

Summer 2019 Newsletter

Long Lake Link

Long Lake Property Owners Association

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BE SURE TO KEEP SATURDAY, AUGUST 10TH OPEN AND COME JOIN YOUR NEIGHBORS & FRIENDS
AT LLPOA'S ANNUAL MEETING. THE MEETING WILL BE HELD AT SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH.
DOORS OPEN AT 9:00AM; THE MEETING STARTS AT 9:30.
COFFEE, JUICE, WATER & "FAMOUS" WOMAN LAKE LODGE DONUTS WILL BE SERVED.
(FYI: The meeting usually lasts about two hours.)

UPCOMING AREA EVENTS

June 29	Turtle Town Art Fair (9am-3pm)	Salem Lutheran Church grounds
July 4	4th of July Celebration (all day): parade/food/fun	Downtown Longville
July 6	Public Bingo (7pm)	Young at Heart Club
July 7	Music in the Park (5pm): "Monroe Crossing"	Salem Lutheran Church
July 12-13	First Ladies of Song Music Festival (7:30pm & 7:45pm): "Josh Duffee & His Big Band"	Hackensack Community Building
July 20	Public Bingo (7pm)	Young at Heart Club
July 28	Music in the Park (5pm): "Michael Monroe"	Salem Lutheran Church
August 3	Bake Sale on Main Street (10am-2pm), Lion's Corn & Hot Dog Feed (11am-2pm)	Downtown Longville
	Public Bingo (7pm)	Young at Heart Club
August 4	Fly-In/Drive-In Pancake Breakfast (8am-noon)	Longville Municipal Airport
August 10	Northwoods Art & Book Festival (9am-3pm)	Hackensack
	Annual Church Auction (10am)	Salem Lutheran Church
August 18	Music in the Park (5pm): "Dan Duffy Orchestra"	Salem Lutheran Church
August 25	Summer's End Food Fest (11am-1pm)	Immanuel Lutheran Church
August 31	Art Crawl Bake Sale (9am-5pm); Longville Lion's Hog Heaven (11am-2pm)	Downtown Longville
Aug. 31-Sept. 1	"Arts Off 84" Art Crawl (9am-5pm)	Hwy. 84 from Pine River to Longville
Sept. 14	Oktoberfest (all day)	Downtown Longville

LLPOA MISSION

The purpose of this Association shall be to maintain and improve lake water quality and lake bed health, maintain and continue fish propagation and protect wildlife and its habitat.

It shall also provide education about many issues affecting lake property owners and users through the dissemination of information to Long Lake property owners and their families.

President's letter...

Water, water everywhere! Spring 2019 was characterized by heavy snow melt, followed by large dumps of rain, all combining to create higher water levels than we have seen in years. Long Lake is reportedly up over ten inches. With the continuing rains, we might be stuck with high water for a while longer.

As property owners, high water presents an issue we all need to be aware of. How do we minimize erosion along the shoreline caused by big waves? Maybe we can all reduce our boat speeds a bit and control our wakes for a few weeks in order to avoid damaging property and shorelines. I'm sure it will be appreciated by all.

The buoys went out a little later than normal because we did not launch our boat as early as last year. My other buoy helpers, whom I cannot thank enough, were pretty much "in the same boat" (no pun intended). But they're out now and are there to help navigate around the shallow areas and nasty rocks that are fully capable of damaging props. As you approach the buoys, remember, "Red and green...stay between." The Narrows are marked as a permanent "No Wake Zone." It's an area where children and adults stop to play, swim and just hang out in the water on warm summer days (although right now, the sand shoreline there is still underwater!). We thank everyone for your help in keeping this area safe for everyone.

