July 16 start, and throughout the week: Medallion Hunt

- 8:30 am Bicycle ride to Glendalough to benefit refugees. Starts in Underwood, stops in Battle Lake on the way, and again on the way back
- 10am-3pm Art of the Lakes Open House and Public Arts Display
- 12:30-3pm Archery in the Park at Glendalough State Park
- 1pm Downtown Walking Tour of Battle Lake. Meet at "Rusty." No charge
- 1-5pm Parade of Homes. *Tickets & maps at First Baptist Church. Sponsored by Everts Lumber & Spruce*

Sunday, July 17

- 11am-2 pm First Lutheran Church Hog Roast, rain or shine, 505 W Holdt St. Battle Lake
- 1-5pm Parade of Homes. *Tickets & maps at First Baptist Church. Sponsored by Everts Lumber & Spruce*

Wednesday, July 20

- 9:30-11:30am Beginning Canoeing, at Molly Stark Lake Fishing Dock. Glendalough
- 1-3pm Wild Wednesday. Fishy, Fishy in the Brook, Glendalough State Park

Thursday, July 21

- 7:30pm Motu playing on the lawn at LACC in their Concert Series. Free will donations
- 8:00pm Revolution 5 – Dance at Stub's Beer Garden. Sponsored by a Battle Lake High School alumnus

Friday, July 22

- 6:30pm "Walking Tour of Historic Battle Lake" Meet in front of LACC
- 1-6pm "Walk Through History" Exhibit at BL School. Sponsored by BL Lions
- 8pm DJ Dance - Stub's Beer Garden. Sponsored by BL High School alumnus

Saturday, July 23

- 8am Walk/Run – Reg. begins at 7:15am at BL School. 542 Ed. Foundation, sponsor
- 9am-1pm Farmers Market at Railroad Park (across from Larry's Foods)
- 9am-2pm Craft Show & Food Booths West Main Street downtown
- 10am-2pm Kids' Carnival, human foosball and much more! Railroad Park. RS The Rental Store and Bethel Church, sponsors
- 10am-5pm All School Reunion at BL School; all day registration; classes meet 3 to 5 pm in assigned rooms
- 10am-5pm 2nd Minnesota Battery Reenactors with displays & cannon. Prospect House and Civil War Museum lawn
- 10am-5pm "Walk Through History" Exhibit at BL School. Sponsored by BL Lions Club
- 11am Turtle Races LACC Parking Lot
- 11am-noon "Pop-Up Dancing Tour of Battle Lake" in 3 locations around town. Sponsored by Art of the Lakes/Lakes Region Art Council
- 12:15pm Dennis Rogers, Navajo Nation Spirit Dancer/Educator, at LACC
- 2pm Bald Eagle Water Ski Show at BL Public Access on Lakeshore Drive
- 4pm Human Foosball & Bean Bag Tournament for YOUTH & TEENS, Railroad Park, across from Larry's Foods
- 7pm Wenonga Week Parade. Downtown Battle Lake
- After parade Ice Cream Social at Senior Center, 205 West Main Street; freewill donation
- After parade Street Dance at The Rusty Nail Burger and Beer Bar, downtown Battle Lake
- After parade Teen Dance at Battle Lake School
- Dusk Fireworks! – Battle Lake School, sponsored in part by The City of Battle Lake, 1st National Bank, others

Sunday, July 24

- 8am-1pm Lion's Pancake Breakfast at Lion's Shelter
- 10am Community Church Service at Lions Park
- 1pm Family Biking to Glendalough State Park after Lions Breakfast
- 11am-3pm Walk Through History" Exhibit at BL School. Featuring exhibits of all aspects of the community's history over the last 125 years. Sponsored by BL Lions Club
- 1pm Drawing for 125th Anniversary commemorative rifle from BL Area Sporting Club

Otter Tail Lakes Property Owners Association, Inc. Board Of Directors Approved Meeting Minutes May 26, 2016

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL – and Walker reporting water clarity of 12' 6"

Absent: Pat Hunke

Present Linda, Dan, Marc, Jan, Rita, Stan, Becky, Pat, Ken, Scott, Pete, Rob, Bernie, no recording secretary. Call to order 7:02pm

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – A motion was made by Bernie, second by Scott

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: April 28th, 2016 minutes: A motion was made by Dan, second by Becky

FINANCIAL REPORT: A motion was made by Stan, second by Jan

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Ken announced the new email marketing campaign was a huge success with 806 emails so far for our members. We had a 46% open rate within the first 23 hours. The campaign was used for notifying our lake owners of the upcoming worm spraying. We encourage all lake owners to provide us with their email address for import upcoming events and notifications.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- a. Membership Committee – 966 members
- b. Auditing/Finance/Budget Committee –
- c. DNR & Government – Bernie updated us on the AIS on Starry Stonewort. It will grow in 40ft. of water.
- d. Water Testing/COLA – Otter Tail

and Walker reporting water clarity of 12' 6"

e. Communications Committee –

i. Lakeshore News –

ii. Website – Rob Bope will take over the website committee and work with our developer

iii. Lost and found –

iv. Comment section –

f. Worm Committee – Otter Tail has been sprayed on May 25th, 2016

g. Ottertail Wastewater/Sewer District Committee –

h. Foundation – Board minutes reviewed and new boat safety program coming up this August

OLD BUSINESS:

• The Midweek will be our secretary, a plan has been established at \$20/hr for 20 hours/month. Motion by Stan, second by Dan

• Annual Meeting – will be held at the Otter at 7am on June 25th

• Appreciation Meeting - event July 21st at Betty Jo's Pavilion at Elmer's

NEW BUSINESS:

OTHER BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

• The next meeting will be July 26th, 2016

ADJOURNMENT: 8:40. A motion was made by Rita, second by Scott to adjourn.

Building Partnerships To Stop The Spread Of AIS

This two-day event will build on the success of the first Aquatic Invaders Summit held in January 2015.

