Moose Lake News By

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(Jim) I just got back late Sunday evening March 10th from four days at the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel Sport Show. The show was held at State Fair Park in West Allis. I was representing the Hayward Lakes Visitor and Convention Bureau. My main objective was to promote Hayward and to bring tourists to our town during the summer of 2024. I answered many questions at the show about where is the best place to fish on certain lakes, what are the best lakes to fish and when is the most suitable time to come to Hayward. I am sure the Hayward Lakes area will have a terrific summer when it comes to tourism this year. I had hundreds of people talking about taking a vacation this summer. I just hope we have room for everyone.

One thing at the show which drew many people was Haywards own Timberworks Lumberjack Show. Timber works is based out of Hayward and does forty venues a year throughout the United States. I was talking with Samantha LaSalle Marketing Director for Timberworks this past Monday. Samantha told me that next weekend Timberworks is taking their show to Austin Texas.

The Lumberjack Show at the Milwaukee Sport Show had several performances that were put on by three young professional men by the names of Wyat Brueggeman who is from Hayward and grew up on Big Round Lake. Wyat has been doing shows for the last 7 years. Britton Cook is from Corning, New York. Britton learned to log Roll in Michigan before moving to New York and Cameron Pilgreen who is from Watertown, WI. Cameron spent two summers in Hayward learning as much and he could about the skills of lumberjack competition. The three men put on some excellent entertainment for the crowd The free shows included Log rolling, Pole climbing, Crosscut Sawing, and Ax throwing to mention a few. There were nice crowds to watch the entertainment. Everyone that I talked with that came by our booth just loved the show that the guys put on. Thanks Wyat, Britton, and Cameron for promoting the sport of Lumberjack competition.

(Tammy) Thursday, March 7th the MLIA Board of Directors met at Louie's Landing. The board voted to have the monthly meetings on the first Thursday of the month moving forward. The meetings will be held at 9:00 AM and will alternate between Louie's Landing and Christina's Y-Pine. You can always check the MLIA website to verify the location.

One of the hot topics at the meeting was the DNR's updated regulations for the 2024-2025 fishing season. The new and disheartening regulation is that on Moose Lake five panfish in total may be kept with only one over twelve inches. Many residents had been proposing a tighter limit on crappies, specifically, not all panfish. The MLIA will be reaching out to the DNR in hopes that the new regulation is written erroneously. You can always check the official rules at the DNR's website.

Last year's heavy snow and long winter prevented us from having our spring road clean up. If anything, what good is going to come out of this winter's failure to launch is that we will be able to get outside and do a proper cleanup around the lake. The MLIA is looking for a committee chair to head up the clean up so if you are interested, please reach out to someone on the board. This is a wonderful way to help the community and it only happens once a year. This is a great low commitment to be involved with the Moose Lake area.

The warmer weather is starting to have some noticeable effects on the lake. In front of Virgin Timber Resort there is a huge crack that goes across the entire lake. It is fun to watch it change each day. On Saturday, the crack tented up and is shelving on top of itself.

J.B.'s Moose Lake Shack will be having a St. Patrick's Day Special on March 16th and 17th with a special menu item of an open-faced Corned Beef Brisket Reuben with a side of warm, freshly baked cornbread.

Louie's Landing now serves breakfast on Saturday and Sunday from 8am-11:30am. After receiving many requests for it, Corned Beef Hash has been added to the breakfast menu. If you have not had a chance to check it out yet Louie's Landing is the place to be on Tuesdays for Taco Tuesday. If you have not tried the Louie Taco or Louie Taco Supreme you are missing out.

If you are a fan of live music Moose Lake is the place to hang out this month. Our local superstar, Tani, will be performing on her guitar at J.B.'s Moose Lake Shack during their St. Patrick's Day Special on March 16th from 6pm-9pm. The following weekend, March 23, Little Way will be performing at Louie's Landing from 1pm-3pm and Christina's Y Pines beginning at 7pm. Little Way is a husband-and-wife band. They play a mix of new and classic country.

Birthday wishes this week are extended to Effie Debias on the 14th of March. Joan Tamm has her birthday on March 15th. On the 16th of the month, we have four birthdays. Russ Haling, Larry Ramsell, Marcia Whaley, and Ross Metcalf. Randy Ross and Laura Gilkey both have birthdays on the 17th of the month. Happy Birthday to all of you. There are no anniversaries this week.

Enjoy yourself this week with some beautiful weather. Stay safe everyone and enjoy your week. The Fire Danger is HIGH. Please send your items of interest to my new e-mail address emta984@gmail.com or call my landline at 715-462-4448 or my cell at 715-577-8880. Moose Improvement association website is http://mliahaywardwi.org The Town of Round Lake Web site is https://www.townofroundlakewi.org and the NEW Round Lake Fire Department website is https://townofroundlakefire-rescue.org