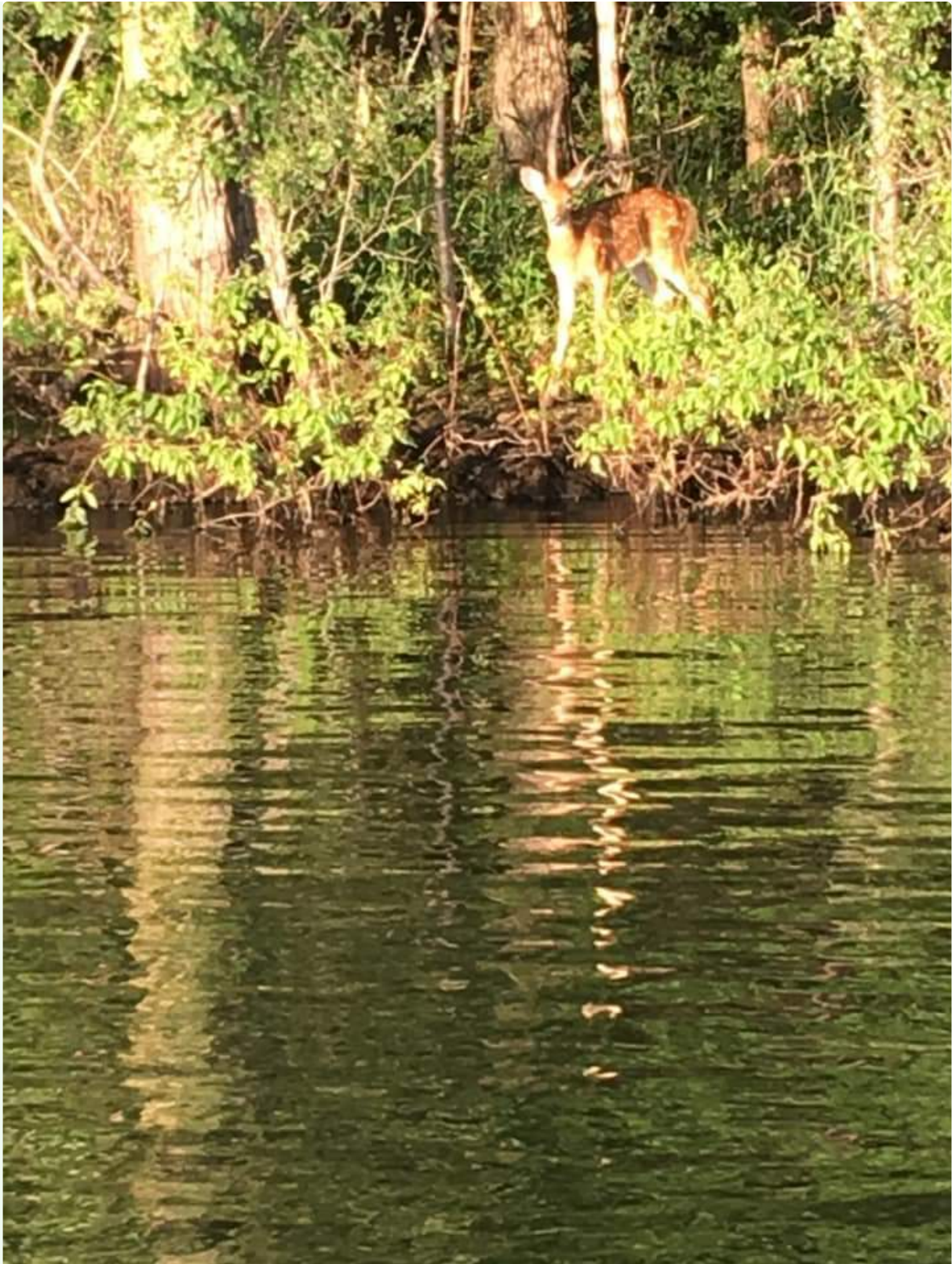




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Remembering the Past – Improving the Future ...promoting the care, improvement, and general welfare of the Briggs Lake Chain [Julia, Briggs, Rush and Big Elk] and the adjoining and connecting waters.

Mark your calendar... For these upcoming meetings

- Healthy
Lakes-
10/3
6:30
p.m.
- TLID
-
10/7
6:30
p.m.
- Palmer
Twp
Board
10/14
7:00
p.m.
- BLCA
Board
Mtg
-
10/12
8:30
a.m.
- Clear
Lake
Twp
Board
-
10/15
7:00
p.m.
- Board
of
Adjustment
-
10/10
6:00
p.m.

As I write my first presidents letter, I think of a line from a Johnny Cash song " Five Feet High And Rising". The first line is " How high the water, mama? She said " Two feet high and risin".

We have another high water event. The BLCA (Briggs Lake Chain Association), the Healthy Lakes Partnership and the Three Lakes LID (Lake Improvement District) are working together with the SWCD (Sherburne Water Control District) and the DNR (Department of Natural Resources. Our objective; how can we minimize the high water events? We can't control the weather and rainfall.

Studies and reviews from experts recommend removing the carp barrier (the grates on top of the dam) on Rush Lake. They think this will result in a shorter " No Wake Zone" when we have high water. The BLCA board of directors are reviewing all options. We will keep you posted

A little bit about me: I grew up in Wisconsin, went to college in Wisconsin and lived in Green Bay. You can't get any "cheesier". However, I am a Twins fan and not only this year.

