

THE SCOOP AT GRAND LAKE



The winners, Elmer Bloch and Eric Bloch with their competitors, Melanie Jabs and Gil Jabs, from last year's bag toss competition at the Grand Old Day event.

News from the Grand Lake Area Association

Please join us for the following Grand Lake events and activities. We encourage active participation so that we can get to know our neighbors better and to keep our Grand Lake traditions alive!

Grand Lake 2014 Summer Events

- Fourth of July--flag raising ceremony, boat parade, and fireworks
- Grand Sailing Day--Sunday, August 3, 1:00 - 4:00 pm (back up rain date, August 10)
- The Grand Old Day--Saturday, August 23, Ed Zapp's barn
- Fitness Walks--Saturday mornings 9:00 am (weather permitting), June 28 to August 23
- Cards/Games Day--every other Tuesday, beginning July 1, 2:00 to 4:00 pm
- New-Grand Boat Float--Sundays, 1:00 till done (weather permitting), July 6 to August 31
- Ladies Night Out at Eddies on Grand--Mondays, 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm, July 14, and August 11

Please see inside for more details on each of these events. As you can see, there are a variety of activities for everyone. We hope to have a great turnout and welcome suggestions and ideas for the future. If you are interested in volunteering to work any of the events or activities, contact Jane Bartelme at 320-253-0041 or sign up at Eddie's on Grand. Your volunteer time will be greatly appreciated and is always a fun way to get to know your Grand Lake neighbors!

Remember to look us up on our website: www.grandlakeassociation.org for updated information.

LID Annual Meeting and Lake Association Meeting

The annual meeting of the Grand Lake Improvement District and Grand Lake Area Association meeting will be held on Saturday, August 30 at 9:00 am at Eddie's on Grand.



Our amazing fireworks display!

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Summer Events Schedule

FOURTH OF JULY - Flag Raising Ceremony – 9:00 AM, 10521 Mitchell Lane, Home of Lisa and Joe Torborg

Boat Parade – 7:00 PM – meet at the docks at Eddie's at Grand at 6:45 PM to get your number. (All Boating Regulations are in force and please keep boats at a minimum wake speed.)
Judges: Pontoon Division – The Fabel Family on Grand Lake Road
Other Watercraft Division – The Slattery Family – Hubert Lane
We would like to encourage all types of boats in the parade. (fishing boats, speed boats, jet skis). Winners from each division will receive a gift certificate from Eddie's on Grand and their name on a traveling trophy and picture of their boat displayed at Eddie's on Grand all summer long.

Fireworks – 10:00 PM

Please send donations to Dave Lenhardt at 10749 Mitchell Lane, St. Cloud, MN 56301. Checks can be made out to Monday Pyrotechnics. A donation jar is also located at Eddie's on Grand. (Reminder –For your safety, boats must stay at least 400 feet from the barges.)

GRAND SAILING DAY – Sunday, August 3, 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM on Grand Lake (Back-up rain date, Aug. 10)

Enjoy sailing together with your friendly Grand Lake neighbors. It will be a colorful sight to see! More details to come in the late July edition of The Scoop at Grand Lake.

THE GRAND OLD DAY – Saturday, August 23, Ed Zapp's Barn, 22807 Rausch Lake Road

Bean Bag Toss and Horseshoe Tournaments – 4:00 PM

Hog Roast – 5:30 PM – gone

Barn Dance – 8:00 PM- Midnight

More details to come in the next issue of The Scoop at Grand Lake.

FITNESS WALKS – Saturday mornings 9:00 AM – (Weather Permitting) June 7 – August 23

Meet at Eddie's on Grand in the lower parking lot for a friendly walk around the lake with your neighbors.

NEW - CARDS/GAMES Day – Tuesdays, 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM, July 1, July 15, July 29, Aug.12, Aug. 26

Meet at Eddie's on Grand every other Tuesday to play cards and games with your neighbors.

NEW – GRAND BOAT FLOAT – Sundays, 1:00 PM and on (Weather Permitting), July 6 – Aug. 31

Come join your lake neighbors for a Sunday Fun-day boat float gathering, located at the outlet creek on the north side of the lake. Boats will be tied together for a party atmosphere. This location is perfect for group swimming and water volleyball.

LADIES NIGHT OUT at Eddie's on Grand – Mondays, 4:00 PM – 8:00 PM, July 14, August 11

Come join the fun with your friends and neighbors. Happy Hour prices will be honored for drinks and appetizers for all the Grand Lake Ladies and friends.

Protect Your Waters and Stop Aquatic Hitchhikers!

We love to spend time on the water. Protecting aquatic resources is important for all users. The spreading of harmful plants, animals and other organisms threatens America's water habitats. Aquatic nuisance species hitch rides on clothing, boats, and items used in the water. When brought to another lake or stream, the nuisance species may spread. If conditions are right, these introduced species become established and cause drastic changes.

Stopping aquatic hitchhikers requires only a few simple procedures.