As the 4th of July weekend approaches, there will be many boats on the lake. This brings new challenges that we as property owners can help address. If you have guests bringing boats, PWCs and trailers, or other water equipment such as skis, wakeboards, inflatable towables, or even ski ropes, to the lake for the long weekend, please inspect them to make sure they are not unknowingly bringing aquatic hitchhikers into the lake. If there is evidence of any AIS attached to their equipment, there are only two options: clean it in 140° hot water for 10 seconds, or in the case of watercraft and/or trailers, take them over to the Musky House for a free decontamination (this service is paid for by Cass County).



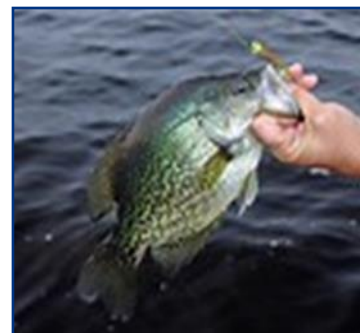
The danger has not gone away. Today over 500 Minnesota lakes and rivers are infected with aquatic invasive species, one of them just a mile away. The LLPOA Board is putting an increased focus on preventing the introduction of AIS into Long Lake. All boat landings, including the campground and resort, have signs reminding boaters to "Clean, Drain and Dry" before entering or leaving the lake. We have ramped-up support from Cass County and now have a Level I AIS inspector at the public boat landing on weekends inspecting incoming boats. Additionally, we have five trained AIS Detectors on Long Lake that will be assigned duties to assist with preventative efforts. We are also continuing our efforts to expand LLPOA membership to get everyone involved in working together on this critical issue. Your Zone Director will be distributing packets of information to each property owner on the lake during the upcoming 4th of July weekend to help you expand your efforts in preventing AIS from entering the lake. If you are not a member of the Association today,

we hope you will consider joining. **Preventing AIS protects our property values and preserves Long Lake for future generations.**

The LLPOA board meets four times per year to discuss issues and determine actions to address the priorities shared with us by the membership during last year's Annual Meeting. If you have specific things you would like the LLPOA Board to discuss, please feel free to e-mail me at wayne@msireresults.com. The Board is here to represent your interests. Thank you for your continued support. Have a safe summer and a happy 4th of July!

Ranger Rick's Spring 2019 Fishing Report

We had ice on the lake up until May, which is close to ice-out time last year. Water temperatures did not warm up all that fast due to the cold weather we experienced. Nighttime temperatures did not get out of the 40s until mid-June. The crappies were biting on minnows, leeches and jigs in the shallows early in the season. With the water warming up, they have now moved into deeper water; look for an area where deep water comes up to flats of about 15-18 feet of water. You will find sunfish in the weeds at depths of 5-8 feet where bobber fishing works well. While it may be tempting to keep a whopper crappie or sunfish, remember they are the ones to release. Most avid anglers believe that any crappie or sunfish ten inches or larger should be returned to the water after a quick photograph. This practice insures an increasing population of larger fish in future years.



Bass fishing is always good on Long Lake and this year is no exception. They are hungry and bite on almost anything, including worms, frogs, minnows, and spinners. Northerns are best caught on the weed lines where trolling seems to yield the best results. Trout were on the surface during early May but are now going deeper as they prefer cooler water. They are often found near natural drop-offs or ledges where the water is deeper and cooler. Trolling with small Rapalas, spinners or spoons is always a good bet when trout are not heavily concentrated in schools. They also bite on minnows, worms, crawlers and wax worms. Remember, the limit is five, with no more than three being longer than 16 inches.

We are hopeful in our efforts to rebuild the walleye population over the next few years. The walleyes we planted last fall were in the 10 to 12 inch range. Due to DNR regulations we were limited on the number we could plant, which came to roughly 3.5 fish per acre. Because they are still in their early growth stage, we are encouraging catch and release of these walleye this summer and fall.

