

THE RUSTED ROWBOAT

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This Weekend's Activities

It's our 4th of July Festival this weekend!

Friday, 7/5: "Forrest Gump" will be shown inside the Event Center at 8 p.m. Concessions will be available inside the lodge from 7:30-8:30.

Saturday, 7/6: Inflatables, Mechanical Bull, Face Painting, and a Tie-Dye Shirt Station will be running in the green space from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

The Golf Cart Parade will begin at 6 p.m. Anyone participating in the parade is asked to start lining up around 5:40 p.m. Judging will take place at 5:55, for multiple prizes!

We will have a barn dance from 8-11 p.m., featuring LIVE music, with an adult prom theme!

Sunday, 7/7: A Bloody Mary/ Bloody Caesar Bar and Brunch Potluck will take place in the Event Center at 10:30 a.m.



How to Stay Safe in and on the Water

Here at Lee Lake Campground, most of us LOVE our time out on the lake! Boating, swimming, kayaking, jet skiing, paddle boarding, water skiing, you name it, our lake has it! But, according to the U.S. Coast Guard, boating accidents are very common. In 2021, there were 4,439 boating accidents, which resulted in 658 deaths, 2,641 injuries, and around \$67.5 million in property damage.

Life jacket usage is the single most important thing to prevent tragedy out on the lake. 81% of the reported boating deaths were due to drowning, and 83% of these victims were not wearing life jackets. Think of them as the seat belt of being on the water! Even good swimmers need life jackets. After a fall from a boat, people can become disoriented, or injuries may cause them to lose consciousness. Life jackets keep your head above

Upcoming Activities

July 12: Trivia Night

July 13: Moonlight Kayaking

July 26-28: Christmas in July

August 10: Adventure Day

August 11: Lee Lake Car Show

Campground Birthdays & Anniversaries

Darlene Clifton (Lot 92): July 5

Lodge Corner

Hello! A quick reminder that we close the lodge early for the golf cart parade every year. We will likely close around 5:45, when everyone starts lining up. Please plan accordingly. We also may need to close for a couple short intervals to get set up for the festival.

Our specials this week include:

- Chicken Thai Pizza
- Fireworks Cookies n' Cream Cookies (Oreos, White Chocolate Chips, Red and Blue M&Ms)
- Independence Muffins (Blueberry, Raspberry, White Chocolate)
- Bomb Pop Italian Soda (Strawberry, Coconut, Blue Raspberry)
- American Delight Sundae

Water Safety Con't

water, so even in a dire situation, you would still be able to breathe. It is also important to choose a life jacket that is the correct size for your height and weight, and adjusted to fit snugly.

There are many boat safety courses that people can take, and the Coast Guard recommends for boat drivers to do so. They also recommend staying refreshed on state boating laws, knowing the “rules of the road”, and being aware of carbon monoxide. It is important to regularly check over your vessel, ensuring it is in good working order, and all safety equipment is onboard.

It is important, too, to exercise good judgment on the water. If you are too drunk to drive a car, you're too drunk to drive a boat. Keep an eye on weather situations, and watch out for swimmers, kayakers, or paddle boarders.

Those who enjoy water skiing and tubing are recommended to learn hand signals to communicate with each other, practice getting up and out of the water (skiing), double checking that the rope or towline is not caught in the propeller or wrapped around a passenger, and to only do these activities during daylight hours. You should also make sure the boat propeller is completely stopped before getting out of the water.

For those who enjoy kayaking, canoeing, paddle boarding, or other types of paddling, there is your own set of safety rules. You are recommended to check the weather before embarking, holding off in the case of high winds or storms, or dressing in weather-appropriate clothing. Bright colors are a good choice for paddlers, so they are visible to those on boats. Once again, life jackets are a recommendation. If there is high motorboat traffic during your time in the lake, it is advisable to stay closer to the shoreline, and to approach waves head-on or at a slight angle to prevent capsizing.

For lake swimmers, you should always prepare for unexpected changes in air & water temperature, storms, currents, drop-offs, and boaters. Do not swim alone, and do not jump from a great height. Keep safety equipment, such as life preservers, nearby, and be aware of what to do in a water emergency, such as CPR and First Aid, and a way to call 911.