

Walleye Update



LSIA's walleye stocking project is making an impact! The lake's walleye population is beginning to show signs of vitality. Joe Slavec reports that many resident fisher people have said that multiple walleyes have been caught on Lake Sarah. Most of the walleye have been in the 12 inch range, which are very healthy, fat fish. Please let these fish go so they can grow though. Catching 20 inch or larger walleyes would sure be fun! Visit www.lakesarah.com for more pictures and recent stories.

Beach Buddy Update

Thanks for keeping the Beach Buddies busy! With over 30 uses to date, the LSIA owned Beach Buddy weed rollers have removed a great deal of curly leaf pondweed and eurasian milfoil from shorelines, making for improved fishing and recreational from our docks. We also are removing excess phosphorus from our lake that will become natural fertilizer for Mel Knapton's U-pick farm. LSIA members that attend July 25 general membership meeting (prior to the picnic) can sign up for a free days use of the Beach Buddy. For members not able to attend the meeting, we simply ask for a \$20 LSIA donation which we'll use toward maintenance. Call Joe Baker at 612-868-8702 if you want to use the Beach Buddy, or Josh Lawman at 612-203-3576 if you would like your weeds removed for you.



Warning On Removal of Water Lilies and Cattails



The Minnesota Department of Natural resources requires DNR permits to remove water lilies and cattails from your shoreline. These can be obtained by calling the Regional DNR Fisheries office or DNR Waters at 651-296-4800. If your access to the lake is blocked by water lilies or cattails, permission is usually granted for a channel to be cleared from your property to the lake.

Beaver Dam Update



Beginning this spring Lake Sarah's weir area experienced ongoing beaver activity obstructing the outlet. Because of significant blockage of lake outflow with the beavers' dams, the Three Rivers Park was granted a special nuisance permit for the removal of the beavers. A trapper was hired and successfully removed three beavers from the area. LSIA will continue to monitor the area to watch for any renewed activity in the future. Thank you to Three Rivers Parks for their assistance and quick action. Thank you also to Lee Nguyen, Joe Slavec and Scott Walsh who have been instrumental in maintaining the area by removing the dams and keeping an eye on the beavers' activities.

Life Jacket Boating Requirements



Keep you and your family safe while on the lake this summer by following the legal guidelines for life jackets (personal flotation devices or PFDs). Since 2005 Minnesota law now requires all children less than 10 years old to wear a life jacket while on board all boats, regardless of length, including canoes, kayaks and duck boats. For adults, there must be a readily accessible U.S. Coast Guard approved Type I, II, III or V wearable PFD of proper size and type for each person on board. Remember, type IV throwable devices, such as buoyant cushions, are no longer acceptable primary lifesaving devices. In addition, on boats 16 feet or longer (except canoes and kayaks) there must also be at least one U.S. Coast Guard approved Type IV throw-able device, such as a buoyant cushion or ring buoy immediately available for each boat. The law does not state that PFDs must be worn, only that they are readily accessible except for personal watercraft (wave runners, jet skis, etc.). For more information visit www.mndnr.gov/boating.