

LSIA Newsletter

2015 Lake Sarah Neighborhood Directory

Back by popular demand! We updated our neighborhood directory and sent out an electronic copy to everyone in our database. If we missed you or if you would like a paper copy, please email lakesarahassociation@yahoo.com



LSIA Spring Meeting

Date: Wednesday April 22, 2015

Place: Detour 19, 300 N Medina St, Loretto, MN

Time: 6:30pm Social, 7:00pm Meeting

Agenda

Call to order (7:00 p.m.)	Nate Uselding
Set Agenda	Nate Uselding
Approval of 10/10/13 Minutes	Nate Uselding
Water Quality Update	Nate Uselding
Treasurer report 3/31/14	Matt DenHartigh
Water Level	Brent Foster
Fishery Update	Brent Lau
Membership & Directory	Mike Peterson
Community Relations	Terry Wise
Fund Raising	Nicole Rice
Nominating Committee Selection	Nate Uselding
Open / Miscellaneous	All

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LSIA Mission Statement

To promote policies and practices that represent and protect the interests of the Lake Sarah stakeholders and enhance their ability to maximize enjoyment of their shared resource.

Water Quality – What you need to know Year 3

Based on last year's successful treatment program, the LSIA will complete another "whole lake" Curly Leaf Pondweed (CLP) treatment in 2015!

We are asking for a tax-deductible donation of \$100 per lot.

Block Captains will be contacting you in the next few weeks to collect donations, help raise awareness, collect needed signatures, post application notice signs, and promote LSIA membership/donations.

Working together as an association on a "whole lake" approach is clearly a more cost effective approach – and is the only long-term solution to controlling CLP, our worst invasive plant species.

Volunteer applied treatment. By self-treating we control timing of the early season, low dose treatment, which helps ensure the most ideal conditions and effectiveness (and we save 50% of the cost vs. hiring a professional treatment company).

Questions? Please Attend the LSIA Spring Member and Nonmember meeting on April 22nd at Detour 19, 6:30pm Social, 7:00pm meeting to learn more. Visit the Lakesarah.com website for further update.

On behalf of the LSIA, we thank you for supporting our efforts toward improving Lake Sarah!

Block Captains

Terry Wise and Doris Smeby
Paulette Speed, Sally Moen, and Terry Holten
Dan Cady and Kevin and Lori Luksik
Missy Sorensen and Nate Uselding
Jerry Horazuk
Chad Langdon
Ron Lyrek
Matt Den Hartigh and Jeff Hansen
Wade Bemmels
Gerry Evenson, Mike Peterson
Colleen and Mike Malone
Greg Koopman

North Shore Dr
Lake Sarah Heights Dr West
Lake Sarah Heights Dr East
Sunset Lane
East Channel
Fern Dr
Windmill and CR 11
Woodhill Dr
Shady Beach Circle
So Lake Sarah Drive East
So Lake Sarah Drive West
Rachel Ridge and Genaker Way

SAVE THE DATE

LSIA PICNIC JULY 19

We will be holding our annual LSIA Picnic on Saturday July 19th. The event will begin early afternoon exact time to be announced in July. (AT that time we will be asking for your r.s.v.p.) This year there will be time for games, along with the announcement of the boat parade winners, and our annual meeting. Hot off the grill hamburgers and brats with fixings including sauerkraut!!! As always we will ask you to bring a dish to pass.

Terry Wise (theresaewise@gmail.com) will be chairing the LSIA 2015 Annual Picnic Committee and is looking for volunteers for the committee and a few volunteers that day to flip burgers.

LSIA SUMMER FUND RAISING EVENT:

Silent Auction Items For Summer Annual Picnic

The Lake Sarah Improvement Association is seeking your support with a donation for our Silent Auction which will be held July 19, 2015. Last year we also had an on line component to this auction and the dates will be announced later.

This year's annual fundraising effort is specifically designated to support all the lake Sarah water improvement efforts, including outreach to get more people involved in the Lake Sarah Improvement Association through membership enrollment at our annual picnic.

The Lake Sarah Improvement Association is a tax exempt organization under section 501©(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. It is also classified as a public charity under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) of the Internal Revenue code. Contributions to L.S.I.A. are deductible under section 170 of the Code.

In appreciation for your silent auction contribution,

1. You will receive a letter acknowledging your donation for tax purposes.
2. Your business will be recognized in our Newsletter.
3. Your business will be recognized on our on line auction and during the event at our annual picnic July 19, 2015.

All current board members have agreed to be actively involved in making this year's auction a Huge success. Any item you donate can be dropped off at you closest Board Members home. Our chairperson is Nicole Rice who has two years of experience with this volunteer job. We appreciate any donation you may have. Please let us know what you think the approximate value is to help us in our listing of the item. Do not forget your own skills.....like landscape work, preparing a will, teaching a skill, hair salon or ?????

