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June 2025

Chamber Chat

2025 Chamber Members

- Allete Clean Energy
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- Bio Ag Energy Services LLC
- Bolt's Lake Benton Grocery
- Buffalo Ridge Antique Shop
- Buffalo Ridge State Agency LLC
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- Kinner & Company, Ltd.
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- Lake Benton Economic Development Authority
- Lake Benton Fire Dept.
- Lake Benton First Responders
- Lake Benton Area Foundation
- Lake Benton Area Historical Society
- Lake Benton Lake Assoc.
- Lake Benton Opera House
- Lake Benton Public School

Summer is finally here!

Summer is here and time to get out and enjoy the summer with our friends and family. The Lake Benton Chamber invites the entire community to participate in the annual **Saddle Horse Holiday weekend June 13-15, 2025** in Lake Benton.

This year's events include; Hidden Horse-shoes for the youth, Crowning of Miss Lake Benton, Hot Dog Feed, Presentation of the 2025 Citizen and Organization of the year, Iron Man Jr, LBVE Kids Party, Bean Bag Tournament (Homer's), Legion Fundraiser dinner, Aerial Fireworks Display, 5K Fun Run and Fun Run for Kids, 3 on 3 Youth Basketball Tournament, Family Fun Day, Car Cruise-In, Food trucks and music at Lakeside Park, Firemen's Street Dance (Hicktown Mafia), Trail Ride, Parade and the Annual Dakota-MN Horse Show. See more details on pages 2-4 of this newsletter.

Thank you to the Chamber members and residents for supporting our community during this past year. You can contact the Chamber via email at lbenton@itctel.com or 507-368-9577. Find us on Facebook at *Lake Benton Chamber* or our website

www.lakebenton.us

**REMEMBER TO SUPPORT YOUR
 LOCAL BUSINESSES!**

2025 Chamber Members

- Lake Benton Realty, Inc.
- Lake Benton Resort
- Lake Benton Sportsman's Club
- Lake Benton Storage
- Lake Benton Valley Journal
- Lake Benton Volunteers for Education
- Lil' Shire Farms
- Lincoln County Enterprise Development Corporation
- Lincoln County HRA
- Lincoln County Parks
- Lincoln-Pipestone Rural Water System
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- Southwest Sanitation
- Western Veterinary Clinic
- Wooden Diamond B & B



79th Annual Dakota-Minnesota Lake Benton, MN

2025 Saddle Horse Holiday

Sunday, June 8th

7 PM "Broadway Meets Lake Benton" LB Opera House

Monday, June 9th

6 PM Miss Lake Benton Coronation Private Event

Tuesday, June 10th

10 AM & 2 PM Hidden Horse Shoe Clue Heritage Center

7:30 PM Slowpitch Softball League Westside Ball Fields

Wednesday, June 11th

10 AM & 2 PM Hidden Horse Shoe Clue Heritage Center

7 PM Community Bean Bag Open to all. School Park

Thursday, June 12th

10 AM & 2 PM Hidden Horse Shoe Clue Heritage Center

7 PM Neighborhood Softball Open to all. School Park

Friday, June 13th

10 AM Hidden Horse Shoe Clue (Final) Heritage Center

11 AM-1 PM First Security Bank Hot Dog Feed Lake Benton Community & Event Center

11:30 PM 2025 Citizen & Organization of the Year Presentation Lake Benton Community & Event Center

1 PM Iron Man Jr. Competition School Park (ages 5-12)

2:30 PM Kids' Bubble Party School Park - Sponsored by LBVE

4:30-6:30 PM Open Pickleball LB School Gym

5:30-7:30 PM American Legion Pork Chop/ Hamburger Fundraiser Legion Post (Until gone)

7 PM 5K Fun Run Hole-in-the-Mountain Walking Trail - \$15 registration

Dusk Aerial Fireworks Display **Allete Clean Energy** **Platinum Sponsor** Thank you to all our sponsors!