Simple Preventative Procedures:

- Remove any visible mud, plants, fish or animals before transporting equipment
- Eliminate water from equipment before transporting
- Clean and dry anything that contacted water (boats, trailers, equipment, clothing, dogs, etc.)
- Never release plants, fish or animals into a body of water unless they came out of that body of water

Aquatic Hitchhikers Can:

- Reduce game fish populations
- Ruin boat engines and jam steering equipment
- Make lakes/rivers unusable by boaters and swimmers
- Increase the costs of operating drinking water and power plants
- Complicate dam maintenance and interrupt industrial processes
- Reduce native species populations
- Degrade ecosystems
- Affect human health
- Reduce property values
- Affect local economies of water-dependent communities



Zebra mussels

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Notes from the LID

Let me start by saying a big THANK YOU to the visionaries who saw a better future for Grand Lake, and to the leaders and property owners who approved funding to conduct a water quality study in 1979, well water and tracer dye studies in June of 1982 and diagnostic studies of our Grand Lake water quality in 1999. All of these studies were completed before Sue and I moved into our home on Grand Lake on January 1, 2000. From these studies, the data informed our property owners that the majority of the incoming phosphorous loading was from Ploof Creek (28%), septic systems (28%), and from direct precipitation and nutrient runoff (28%). As we all know, phosphorous loading is the fuel that feeds the algae in Grand Lake.

While green may be your favorite color, property owners on Grand Lake have consistently made decisions to make "clear" our favorite color.

We no longer have any failing septic systems now that we are connected to city sewer services and our State has banned phosphorous from the fertilizers used on lawns. The Grand Lake Improvement District was approved in 2007, and sustainable funding has allowed us to further study our two tributary creeks (Ploof and Johannes Creeks), to monitor Grand Lake for additional Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) like Zebra Mussels or Eurasian Milfoil, and to reduce another source of phosphorous loading, curlyleaf pondweed, an AIS that was not known about when those early studies of Grand Lake were completed.

So how are we doing?

The 2012 and 2013 Monitoring Summary of our tributary creeks and Grand Lake shows a

favorable trend. Measures of Total Phosphorous, Chlorophyll A, and water clarity are within the ecoregion standard set by the State of Minnesota. Measures of our 2013 water clarity, completed by the Sauk River Watershed District and the volunteer monitoring program of the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, range from 6 feet to 18.5 feet, depending on the time of the year. The days of water clarity in the 1.5 feet range are hopefully a thing of the past at any time of the year. You can find the link to these water quality reports on the Grand Lake Area Association web page.

What can you do?

Consider a rain garden or a shoreline restoration project. Project funding is available for up to 75% of the costs when a project is designed by the Sauk River Watershed District (320-352-2231) or the Soil and Water Conservation District (320-251-7800). These projects are designed to consume phosphorous and filter out nutrients. While sand is effective in filtering out sediments and surface garbage, it does not filter out chemicals or nutrients that run right through our sand. Don't believe me? Put some harmless food color in a glass of water and pour it on your sand. Watch it come out in the water. If you do a restoration project, please let me know. With your permission, we'd like to thank all property owners in our newsletter when you do any project that improves the water quality of Grand Lake. Willing to share a before and after picture of your project? Even better!

Consider being an AIS detective. If you see any signs of zebra mussels, Eurasian milfoil, or something strange that shouldn't be in Grand Lake, call me or send a message on the Grand Lake Area Association web page. We will send out one of our LID board

members who can help determine if what you have is an Aquatic Invasive Species.

Finally, thanks to the Grand Lake Area Association board for the fun activities this summer. These activities help people connect, making Grand Lake a wonderful place to live.

Regards,

Scott Palmer
Chair, Grand Lake Improvement District
320-249-1333

The restoration of a buffer zone using native plants.



Rain Gardens Benefit Your Landscaping:

- Attract butterflies, birds, and other wildlife to your landscape
- Add interest and curiosity to your garden
- Directly benefits water sources near you and your soil beneath your landscape
- Rain Gardens are low maintenance – you don't need to fertilize or spray, which makes your yard a healthier place for your children and pets. Your rain garden only need an annual cleanup, addition of hardwood mulch, and weeding.
- Rain Gardens can save you money by reducing the amount of lawn space you have to maintain. If you also incorporate rain barrels into your landscape you will save even more money while benefiting the environment!

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The 2013 Grand Lake Area Association Grand Old Day Hog Roast and Barn Dance was a Super Success!

The Association would like to give a special thank you to Ed Zapp for his kind hospitality and support. Also, thanks to Ed Valentine and his staff, Jane Bartelme, Peggy Schulz, Sue Palmer, Pat Sell, Duane and Kim Koepp, and Barb Nichol for their hard work in planning and working the event. We look forward to another FUN Grand Old Day on Saturday, August 23, 2014.

More details to come in the next issue of The Scoop at Grand Lake!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS DONATIONS FOR LAST YEAR'S FIREWORKS

The Grand Lake Area Association would like to thank the following individuals for their generous contributions towards the July 4, 2013 Firework Display at Grand Lake. Your donations made it possible for us to keep the Grand Lake tradition alive. A special thank you to Dave Lenhardt and his family for donating their time and service and providing a spectacular display full of wonder and joy.

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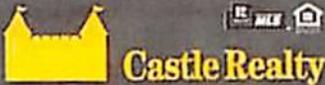
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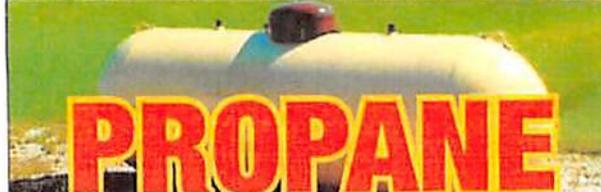
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