We appreciate your consideration of this request

Numbers as of: 4-13-15

	2014	2015	2015
	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>ACTUAL TO DATE</u>
Assets:			
	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Beginning checking (Jan1st)	9,023	14,469	14,469
	\$	\$	\$
21st century CD - 6 month	6,974	6,984	6,984
	\$	\$	\$
21st century CD - 12 month	8,930	8,951	8,951
	\$	\$	\$
21st century CD - 30 month	30,000	30,000	30,000
	<u>30,000</u>	<u>30,000</u>	<u>30,000</u>
	\$	\$	\$
Total Beginning Cash Balance:	<u>54,927</u>	<u>60,404</u>	<u>60,404</u>
Receipts:			
Membership for 2015	5,145	5,250	2,613
Contributions-Other	3,000	3,000	3,047
Contributions-Walleye Fund	435	400	570
Interest--checking	9	10	1
Interest--CD's	27	30	27
	<u>9,472</u>	<u>8,690</u>	<u>6,258</u>
Total Receipts:	<u>9,472</u>	<u>8,690</u>	<u>6,258</u>
Disbursements:			
Office Supplies, Printing/Mailing (directory, news letters, postcards)	783	750	
Membership/Board meetings	296	300	
Boat Parade (prizes)	200	200	
Biff at Public Access	-	225	
Winterfest	-	100	
Summer Picnic/Annual meeting	209	200	
Walleye Program	1,000	1,000	
Lake Improvement Projects (Cost)	49,242	44,000	
Lake improvement Projects (Proceeds)	(49,006)	(44,000)	
PayPal fees	85	100	35
Other	1,186	800	
	<u>3,994</u>	<u>3,675</u>	<u>35</u>
Total Disbursements:	<u>3,994</u>	<u>3,675</u>	<u>35</u>
Overage / (Deficit)	5,478	5,015	6,222
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE:	60,404	65,419	66,627

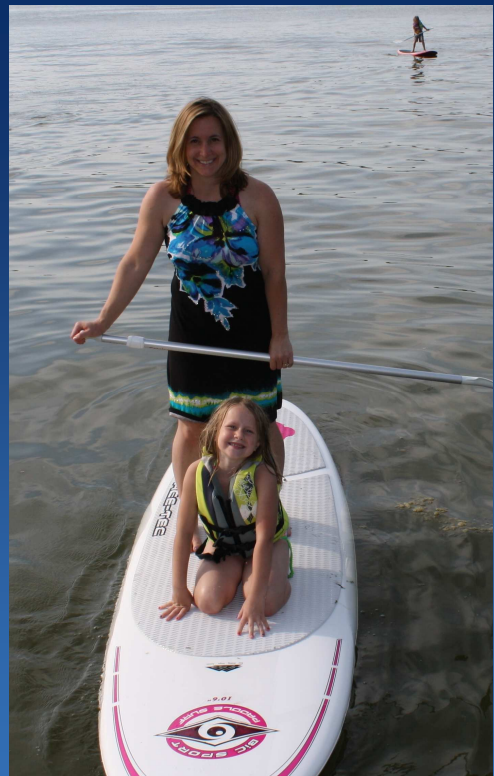
2015 LSIA Membership Drive

We have made it through the winter and spring is just around the corner! That means it's time to renew your LSIA membership for 2015!

For a \$35.00, tax-deductable fee, your financial support and participation in the association will help efforts to keep Lake Sarah a vibrant lake and community.

To renew your membership or become a new member please complete and mail the enclosed membership application or visit www.lakesarah.com and download a membership form today. We also provide a convenient PayPal option for those who wish to do it electronically.

Questions? Please feel free to contact Anne Horn at Annehutchhorn@msn.com



3rd Annual WinterFest is a Success!



Lake Sarah WinterFest took place on February 28th, 2015 (postponed 6 days due to cold weather) hosted by Brent & Heidi Foster. Thanks to all who volunteered and attended! We had well over 100 attend throughout the day. Activities included broomball, pond hockey, skating, bowling, snowmobile rides and ice bocce. Burgers & hot dogs along with hot cocoa were available throughout the event. The Cady Family won the broomball competition and the Ice Doggs defended their "Winter Classic" youth pond hockey title. We saw many new faces from around the lake. Thank you for coming out and celebrating winter on Lake Sarah! We look forward to seeing you next year!

The Trail on Lake Sarah

Thanks to Ron Jorgensen, again this year the Lake Sarah Community had access to a groomed trail around the entire shore of the lake. Ron said, "The winter of 2014/15 was a winter unique to itself; early cold weather, long periods of warming, long periods of both extreme cold and winds. This winter presented many challenges."