Saturday, June 14th

8 AM Kids' Fun Run Walking Trail at Hole-in-the-Mountain Park

9 AM Bloody Mary Bar Lake Benton Resort

9 AM National Anthem-Color Guard School Park

9 AM 3-on-3 Youth Basketball Tournament School Park - Hard Court
(\$5/person registration fee) pre-registration required - 507-401-1389 (Jeff Carpenter)

9-11 AM Family Fun Day School Park Activities Include:

- Inflatables (Sponsored by LB Lake Association)
- Mini Golf
- Children's Barrel Train Ride
- Tattoos/ Face Painting
- Snacks and Beverages (FCCLA)

10 AM Dakota-Minnesota Trail Ride Horse Hill

11 AM-2 PM Heritage Center Museum Open to public

11 AM-4 PM Car Cruise-In at the Lake Benton Resort entrance

11 AM Parade Lineup Starts by West Lakeshore

Noon 79th Annual Saddle Horse Holiday Parade Downtown

12:30 PM Food Trucks & Beer/ Music "Larry Olsen Band" Lakeside Park

1 PM HOMER'S Bean Bag Tournament HOMER'S Bar

4 PM Disc Golf Tournament Hole-in-the-Mountain Park

Adults & Children (8+ years old) - Best Ball Format

9 PM Firemen's Dance "Hicktown Mafia" In Front of the Fire Hall

Sunday, June 15th

9 AM Bloody Mary Bar Lake Benton Resort

10 AM Dakota-Minnesota Saddle Horse Events Horse Hill

Kids' Saddle Horse Events Horse Hill



Hidden Horseshoe Contest



Hidden Horseshoe clues will be posted at

10 AM & 2 PM

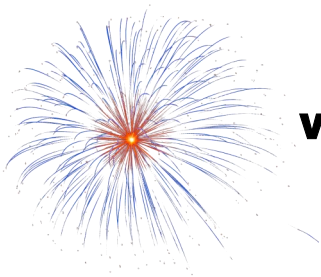
Tues.-Fri. at the Heritage Center



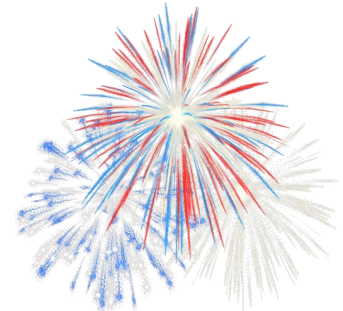
The event is for youth only.....ages 15 and under. Please allow the youth to do the thinking and the looking.....adults can supervise but please refrain from providing guidance and suggestions. The Hidden Horseshoes are located outdoors on public land, and individuals must stay off private property while searching. No property shall be destroyed while searching for the Hidden Horseshoes. The youth who find the Hidden Horseshoes should bring them to the Lake Benton Heritage Center or call Karen at 952-607-7002 (cell) to claim their prize.

**Prizes for each round include: \$25 in Chamber Bucks and
a t-shirt for each team member.**

2025 Aerial Fireworks Display



Friday, June 13 at dusk
Visible from all around the area. Watch
from your car, your boat, or your own
front yard. Enjoy!



Generously brought to you by these Sponsors

- ♦ **Allete Clean Energy**
- ♦ **Interstate Telecommunications Cooperative**
- ♦ **Don & Cilla Hughes**
- ♦ **Shuck Garage Doors**
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- ♦ Additional Sponsors made contributions after printing

Saddle Horse 3-on-3 Youth Basketball Tournament



Saturday, June 14 at 9 am
at Lake Benton Elem. School Hardcourt
\$5/player preregistration (up to 4 players)
Boys and Girls brackets

Ages - Grades 4th-6th, 7th - 9th, 10th-12th
(the grade they will enter in Fall 2025)

Questions contact Jeff Carpenter 507-401-1389

Register and prepay by Thurs. June 12 at noon

Registrations available at the Lake Benton Chamber Office
108 S. Center St. Lake Benton, MN 56149

Email completed registrations to: carpenterjeffp@gmail.com or
mail to: Jeff Carpenter 2093 Northshore Dr. Lake Benton, MN 56149
or drop off / mail to the Lake Benton Chamber office.