I was born and raised in Wisconsin. My parents owned a small resort in Northwest Wisconsin. For a summer job, part of my "to do list" was to guide customers on fishing trips. At the time I thought that was work. I have been a "lake guy" all my life.

We bought our property on Briggs the fall of 1999. Wow, time flies. Our 19th summer is almost over. We have more of a cabin and not a year round house. It is not insulated, so we have to close up for the winter. The good news is we live in Watertown, MN. That's only 50 miles away. We can come up anytime for winter events and to see friends.

My first year on the BLCA board of directors was 2014. I wanted to be a board member so I would be more actively involved in the planning and decisions affecting our lakes. The state and future of our lakes is very good. A bonus of being on the BLCA board is you meet some really nice people who share a common goal of " We support healthy lakes" and we have fun working together.

I invite anyone to attend a board meeting. We meet the 2nd Saturday of every month at the Palmer townhall (the fire station across from Knitski's) at 8:30 AM.

In August we had elections for new board members. The terms are two years. However, not all the positions are full. We still have at least one open spot for a new board member on Briggs, Rush, Julia, & Big Elk. Feel free to contact any board member or me for more info on that. The next board meeting is Saturday

Oct 12th @ 8:30.

Thanks for being a member of our lake association ... Brad

Nominations and elections were held at the annual meeting in August. New board members and lake reps are as follows.

Brian Welch will be a representative for Briggs Lake

Kerry Welch is our new treasurer taking over for Dustin who has moved to Florida. Her term will begin immediately to take over for Dustin.

Brad Kipp will be the new President with Rosalie Musachio staying on the board as past president.

Adele Munsterman will be our new Vice president taking over for Brad Kipp.

Terms for President and Vice President as well as lake reps will start October 1, 2019

Committees are formed on the board with a board member in all lead positions. We are always looking for people who want to get involved. Please contact a board member if you would like to take part in any of the committees. Look on our briggs lake chain website for the committees.

BRIGGS LAKE CHAIN FINANCIALS Financial Statement for 1/1-7/31

Total Income budget 34,595

yr to date actual 31,509

Variance 3,085.66

Total Expenses budget 33,975

Total expenses yr to date 10,733

Variance 23,241.80

Total in savings and checking 122,093.38

Please check the website for minutes from our board meetings. If you have any

questions or comments our board members are also featured on the website with contact information.

Again, we encourage ALL lake residents to get involved. It's easy and you meet lots of your neighbors. Lake reps are needed on all 4 lakes.

From Dan Cibulka
Water Resource Specialist

As you might recall, in mid July each of you collected water samples from your respective lakes using a fine mesh net. These samples ere sent into LimnoPro, a consultant and lab out of St. Cloud, where the contents were examined under a microscope. The consultants looked for both zebra mussels vesligers as well as two invasive zooplankton- spiny waterflea and fishhook waterflea. As you will see on the attached lab report, the results came back as "ND" (not detected) for all three of these AIS.

Some of you participated in the state-wide Starry Trek in mid-August as well, which is an event that is designed to engage volunteers to look for AIS such as starry stonewort. No new AIS were found during this event either.

So...despite our best efforts, we were not able to find any new AIS in Sherburne county lakes this year. This is of course great news, and also is information we could have not collected without each of your efforts. Thanks again for your participation in our AUS Early Detection programs. We hope to see you again next year.

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**IF YOU LIVE ON ONE OF THE FOUR LAKES and you are not a member of the BLCA please consider joining.
Check the BLCA website for this years membership form.**

REMINDERS!

You can find a copy of our handy dandy 'Welcome' booklet on the www.briggslakechainassociation.com website.

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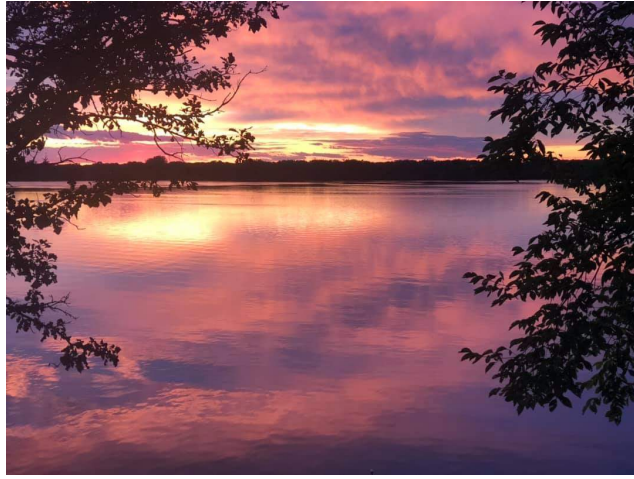
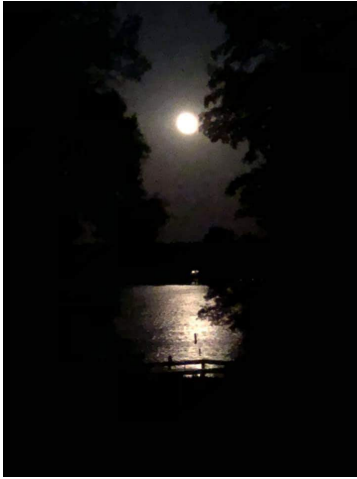
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Clear Lake Township

The Clear Lake Township Board meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM in the Township Hall. Let the Township clerk know of agenda items by Thursday morning before the meeting. To contact Clear Lake Township, please call 320-743-2472 or email the Township Clerk at: clearlaketwp@hotmail.com

Our website is: www.clearlaketownship.org

_Please attend your respective Township meeting and voice your concerns about matters relating to our lakes.



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