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June 2026

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- Lake Benton Opera House
- Lake Benton Public School

Sunshine and Good Times are Finally Back.

The Lake Benton Chamber invites the entire community to participate in our annual Saddle Horse week from June 15–20, 2026. We look forward to seeing you there for a week of fun events with friends and family.

This year's events include; Hidden Horseshoes for the youth, Crowning of Miss Lake Benton, Hot Dog Feed, Presentation of the 2026 Citizen and Organization of the Year, Iron Man Jr, LBVE Kids Party, Neighborhood Bean Bag Tournament, Legion Fundraiser dinner, Kayak Races, Boat Parade, Fireworks Display, 5K Fun Run and Kid's Fun Run, 3-on-3 Youth Basketball Tournament, Family Fun Day, Car Show, Food trucks and music at Lakeside Park, Cornhole Tournament, Firemen's Street Dance (Drink 182), Trail Ride, Parade and the Annual Dakota-MN Horse Show. I have highlighted the events in the following pages. We invite you to follow on our Facebook page at *Lake Benton Chamber*

Thank you to all our 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.

Check out our Website for all event locations and times

www.lakebenton.us

REMEMBER TO SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL BUSINESSES!

2026 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
- 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

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80th Annual Dakota-MN 2026 Saddle Horse Holiday

Lake Benton, MN June 15-20, 2026

Monday, June 15th

5 PM Miss Lake Benton Pageant Private Event

FIREWORKS
FRIDAY, JUNE 19

Tuesday, June 16th-Friday, June 19th

10 AM & 2 PM Daily Hidden Horseshoe Clues Heritage Center

Wednesday, June 17th

6 PM Disc Golf & Community Bean Bag FREE. Hole-in-the-Mountain Park

Friday, June 19th

- 11 AM-1 PM **First Security Bank Hot Dog Feed** Lake Benton Community & Event Center
 - 11:30 AM **2026 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
 - 5-7 PM **American Legion Pork Chop/Hamburger Fundraiser** Legion Post (Until gone)
 - 6:30 PM **Kayak Races** Start at Lake Benton Resort
 - 7 PM **Boat Parade (Patriotic Theme)** NEW! Starts at Norwegian Creek (Prizes sponsored by Mike & Jeff Carpenter)
 - Dusk **Fireworks** **Allete Clean Energy and NextEra Energy** **Platinum Sponsors**
- Thank you to all our sponsors!

Saturday, June 20th

- 7:30 AM **5K Run** Hole-in-the-Mountain Walking Trail
- 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 Roggenbuck Tree Service)
 - Petting Zoo (Sponsored by MVTV)
 - Children's Barrel Train Ride
 - Tattoos/Face Painting
 - Snacks and Beverages
- 10 AM **Dakota-Minnesota Trail Ride** Horse Hill
- 11 AM-2 PM **Heritage Center Museum** Open to public
- 11 AM-3 PM **Car Show** Lakeside at the Lake Benton Resort entrance
- 11 AM **Parade Lineup** (New location) North Center Street both sides
- Noon **80th Annual Saddle Horse Holiday Parade** **Downtown**
- 1-4 PM **Music "Larry Olsen Band" / Food Trucks & Beer** Lakeside Park
- 2 PM **Dakota-Minnesota Saddle Horse Show** Horse Hill
- 2 PM **Puzzles, Pints and Pizza** Lakeside Park Shelter
- 4 PM **Competitive / Backyard Divisions - Cornhole Tournament** Benton Street (east of Fireman's Dance)
- 8 PM **Firemen's Dance "Drink 182"** In Front of the Fire Hall

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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 Denise at 605-690-1967 (cell) to claim their prize.

Prizes for each round include: \$25 in Chamber Bucks and a Tee-Shirt



2026 Fireworks Display



Friday, June 19 at dusk

Generously brought to you by these Sponsors

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BOAT PARADE **PATRIOTIC THEME**

Friday June 19th

Lake Benton, MN

Starts at Norwegian Creek at 7pm

Stoney Point at approx 7:45pm

Judging at the Pier at 8:30pm

1st Place \$300

2nd Place \$200

3rd Place \$100

Link to Register

<https://forms.gle/kJXmVgCpEv5dUZNW8>

Contact

Jeff Carpenter 507-401-1389 or Mike Carpenter 507-530-7555



Kayak Races

Friday June 19th at 6:30pm @ Al's Landing

\$5 Registration fee

See link below to register

<https://forms.gle/1JbJhCcHTYCNFqnR6>

Youth (10-13) Adults (14+)



Saddle Horse Holiday 5K & Kids Fun Run

Lace up your sneakers and join us
Saturday June 20th
at the Hole in the Mtn Walking Trail
7:30am - 5K
8am - Kid's Fun Run

Whether you are aiming for a personal best in the 5K or cheering on your little ones in the fun run, this family-friendly event promises fitness, community spirit and great rewards for all ages.



Family Fun Day

Saturday June 20th - 9am to 11am

Lake Benton Elementary School Park

Petting Zoo, 3-on-3 Youth Basketball Tournament, Ice Cream, Inflatables, Mini donuts, Face Painting and so much more.