Car Cruise-In 2025

Saddle Horse Holiday Car Cruise-In by the Lake

Saturday June 14, 2025 11 am to 4 pm



No registration fee - register at the entrance to the Lake Benton Resort.

Parade at noon if you would like to participate (lineup by the lake).

Bring your car, truck, or motorcycle to this free event.

Hourly prize drawings @ 1, 2 & 3 pm for registered vehicles.

Trophies for 1st / 2nd based on voting for Spectator's Choice and Showman's Choice.

Food Trucks and Beer tent nearby at the Lakeside Park.

Food and refreshments also available at the Lake Benton Resort.

Questions: Call the Lake Benton Chamber of Commerce at 507-368-9577
or email lbenton@itctel.com

1st Annual Saddle Horse Holiday

Disc Golf Tournament

Saturday June 14, 2025 4 – 7 pm
at the Hole in the Mountain Park

Shoot 9 holes of disc golf in the beautiful park setting.

Best Ball Format. 2-man teams. No registration fee.

*Prizes for 1st and 2nd Place. Adults and youth
(age 8 and above). Beginners welcome!*

*Contact Ben Haynes for more information.
719-661-8754.*



*Discs will be provided, or bring
your own. Bring your own beverage.
Restrooms available.*

Come and enjoy the fun!

2025 Upcoming Events

- ◇ **LB Opera House Ice Cream Social & “Broadway Meets Lake Benton”** - June 8, 2025
- ◇ **Saddle Horse Holiday Celebration** - June 9-15, 2025
- ◇ **Lake Benton Lake Association - Pork Loin Sandwich Fundraiser** July 12, 2025
- ◇ **Kjergaard Sports Shotgun Days** - August 2025 (TBD)
- ◇ **LB Opera House Summer Musical** - “The SpongeBob Musical” July 16-27, 2025
- ◇ **King of the Trails Market Day** - September 6, 2025
- ◇ **LB Opera House Fall Musical** - “Rent” October 1-12, 2025
- ◇ **“Trick or Treat on Center Street”**- October 31, 2025
- ◇ **LB Opera House Children’s Theater** - November 22, 2025
- ◇ **Veteran’s Day Program** - November 11, 2025
- ◇ **Lake Benton Businesses - Holiday Open House Events** - Nov 28 - Dec 19, 2025
- ◇ **Lake Benton Opera House “Christmas in Lake Benton”** - December 6, 2025
- ◇ **Chamber Residential Holiday Lighting Contest**– December 12, 2025
- ◇ **Santa Claus Day**– December 13, 2025

Gift & collector items available at the Heritage Center!



Lake Benton Chamber of Commerce

Red Wing Pottery

Commemorative pieces from 2002 - 2019

Some numbered pieces available!

The Red Wing Pottery Co. is

no longer in business.

Stop by and get your one of a kind pieces today.

LAKE BENTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE T-SHIRTS

\$15.00 Youth

\$20.00 Adults

Various sizes and colors available!



LAKE BENTON AREA

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Ornaments available at the Heritage Center
from all prior years 2009 - 2018



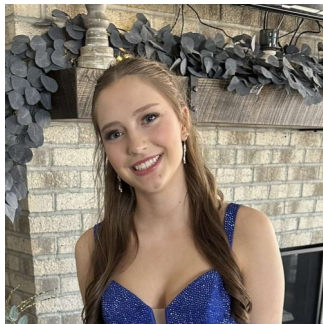
Prices reduced - \$12 each or two for \$20

Makes a great gift!



Miss Lake Benton 2025

Private Crowning Ceremony June 9 at the LB Event Center. Two young ladies vieing for the title of Miss Lake Benton 2025. Best wishes to them both!



Jocelyn Prosch



Payton Kuehl

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