

LAKE WAVES

Newsletter for the Hand/Hay Lakes Association

HandHayLakesAssoc.org

Spring 2015

The Hand /Hay Lakes annual general meeting will held this Spring on May 23, 2015 at 9:00 am at the Ponto Lake Town Hall. We will be electing officers and directors. The Secretary and Treasurer positions are open. We will need to elect two directors for Hay Lake and four for Hand Lake. So be mindful of who you might want to nominate to represent you. As always there will be coffee and treats and various hand outs. And, of course, there will be drawings for door prizes.

AIS watercraft inspectors are needed. Cass County has partnered with Employment Resource Center of Brainerd to provide AIS watercraft inspectors at area lakes. The pay is \$14.00 per hour. Apply at www.ercstaffing.com or in person at 607 Washington St Brainerd, MN 56401. If you have any questions please contact Employment Resource Center at 218-824-9675.

The Spring Road Clean Up will commence on Saturday May 9th at 9:00 am. As always we will gather at the junction of Shadywood Shores Drive and Hwy 49 and disperse from there. Be mindful of the weather and dress appropriately. Be aware that the ditches can be wet so you will want boots and gloves. Bring a garbage bag or pail for your collections.

A Directors Board Meeting will be held immediately after completing the road clean up. The meeting place is yet to be established. At this meeting we set the agenda for the general meeting and discuss the general direction of the association for the remainder of the year. All association members are welcome to attend.

Zebra mussels confirmed in Cass Lake. A September 12 DNR news release reports that Zebra mussels have been confirmed in Cass Lake located in Cass County in northwestern Minnesota. Cass Lake will be designated as zebra mussel infested as will Buck Lake, Andrusia Lake, Wolf Lake, Pike Bay, Pug

General Meeting Presentation

Test netting and fish inventorying of Hay Lake was completed last summer and the same was completed for Hand Lake the summer before.

Natural Resource Specialist Bill Evarts will be presenting at our Spring annual general meeting. He will provide the results of the test nettings and how we might best maintain our lakes. It should be an informative presentation. You will not want to miss this.

Hole Lake, Kitchi Lake, Little Rice Lake and Big Rice Lake and their respective connecting rivers will also be designated as zebra mussel infested. While no zebra mussels have been found in these lakes, they are heavily used by boaters traveling from Cass Lake. This is the first confirmed adult zebra mussel find in the Bemidji area.

Take the test. The MNDNR offers a comprehensive on-line course in boating. The Boat Minnesota Course features easy-to-understand boating safety instructions and hundreds of detailed illustrations to help you improve your boating skills and become a better, more prepared operator. Complete the study then head on over and take the test. You can take the test as many times as you like. After passing you will received a life time Boater Education Certificate. It is all free, of course. Boater education is not required in Minnesota; however young adults 12-17 operating a motor boat with engines larger than 25 horse must have the Watercraft Operators Permit.

<https://www.boat-ed.com/minnesota/>

**Recycle Fish! Practice
Catch and Release**

From the Editor

I have had a dickens of a time managing my association email these past few months. I apologize for being less accessible.

As many of you who have TDS email know, TDS moved its email off the google mail server to its own server. For awhile I was not able to get to my mail at all and, although TDS assured me no data would be lost some was. I lost all my address book entries so I had to recreate the data base of officers and the data base of those who take the newsletter by email. I don't like the new email so I am changing my email back to a google email. You will see my new email address at the bottom of this page.



Photos were taken in early fall.

Submissions to be considered for publication in the winter newsletter must reach the editor before June 15th. Email photos, articles, and suggestions to:

pcourneya@gmail.com

I am sure many of you have seen all of the wild turkeys roaming around this past summer. Well, they have been even more active this winter. Two flocks of turkeys have taken up roosting in the woods in back of our cabin. One flock (technically a flock of turkeys is called a rafter) of seven is all males and the other flock is eleven strong and are all females.

Several time a day, in single file, they come marching in to our yard and go about cleaning up under all the bird feeders. They are immensely entertaining to watch and we have spent countless hours doing just that. They jump around, fly at each other and if one wonders off a ways and finds something to eat the rest run to make sure they get whatever might be there. They are truly selfish opportunist. After a while they all march off in single file across the road, presumably to some other bird feeder. I don't know why there are suddenly so many turkeys but they are sure entertaining.

Don't forget to check out the association website at: <http://handhaylakesassoc.org> . If you have photos, stories or anything else to be published on the site, send your information directly to webmaster Barbara Hansen: handhaywebmaster@yahoo.com

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Hand/Hay Lakes Property Owners Association Membership Form

Yearly dues for membership in the Hand/Hay Lakes Association are collected in the spring of each year. Fill out this form and mail it along with dues of \$15.00 or more to Cheryl Lindberg, Treasurer, 1437 Shadywood Shores Dr. NW, Pine River, MN 56474 or bring it to the annual meeting in May.

You can also use this form to update any portion of your address or Phone #, or to provide us with your email address at any time. Be sure to check the box if you want the newsletter e-mailed **instead** of sent by regular postal mail.

Your Permanent address. This is where your newsletter will be sent

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State, Zip _____

Home Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

Email _____

Check This box if we can e-mail the newsletter to you instead of sending by postal mail.

Lake Address _____

Lake Phone _____

Dues for the year of

Sunfish Level: \$15.00..... _____

Bass Level: \$25.00..... _____

Walleye Level: \$50.00..... _____

The Hand/Hay Lakes Property Owners Association was formed in the spring of 1987. Its primary function is to preserve the health, safety, welfare, and prosperity of Hand and Hay Lakes and the adjoining properties. The association has one general meeting on Saturday at 9:00 am during the Memorial Day weekend at the Ponto Lake Town Hall. All are welcome. Yearly membership dues are \$15.00 per household and payable at the general meeting. Or, send your check to the office of the treasurer with your name, address, phone number, and email. The Treasurer's address is: Cheryl Lindberg, Treasurer, 1437 Shadywood Shores Drive NW, Pine River, MN 56474. Make check payable to Hand Hay Lake Association

All Hand/Hay Lakes property owners are entitled to receive the Lake Waves, the official organ of the association. The Lake Waves is also available on the association's website, <http://HandHayLakesAssoc.org>. The Lake Waves is published four times per year in March, June, September, and December. Material for the newsletter should be sent directly to the editor. Material must be received before the 15th of the month for consideration to be published in that month's newsletter. Editor's address is: Paul Courneya, 1388 Shadywood Shores Drive NW, Pine River, MN 56474

Past Presidents

Duane Larson, *Dennis Haley*, *John Waters*, Dale Johnson, Dustin Mirick, Dick Stensrud, *Pete Kampa*, Wayne Lee, Andy Droen, Scott Parr, Arlan Hagen

Officers

President	Sandi Theisen	2016
Vice President	Jean Schatz	2016
Treasurer	Cheryl Lindberg	2015
Secretary	Barbara Courneya	2015

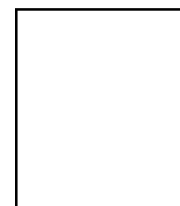
Hand Lake Directors

Shadywood Shores	Clint Lindberg	2015
Haley's Haven	Mary Martin	2015
Indian Point	Ken Reinecke	2016
North Bay	Dustin Mirick	2016
Norway Shores	Lee Theisen	2015
At Large 1	Danae Schafer	2016
At Large 2	Wayne Lee	2015

Hay Lake Directors

Director 1	Scott Parr	2015
Director 2	Rick Pope	2016
Director 3	Joanna Gellerman	2016
Director 4	Dale Johnson	2015

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