

# Ponderosa ANCHOR

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## LAKE PONDEROSA ASSOCIATION 12th ANNUAL KID'S FISH'N DERBY

June 19, 2010  
9:00 AM to 11:00 AM

Location: Association Boat Ramp

Registration Time: 8:00 AM to 9:00 AM

Derby Time: 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM

Weight-In and Lunch: 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM

### AWARDS AND PRIZES AFTER WEIGHT-IN

The Derby is open to kids up to 16 years old. At least one adult which is 21 years old who is a lake property owner or guest must accompany the kids. Teams can fish from shore or in a boat and there can be more than one team per boat. Teams will be fishing for Crappie/Bluegill and Catfish. Trophies will be awarded for 1st and 2nd place for the heaviest total weight of 5 fish of each of the two categories. Plus the small fry award for the smallest fish of all species.

*We will also give away many great prizes, so everyone will be a winner!*

Please do all you can to keep fish alive if you are not going to keep them!

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*To Volunteer Contact Harry Meek at (641) 623-5288 or [cypest@zumatel.net](mailto:cypest@zumatel.net)*

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### PRE-REGISTRATION FORM

*This information is needed so we know how many prizes to buy*

Fill out this form and mail or drop off before June 10th to:

Harry Meek 148 Scenic Dr. Montezuma Iowa 50171 (641) 623-5288

Sponsors Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Names of Kids

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PRESIDENTS CORNER

Is It Finally Over?

WOW! What a long, nasty winter. Let's hope it's to be followed by a glorious spring and a long summer.

There is much good news to look forward to. Two people were apprehended by the Poweshiek County Sheriff's Department who were allegedly involved with the break-ins at Lake Ponderosa. Hopefully, this will put an end to this problem.

Last fall, Montezuma lost its can and bottle redemption center, but the LPA has come to the rescue. Receptacles will be placed at the Lake Ponderosa Marina and at the Montezuma SuperValu. If you wish to donate your cans and bottles to go towards the Fireworks Display, you may dispose of them at either location. Please be sure they are in tied, plastic bags, to facilitate collecting them.

The LPA board is continuing its research into options to reduce soil erosion and lake silt, and discussing road conditions. These issues will not be solved as easily as the previously mentioned ones, but we will move forward on them, working closely with the Ahrens family to make as many improvements as possible.

I would like to give a special thanks to the thirty-plus volunteers who offered to take their turn patrolling the lake during the rash of break-ins. These people were looking out for our properties from midnight to 5:00 in the morning. It is this kind of community spirit that will make Lake Ponderosa the kind of place we all want it to be. Hopefully, we won't have to lose many more nights of sleep!

In conclusion, I invite all of you to join or renew your membership in the Association. Working together, we can only make things even better at Lake Ponderosa.

Please have an enjoyable and safe summer at the Lake.

David Arendt



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### LET'S GO FISHING

Today is March 19th. We've been through the worst winter in a long long time. Damn global warming! Soon, the walleyes will be spawning. Spawning begins when the water reaches about 45 to 47 degrees. Fishing for old marble eyes can be very good during pre-spawn. Vertical jigging a jig/minnow combo near rip rap would be my first choice. Very early or late in the day is when I would fish. Full moon and stable weather also a plus. 1/8oz or 1/16oz jig. I would try chartreuse, smoke, yellow, white colors. Use 6 or 8 lb line and a very sensitive fast action spinning combo. Long narrow crankbaits with a wide wobble retrieved slow and steady can also be great from dusk to dawn in spawning areas. Any big fish you catch will be females full of eggs. Be a good conservationist and release the big ones after you take a photo and weigh it.

Months ago I spoke to Barbie about placing Cedar trees on the ice to provide much needed cover for fish on the west lake. I put out a request in the Anchor for volunteers, and had 6 people agreed to help. This was a sanctioned event and approved by the Ahrens Family and Lake Association. Trees were cut and gathered, concrete blocks donated. Then on or about March 1st we placed a great brush pile on the ice on Moose Point. They were in about 12 foot of water and a good 200 feet from shore. We debated this and other locations and agreed this would be a prime spot to hold fish in a key area of the lake. About March 10th a group of residents took it upon themselves to remove the brush piles from the ice. They did not have approval from the Ahrens Family or LPA. The perpetrators are not active participants or regular volunteers in Lake activities. They obviously don't read the Anchor or attend meetings. Yet they feel they know what's best for the rest of us. We welcome any and all concerned residents to get involved. We will complete this project before summer.

**Fishing Regulation reminder:**

Bass are to be released immediately. **Catch and Release**

Walleyes have a minimum length of 15 inches and total keep per day of 5 fish. (We strongly suggest you throw back fish over 5lbs)

No restrictions on pan fish or catfish

**THE KIDS FISH'N DERBY IS FAST APPROACHING. SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 19TH.**

Everyone wishing to participate needs to pre-register using the form provided in the Anchor Newsletter. **Pre-registration cutoff date is June 10th.** We need a solid count to plan for the number of prizes and food to buy. Any kid's registered prior to the cutoff date will be guaranteed a great prize. Those who show up without pre-register-

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ing may not. All depends on what we have left after the pre-registered kids have received their prizes. Regardless they will have fun!