You will:

- Hear about innovative and collaborative local Minnesota AIS Prevention Programs and how local units of government are utilizing their County AIS Aid.
- Explore new ways to use technology, including Smartphones, to fight AIS; educational programs for youth; and new approaches for behavior change in adopting AIS prevention practices.
- Learn about the ecological, economic, and social impacts of AIS.
- Have opportunities to network with others in your region to build partnerships for success.
- Hear about successes, new approaches, and research on aquatic invasive plant and animal management in infested lakes and rivers—including Starry Stonewort, Minnesota's newest invader.
- Understand the value of partnerships and importance of building local capacity across

constituencies for successful AIS prevention efforts.

• Address ways to close the pathways of AIS introduction and reduce the risk of infestation.

• Explore issues around rapid response to new infestations and effective inspection and decontamination programs.

• Learn why and how the business, resort, and sporting communities can be effective partners in stopping the spread of AIS AND MORE.

Who Should Attend: Minnesota local units of government and their partners, lake associations, lake service providers, angling and sporting groups, tourism interests, resorts and business organizations—anyone concerned about preventing the spread of aquatic invasive species (AIS) in Minnesota's lakes and rivers. We all have a role to play in protecting our waters from the impacts of aquatic invasive species. More information is coming soon. Watch the Minnesota Lakes and Rivers Advocates website at

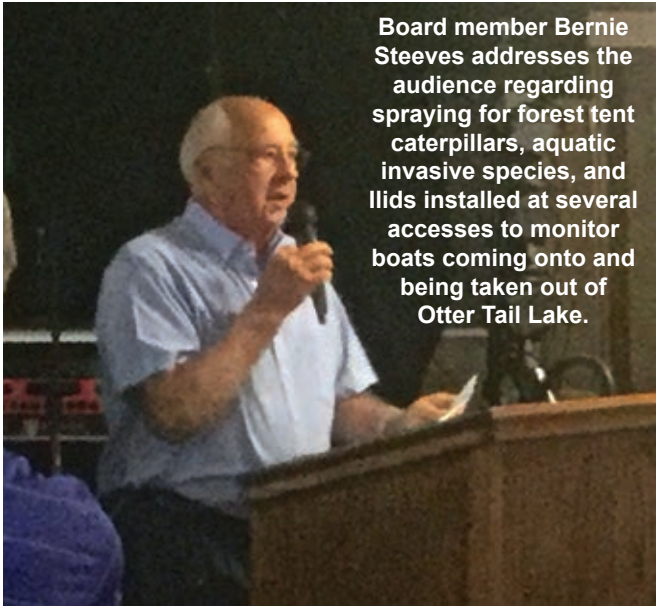
<http://www.mnlakesandrivers.org>

for updated information. Make plans now to attend. Registration will open in July.

Have you lost something? Have you found something in your yard or on your shoreline that wasn't yours? If you have been unable to locate your lost items, or unable to return a found item to the rightful owner, Please email secretary @otlpoa.com

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Board member Bernie Steeves addresses the audience regarding spraying for forest tent caterpillars, aquatic invasive species, and lids installed at several accesses to monitor boats coming onto and being taken out of Otter Tail Lake.

Annual Meeting

The OTLPOA Annual Breakfast meeting was held on Sat., June 25 at the Otter. OTLPOA President, Ken Wentz, felt that the format of this years annual meeting was the smoothest run meeting he has attended over the six years he has been involved with the board. Business meetings started just before eight and adjourned by nine. Wentz said there were around 108 people that attended the event. "About 25 more than last year," he stated.

Ken also said that one of the highlights was the presentation by Glendalough Chairperson, Steve Nelson. Steve thanked the association for there generous monetary support over the years and then gave many interesting facts and history of the park. Five members signed up to be a member of the park, which Steve was not expecting but very much appreciated.

There was positive feedback from numerous members regarding the speakers, tasty breakfast, and a great appreciation for a smoothly run efficient meeting. A thanks to Mary Jo Wentz for taking photos with her iPad and circulating through the crowd.



Members study the new 2016 Lakeshore Directory, the meeting agenda, and last year's minutes while awaiting breakfast.



OTLPOA Board President Ken Wentz introduces the Board of Directors.



Members go through the breakfast buffet dishing up scrambled eggs, toast, and bacon. Yum!



Board member Rita Buntje signs up new member, Ned Windmier.



OTLPOA Board of Directors. Back row from left: Vice President Scott Simdorn, Marc Wing, Pete Johnson, Dan Carlisle, Rob Nelson, Rob Bope, President Ken Wentz. Front row from left: Bernie Steeves, Lee Rosenquist, Rita Buntje, Becky Kemling, Jan Johnson. (Not pictured: Treasurer Pat Hunke, Linda Snyder, Stan Fetters.)

Be Safe With Campfires



The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources reminds everyone to be safe with campfires this summer.

“Spending time with family and friends around a campfire is a popular Minnesota tradition,” said Linda Gormanson, DNR wildfire prevention supervisor. “You can take simple measures to make your campfire safe.”

Gormanson recommends all campfires should be:

- Clear of any burnable material 5 feet in all directions around the fire.
- Built within a designated fire ring 3 feet or less in diameter.
- Kept to 3 feet or less in height
- Legal—check if to see if local municipality requires a permit.

For people who don't have a campsite with a designated fire ring, select a safe place for the campfire. Choose a level area away from dry grass, shrubs or logs that is free of overhanging branches. Then scoop out a depression in the center of the area and put a ring of rocks around it.

An adult should attend the fire at all times – even a light breeze can cause the fire to spread. Always have a shovel and water available at the campfire to extinguish it. Stir the embers repeatedly with water or dirt until every ember is out cold.

Source: 2016 Minnesota Department of Natural Resources



Inspiration Peak Minnesota's Back Yard

By Leah Klegstad

Inspiration Peak is among the highest of the glacial features in the Leaf Hills. Inspiration Peak is located in the southern part of Otter Tail County. At 1,750 feet and about above the surrounding countryside, it is the highest point in the county and also one of the highest points in Minnesota.

Be sure to have some good walking shoes for this hike! It is a quarter mile to the top with several benches along the way to rest if need be. You will not regret the sweat once you get to the top; what a gorgeous view! You can see for miles at the top of the peak. It is especially a pretty view in the fall with the autumn air and the changes in color.

