Welcome Back!
A warm Welcome to all new lake and area residents, and Welcome back to all the snowbirds. To say the least, it’s been a long, cold winter. Enjoy the spring and summer on the lake—good fishing, boating and entertaining to all. Have a GREAT summer and be SAFE!

Walleye Fishing Opener
Saturday, May 9, 2009
How about trying ‘Catch-and-Release’ in 2009? Let these trophy fish go back and breed—be a real sportsman.

Septic Systems
Todd Soil and Water Conservation District
920.792.9674
They have 3% interest loans available in case you need a new system installed. Call before starting your project for details.

Cough! Cough!!
Road spraying for dust control will be done again this year in late May. You are responsible to measure and mark area to be sprayed. Please call Tri-City Paving 920.632.3435 BEFORE May 15th if you want your road area sprayed. All checks should be made payable to TRI-CITY PAVING.

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Since a group of fish are called a school, can we consider fish to be educated?

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Lake Beauty Association News
www.lakebeauty.org

Lake Beauty Association
Boat Parade
Saturday, July 4, 2009
3:00 PM
Cook-out to follow at Bible Camp.
Everyone is invited.

Lake Beauty Bible Camp Fireworks
Saturday, July 4, 2009
Approximately 10:00 PM
More information on www.lakebeauty.org

Misc. Issues
Some issues brought to our attention, which in most cases LBA has no control over:
Speeders on service roads
Noisy neighbors late at night
4-Wheelers using service roads for access
Harassing blow horn—this is against STATE law
Speed boats, jet skis, etc. coming too close to fisherpersons
We all have to be more considerate of our neighbors and to observe state and county laws.
Treat others as you would like to be treated.

Oven "Fries"
Recipe courtesy of Ellie Kregger for Food Network Magazine
Ingredients:
3 large baking potatoes, cut into 1/4-inch "fries"
2 tablespoons canola oil
Salt
Cooking Spray

Instructions:
Preheat oven to 425 degrees. In a large bowl, toss the potatoes with the oil and 1/2 teaspoon salt. Coat a baking sheet with cooking spray and spread the potatoes in a single layer. Bake until golden and crisp, about 55 minutes. Remove the fries with a spatula and season with salt.
Purpose of Lake Beauty Association

Following is a brief synopsis of LBA purpose taken from our corporate records:

1) Exercise, promote and protect the privileges and interests of the residents/owners on or near Lake Beauty.
2) Keep the clarity of Lake Beauty waters by identifying potential and real sources of pollution and educate the membership to utilize available resources to accomplish this.
3) Be aware of current weed control methods to promote spawning beds for fish propagation, and to study local weed control and make recommendation on desirable changes.

LBA does not, nor has it ever made any rules, ordinances or laws concerning Lake Beauty. Only the Township, County and State establish ordinances and laws, and these parties also enforce these ordinances and laws. LBA has no jurisdiction concerning establishing or enforcement of ordinances and/or laws.

If anyone would like to view the original by-laws and corporate record, book which was established in August 1991, please give Sully a call at 320.732.0759.

Lake Beauty Website

The best site to get information on what's happening around the lake. Do you have something to sell? Want to buy something? A business to advertise? When are the fireworks? Our website will give you tons of information, plus a special weather site to plan your week and weekend. Jim Mellick has done a terrific job in setting this site up and we should all use it as our Lake Beauty information center. If you want to sell that used refrigerator or pontoon, put it on the website! Looking for a boat motor? Ask on the website! It's free. Go to www.lakebeauty.org now and see what's available!

Business Ads

A business card sized ad is $25.00 per year. Call Sully 320.732.0759 or contact him at sullyra@twcweb.com for more information. Please support our business advertisers:

ACE Realty & Appraisal, Inc.
Neal Leegeld 320-815-4550 cell

All Star Title and Abstract
Joan Jasper 320.732.5111

American Family Insurance
Doug Schmidt 320.732.9658

Birr Marine
Joe Birr 389.295.5189

Boulder Ridge Construction
Greg Friedrich 612.307.7140 cell

Central Minnesota Federal Credit Union
Long Prairie 320.732.6662

Greater MN Lending
Linda Graham 320.732.1972

Long Prairie Fleet Supply Inc.
Todd Tomasee 926.732.6105

Marlene Clark - Attorney
320.732.2918

12 Mile Tavern
320.547.2011

Recycle Recycle Recycle Recycle Recycle Recycle Recycle Recycle Recycle Recycle Recycle Recycle
Volunteers Wanted

Do you have a minute? Some good ideas? Want to help out? Lake Association is always in need of volunteers to help on projects such as cookouts, boat parade, serving as an officer, working on the newsletter, updating our address book, etc., etc.