We need volunteers to help with the Derby. And we need folks to bake cookies, bars, etc to bring for the kids. Call or email me if you can help. **Mail or email apps to me.**

**Harry Meek 148 Scenic Dr. Montezuma, 50171 515-681-9799 email [cypest@zumatel.net](mailto:cypest@zumatel.net)**

**LAKE PONDEROSA CALENDAR**

|               |                    |  |
|---------------|--------------------|--|
| May 1, 2010   | 8:15 AM            | Breakfast at the Hometown Café             |
| May 3, 2010   | Noon               | LPA Potluck Dinner at Association Building |
| May 8, 2010   | 8:00 AM            | Clean Up Day                               |
| May 11, 2010  | 7:00 PM            | Monthly Unit Leaders Meeting               |
| May 12, 2010  | 7:00 PM            | Monthly LPA Board Meeting                  |
| May 15, 2010  | 8:00 AM            | Rain Date for Clean Up Day                 |
| May 29, 2010  | 7:00 AM - 10:00 AM | Pancake Breakfast                          |
| May 29, 2010  | 8:00 AM - ???      | Annual Garage Sale                         |
| May 30, 2010  | 2:00 PM – 4 PM     | Hospitality Tent                           |
|               |                    |  |
| June 5, 2010  | 8:15 AM            | Breakfast at the Hometown Café             |
| June 7, 2010  | Noon               | LPA Potluck Dinner at Association Building |
| June 8, 2010  | 7:00 PM            | Monthly Unit Leaders Meeting               |
| June 9, 2010  | 7:00 PM            | Monthly LPA Board Meeting                  |
| June 12, 2010 | 10:00 AM           | Annual LPA Meeting                         |
| June 19, 2010 | 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM | Fishing Derby                              |

**LPA PROJECTS UPDATE AS OF MARCH 2010**

|                       |             |                           |
|-----------------------|-------------|---------------------------|
| 2010 WALLEYE STOCKING | \$ 1,870.50 | GOAL: Use available funds |
| 2010 FISHING DERBY    | \$ 1,795.30 | GOAL: Use available funds |
| 2010 FIREWORKS DISPAY | \$6,300.39  | GOAL: \$14,000            |



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No one is happier to see winter over and done with than I am!! Call it old age or whatever, but this past winter seemed to last MUCH TOO LONG to suit me. WELCOME SPRING!

Our hearts were saddened over the passing of one of our own “family” members, Dick Boynton. Dick served as a co-unit leader of 10E, along with his wife, Pat, for several years. We shall miss his friendly smile and infectious laugh at our meetings.

Pat Smothers husband, Jack, also passed away. Our deepest sympathy goes out to these two spouses and their families.

Pat Boynton would like to be replaced as Unit Leader of 10E. If you live in that vicinity of Center Point Road and would like to volunteer your services, please call me at 623-2761. We accept her resignation with regret.

The Hospitality Tent will be welcoming lake residents and their guests on SUNDAY, MAY 30th. Please note the change of the date. The exact time will be announced later, but we are thinking mid-afternoon. We’ll be reaching out for volunteers and donations in May.

Our only other “official” event this summer will be our annual Ice Cream Social in August. More details concerning this event will follow.

Thanks to those of you who suggested several “winter” events. With the horrendous weather we had, I was reluctant to pursue trying to plan anything. I do appreciate your suggestions and maybe next winter will be better.

Joan Stiffler  
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**LAKE PONDEROSA RESIDENTS:**

Because of the beautiful spring weather (following a long, long winter), I have started walking around the lake. After my first trip or two, I realized I needed to bring a garbage bag with me on my walks. I am amazed, and saddened, by the amount of "trash" thrown carelessly into ditches or simply by the side of the road. I've been finding cans, bottles – both plastic and glass – newspapers; just about anything I could imagine (including two tires just off Woodland and close to Diamond Trail Road).

I have taken some "ownership" of a small section of roads close to our home on Whippoorwill. I would encourage all of you to take a little "ownership" by your properties too. If you are out for a walk or on a ride in your ATV, car or truck, think about picking up road-side trash. If all of us do a LITTLE work, it would make a BIG impact on our environment and beautify our properties around this lovely lake.

I would also encourage as many people as possible to participate in the Saturday, May 8, clean-up day.