An interesting fact about Inspiration Peak is that not many know of its whereabouts or of its existence outside of the immediate area. Sinclair Lewis, a Nobel Prize-winning novelist, wrote, “there’s to be seen a glorious 20-mile circle of some 50 lakes scattered among fields and pastures, like sequins fallen on an old paisley shawl.” Lewis wanted Minnesotans to know and appreciate the “haunt of beauty” that they have in their own backyard.

OTLPOA Foundation Watercraft Safety Class On Saturday, August 13



The Otter Tail Lakes Property Owners Association Foundation will be hosting a watercraft safety class to be held at Amor Park on Otter Tail Lake. The class, “Canoeing & Kayaking 101”, will be Saturday, August 13 from 9am to 1pm.

The class will focus on entry/exit, navigation, rafting, capsizing/emergency procedures and docking. Kids ages 10 and up are encouraged to attend and they will need to bring their own properly fitted life jacket. The purpose of this class is not to compete with the USCG Watercraft Certification, rather it will focus on teaching kids the safe use of non-motorized watercraft.

Class registration is \$50, however the Foundation will reimburse the kids who complete the class. For registration call the Rose Mathney, Fergus Falls YMCA at 218-739-4489.

This class will be piloted with canoes and kayaks, but if the Foundation receives positive feedback there will be options for expanding it next year to include different types of boats.

Bikes & Fun to Go!

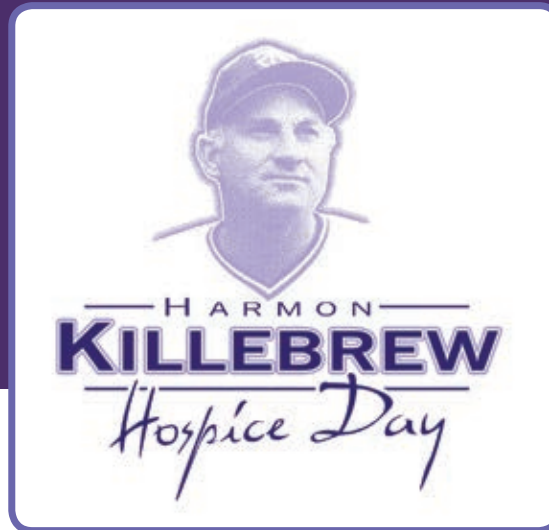


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06/18/16

- Fly Fishing Clinic

06/22/16 - 08/03/16 (Weds.)

- Nature Explorations:
Wild Wednesday Junior
Naturalist Programs

06/22/16 - 08/17/16 (Weds.)

- Beginning Canoeing

06/25/16

- Paddle the Glendalough
Chain of Lakes

07/16/16

- Archery in the Park

08/06/16

- Archery in the Park

08/14/16

- Picnic in the Park:
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Firewood Alert

It is illegal to bring firewood into state parks, state forest campgrounds, or day-use areas unless purchased from an approved vendor.

To find an approved firewood vendor near your destination, check the DNR approved firewood vendor listing for each state park or state forest. Be sure to keep your receipt to show proof of purchase.

If you bring unapproved firewood with you to a state-administered campground, it will be confiscated. If the wood is from a quarantined area outside Minnesota, you could be violating a federal law.

Source: 2016 Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

Did You Know

Using damp wood in a bonfire causes more smoke than using dry pieces of wood. To have a calm enjoyable bonfire, remember to make sure all of your burning materials are dry and safe to use. For example, aerosols, tires, canisters or anything that holds a chemical or paint can produce toxic fumes making the air very unsafe to breathe in. Also, there is a chance of the canisters exploding causing serious injury.

Demo Derby

The Ottertail Rod and Gun Club Demo Derby will be held on Friday, August 12 at 7pm. Come revel in the excitement of watching vehicles destroyed before your eyes.

Otterfest

Otterfest will be held at the Ottertail Community Center and City Park on Saturday, August 13.

This is an entire day of fun in Ottertail city with various events happening throughout the day. Events include a pancake feed by the Lions Club, parade, games, bike rodeo, bingo, music by Castaways, pork feed with Buehlers corn on the cob, and fireworks by the Lions.

Come To The Lakes Concerts

If you haven't had a chance to attend one of the concerts called "Come To The Lakes" at the Lakes Area Community Center (LACC) in Battle Lake, now is the time.

The free concerts are held at the LACC, 112 West Main Street, Battle Lake on Thursday evenings at 7:30pm.

Here's the dates and the featuring concert for the rest of July and all of August

July 21 "Motu" – Sounds of the Caribbean and Reggae (outside if possible)

July 28 "The Fancy and the Functional" – original & folk vocal/instrumental

Aug. 4 Everett "the Voice" Jacobson – show tunes and other classics

Aug. 11 Northern Lights Gospel Quartet

Aug. 18 Sunrise Trio – piano, violin and cello from the classics of Broadway

Aug. 25 Blue Wolf – Jerry and Shirley Spanhanks, Bluegrass, gospel and folk

Fruit Flies

Have you ever picked up a banana or had some fruit on the counter with just a couple bugs flying around them?

That's how it starts - first a few bugs are flying and then look - they are all over the kitchen and covering the garbage.

Fruit flies have fast life cycles; they can go from an egg to adult in just 8 days. And they are annoying!!! These tiny nuisances can quickly multiply in number, and be tough to get rid of once they're around.

How do you get rid of them? After looking on the internet I found a nice easy recipe for fruit flies that the grandkids could help with.

We took 2 glass bottles (ie a jelly jar), poured about 1 inch of vinegar, and added 3 drops of dish soap in each jar. (The vinegar has a nice, fruity aroma that the fruit flies love and the dish soap helps so that when they touch the surface they immediately sink and drown). Next the grandkids helped me rubber band a piece of saran wrap over the top, and then we took a toothpick and poked holes in the top. (I went behind with a knife and made the holes a little larger)

We placed one jar in the broom room with the garbage and one on the counter next to the fruit. For fun we had a contest between the two jars and checked each container to see how many flies we had caught. Within a day and the half all the flies were gone.

This was one of the easiest and cheapest fixes and it was fun to do with the grandkids.

Water Conservation

The month of July is, on average, the warmest of the year and is a time when many lawn sprinkler systems are running regularly. During this warm summer season, the Department of Natural Resources reminds people to use water wisely.

