THE RUSTED ROWBOAT

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This Weekend's Activities

No activities this weekend.

Upcoming Activities

July 30: Christmas in July

August 12: Beer, Brats, & Bacon vs. Wine, Cheese, & Chocolate (21+)– **Will now take place in picnic shelter**

August 13: Moonlight kayaking

August 19: Trivia

August 20: Corncob Feed

Reminder:

Speed limits need to be followed at all times! Many people are still speeding through the entrance, which is a big danger to children & pedestrians. We will start issuing warnings to offenders!

Wildlife of Lee Lake Campground

If you've been here a while, you're familiar with some of our wildlife! Including all the woods and sloughs and swamps, there are 85 acres of land here—enough to house 100 campsites, as well as hundreds of animals! So far over the past 5 years, we have seen deer (there is a herd of about 10 that lives here), raccoons (many will come right up to our front door, eat garbage out of the dumpster, or be seen in their



homes in hollow oak trees; Justin once had to help a raccoon kit back into its den a few years back), foxes (we had a litter a couple years ago that had semi-tame kits walking up to campers), coyotes, black bears, mink, fishers, skunks, rabbits, squirrels, chipmunks, turtles (painted & snapping), salamanders, frogs, pheasants, turkeys, and a plethora of different birds and waterfowl.

The flock of geese that summer here every year are a favorite, as the same geese return to where they were born to nest, year after year! It's always fun to watch the different waterfowl that show up during migration (most don't stick around); while the geese, swans, loons, and some ducks stay, we've also had huge flocks of

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Campground Birthdays & Anniversaries

Kate Lamppa: July 22

Avery Dunham: July 21

Bev Kirby: July 20

Wyatt Dunham: July 19

Goodbye Letter from a Friend

Thank you to all of our friends that we have made the last 10 years at Lee Lake. We have so many memories that it was hard to leave. Thanks to Tom and Jeanette for 5 great years. It was hard for all of us to say goodbye to them and new changes to come. But Justin and Amanda have done a good job in the last 4 years.

Thanks again. My happy place is missed.

Elaine and Bruce Mickelson (Lot 54)

This Weekend's Specials

Baked Good of the Week: Lemon Raspberry Sweet Rolls

Pizza of the Week: Kansas City (BBQ Chicken)

By popular demand, we will have breakfast pizzas available starting Sat morning! New garlic cheese bread is also available. pelicans come when ice first melts. Migration usually brings cormorants, coots, and more species of duck than we even knew existed! We've also enjoyed some bird watching from time to time; Mike & Deb Benson and Gene & Sharon Nayes seem to have the bird watching figured out, with all their different feeders and the interesting birds that show up on their lots. We mainly see hummingbirds, blue jays, and chickadees at our house, with the occasional woodpecker or oriole. While visiting or walking past Bensons or Nayes, we see the most interesting birds— lots of little bright yellow canaries, cardinals, and many others whose names escape me.

We are also pretty lucky that given the small size of our lake, approximately 130 acres, we have a large variety of fish. Most of us typically catch perch, sunfish, crappies, or northerns, but,

according to the DNR website, Lee Lake is also host to brown bullhead, largemouth bass, walleye, shorthead redhorse, white sucker, fathead minnow, golden shiner, and actually three different species of sunfish (pumpkinseed, bluegill, and green, and hybrids of these breeds)! So, if you're an angler and there's one of these species you haven't caught in our lake yet, it might be fun to get the right kind of bait and hooks and give it a shot.



Our son, Blaise, somehow was able to snag a 23.5 inch walleye off the dock back in June this year. I think that was truly just a stroke of dumb luck, but it is nice to be re-assured that the winter didn't kill off all the nice walleyes in the lake!

Solve this Riddle!

"I am black when you buy me, red when you use me. When I turn white, you know it's time to throw me away. What am I?"