

Opening Remarks:

Okay, how many of you have braved the cold and jumped into Deer yet? I did just the other day and I can assure you that indeed the water remains cold! It seems more so this year, or at least for this late in June. Regardless, it was rejuvenating.

Hey, we have a couple really fun things this month in addition to our regular events. Please consider joining us for some Ice Cream or Spaghetti.

I am looking forward to celebrating our nation's birthday. I hope that you too will have family together to share it at this special place.

-- Bill Routt

2019 \$\$ Septic and Shoreland Incentives

DLA raised funds and offers to partner with Deer Lake property owners during 2019:

1. DLA offers to pay the cost for voluntary septic compliance inspections for eligible property owners with systems 15+ years old.
2. For those whose systems fail that voluntary inspection, three incentives totalling up to \$6000+ are available:
 - DLA offers to write you a cost-share check for 10% of the cost of your septic replacement up to **\$2000**.
 - A local reputable licensed septic installer is offering a **\$1000** discount to his usual fee.
 - Itasca County is offering zero-interest 10-year-term loans for eligible property owner septic replacements. Loans are secured by the property itself and paid back through the property tax process. Interest savings compared to a conventional loan could total **\$3000+**.
3. DLA offers you a disinterested shoreland expert to provide an assessment and options to reduce or eliminate rainwater runoff and shoreline erosion. **Free and no obligation.**
4. DLA offers to write you a cost-share check for 25% of project cost up to **\$1000** to help you pay for an eligible runoff or erosion mitigation project.

Funds are limited. Please

contact beautifuldeerlake@gmail.com to learn more and determine if your property is eligible.

Help Prevent Aquatic Invasives in Deer Lake

- Know which waters are infested <http://www.eddmaps.org/midwest/tools/infestedwaters/map.cfm?showheader=1>
- Know whether your or your guests' owned or rented boats and gear have been in infested waters prior to launch in Deer Lake. If you don't know for sure, assume waters are infested.
- Practice Clean, Drain, Dispose and Dry – remove drain plugs, then remove mud, weeds, and standing water when exiting any landing.
- Drain and dry boats and trailers in the sun for at least 5 days, remove AIS manually, or

decontaminate with very hot water - 140° for 10 seconds or 120° for two minutes when exiting infested waters

- Dry lifts/docks at least 21 days before moving from one lake or river to another.
- Don't let others use your private launch unless you know where their boats have been. Owners can many times prevent unauthorized ramp use by strategically placing docks, lifts, and trailers such that others can't use the launch. DLA also offers to produce and pay for a sign customized to property owner needs and specifications.
- Patronize **DLA FiveStar** service providers when you:
 - Install/remove dock/lift
 - Service boat and engine
 - Rent trailers, boats, and gear
 - Purchase used gear /equipment<http://bit.ly/FiveStarLSPs>
- Thank the inspectors at the public access!

Need space for a meeting, family reunion, retreat, family celebration or other special event? Want to send your child or grandchild to camp on Deer Lake? Consider **Camp Hiawatha**, a Deer Lake steward. <https://goo.gl/Dy9hqj>

Deer Lake Station

DLA is constructing an aquatic invasives prevention station at the Deer Lake public access. Deer Lake Station provides tools to help arriving and departing boaters perform Clean, Drain, Dispose, and Dry as required by law. Fresh rinse-water and hand-tools help boaters clean and flush the mud, weeds, and standing water from boats and trailers that transport invasives from one lake or river to another. The Station also provides tools meant only for use by the Itasca AIS Inspection Program, including 140°+ decontaminating hot water. Station available later in July. DLA thanks **Fidely Bros Well Drilling**/Kevin and Troy Fidely, and **S&S Excavating**/Corey Salisbury for their work constructing the Station. Station powered by **Lake Country Power** wind energy

Create a Deer Lake Legacy

Up to 5% of Deer Lake Legacy Investment Fund assets can be spent annually on Deer Lake. For example, that's the source of funding for additional inspection hours at the public access. We'd like to grow our Legacy Fund for clean water initiatives now and into the future. Please consider a *planned gift* to this fund. Planned gifts can be immediate or accomplished through a will or estate plan. A planned gift can provide a current income tax deduction, can enable you to avoid capital gains tax, and can reduce your estate taxes. **There are many ways to create a Deer Lake legacy without writing a check.** Examples include:

1. From an IRA if age 70½+

2. Appreciated stock
3. Donor advised fund
4. Beneficiary designations
5. Life insurance
6. Charitable Trust, Charitable Lead Trust, Charitable Remainder Trust.