In most communities in Minnesota, water used for lawn sprinkling comes from groundwater, which cities pump through pipes to homes.

"Many communities are taking steps to use water more efficiently," DNR Water Conservation Program Coordinator Carmelita Nelson said.

The DNR urges people to follow the pattern and reduce the amount of water they use on their lawns. In turn, they'll be conserving the groundwater their communities depend on for basic necessities, like drinking water.

High summer water use is a big expense for cities. For example, a city may use only four wells in the winter months to provide water to residents, but in the summer months they may need 15-18 wells to supply water, primarily for residential lawn watering.

"This is a lot of extra infrastructure just for emerald lawns in July and August," Nelson said. "To minimize the summer spike, many cities are reducing water use on city-owned properties and encouraging residents to follow suit. We all need to be mindful of our water

use," said Nelson, "and do our part this summer to protect our water sources for current and future generations. In Minnesota, dormant lawns usually return to green naturally. If you do irrigate, be a smart irrigator."

Some conservation tips

Check city ordinances to find out when lawn watering is allowed. Often, lawn watering is prohibited during the middle of the day or there may be a restriction on the days people may water.

Lawns only need about 1 inch of water per week, although this may vary depending on the soil. To figure out how long it takes for a sprinkler to provide one inch of water, set an empty tuna can in the yard and determine the amount of time it takes to fill up when watering the lawn. That is the amount of time to water the lawn each week, without rain.

If it rains, reduce watering appropriately. For automatic sprinkler systems, a new rain sensor can save 60 percent on water use. Since 2003, state law has required sensors that shut off sprinkler systems if it has rained recently. Replacing old spray heads with new precision spray nozzles can result in 30 percent water savings.

For more tips on lawn watering efficiency go to http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/waters/watermgmt_section/appropriations/conservation.html

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Wed., July 20 - Sat., July 23



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Horse Pull



Demolition Derby



Wednesday, July 20 —

FARMER APPRECIATION DAY

8am	4-H Food Stand Opens	
9am	Swine Show	Henry C. Stock Arena
9am-6pm	Open Class Entries Accepted	Main Exhibit Building
11am	Shake Shed Opens	
2pm	Poultry Show	Satellite Arena
4pm	Commercial Building Opens	
4pm	Midway Opens	
4-5pm	Bill & Janet	Conservation Park Stage
4-10pm	Elizabeth Lion's Club Bingo	Willis Roehl Building
6pm	Sheep Show	Henry C. Stock Arena
7-9pm	Draft Horse Pull - Free Admission	Grandstand

Thursday, July 21 — SENIOR DAY

8am	4-H Food Stand Opens	
8am	4-H Horse Show	Horse Arena
9am	4-H Beef Show	Henry C. Stock Arena
11am	Shake Shed Opens	
11am	Commercial Building Opens	
11am-3pm	Sr. Resource Fair	Main Exhibit Building
2-10pm	Elizabeth Lion's Club Bingo	Willis Roehl Building
3pm	Slew Foot Family Band	Conservation Park Stage
3:30pm	Rabbit Show	Satellite Arena
4pm	Midway Opens	
4-8pm	Balloon Artist - Roaming	
4-11pm	Buddy Night	
5pm	Slew Foot Family Band	Conservation Park Stage
6:30pm	Kids Pedal Tractor Pull	S side of Main Exhibit Building
7pm	aChord	Main Exhibit Building Stage
7pm	Modified Tractor Pull - \$5 Admission	Grandstand
8-11pm	Billy D & the Crystals	Conservation Park Stage

Friday, July 22 — YOUTH DAY

8am	4-H Food Stand Opens	
8am	4-H Horse Show	Horse Arena
9am	4-H Beef Show	Henry C. Stock Arena
11am	Shake Shed Opens	
11am	Commercial Building Opens	
Noon	4-H Llama Show	Henry C. Stock Arena or Horse Arena
1pm	4-H Goat Show	Henry C. Stock Arena
1pm	Midway Opens	
1-2pm	Strange Brew Jazz	Conservation Park Stage
4-8pm	Balloon Artist - Roaming	
4-10pm	Elizabeth Lion's Club Bingo	Willis Roehl Building
7:30pm	4-H Fashion Revue, Share the Fun, Champion Non-Livestock Awards, Etc.	Main Arena
8-11pm	Giving Back Jack	Conservation Park Stage

Saturday, July 23 — VETERANS DAY

8am	4-H Food Stand Opens	
8:30am	4-H Sr. Round Robin Showman	Henry C. Stock Arena
9am	4-H Blue Ribbon Auction	Henry C. Stock Arena
10am	4-H Cloverbud Horse Show	Horse Arena
	4-H Horse Fun Show	
11am	Shake Shed Opens	
11am	Commercial Building Opens	
Noon-1pm	Carlisle Band	Main Exhibit Building Stage
2-10pm	Elizabeth Lion's Club Bingo	Willis Roehl Building
4:30pm	4-H Barnyard Olympics	Henry C. Stock Arena
5pm	4-H Tug of War	Henry C. Stock Arena
5-6pm	Northern Lights	Main Exhibit Building Stage
6-8pm	Crazy Fingers Piano Duo	Conservation Park Stage
7pm	Demolition Derby -	Grandstand
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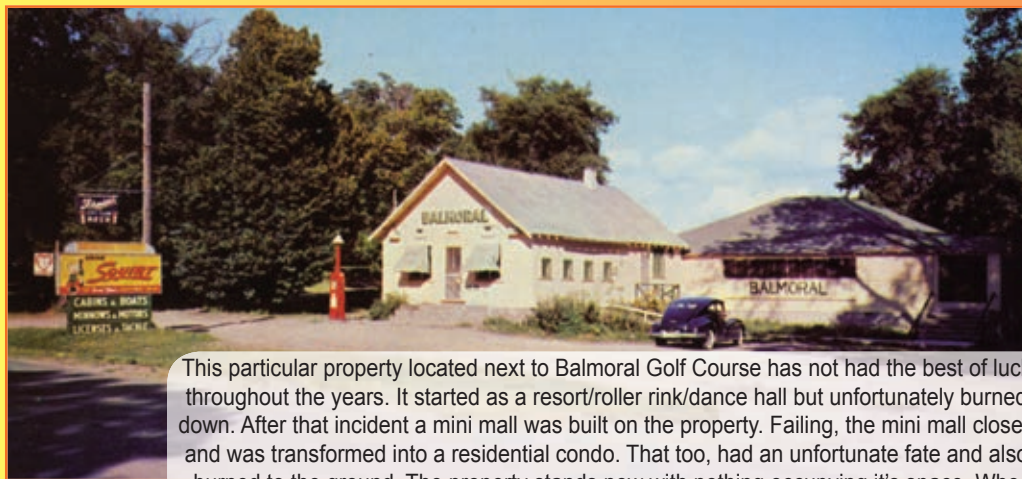
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HISTORY OF OTTER TAIL LAKE