They're here...trout for the taking

After ten years of planting walleye fry and fingerlings in Long Lake and measuring results with fall samplings, the DNR concluded that any further planting of walleye was a waste of time and resources. This is not to conclude that they lost interest in Long Lake, but only that they turned their attention to trying to find a fish species that could do well in the lake. They concluded that the conditions in Long Lake were ideal for rainbow trout and requested our approval to begin planting 8 to 10-inch rainbows into the lake over a three-year period. This is a controlled study; the DNR introduced trout into the lake and then will test the results of the introduction to make sure it is an ecologically sound strategy. The hope is that there will be an additional type of fish in the lake for those of us who enjoy fishing. The first of these tests will begin this summer.



As you may remember, the DNR planted 12,987 rainbow trout in December 2016, and another 12,990 in April 2017. According to the DNR, those fish would now be 15 to 18 inches in length. In November 2017, they planted another 10,000 trout, which would now be an estimated 15 to 17 inches long. In June 2018, and again in October of 2018, another 10,000 fish were planted in each of those months. The final 10,000 were planted in May 2019, bringing the total number of planted rainbow trout to 65,977.

So how many of us have headed out to fish for these coveted little jewels? If you haven't yet tried your luck, there is no time like the present. These guys are not only fun to catch, but also good to eat. Over the winter, one of our fishermen landed a beauty that was in the 24-inch range...check out the picture above. They fried it and said it was delicious, with a texture and color like that of salmon.

I, for one, am going to try my luck at catching a rainbow this year now that their size has become more than respectable. Don't forget, you need to get a trout stamp to legally keep trout; they are available at the One Stop and any other business that sells fishing licenses. Remember, the limit is two fish per angler. Let us know how you do and send any pictures to wayne@msireresults.com. Good luck!

AIS Monitoring at the Public Boat Landing

With the constant threat of an aquatic invasive species being introduced into Long Lake, we requested that the county provide a higher level of inspection than we had last year. In 2018, Cass County supplied an Inspector at the public boat landing every other Saturday, which was clearly inadequate considering the threat. This was budget-driven by the county, but clearly left Long Lake at a high risk of an infestation. Fortunately, we appear to have escaped an AIS infestation last year, but we are not being cavalier about it, we were lucky.



This year, I approached the county earlier and requested a higher level of inspection at our public boat landing. To their credit, the county has responded by guaranteeing us an AIS inspector every Saturday, Sunday and during long holiday weekends. During Memorial Day weekend, they provided an inspector at the landing Saturday and Sunday which we sincerely appreciated. Even with the increased participation from the county, they have way too much demand and too few inspectors to provide the level of inspection really needed at our boat landing. We needed a mechanism to supplement the inspectors in order to get a higher level of coverage at the boat landing.



In reading more about the AIS Detector Program now available through the Minnesota Aquatic Invasive Species Research Center, individuals can get high-quality training on how to detect AIS from experts. Participants learn the principles of basic aquatic ecology, AIS identification, impacts and biology, Minnesota rules and regulations preventing the spread of AIS, and how and where to report violations. The thought was to train a team of additional AIS Detectors that could supplement the Level I inspectors on days when they were not present. However, to minimize the time impact on our AIS Detectors, we needed to have more than one or two people enroll in the program. To take the financial burden off of those who were interested in signing up, Cass county agreed to pay the \$195 tuition on all enrollees from Long Lake.

We put out a call in an e-mail to the Association membership to hopefully interest a few people in volunteering their services for this noble effort and goal. I am beyond happy about the response we received from our call. Seven members of the Association volunteered their services to be trained as AIS Detectors and to put in 25 hours of annual service. All but one completed the training and graduated from the class as certified AIS Detectors. This group will assist us in providing better coverage at the public boat landing, thereby reducing the probability of an AIS infestation from a careless boater. These people truly deserve to be recognized: Dan Obey, Jeff Simons, Barbara Keinath, Nick Bluhm and Terry and Linda Vacek.



We are most fortunate that Nick Bluhm, after receiving his AIS Detector certification, approached Cass County and asked if he could continue his training to become a Level I AIS Inspector. The timing was perfect as Cass County was short on inspectors. After receiving approval to continue, Nick finished his training and is now a Level I Inspector and has been assigned to the Long Lake boat landing every weekend throughout the summer. We will be supplementing Nick's time there with our newly trained group of AIS Detectors to maximize our coverage at the boat landing.