Deer Lake Association of Itasca County, 36264 Christmas Point Trl, Grand Rapids, MN 55744. More info and a library of examples here <http://deerlakeassociation.org/index.cfm?pageid=262012>

Frolic Silent Auction

DLA Frolic is Thur Aug 15. Please consider donating items for our Silent Auction. Examples include created or purchased works of art, including paintings, photographs, pottery, jewelry; handcrafted items of value such as quilts or knitting; creative gift baskets, antique furniture, other treasures from your cabin that someone else could use, or services provided. We're especially looking for items that might sell for \$100 or more. Examples of services could include air-plane-ride, chef-for-an-evening, fishing guide-service, etc. Frolic attendees bid on these items during the Frolic, with highest bid winning the item. Funds go to DLA. Donor can set a minimum bid. We ask only that if your Silent Auction item does not sell you take it home with you at the conclusion of the Frolic. If interested in donating, pls send a note to beautifuldeerlake@gmail.com

2019 DLA Events

July 5, Friday

DLA Ice Cream Social

2:30pm – 4:00pm at Camp Hiawatha Baldwin Commons. Rain or shine. Come by car or boat. Join us for a fun social event. No RSVP necessary. We'll provide ice cream until it runs out or melts! Map <https://goo.gl/maps/gn7ziSvNufu>

July 19, Friday

DLA Spaghetti Dinner and Annual Business Meeting
5pm social, 5:30pm meeting, 6pm dinner, at Camp Hiawatha. **This year we are trying something different**, combining our Spaghetti Dinner with our Business Meeting. Agenda includes election of Officers and Board Members and Deer Lake News.

August 15, Thursday **DEER LAKE FROLIC**

5pm gather; 6pm-dinner at Camp Hiawatha

The Annual Deer Lake Frolic will be held at Camp Hiawatha on Thursday, August 15th. Music, games, food, chance drawing, silent auction. The Frolic is a great opportunity for the Deer Lake community to come together, including residents,

guests, and visitors from Deer Lake and the surrounding communities. All are welcome! The Frolic also serves as the primary annual fundraiser for DLA. Please mark the date and plan to attend!

Need boat or engine service from a marine dealer? Purchasing a new or used boat, dock, lift, or swim-raft? Patronize a **FiveStar** marine dealer who takes AIS precautions. <http://bit.ly/FiveStarLSPs>

Bear Island Trail Maintenance

July 12 – Friday 9:00 AM

August 9 – Friday 9:00 AM

(In the event of rain - 'Rolex' 24 hours)

Bear Island was donated to the State of MN by DLA, who purchased it with contributions from lake residents plus State matching funds. Now it's protected and available for all to enjoy. Once a month during the summer, DLA members spend about 1 hour keeping the walking trail open and cleaning up trash left by Mother Nature or people. Paul Askegaard will provide coffee/donuts. RSVP not necessary, just arrive on the south end of the Island at 9am on the scheduled day. If conditions are questionable, call Paul at 651-230-3361. **Please volunteer, especially if we have a bad storm during the month.** Bring gloves, wear long pants and bug spray, and bring any equipment you have (chain saw, clippers, loppers, small saw and/or garbage bag). We hope to see you!