Ron began Lake Sarah trail grooming last year 2013/14 for the first time. He perfected a method of grooming by modifying his Kubota. He began this year the first part of December because of early ice and snow but when the weather turned warm he had to put the grooming on hold until late December.

Ron groomed the trails when the snow fell, but the wind was significant and many times filled the tracks with drifting snow after he did all his work. He said he still had fun with the trail grooming challenges and that is a good thing for all of us.

"We are sure lucky that we have someone like Ron who independently creates a recreational track around the lake in weather conditions when most of us only look out our windows. He is enthusiastic about this project and finds fun in what he does. Amazing, said John Wise."

This year we had trail signs out that did help keep cars, trucks, and snowmobiles off the track. Ron sees that each year we are getting a little bit better at getting the news out there that this little pearl – our Lake Sarah Community Trail is NOT for motorized vehicles....yeah!!!

Ron was talking about new tweaks for next season just last week. We think this means there will be trails again in 15/16 winter. Make sure you make it to our Spring Lake Association Meeting Wednesday, April 22nd at Detour 19 to share your trail stories.



April 22 – Spring Lake Association Meeting

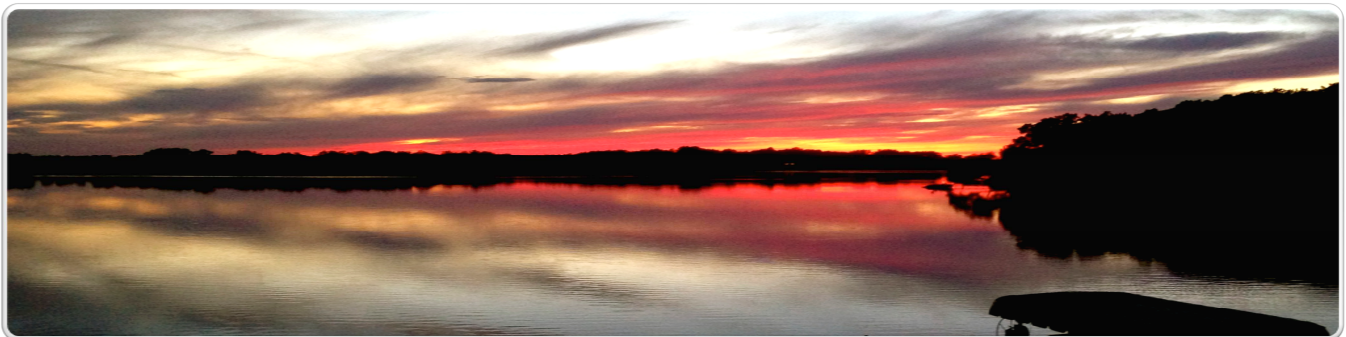
DETOUR 19 LORETTO 6:30PM

For the second year in a row we have chosen Detour 19 for our Annual Spring meeting and have reserved the room that is straight ahead as you enter. We mentioned last year that this room is adjacent to an outdoor patio....but it was just wishful thinking!!! Maybe this year the weather will let us use it or at least step out on to it. But the important thing is that you will be able to see your neighbors again and hopefully a few new neighbors since we have added quite a few since last year. **Our major topic will be Lake Sarah water quality and plans for treating Lake Sarah.**

Between 6:30pm and 7pm we will have a few appetizers as you, sign up for Lake Association Membership (if you have not done so already), possibly make your donation for the lake spraying (if your block captain has not collected it), and meet your neighbors. We will begin our Spring Lake Sarah Improvement Association Meeting at 7Pm.

Detour 19 has an entrance that can accommodate wheel chair entry. Please contact Terry Wise to help make that access seamless for you.

See you at the meeting. And yes there will be an opportunity to purchase some spirits.



Lake Sarah Membership Application

Member Information

Name:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

Lake Address:

Telephone(s):

E-Mail(s):

Annual Dues

2015 Membership fee: \$35.00

Additional Donations: Water Quality _____

 Walleye Fund _____

 Other _____

Total:

***All fees and donations to LSIA are tax-deductable**

Please make checks, corporate matches, or other gifts payable to LSIA and mail to:

LSIA
PO BOX 25
Loretto MN 55357

You may also pay with PayPal on www.lakesarah.com

Interested in getting involved? Volunteer on one of our many committees! Please check here to be contacted with more info!

Membership committee	<input type="checkbox"/>	Water quality	<input type="checkbox"/>
Summer picnic/Boat parade	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bog/Outlet army	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fishery committee	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ice Clean-up	<input type="checkbox"/>

Thank you for supporting LSIA! We are looking forward to another great year on Lake Sarah!