Moose Lake News

The big Lumberjack weekend is now behind us. Round Lake EMT's Mark Gritzmacher and myself volunteered to work medical for Sawyer County. We worked Thursday Friday and Saturday evening. There were no major injuries this year. A few bruises and cut on the hand were the only injuries. The cut was caused an ax as the contestant was chopping a log. He asked for some superglue to glue his laceration shut. We told him that we do not carry super glue on our ambulance. We just bandaged it up for him. He had another event to participate in so he wanted to be ready to go in about one half hour. He did participate with no problems. The crowd on Saturday evening was almost a sold out event. Mark and I were happy that we could help out.

As most of you know Our Moose Lake Festival has been postponed until 2022. This is because of COVID. The planning and organizing of this large event has to start taking place in February each year. Back in February no one knew how safe things would be in August. With this uncertainty the Committee felt it was best to wait another year. One thing that is happening this year is the Town of Round Lake Fire Department Auxiliary's annual Sweepstakes drawing. This will be on Saturday August 7th. This is the same day that the Festival is normally held on. If you are reading this prior to August 7th at 4 PM you still have time to buy your tickets. The drawing for the cash prizes will be held at 4 PM at Louie's Landing on Aug.7th All proceeds from the Sweepstake will be used to help fund a new fire truck for the Round Lake Fire Department. Tickets are available at Louie's Landing or from Pat Feldner (715-462-3817) up until the time of the drawing. Grand Prize is a \$500 CASH. 2nd place is a \$200 cash prize, 3rd place \$100 cash. No purchase necessary, suggested donation: \$1.00/chance or 6/\$5.00. You need not be present to win. We want to thank everyone for supporting our Volunteer Fire Department.

Prior to the drawing, Jack Brown, Maggie and Clifford from Louie's Landing will have a Brat & Hotdog feed. This event will take place at Louie's Landing starting at Noon. The event will run until all the food is sold. Coca Cola will also be donating beverages for the event. They will also have a raffle for a hand carved Burl Bowl made by Ken Woodie. All proceeds will go to the Fire Department. The drawing is scheduled to take place at Louie's also at 4 PM. Jack is doing a posting on his Face book page. Raffle tickets will be sold until the drawing. What a special thing to do for the FD!!!

One thing that I learned while doing the research for this article is the talent that Ken Woodie has. I knew he was a very good craftsman with wood working talent, but I found out about all of the many things that he can make. Ken has a shop in the Moose Lake area where he makes Bowls, wood benches, head boards for a bed and many different types of furniture. Kens shop is located next to his residence at the intersection of Hwy S and Moose Lake Rd. His business is called Natures Uniques. Give Ken a call sometime if you are interested in any of his products. 715-462-3404.

I was fishing on Moose Lake last week when I noticed around State Island or some people refer to it as Big Grassy Island that the many cattails that were on the north and south side of the island have disappeared. This area made up a great natural habitat for fish but now these cattails have disappeared. I know this area always has many boaters parking their boats in this area to let their kids swim and play in the shallow water. I just hope the many people that frequent this area have not removed these plants. I think this may be against the law. Area residence, please keep a close watch on this area. We need all the fish protection we can have in Moose Lake.

Last week our MLIA President Ton Koehler, Cary McDonald & Dean Broberg met with Chris, Dan & Katie from the US Forest Service at the Picnic shelter on the Little Moose River of Moose Lake. They worked together clearing the area around the picnic area. They removed many dead trees and brush to make it more appealing for visitors. This shelter has needed a good cleaning for a long time. The next step will be to replace the top of the picnic table and the seats. Painting of the shelter is also needed. Hopefully this will get done yet this fall. The last step is to replace the dock. As the water is lowered the dock then will be worked on. Special thanks to Chris and his crew for doing all the work with their chain saws.

Birthday greetings this week go out to Pete Sievert on the 7th, Jack Metcalf & Eli Geidel both on the 9th. Doug Sanders will have his birthday on Aug. 11th. Happy Birthday to all. There are two anniversaries this week. Ray and Marcia Whaley on the 8th and Stanley & Jackie Olson on the 10th. Happy Anniversary to both couples.

That is it for another week. I hope you are enjoying our great outdoors. Any news can be sent my way at 715-462-4448 or e-mailed to me at jonarheim@centurytel.net Stay Safe everyone!