It's fun, easy going, with no pressure or exact deadlines. We may be too loo-sy goosy, but this isn't rocket science and we want to enjoy and have fun doing volunteer work. Time involved ranges from 2 - 10 hours per year, depending on how much time you want to contribute. Give a call to any officer of the association and we will try to answer your questions.

Many thanks to everyone who has stepped forward in the past to help out. Your work is GREATLY appreciated!

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THINK SPRING!
If it's zero degrees outside today and it's supposed to be twice as cold tomorrow, how cold is it going to be?
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Add Value To Your Property
Doug Flood has some beautiful pines and hardwoods for sale at very reasonable prices. Various sizes, varieties and prices available. Doug is an expert on trees, as he and his brothers own a large tree farm west of Little Falls. Trees add value to your property. Give Doug a call at 320-632-3412 and he will help you out.

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Greetings fellow Lake Beauty Residents,

My wife Cheryl and young daughters Sydney and Madeline are relatively new to the lake community. We are building our retirement home/cabin on the northeast end of the lake. We have been getting involved with the Lake Association and last fourth of July we organized and helped put on the cookout at the landing. We also enjoy being in the boat parade and will be helping to put on that event.

The Association is planning to have events on Saturday July 4th, similar to last year, with a boat parade followed by a cookout get together to award prizes and socialize. The cookout will be held at the Bible Camp which will allow us access to facilities (shelters, picnic tables, electrical outlets, etc.) to make the cookout easier to conduct and more comfortable for those who attend. Later in the evening, the Bible Camp will put on its annual fireworks display. Please bring your family, friends and weekend guests and join in the fun.

I invite you to participate in another social event in early summer. My idea is to have a progressive supper (pot luck)regatta. We would plan a number of stops (3 or 4) around the lake where we would pre-stage appetizers, main courses and desserts. Participants would then go by boat from one location to the next. For those folks who do not have a boat, we can arrange rides with those who do. The whole idea is to have people get together to meet and socialize. The plan is to have the event about two weeks after Memorial Day, so that everyone has a chance to get opened up, docks in and boats running. If this sounds like an event that you would like to take part in or have your place be one of the stops, please let me know. You can reach me by email at Thieschafer@charter.net or by phone at 820-492-3475. I look forward to seeing all of you this summer.

Many regards,

Pete Thieschafer

Lake Beauty History Bits
Source: Todd County History Published by Bicentennial Committee

Origin

Like many of the lakes in the State of Minnesota, Lake Beauty was likely formed by glacial activity that invaded Minnesota on four different occasions the last of which originated out of Canada's Hudson Bay area. The mixture and overlapping of these glacial flows produced hardwood timber in the western region of the state with pine trees in eastern regions. The large meadows were, in ancient days, lakes fed by these glaciers as they melted.

Inhabitants

It wasn't until centuries later, following the melting of the great glaciers, that humankind inhabited the area. It is probable that a race known as "Mount Builders" at one time occupied the region. The research work of Jacob Veenendaal Brower, first county auditor for Todd County, attracted attention in the scientific world and established the strongest probability that none of men existed in Todd County before the Native Americans arrived.

When the Native Americans eventually inhabited the area in and around Todd County, it was the Sioux who initially held possession of the lands. Later, during the early years of the nineteenth century, this territory became the disputed battleground between the Sioux and the Chippewa. Of the two rivals, the Chippewa proved more powerful and when the first white men ventured into the area, it was the Chippewa tribe that generally occupied the land surrounding Lake Beauty. Circa 1840.
Hole In The Day Treaty

Land in Todd County was eventually ceded to the United States, August 31, 1847, by the “Hole In The Day Treaty” (Chief of the Chippewa Nation) of Fond du Lac. 11 years later, 1858, Lake Beauty, along with the surrounding territory, was surveyed by Deputy United States Surveyors and in 1869, when the homestead law of the United States became effective, citizens of the US could acquire 160 acres by living on a parcel of land for five years.