For 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament registration and information contact Jeff Carpenter at 507-401-1389

email: carpenterjeffp@gmail.com

Larry Olsen Band

Lake Benton, MN

Lakeside Park

June 20th - 1 to 4 pm

Free concert. Come down to
enjoy the performance
& show off your dancing skills!
Food Trucks / Beer onsite.



CAR SHOW

Lake Benton, MN

Lakeside Park

June 20th - 11 am to 3 pm

Registration begins at 11:00 AM
People's Choice 1st, 2nd & 3rd in Cars
Best of Show in Tractors & Motorcycles

Register on the link below

<https://forms.gle/AGkT9RQDUkkjPFu5>



Community Bean Bag

Lake Benton, MN

Hole in the Mountain Park

June 17th - 6 pm

Come down and throw some bags
for an evening
of friendly competition, and
maybe win a prize.

Register on the link below

<https://forms.gle/Ff1tjpH82DKMt1868>

Disc Golf

Lake Benton, MN

Hole in the Mountain Park

June 17th - 6 pm

Come down and try your luck.
Prizes awarded.

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

Register on the link below

<https://forms.gle/1JbJhCchTYCNFqnR6>

PUZZLES, PIZZA & PINTS



Lake Benton, MN

Lakeside Park Shelter

June 20th - 2pm Start

10 Teams of 4/\$60 per Team

A game of wits, a drink so cold, a cheesy slice to behold.

Register on the link below

<https://forms.gle/TXUYq9pu1uvDmrzt9>

Competitive / Backyard

Cornhole Tournament

Lake Benton, MN

Downtown on Benton St.

June 20th - 4pm Start

All Skill Levels Welcome



Come down and try your luck. Cash prizes.

\$600 added to the prize pot.

Fees: \$40 Competitive level teams / \$20 Backyard level teams

Come early and sign up before the tossing begins!

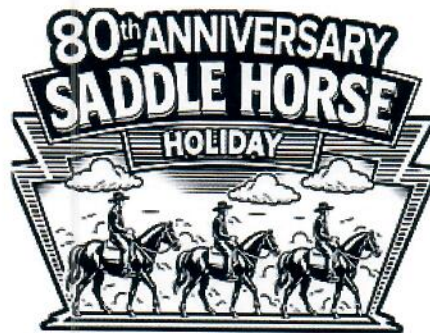


New Lake Benton T-shirts now available! \$20 each. Unisex sizes.

Available at Heritage Center or online at this link.

<https://forms.gle/ANMWssoz7jhjWPYz8>

Payment can be made via Venmo or at the time of pickup.



June 19, 20, 21, 2026
LAKE BENTON, MN

TRAIL RIDE AND HORSE SHOW

BRING YOUR SADDLE HORSE OR JUST COME WATCH THE FUN

Please see below for the schedule of events taking place on Saturday, June 20th:

TRAIL RIDE - 9:00 AM. Meeting at the registration booth at Horse Hill in Hole in the Mountain Park.

PARADE - 12:00 PM

HORSE SHOW - 2:00 PM

Meet back at Horse Hill for the Grand Entry and National Anthem, followed by contests and games.

CLUB GAMES INCLUDE - Egg & Spoon, Kids Stick Horse Race, Barrel Race Game for Kids, Rescue Race, Monkey on a Barrel, Four in a Line, Hangman's Race and Keyhole Race. The following games are all (Jr & Sr Level): Jump Figure 8, Barrel Race, and Pole Bending.

PRIZES IN EACH EVENT FOR TWO PLACES

KIDS GAMES -No entry fee, no horses needed, registration required.

Miss Lake Benton 2026

We are pleased to announce that a private crowning ceremony will take place on June 15, 2026, at the Country House for the three young ladies vying for the title of Miss Lake Benton 2026. This special event will serve as the final step in selecting this year's representative for our community.



Angela Deutz



Rozlyn Thooft



Sydney Devries

2026 Upcoming Events

Saddle Horse Holiday Celebration - June 15-20, 2026

LB Lake Association - Pork Loin Sandwich Fundraiser July 11, 2026

Kjergaard Sports Buffalo Ridge Demo Shoot - July (TBD)

**LB Opera House Summer Musical - "Into The Woods" July 22-26,
July 29-Aug 2, 2026**

LB Opera House Fall Show - "Boeing Boeing" Oct 2-4, 9-11, 2026

Trick or Treat on Center Street - October 31, 2026

What's Inside?

White — Chamber Chat

- 2026 Chamber Members / Chamber Message
- Saddle Horse Holiday 2026 poster
- Hidden Horseshoe Contest / Fireworks Display
- Boat Parade / Kayak Races
- 5K and Kid's Fun Run / Family Fun Day
- Larry Olsen Band / Car Show / Community Bean Bag / Disc Golf Tournament
- Puzzles, Pizza and Pints / Competitive & Backyard Cornhole Tournament
- NEW Chamber T-shirts /80th Annual Saddle Horse Dakota-MN Trail Ride & Horse Show
- Miss Lake Benton / 2026 Upcoming Events

Blue — City Snippets

- City of Lake Benton Snippets
- Lake Benton Library
- City of Lake Benton 2025 Drinking Water Report

Salmon — City Report

- City of Lake Benton - 2025 Annual Financial Report / Audit



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