Please join me in thanking this group of Association members for their dedicated service to Long Lake and the Association. Cass County representatives said they've never had a volunteer group response at any lake such as we had on Long Lake!

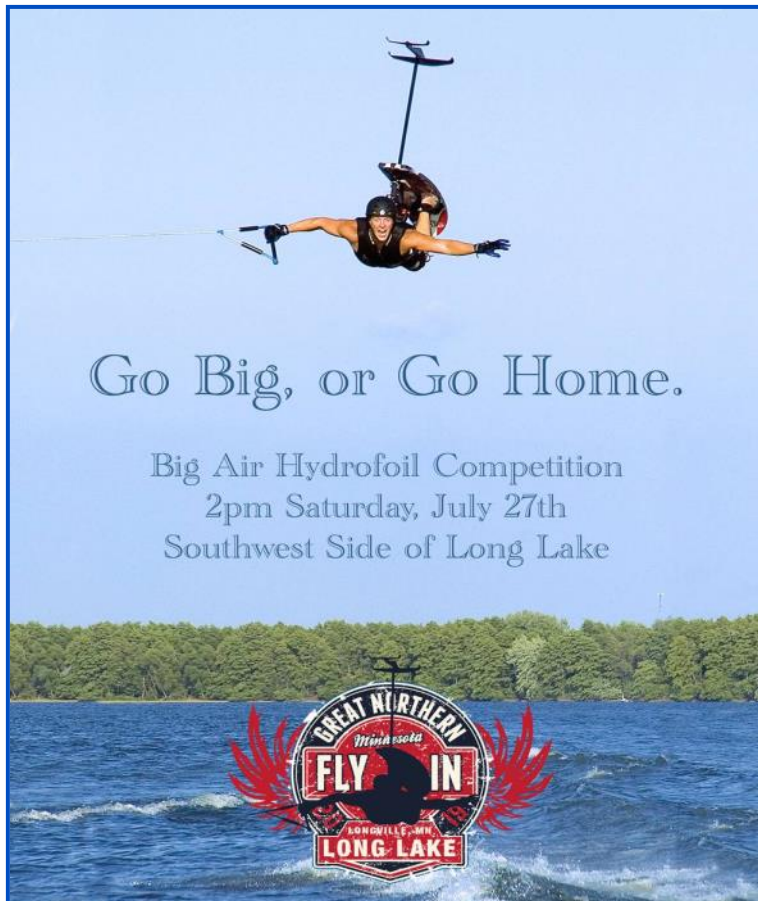
The Spaude Family History on Long Lake – a Story of Persistence Paying Off

Looking out at the lakeshore today, we see some 270 plus cabins and lake homes spread across the landscape on all sides of the lake, with the East side being less populated due to the presence of Federal lands. For many of us, it is hard to imagine things looking that much different fifty years ago. But for those pioneering families that settled here in the 50s or earlier, they remember a time when there were no cabins south of the public boat landing. This is the story of a family whose love for the lake, and sheer persistence, enabled them to own and enjoy a piece of paradise we all call Long Lake.

The Spaude family has been on Long Lake since 1958, when Roy Spaude purchased forty acres of land from Ted Tobiason. Roy then built his place near the lakeshore and he used it as a hunting cabin for his family. Roy's brother Harry, who helped him build the hunting cabin, also helped Roy carve Macemon Road out of the forest, from Highway 200 to the lake. For his hard work, Harry was given an acre of land onto which he moved a trailer in 1968. Harry and Delores Spaude and their two sons, Mike and Pat, spent countless hours exploring, hunting and fishing in the area. Hunting was always fruitful, and fishing almost always yielded a good catch of five to seven pound northern pike...and crappies up to eighteen inches long. Another fun activity the Spaude boys remember was catching turtles at night using a flashlight taped to a stick on the front of their boat. Obviously, the Spaude boys were living a real Huck Finn adventure in those early days on the lake, an experience that ignited a love for Long Lake that continues to this day.