This particular property located next to Balmoral Golf Course has not had the best of luck throughout the years. It started as a resort/roller rink/dance hall but unfortunately burned down. After that incident a mini mall was built on the property. Failing, the mini mall closed and was transformed into a residential condo. That too, had an unfortunate fate and also burned to the ground. The property stands now with nothing occupying it's space. Who knows, maybe it would be bad news for another structure to be built there anyway.

Photo and info submitted by Jim Shirley

Lake Of The Otter's Tail

It was in 1750, when the first group of explorers ventured into the area of Otter Tail Lake. The group of explorers were made up of Frenchman and Englishman. In fact, it was this group of men that met with a band of Native American on the shore of Otter Tail Lake and began referring to it as, "Lake of the Otter's Tail". That name eventually evolved into Otter Tail Lake.

Reminiscing

Do You Remember This?

The Year Was 1968

Notice:

This should be of special interest to everyone on the lake! A brand new Laundromat has been completed in Ottertail Village and features Speed Queen washers and driers. It will be open 24 hours a day.

Fishing Report

An 8-1/2 lb. muskie was caught by Dr. Boulden of Lennox, Iowa, on Otter Tail Lake, fishing in about 20' of water and using minnows. This is the first legal size muskie known to be taken from Otter Tail Lake.

Otters



River Otters can travel up to as many as 25 miles in a single week. They are said to be 'tireless travelers'. For being an avid traveler, the river otter in Minnesota is one of the local mammals that does not migrate south or go into hibernation when the winter months roll around. Otters have a two-layer fur coat that makes it possible to remain so active in the harsh winter months.

Did You Know

Did you know that river otters can delay their pregnancy? After the otter's pregnancy is delayed the pups are not born for nearly a year. The normal gestation takes around 62 days. Delayed Implantation is the proper term for this phenomenon. The embryo remains a ball of cells for approximately 9 months. When the mother otter feels the weather is warm enough and there is an abundance of food her gestation period will begin.



Brochure and info submitted by Jim Shirley

An old brochure from Camp Mansfield. This brochure is dated back to approximately the 1920s-1930s.

Reminiscing Otter Tail Lake



Auman - Carlisle Cottage
Otter Tail Lake - 1940s



Gathering rocks from Otter Tail Lake
for retaining wall - 1940's



Shirley Beach - Otter Tail Lake - 1938

Photos and info submitted by Dan Carlisle

Lakeshore News 1968

Norm Arveson, Director-Attorney wrote an article for the Lakeshore News that was published on June 15, 1968, Vol. 1, No. 1. This article is relevant today too. The Otter Tail Lakes Property Owners Association was designed as a united front - there's strength in numbers for the common good.

Strength In Numbers

The old proverb "There is Strength in Numbers" has a practical application to the lake property owners of Minnesota.

The common problems of off-season property protection from theft and vandalism, the maintenance of lake levels, fish propagation and tax equalization alone, dictate the organization of a corporate entity to which the members may turn for the application of mass strength for the benefit of the individual.

For this purpose, this organization was found. To this purpose it is dedicated. And from it, its members may expect support and aid.

The future of the lake are is dependent upon planning, combined with the united will to expedite the planned result. The success of the planned result depends upon the use of small contributions of the individual members to achieve a mass fund for the common good.

This is your organization, designed for your protection, for the common good and the realization of the individual right to privacy and the pursuit of family happiness.

The current pattern of violence requires fresh analysis of our protection pattern against theft, vandalism, and total destruction of private property.

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have a limited area of operation; limited not by their abilities and training, but limited by the financial support given to them by the municipal subdivisions they serve.

There are two alternatives. The county or municipality must use its police structure to any extent necessary to provide complete protection, or the members of any private organization, with available finances, must supplement public protection to any degree necessary to provide security to the area served.

It is not the purpose of this organization to supplant public protection facilities, but within our limited means, we shall supplement such facilities to the point where individual security shall no longer be a problem, but a fact.

Norm Arveson, Director-Attorney

Look For Histories Of Long Lake & Walker Lake In Our August Issue!

If you have any history you would like to share or have published in the August Issue of Lakeshore News regarding Long Lake or Walker Lake, we would like to encourage you to send in old photos and descriptions of the events that have taken place!

Please send in your old photos and stories to share at: leah@themidweekpublications.com or stop by The Midweek so we can scan your images!

Deadline is July 23rd by 4pm.

PULL THE PLUG ON AQUATIC HITCHHIKERS

Actions Required by MN Law

to prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species:

- ✓ **Clean** aquatic plants, zebra mussels, and other prohibited invasive species off watercraft, trailers, and equipment before leaving the water access.
- ✓ **Drain** water from boat, ballast tanks, portable bait container, and motor before leaving a water access – and drain bilge, livewell, and baitwell by removing drain plugs. **Keep drain plugs out** while transporting boats.
- ✓ **Dispose** of unwanted bait in the trash. It is illegal to release live bait into the water, or to dump worms on the ground.



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STOP AQUATIC
HITCHHIKERS!



River Otter

Lontra canadensis

The river otter is Minnesota's largest aquatic carnivore that lives in most northern Minnesota lakes, ponds, and streams. It can swim and maneuver better than many fish, and swims with only the top of its head out of the water. After an absence of more than a century, its range is again extending into southern Minnesota.

Source: 2016 Minnesota Department of Natural Resources



The Name "Otter Tail"

On the North East edge of Otter Tail Lake is a long skinny strip of sandbar that was once referred to as, "Lac de la Queue de la Outer", which is roughly translated from the French language to English, "Lake of the Otter's Tail".