DLA Hwy 62 Clean-up:

September 7, Saturday

Coordinated again this year by Barb and Kerry Glader. Please join us for DLA Hwy 62 clean-up where we combine community service and fellowship! Gather in the parking lot of the Baptist Church at 9:30 am, corner of Hwys 62 and 177 on the east side of Deer

Lake. <https://goo.gl/maps/7fd9J5frn5o>

Cleanup takes about an hour. Afterward, you're invited to Barb and Kerry's cabin for coffee, snacks, and fellowship. Please call Kerry or Barb if you're able to join us! [218-246-8397](tel:218-246-8397) or [320-761-0195](tel:320-761-0195).

DLA Golf Scramble

We play once each month at a different course. This is a fun day 9-hole scramble with some light competition. *If spouse/significant others do not play golf, they are welcome to join us for dinner.* - Fees include 9 holes and 1/2 a cart, all players ride to keep the game moving-- we will collect \$2 per player to go towards prizes -- see schedule below: **Please RSVP and do everything possible not to cancel, as it makes team**

assignments extremely difficult -- Thank you -- we look forward to seeing you!

tjbogie@paulbunyan.net 218-326-3824
or joanandger@aol.com 218-246-9652

NEW PLAYERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME - JUST GIVE US A CALL!!!

July 16th --Tuesday - 2:30 PM @ Pokegama Golf Course -- Dinner after Golf at The Pickled Loon (approximately 6:15 PM) -- RSVP by July 11th

August 13th - Tuesday - 1 PM @ Eagle Ridge Golf Course -- Dinner after Golf at 6 PM at Cedar Creek Grille -- RSVP by August 6th

September 10th -Tuesday - 2:30 PM @ Pokegama Golf Course - Dinner after Golf @ Forest Lake (approximately 6:15 PM) -- RSVP by September 3rd

For equipment rental or landscape service, see a **FiveStar** service provider who takes AIS precautions. <http://bit.ly/FiveStarLSPs>

“Deer Readers” Book Club

- **July 23, Tues:** Tara Westover, EDUCATED at Marier's (appetizers both before & after discussion). Leaders: Joyce & Dick Erickson
- **August 20, Tues:** Joseph Heller, Catch 22 at Jan Hill's (pot luck dinner). Leader: Don Ardery
- **September 11, Wed at 3pm:** Terri-Lynne DeFino, The Bar Harbor Retirement Home for Famous Writers (And Their Muses) at Grimsruds on Amen Lake. (dinner afterwards at Cedar Creek) Leader: Ellen Ardery

Sessions begin at 4pm, except the September session, which starts at 3pm. Following May and September meetings we adjourn about 6pm to go out for dinner at Cedar Creek Grille. For June, July, and August, instead of going out for dinner, we have either a pot luck (June and August) or extended appetizers (July). Please RSVP to Alice Stark for each meeting so our hosts know how many to expect and so we can make dinner reservations (May and Sept) for those planning to attend. adstark@goldengate.net Please contact Alice with questions.

DLA Board Meetings Calendar:

July 19, **Fri** 2:30pm-4pm Camp Hiawatha
Aug 15, **Thur** 3pm set-up DLA **Frolic**.

Key DLA Links:

Join or renew DLA

Membership <http://deerlakeassociation.org/index.cfm?pageid=3369>

DLA Website: <http://deerlakeassociation.org>

Keep Deer Lake Blue: What you can do Aquatic

Invasives <http://deerlakeassociation.org/index.cfm?pageid=31697>

FiveStar

<http://deerlakeassociation.org/index.cfm?pageid=262011>

Septics <http://deerlakeassociation.org/index.cfm?pageid=282026>

Shoreland <http://deerlakeassociation.org/index.cfm?pageid=282027>

Facebook: “Deer Lake Association”

Simply request to become a member of the ‘Closed Group’ or have someone invite you directly. It is a fun way to share information as well as pictures. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1426038024368278/>

Twitter: [@BeautifulDeerLK](https://twitter.com/BeautifulDeerLK)

Quote:

Freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction. We didn't pass it to our children in the bloodstream. It must be fought for, protected, and handed on for them to do the same, or one day we will spend our sunset years telling our children and our children's children what it was once like in the United States where men were free.

Ronald Reagan

God Bless our Men and Women who serve and Happy Fourth of July!

Beautiful Deer Lake