State Park Consideration

It was during this time - the mid-1880s - that the magnificent stands of White Pine around Lake Beauty and the surrounding area attracted the attention of the State of Minnesota. It was proposed that a State Park be established that would include a series of five lakes: Lake Beauty to define its northern border and Long Lake its southern border. The idea never materialized and the heavily timbered lands were sold to the lumber barons.

Odd & Even Numbered Sections

In addition to the homestead law, the U.S. government also enacted legislation to encourage development of the newly acquired wilderness area by railroad and lumber companies. Odd numbered sections were indentured to railroad companies and even numbered sections to lumber companies.

Northern Pacific Railroad Company

The majority of the land that surrounds Lake Beauty to the north, located in Section 3, was part of this land of odd numbered sections indentured by the State of Minnesota to the Northern Pacific Railroad Company to financially support the construction of a railroad from Stillwater to the eastern state border near Big Stone Lake.

Logging on Lake Beauty

Around the year 1880, F. LaHute and H. H. Velie established a saw mill on the west shore of Lake Beauty and together with a mill on Coal Lake, north and west of Lake Beauty, these two mills cut from a half-million to a million feet of lumber a year for nearly ten years. Another logging operation, however, became interested in the timber around Lake Beauty, and Pendegast, Bridgman and Whipple, who possessed ample means, erected a second large mill at the southeast point of the lake. The Pendegast mill proceeded to buy up all the timber around the Bebe and LaFatte mill and the two gentleman were left with no choice but to close down operations.

Settlement Into The Area

The real settlement of Todd County began in 1866, at the close of the Civil War when soldiers and others immigrated into the area. Prior to this time, 1857, there were only three or four families who lived along the road between Little Falls and Long Prairie. These were thought to be the only families living in the entire region. There were no white folks living north of the County at this time.
Prime Timber Gone

By the early 1890s most of the prime timber was gone. The timber barons had stripped off the best timber, and then disposed of the land for whatever they could get, as they would not keep it and pay taxes.

1894 Winnebago Indian Census

According to the Winnebago Indian Census conducted in 1894, the Native American population consisted of 875 people. By comparison, the city of St. Paul, at this time, had a population of approximately 750 people.

• Caps • Shirts •

We have some very nice caps, tees and sweatshirts available. Show off your lake name with these 4-color embroidered logos. Various cap colors and shirt sizes in stock & available. Call Sully 220-732-6759

Public Landing

As per Township Supervisor Ron Jacobson, The Lake Beauty Association will NOT be maintaining the public landing. Township and DNR officials have decided to go with a private party to take care of it.

Township News

Be aware of the Township ordinances, as some have changed. It would be best to call Bev Egges 220-732-3409 BEFORE starting any project to avoid any problems. Leave a message, and Bev will return your call ASAP.

U.S Lake Facts

• There are 41 million acres of lakes and reservoirs in the U.S.
• There are approximately 100,000 lakes larger than 100 acres in the U.S. excluding Alaska, which has several million.
• Beaches, rivers and lakes are the number one vacation choice for Americans. Help support the flourishing recreation and tourism industry. Each year, Americans take over 1.8 billion trips to go fishing, swimming, boating or to just relax around favorite water destinations.
• On average, the value of real estate along desirable waterfronts is nearly 30 percent greater than similar properties located inland.
• Annual sales for just three activities - fishing, boating, and viewing and hunting ducks and other birds - is estimated at nearly $15 billion.
• According to the U.S. EPA’s National Water Quality Inventory, 1996 Report to Congress, 90% of surveyed U.S. lakes are impaired by pollution.
• Nutrients, metals and siltation are the most common pollutants.
• Agricultural runoff, sewage treatment plants, and urban runoff are the leading sources of pollution.

North American Lake Management Society

Did You Ever Wonder...

Why is it that if someone tells you that there are 1 billion stars in the universe, you would believe them, but if they tell you a wall has 100 paint you will have to touch it to be sure?

Why do coconuts come in air tight packages? It's just salted bread to begin with.

When cheese gets it's picture taken, what does it say?