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Moss Growing On Roofs Can Create Costly Repairs

Moss can shorten the life span of a shingled roof and result in costly repairs. Homeowners may think moss on roofs is innocuous, just a cosmetic problem or even pretty. Yet leaving it in place can damage the roof and even have disastrous consequences. Research shows that moss needs to be dealt with and the sooner the better.

Moss is a plant that grows naturally on just about any surface, including the ground, trees and sidewalks, as well as roofs. It produces tiny spores that become air-borne and land on roofs and other prospective growth sites. During the moist, cooler months, these spores grow into moss.

In drier weather, the moss goes dormant, turning into a rust-colored plant mass. Moss is different from algae, lichen or mold fungi,

which are typically easier to clean and less damaging to a roof.

Moss readily grows on roof shingles, especially in the spaces between shingles where the spores collect. And its growth is usually greatest on north-facing roofs, roof areas shaded by trees and other places that are not exposed to enough sun to dry out.

Once established, it acts like a sponge, soaking up and storing rainwater. Some of that water then wicks up under the shingles through capillary action and soaks into and through the roof underlayment, which is typically 15- or 30-pound felt. Eventually, it saturates the roof sheathing below.

Sometimes in more severe cases it can also cause the supporting structural roof framing members to decay. Often this moss-related damage occurs in attics that have plenty of ventilation.

Rainwater leaking through the roof from moss can also result in serious, unhealthy mold growth on interior room surfaces as well as wall component decay that is extremely expensive to repair.

Moss can shorten the life span of a shingled roof and result in costly repairs — both structural and cosmetic — that would not be necessary if the roof were maintained properly and kept clear of moss.

Avoid power washing the moss off because that can drive moisture under the shingles, damaging the underlying roof components.

Take care of your roof before it's too late and you have some serious damage.

Source: www.oregonlive.com/hg/index.ssf/2013/12/moss_can_damage_roof.html



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10 Deepest Lakes in Minnesota

Name	County	Max. Depth
Lake Superior	--	1,290 feet
Ten Mile	Cass	209 feet
Lower LaSalle	Hubbard	204 feet
Loon Lake	Cook	202 feet
Rainy	St. Louis	161 feet
Leech	Cass	150 feet
Cass	Beltrami/Cass	120 feet
Otter Tail	Otter Tail	120 feet
Minnetonka	Hennepin	113 feet
Vermilion	St. Louis	76 feet

Source: 2016 Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

DNR Offers Advice For Dealing With Storm Damaged Trees

Cleanup following a storm can be an overwhelming task for homeowners. Knowing which trees to save and which to remove can impact safety and the survival of remaining trees, according to the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources.

DNR forestry outreach specialist Jennifer Teegarden offers the following tips.

Do:

- Approach damaged trees with caution. Stay clear of downed wires and call 911.
- Carefully inspect standing trees for damage and deal with hazardous trees first. If possible, ask a forester or arborist for advice.
- Trees should be removed if more than 50 percent of the trunk or live branches in the crown are damaged, and if the tree is unnaturally leaning or roots are damaged.
- Watch for detached branches, loosely hanging branches and split or cracked trunks that can cause injury or further damage.
- Use proper pruning techniques to remove broken limbs by cutting just outside the branch collar, but limit pruning to making the tree safe.
- Water stressed and damaged trees weekly to help them repair and rebuild. Be careful not to overwater, especially in heavy clay soils.
- Monitor damaged trees in upcoming years to make sure they don't become a hazard.

Don't:

- Be rushed by promises of bargains from inexperienced or unqualified tree service

providers. Improper pruning or unneeded removal can result in unnecessary costs or loss of healthy trees. Ask for references and proof of insurance.

- Repair a broken branch or fork of a tree with tape, wire, bolts or other wraps. It will not heal, and the split will invite decay and further weaken the tree. Cabling or bracing should only be performed by a certified arborist and inspected annually.
- Remove the tops of trees. This makes the tree more susceptible to insects and disease, and results in new branches that are weakly attached.
- Apply paint or dressing to wounds as these materials interfere with the natural wound sealing process.
- Remove small, leaning trees. Trees less than 15 feet tall may survive if they are gently pulled back into place. Press out air spaces in the loosened soil. The tree can then be staked for up to a year.
- Fertilize stressed or damaged trees.

Information on tree care, proper pruning techniques and handling damaged trees is available on the <http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/treecare/maintenance/stormdamage-prevention.html>

For more extensive information on tree care, contact a DNR forester, city forester, certified arborist or county extension staff.

Take the right steps to correct damaged trees so they can continue to provide shade, clean air, beauty and increased property value for many years to come.

Why Minnesota Lakes and Rivers Advocates

By Jeff Forester, Executive Director of MN Lakes & Rivers Advocates

There is a lake heritage crisis in Minnesota. Aquatic invasive species, runoff pollution, rising property taxes and other threats challenge a core Minnesota value, time spent with family and friends on a lake.

Lake associations are unsung heroes in lake heritage preservation and taken collectively, are the most active, most effective and most committed conservation group in Minnesota. Lake Associations have never been unified before and efforts are diffuse. A statewide advocacy force is necessary to leverage the public good they are doing with legislative action.

In 2013 MLR set out to organize all of the lake associations in the state into a single, powerful and unified voice for lakes and rivers. Such a group would be one of the most powerful in the state. Already this partnership of Lake Associations and MLR is having a profound impact at the legislature.

But this effort and success may stall just as they are starting. Some assume that if their lake association is a member of MLR then they are members of MLR. Unfortunately the math tells a different story.

If EVERY LAKE ASSOCIATION joined

MLR at the current average of \$150 per lake association (and that will never happen) that would generate \$67,500 annually, a significant amount of money, but not enough to fund a statewide MLR's operating costs. MLR runs a lean organization. One full time employee and two part time. The Board is entirely volunteer.

MLR must have the support of individuals in order to build the many diverse lake associations in the state into a more powerful advocacy group for lake and river issues. Already we have had much success in getting funding for AIS efforts, controlling property taxes on shoreline, and giving laker associations a seat at the table when policy is made.