In 1969, Roy Spaude experienced financial troubles and lost his Long Lake land to the bank. Ted Tobiason purchased this land back from the bank, and eventually it was passed down to his children. Determined to own some portion of land on the north end of Long Lake, Roy later purchased Island One, the northernmost island on the lake. With Harry Spaude's passing, his wife Delores eventually sold the family cabin to her son Pat and his wife Kay, who currently own that cabin. Terry Tobiason, one of Ted Tobiason's sons, and an heir to his estate, eventually sold sixteen acres of the original forty-acre plot to Mike and Jane Spaude in 2015 - which for Mike, fulfilled a lifelong dream. Roy Spaude willed Island One to his sister Dorothy Spaude, who is still the current owner.

For this family, persistence has certainly paid off in spades!



← **Just an FYI...**

The riders will be performing on the northwest side of the southernmost bay of the lake, and have requested that we give them sufficient space to perform during the event. Those of you interested in watching this event can do so by boating over to the southeast side of the lake and observing from a safe distance.

The group recognizes that Long Lake is here for everyone's enjoyment and has committed not to block any primary traffic lanes with their towboats during this event. We in turn have been asked to give them the space they need to assure the safety of skiers and observers alike. Considering our AIS concerns, we have also asked that they inspect their boats, hydrofoils, trailers and gear to make sure there are no hitchhiking aquatic invaders onboard.

New AIS Sign at the Public Boat Landing

As you are all aware, your lake Association is actively involved in doing whatever we can to reduce the risk of any Aquatic Invasive Species infecting Long Lake. Three years ago, it was our plan to erect a permanent sign at the public landing to remind boaters to check their boats, trailers and gear for evidence of any AIS before launching into the lake. Unfortunately, the cost of doing so was not in the budget at that time. In response, we designed and fabricated a temporary sign that has served as a constant reminder to boaters entering and leaving the lake about the danger of AIS. Unfortunately, wind, weather and vandals have taken their toll on that sign which was in dire need of replacement.

We are most fortunate to have had Will and Mary Laraway as summer residents on the lake from 1970 to 1988, and as full-time residents from 1988 until 2016. Will loved the lake and dedicated his time and energy to its preservation. He was instrumental in forming the Long Lake Property Owners Association, which we Board members have the privilege of presiding over today on your behalf. The purpose of the Association, then and now, is to determine how we can work together to assure the continued health of the lake.



Sadly, Will passed away in September of 2016, but the family's interest in preserving Long Lake never waned. Will's wife Mary, along with his children, Steve, Dean and Juli, are all property owners on Long Lake. As part of Will's wish and legacy, the family and friends of Will Laraway donated money to the Association to use toward the goal of preserving the health and beauty of the lake. We decided that funding the development and fabrication of a large permanent AIS sign at the public boat landing would do more good toward that goal than anything else we might consider. With that in mind, we commissioned Wildlife Forever and Gopher Sign Company of St. Paul to design and fabricate the sign. We encourage you to swing by the public landing to look at the new sign, as well as the signs along the boat landing road that were designed to remind boaters of the danger of AIS. Our sincere thanks and appreciation go out to the family and friends of Will Laraway for this timely gift.

Article from the Pioneer Press, Dave Orrick, January 22, 2019

Zebra mussels' best friend: wakeboard boats, new U study finds. Livewells also tested.

The best way for invasive zebra mussel larvae to get from one Minnesota lake to another is aboard wakeboard boats, a new study has found. The ballast tanks of recreational wakeboard boats beat out other leading stowaway suspects, including sterndrive inboard/outboard engines, bilges and livewells — all of which can harbor the larvae — according to a study by the University of Minnesota's Aquatic Invasive Species Research Center. Moreover, zebra mussel larvae that make their way into wakeboard ballast tanks take longer to die than those that stow away in smaller areas, such as livewells, according to the study, which analyzed water samples from 379 boats on Lake Minnetonka and Gull Lake in Cass County over two years.

