

Moose Lake News by Jim Onarheim

I have checked many lakes in our county and every lake that I have checked has lost its ice, even the large lakes. It looks like we will have a good fishing opener this weekend May 4th. The weather hopefully will be to our satisfaction also.

Many people are getting their boats ready. Last Saturday I talked with two guys at the Hay Creek boat landing that were taking their boat back out after a test run. The Hay Creek boat landing is on Hwy B. They were out on the Flowage for a couple of hours doing and did find a problem with their motor. They told me that he will have to get it fixed before next weekend. They were not going to miss the fishing opener.

None of the boat docks on the Flowage were in the water yet but I'm sure by this Friday it will be all taken care of. The Chippewa Flowage is a little over full pool. Moose Lake as of last Monday morning still had about 3 feet to go.

When filling Moose back up, it has to be done slowly. If you were to just close the gates on the dam it would put a lot of pressure on the dam. The other thing that needs to be considered, is the fish downstream. The water downstream is very high and there perhaps is fish swimming in areas where they normally not found when the river is within its banks. You have to give these fish time to relocate, into the deeper parts of the river. Good luck fishing this Saturday, if you go out.

I was talking to Charlie from Charlie's Fine Foods the other day. He told me that someone dropped of a walker at their restaurant anonymously. Charlie would like to thank the person who gave this to him. You can either call Charlie at 715-462-3999 or me at 715-462-4448.

With Spring and warmer weather, many people will be out and enjoying the north woods via various modes of transportation. Bicycle, ATV, motorcycle, jogging or just walking.

Most roads are closed to ATV/UTV traffic in the Town of Round Lake. Some select roads are available as routes to trails. These roads are listed in the Town of Round Lake, ATV/UTV ordinance.
http://www.townofroundlakewi.org/wp-content/uploads/Town_Ordinances/atv-ordinance.pdf

Another selected mode of transportation in our area is the bicycle. It is important for all motorists to be aware of a group or single rider. The operator of a motor vehicle overtaking a bicycle or electric personal assistive mobility device proceeding in the same direction shall exercise due care, leaving a safe distance, but in no case less than 3 feet clearance when passing the bicycle or electric personal assistive mobility device, and shall maintain clearance until safely past the overtaken bicycle or electric personal assistive mobility device. Wis. Stat. §346.075

Information for the rider can be found:

<https://wisconsin.gov/Pages/safety/education/bike/rules.aspx>

Marilyn Karns sent me this reminder: The Round Lake Fire Department Auxiliary will be holding its annual spring meeting on May 21st. The meeting will be at the town hall on County Hwy. A and will begin at 4:00 PM with dinner to follow around 5:30. Members of the Town of Round Lake Volunteer Fire Department will be preparing and serving the food. Everyone is invited. This is the meeting when we stuff two thousand envelopes for the annual sweepstakes. Since the tickets no longer have to be counted, it is a great time to socialize and catch up with what's going on in your neighborhood.

Everyone has a lot of fun and the food is always delicious. Lou Grayson, chair of the Moose Lake Festival, will be letting everyone know about the preparations for this year's Moose Lake Festival which will be on August 3rd.

Lots of people ask me how they became Auxiliary members. My answer is simple. Anyone who assists our fire department, helps with envelopes, or volunteers at the MLF is considered a member. You all are so important to our fire department and community by virtue of your willingness to help. Thank you so much!

Please rsvp to Marilyn Karns, President of the Auxiliary, at karnsmg@centurytel.net or by calling 715-462-9445.

Leslie M. Miller (Les) 69 of Hayward, passed away on April 22nd at his home on Moose Lake. Les was born on May 24th, 1949 in Chicago. Les retired in 2001 and built his dream house on Moose Lake. Les loved to fish, play pool, and meet his good friends at one of the local watering holes on Moose Lake. Les is survived by his sister Marilyn (Snook) brother in law Dave Sanders, his brother Ed and many nieces and nephews. A gathering of friends and family will be held later this Summer on Moose Lake.

Birthday wishes this week go out to Julie Oldenburg on May 3rd, Bethany Seeger on the 5th & Ton Tharaon the 8th of May. Happy Birthday to all. There are no anniversaries this week.

Well that does it for this week. Have a wonderful and enjoyable week and stay safe with your outdoor activities. For information on the Town of Round Lake Government go to their web-site at <http://www.townofroundlakewi.org>. For Moose Lake Improvement Association (MLIA) information, view their web-site at <https://mliahaywardwi.org> Jim Onarheim, Good Luck Fishing!