Is it worth \$10 a month to protect your lake, increase funding for AIS and lake protection work, improve shoreline habitat, and build the most effective conservation group in the State?

You can join online with a credit card or you can download a printable membership form at www.mnlakesandrivers.org. You can leverage your support by becoming a sustaining member. Together we will build an advocacy force that will protect your lake heritage for future generations.

Inspect Your Equipment For Invasives

By Leah Klegstad

Remember to always carefully inspect any of your water related equipment after it being submerged into the lake. It is very important to make sure there aren't any invasive species hitching a ride with you. The aquatic invasive species that are relevant to our beautiful Minnesota waters are the zebra mussel, Eurasian watermilfoil, or New Zealand mudsnails. Make sure to look at all your posts, wheels, and

other underwater support bars your docks or lifts may have.


Hiring a business to remove your water equipment is an option as well; however, you should be sure and check to see if they have completed the AIS training and are on the DNR's list of Permitted Service Providers. With that training they know how to identify and remove the invasive species threatening our waters.



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Amor	Otter Tail	Seas/Rec. Improved	Peterson	Hanson	\$131,000
Amor	Otter Tail	Seas/Rec. Improved	Rud	Swanson	\$117,000
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Girard		Residential < 4 Units	Issendorf	Fleischauer	\$144,900
Girard	Ethel	Seas/rec Improved	Hanson	Thompson	\$257,850
Otter Tail		Seas/Rec. Improved	Dispanet	Billie	\$59,900
Otter Tail		Residential < 4 Units	Deblieck	Whipps	\$36,875
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Goodbody's Gold Takes Stage At Elmer's Old West Melodrama

A new melodrama production, the second of three this summer, takes stage starting Friday, July 8, at Elmer's Texas Barbeque between Battle Lake and Otter Tail City, and runs Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays through July 31.

"Goodbody's Gold" is a hilarious melodrama by Dan Chappelle, the author of last year's "Dangerous Waters."

It tells the tale of Grammy Grumpree (played by Brigitte Munsterman) and her lovely daughter Sugar Goodbody (Teresa Widiger), who own and operate the Earnest T. Goodbody Silver mine.

Mr. Ignatz Fowler (Mykenzey Watchorn), a person of questionable scruples and evil purpose, plots to obtain the mine from the ladies, assisted by Teddi Bustier (Samantha Bottko), a saloon lady with a zest for material things.

Hero Grant Cash (Jake Boerhave) does his utmost to thwart the villain's plans despite being oblivious to the obvious!



Live theme piano music by local musician Patty Albertson accompanies this show.

Tickets are available at www.elmersbarbeque.com. Ticket pricing includes an authentic BBQ dinner with all the fixins, tea, lemonade and a dessert at intermission. Arrive prior to 6:15 to enjoy the antics of Scratch & Sniff on the lawn before the show.

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 Saturday, July 23: 1-6pm or 6-11 pm

Tips...

Measure Before You Buy The Paint

It's been years since you last painted. How do you determine how much paint you will need and that you don't waste it? To help conserve paint reduce.org has these tips for painting.

When buying paint for your home, measure first. Calculate the area to be painted (height x width = total square feet). One gallon of paint covers about 400 square feet. Read labels and choose the least hazardous paint, either low volatile organic compounds (VOC) or water-based paint,

stains, finishes and paint stripper when possible. To prevent paint from drying out, cover the paint can with plastic wrap, replace the lid securely and store the paint upside-down. Use stored paint for touch-up jobs or smaller projects. Blend similar colors for larger jobs or use as a primer when the finish is not critical.

Benefits: By buying only what you need, you will have less paint to store or dispose of and you'll save money up front by buying less paint in the first place.

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Look For The History of Maplewood State Park In August Issue

If you have any history you would like to share or have published in the August Issue of Lakeshore News regarding Maplewood State Park, we would like to encourage you to send in old photos and descriptions of the events that have taken place!

Please send in your old photos and stories to share at: leah@themidweekpublications.com or stop by The Midweek so we can scan your images! Deadline is July 23rd by 4pm.

Calendar of Events

July 14	Come to the Lakes Concert Series, BL	Aug. 13	BL Art & Craft Affair
July 15-17	Art of the Lakes Studio Tour	Aug. 13	Otterfest
July 19	Music on the Green	Aug. 13	Otterfest Lions Breakfast
July 20-23	West Otter Tail County Fair, FF	Aug. 14	Glendalough State Park - Celebrating 125 and 25 Years of History
July 21	OTLPOA Appreciation Drop-in Gathering	Aug. 16	Music on the Green, Ottertail
July 21	COLA General Meeting	Aug. 18	Come to the Lakes Concert Series, BL
July 21	Come to the Lakes Concert Series, BL	Aug. 18	COLA Annual Meeting & Awards
July 21	MS Tram	Aug. 19	World Famous Turkey BBQ Henning
July 21-23	Dough 4 Joe Motorcycle Ride	Aug. 19	Puppet Pageant, NYM
July 21-24	BL Wenonga Days	Aug. 20	Watermelon Day, Vining
July 21-24	East Otter Tail County Fair, Perham	Aug. 25	Come to the Lakes Concert Series, BL
July 23	Deer Trails Day, Deer Creek	Aug. 25	OTLPOA Board Meeting
July 23	Art in the Park, Pelican Rapids	Aug. 27-28	Finn Creek Festival, NYM
July 23-26	Ottertail Art & Music Festival	Sept. 1	Come to the Lakes Concert Series, BL
July 24	Art & Crafts in the Park, DL	Sept. 3	Gathering of Airplanes, BL
July 27-30	Becker County Fair, DL	Sept. 15	COLA General Meeting
July 28	Come to the Lakes Concert Series, BL	Sept. 17	The Viking Challenge & Crusade
July 28	OTLPOA Board Meeting	Sept. 22	OTLPOA Board Meeting
July 29	Pebble Lake Youth Triathlon	Sept. 24	Central Lakes Cycle Duathlon
July 30	Hoot Lake Triathlon	Sept. 24	Colors & Textures of MN Autumn, BL
Aug. 2	Music on the Green, Ottertail	Sept. 24	Pumpkin Fest, BL
Aug. 4	Come to the Lakes Concert Series, BL	October 1	Vergas Hairyman Festival
Aug. 4-6	WeFest	October 5-6	Aquatic Invaders Summit
Aug. 5-6	Perham Crazy Days		
Aug. 11	Come to the Lakes Concert Series, BL		
Aug. 11-14	Looney Daze, Vergas		
Aug. 12	Rod & Gun Demo Derby, Ottertail		

BL - Battle Lake, FF - Fergus Falls, MSP - Maplewood State Park, NYM - New York Mills, OTL - Otter Tail Lake



Otter Tail County is now using the CodeRED® Emergency/Weather Warning Notification System - a high-speed community communication service. This system allows us to send specific information to individuals, businesses, and organizations throughout the county - or just in affected areas - in case of an emergency or severe weather situation.