In fact, the study found, it looks like standard minimal tactics for reducing zebra mussel spread — cleaning the exterior of a boat and removing the drain plug — won't be enough for wakeboard boat ballast tanks and some other large-volume water-holding areas. A hot water flush or five days of drying are the most practical surefire ways to ensure no larvae survive. To be clear, the study found that the larvae can hitch a ride in all sorts of boats, but because wakeboard boats generally take on the most water, they have the greatest chances to transport the greatest numbers of invaders.

WHY IS THIS A BIG DEAL?

- Wakeboard boats have long been suspected of being especially vulnerable to zebra mussel infiltration, but until now, no scientific study had actually tested that hypothesis in the real world or examined how prevalent larvae really are in various boat compartments that take on water.

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- Zebra mussels, bluntly put, are bad for our native ecosystem. They're not native, and they're seen as a major culprit in crowding out native forms of mussels, extinguishing some from entire lake and river systems. By filtering huge volumes of water as they feed on the smallest forms of life, they fundamentally change the character of a lake, clarifying the water and altering the woods and fish that live in the lake. A bad infestation can ruin swimming beaches, as feet-slicing shells from the mollusks cover the bottom.
- Zebra mussels are spreading across the state, generally infesting lakes popular with boaters first. (Yes, the data is clear on this: People are the biggest vector for their spread, and boats are the most common means.)
- For years, the Minnesota DNR and lawmakers have struggled with how strict to be with boaters pulling their boats in and out of different lakes. Some boaters have been skeptical, questioning whether the "clean, drain, dry" legal requirement is even effective, since boats are not designed to completely evacuate all the water that accumulates in various place in the hull. There's been an undercurrent of tension on this issue, as some groups of lake users suspect another group is the most culpable.
- This study's findings are not expected to result in immediate policy changes, but they provide important scientific data to backup policies and laws already in place.

WHAT'S A WAKEBOARD BOAT?

To the untrained eye, a wakeboard boat, or wake boat, looks like a speedy motorboat. But wakeboard boats specifically contain ballast tanks that are designed to have water pumped into them to make the boat heavier. The heavier boat displaces more water. Thus, wakeboard boats can create substantial waves for the pleasure of those on water skis or a wakeboard, which is like a surfboard towed behind a boat.

The big waves have created minor stirs on various lakes for years, but those dust-ups have primarily been over safety and the compatibility of, say, power boaters and kayakers. As wakeboard boats have proliferated, so has concern that they would provide safe transport for zebra mussel larvae, known as veligers. The logic is obvious: Zebra mussels and other invasive species first arrived in the Midwest from Europe aboard ballast tanks of international vessels that steamed from the Atlantic Ocean into the Great Lakes. The ballast tanks on wakeboard boats could do the same thing, on a smaller scale — as could livewells, bilges and any part of a boat that collects lake water.

KEY FINDINGS OF THE STUDY

Both Gull Lake and Lake Minnetonka are infested with zebra mussels, so every boat pulled out of either lake could be transporting the mussels or, more likely, their larvae. But how often does that happen? About half the time, according to the study, which was authored by graduate student Adam Doll and submitted for his master's thesis in December. On the bright side, only one in four boats were found to have more than five veligers — a quantity seen as too few for a likely lake-wide infestation to result. In those boats that had more than five larvae on board, here's how the various compartments of various boats stacked up, ranked from most likely to least likely: ballast, sterndrive engine, outboard motor, livewell, foot well (where occupants' feet go in some boats), splash well (open basin right behind the outboard in some boats), bilge and jet. The bigger the compartment, the more larvae were found.

There are a number of other subtle factors that make ballast tanks and large motors more likely to pick up larvae than other areas. Veligers generally hang out a short ways under the surface of the water. Many areas, such as the bilge, only accumulate water that splashes up, while motors, livewells and ballast tanks actively pump water in. The lower units of motors reach the deepest into the water column, and ballast pumps generally pull water in from close to the bottom of the hull. Large sterndrive engines — those that contain a motor inside the hull and a lower unit and propeller that sticks off the rear of the boat, pull large amounts of water inside to keep the engine cool. As such, they were the number two culprit.

Once the little buggers are inside, the simplest way to kill them is to subject them to hot water. Even a cold-water flush can reduce the risk of veligers surviving. However, many boaters simply let the boat dry out. Researchers have known for years that five days is enough to kill all zebra mussels. When the weather outside is hot, such as during the summer boating season, the larvae generally die sooner. Curiously, Ball's research found that it takes significantly longer — sometimes days longer — for veligers to die inside ballast tanks than in livewells, presumably because there's more water to heat up and dry out.

A number of government agencies, including the Minnesota DNR, are working with boat manufacturers to try to change how ballast tanks and other water-holding compartments are designed so they can be more easily drained and cleaned.

WHAT TO DO?

Heidi Wold, invasive species supervisor for the DNR, underscored that the name of the game with invasive species is to reduce the likelihood of transport. Under that strategy, wakeboard boats shouldn't be singled out, as much as the boat operators should be urged to be vigilant.

"There are really simple measures to reduce the risk," Wolf said. "The boat user can interrupt the pathway. It doesn't mean that a wakeboard boat is a higher risk if it's drained, compared to another boat that isn't drained. Every step reduces the risk."

Sad News from Minnesota...

The Pillsbury Doughboy passed away yesterday from an yeast infection and trauma complications from repeated pokes in the belly. He was 54 years old.

Doughboy was buried in a lightly greased coffin.

Dozens of celebrities turned out to pay their respects, including Mrs. Butterworth, Hungry Jack, the California Raisins, Betty Crocker, the Hostess Twinkies and Captain Crunch. The gravesite was piled high with many flours.

Betty Crocker delivered the eulogy and lovingly described the Doughboy as someone who never knew how much he was kneaded.

Born and raised in Minnesota, Doughboy rose quickly in show business, but his later life was filled with turnovers. He was not considered a very smart cookie, wasting much of his dough on half-baked schemes.

Despite being a little flaky at times, he still was a crusty character and was considered a positive roll model for millions.

Doughboy is survived by his wife Play Dough; three children: John Dough, Jane Dough and Dosey Dough; plus they had one in the oven. He is also survived by his elderly father, Pop Tart.

The funeral was held at 3:50 for about 20 minutes.

If you smiled (or groaned) while reading this, please rise to the occasion and pass it on to someone having a crumby day and kneading a lift.

NEW FISHING GUIDE SERVICE OFFERED...


TEAM ONE STOP OUTDOORS
Fish Hard. Hunt Hard. Play Fair.

RILEY'S
GUIDE SERVICE
BASS & NORTHERN
218-821-4993

1 FISHERMAN GUIDE TRIPS
\$125 (2019 rate)
Rider allowed with extra cost

(The rate of \$125.00 is for four hours of guided fishing.)

ATTENTION RED TRASH BAG USERS!

We have been fortunate to have City Sanitary Services offer their red trash bags for those of us who have properties on Long Lake. Unfortunately, the wildlife, mostly crows and raccoons, have been enjoying it too. Many of you have probably seen the bags ripped open and the trash scattered all over at locations along County Road 126. The problem arises when people leave the bags on their way home from the lake on Sundays, then the critters come and scatter the trash...and then some very kind residents end up cleaning up the mess (City Sanitary is not responsible for anything but picking up the bags).