The CodeRED® Emergency/Weather Warning Notification System also delivers weather warning information to anyone that signs up to receive it - whether on your phone, by text, or email.

Self-registration is easy. Go to <https://public.coderedweb.com/cne/en-US/BF58FD528F29> for the new CodeRED® registration page. If you need assistance to sign up, or have any questions about the system, please contact Otter Tail County Emergency Management: 218-998-8067



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

The OTLPOA Appreciation Drop-in Gathering
Thursday, July 21
6:00-8:00pm
at Betty Jo's Pavilion
at Elmer's

Recycle More!

Otter Tail County operates a Source-Separated recycling system meaning they ask the resident's cooperation in sorting their recyclables before bringing them to a recycling bin or redemption center.

General Guidelines:

- Please clean and rinse out all containers (glass, aluminum, tin, plastic)
- Remove and discard tops to containers (glass/plastic)

- Labels do not need to be removed
- Note the new color codes!

Aluminum & Tin Cans

All aluminum and tin cans can be recycled in Otter Tail County

- Clean aluminum foil and aluminum pie plates are also accepted
- Please note that aluminum cans brought in for redemption must be separated from tin cans

Plastic Bottles & Jugs

Plastic bottles and jugs with a 1 or 2 recyclable mark on it and a neck or spout are accepted in OTC

Accepted:

- Milk Jugs • Pop Bottles • Water Bottles
 - Other plastics with a #1 or #2 with neck/spout
- Not Accepted:**
- Yogurt, Cool Whip, and Margarine Containers
 - Ag/Boat Wrap
 - #3, #4, #5, #6, & #7 Plastics

Glass

All clear/colored glass bottles and jars are accepted in OTC

- No need to separate colored glasses or clear glass
- Drinking glasses and window glass excluding the frame are accepted

Corrugated Cardboard

All corrugated cardboard and paper bags are accepted in OTC

- Corrugated cardboard has a "wave" layer between two layers of flat cardboard - no paperboard or boxboard accepted

- Please flatten cardboard boxes to save space

Mixed Paper: Newspaper, Office Paper, Magazines, & Paperboard

All newspaper, magazines, catalogs, paperboard, and most paper are accepted in OTC

Paperboard now accepted! Please break down paperboard and place directly in the newsprint

Includes:

- Pop Boxes
- Frozen Food Boxes
- Cereal Boxes
- Gift Boxes
- Magazines, catalogs, and other glossy paper should be separated in a bag, box, or tied together and placed in the newspaper bin

Office paper should be separated this way as well

- Newspaper can be placed directly into the newspaper bin

- Phone books, can also be recycled, but the covers must be removed and placed with paperboard

Items Not Accepted:

Light Bulbs, Automotive Glass, #3, #4, #5, #6, & #7 Plastics, Construction Paper, Fluorescent Paper, Gift-Wrapping, Plastic Bags, Wax-Coated Paper, Milk Cartons, Juice Cartons

Source: Otter Tail County Solid Waste Department/Recycling

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

2016 Upcoming Board Meetings

July 28 • Aug. 25 • Sept. 22
7pm • Ottertail Community Center (103 Lake Ave. S)

www.otlpoa.com

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

2016 DUES - \$25.00

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Otter Tail Lakes Property Owners Association, Inc.
P.O. Box 21, Battle Lake, MN 56525-0021

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Battle Lake Art & Craft Affair

Check out the Battle Lake Art & Craft Affair On August 13. It will be held at Railroad Park, in Battle Lake. All items must be at least 60% made by the vendor.

Watercraft SAFETY CLASS

Canoeing & Kayaking 101

Hosted by the OTLPOA Foundation

Class will offer lessons on the safe use of Canoes & Kayaks

Focus on entry/exit, navigation, rafting, capsize/emergency procedures & docking

Otter Tail Lake - Amor Park
Saturday, August 13
9:00AM-1:00PM



For Kids 10 & Up
(Need to bring their own, properly fitted life jacket)

REGISTRATION:
Fergus Falls YMCA

Rose Mathney:
218-739-4489

COST: \$50
OTLPOA Foundation will reimburse the kids Following completion of the class

100-Year Rainstorms Defined

One of the more misleading phrases used in meteorology and hydrology is 100-year storm. The phrase implies that an intense rainstorm dubbed as an 100-year event, dropped rainfall totals heretofore unseen for 100 years, and not to be experienced again for another century. This is a logical, but incorrect conclusion to draw from the phrase. More precisely worded, a 100-year storm drops rainfall totals that had a one percent probability of occurring at that location that year. Encountering a 100-year storm on one day does nothing to change the probability of receiving the same amount of precipitation the very next day.

A better way to describe these unusual events is to refer to a one percent probability storm. However, the momentum created by repeated usage over time will assure that 100-year storm will remain in the public and scientific lexicon.

Intense rainfall events are often geographically isolated. Therefore,

increased population density, improved precipitation monitoring networks, and radar-based precipitation estimation have increased the likelihood of capturing (measuring) heavy rain events. Also, improved communication allows for faster and more complete transfer of weather information. When the neighboring county is walloped by a 100-year storm, we hear about it quickly. Invariably we will vicariously "experience" the event and wonder why 100-year storms seem to be occurring every other week!

A 24-hour duration 100-year storm for most Minnesota communities is roughly six to seven inches. A comprehensive analysis of precipitation return period climatology is provided in NOAA Atlas 14, an on-line precipitation frequency information resource

For more information contact: climate@umn.edu

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