The bags were never meant to be placed out on any intersections along 126 or Hwy. 84 - they will be picked up curbside at your residence. Place your bags to be picked up by your fire number, call City Sanitary at the number on the bag, leave a message with your address and they will pick them up on the following Monday. If you are concerned that the animals may "trash your trash," put the bags in a garbage can and the guys will collect the bags from there. I was told there have been no issues with the cans being left out during the week. There really is no other way to keep the bags safe from nocturnal visitors since pick-up isn't until Mondays. I know it's a nuisance, but it's really the only way to keep the garbage under control, and to stop our year-round neighbors from having to take care of it after we've left for home.

(The red bags can be purchased at the One Stop for \$5.49 each.)



Unscramble the words, then use the highlighted letters to write out the scrambled secret message.

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Ole lived across the Minnesota River from Clarence, whom he didn't like at all. They were yelling across the river at each other all the time. Ole would yell at Clarence, "If I had a way to cross dis river, I'd come ofer dere an beat you up good, yeah sure, ya betcha, by golly!" Clarence would yell back, "Ya don't scare me, ya old turd. I cud beatcha wit one hand behind me back, fer sure!" This went on for years. Finally, the state built a bridge across the river right there by their houses. Ole's wife, Lena, says, "Now iss yer chance, Ole. Vhy doncha go over dere and beat up dat Clarence like you said you vud?" Ole replied, "OK, by yimmy, I tink I vill do yust dat!" Ole started for the bridge, but he saw a sign on the bridge, stopped to read it, then turned around and came back home. Lena asked, "Vhy you come back?" Ole said, "Lena, I tink I changed my mind 'bout beatin' up dat Clarence. You know, when I yell at him from across da river, he don't look so big. But dey put a sign on da bridge dat says "Clarence is 13 feet, 6 inches."

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2019 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS

Saturday, June 8th @ 10:00 am
 Saturday, July 13th @ 10:00 am
 Saturday, August 10th @ 9:30 am **
 Saturday, September 14th @ 10:00 am (?)

** Annual meeting begins at 9:30 am; doors open at 9:00 am

Meetings are held at Salem Lutheran Church in Longville.
 All property owners are always welcome to attend.



RECYCLE

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2019 BOAT PARADE!!

This year's boat parade will be held on the 4th of July, which this year falls on a Thursday. The parade will begin lining up at the Narrows at 4:00pm, and will start out heading SOUTH.

You can dress up, decorate your boat (or both) - or just cruise around the lake honking and waving at the spectators on shore.

*One note: **PLEASE** don't throw water balloons to or from boats...last year a young girl on the shore was hit in the face with one, and one pontoon ended up with a dent in its side wall. In addition, we know that loons, ducks and fish can die if they find and eat the balloons that end up floating in the lake.*

LLPOA MEMBERSHIP DRIVE!

We are continuing the "Join the LLPOA" membership campaign. We want to reach property owners that haven't joined the Association yet, or those who may not even know the LLPOA exists. We are hoping that we can enlist the help of our current LLPOA members in this campaign by asking them to talk to their neighbors and find out if they are members already or not. Share with them what we are doing to keep aquatic invasive species out of the lake, how we are managing the lake's water quality and how we are working to protect local wildlife and its habitat - and then encourage them to join. We need everyone's help!

In order to reach as many people as we can, we will continue to send out paper copies of the Link to those owners who are not on our e-mail list.

It saves the Association a lot of printing and postage costs when we send the Link by e-mail, so please consider adding yourselves to our newsletter e-mail list; plus you'll receive the added bonus of getting the Link in color! We never use your e-mail for anything other than Association news. If you would like to begin receiving the Link by e-mail, please send your e-mail address to Meg Voigtschild at meg@msireresults.com.

PLEASE NOTE:

The membership/dues form (for new members or those members who need to update their information) is included in this newsletter. Send the form, along with your 2019 annual dues of \$25.00 to LLPOA, PO Box 292, Longville, MN 56655.

Feel free to contact Meg to check on the status of your dues. Call 612-805-5995 or e-mail meg@msireresults.com.