Respectfully,  
Karen Thomson

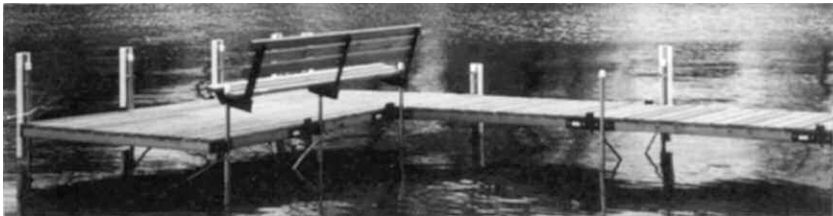
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**LAKE PONDEROSA ASSOCIATION FEBRUARY MINUTE HIGHLIGHTS**

**MINUTES:** Phyllis asked that the comment regarding garbage pick up going up again in the future be re-worded to say that it will probably go up in the future. Jan motioned that the January minutes be approved with corrections and Bryce seconded the motion. All were in favor.

**ON GOING BUSINESS UPDATES:**

**LPA AND UNIT LEADERS ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** The Unit Leaders will not meet again until March 2010. The decision to move the Hospitality Tent to Sunday was made however.

**OLD BUSINESS UPDATES:**

**CIGARETTE BUTT RECEPTACLE:** Is sitting on the back deck

**WEB UPDATE:** The website has been updated to the extent that Bob is capable of. Discussion regarding hiring a web-site company to get it where we want it is being discussed. The bill that was submitted was approved by Carter and seconded by Bryce to pay but request that we pay monthly for services until a decision has been made on changing companies.

**FIREWORKS:** J & M Fireworks has submitted a bid for fireworks with a detailed list of every shell used in the display and listed their insurance coverage. They also offered discounts and free fireworks if a three year contract was signed. Laura was asked to e-mail Midnight Rainbows for a similar list for comparison to be submitted prior to the next meeting.

**FISHING DERBY:** The date for the Fishing Derby will be Fathers Day weekend which is June 19th. Harry Meek has agreed to head this up again this year. Rain date will be the 26th.

**DREDGING REPORT:** John Ahrens has written out a dredging report of last years activities which will be submitted in the next Anchor. The board members did receive a copy via e-mail.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**MEMBERSHIP DRIVE FOR 2010:** The membership will go out on Monday, February 15th. They were just received back from the printers.

**CLEAN UP DAY:** Clean up day will be May 8th with rain date of May 15th. **EVERYONE** is encouraged to participate in keeping our lake clean.

**Ponderosa Utilities, Inc.** (641) 623-3009  
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Spring 2010


Ponderosa Utilities, Inc. has established the following rules for the safety of all property owners and their guests. Common Courtesy on the water makes it more enjoyable for all. Lake Ponderosa lot owners are liable for themselves, their family members, and their guests.

1. Only property owners, their children and/or their grandchildren are allowed to have watercraft, motorcycles, ATV's (four wheelers) of any type on Lake Ponderosa.
2. All watercraft, motorcycles, golf carts, ATV's (four wheelers), etc. must have current Lake Ponderosa stickers.
  - a. Stickers will be issued at the office. A copy of the State of Iowa registration, title, or bill of sale of owner's watercraft, motorcycle, ATV, golf cart must be registered at the office.
  - b. A fee will be charged for the current stickers.
3. According to your abstract, which contains covenants and restrictions on use of Lake Ponderosa property, only one water skiing boat per lot is allowed on the lake at any one time. This restriction includes jet skis, wave runners, or other types of water vehicles.

#### 4. Please Note Hours:

- Water Ski hours and Jet Ski/Wave Runner hours will be from sunrise to sunset Monday through Thursday.
  - Water Ski hours will be from 9:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. Friday through Sunday and holidays.
  - Jet Skis, Wave Runners, and Tubers hours will be from 11:00 A.M. through 7:00 P.M. Friday through Sunday and holidays.
  - These hours will be in effect from the Friday preceding Memorial Day through the Labor Day holiday. Wave runners may be on the lake during skiing hours, only when they are pulling a skier. These hours will allow time for water skiers to ski before personal water craft are on the water and will allow those who enjoy fishing and riding on pontoons time to enjoy the water also.
  - The definition of Jet Ski is a one-person motor propelled stand up water vessel. A Wave Runner is a motor powered water vessel in which one or more people sit upon. Tubes are defined as any inflatable object that is towed. The definition of skier is a person being towed by a hand held rope, not being on anything that is inflated.
5. All Watercraft operators and passengers must obey boating laws of the State of Iowa as well as the restrictions as to hours set forth in this agreement.
  6. Reckless driving and operating motorized water vessels while under the influence of alcohol or controlled substances are criminal offenses that can be enforced in court. The Lake Patrol Officer who observes an operator who he has reasonable grounds to believe to be intoxicated shall request the operator to leave the lake, and if they do not, he will contact the Sheriff. In cases of reckless driving, which is where a person's conduct is such that a reasonable person would believe it endangers life or property (mere speed is not enough) will receive an oral warning. Second offense, they will receive a written warning, and on the third occurrence the Ahrens family shall be requested to file preliminary information to the County Attorney.
  7. No one under 12 years of age is allowed to operate a water craft propelled by a motor of more than six horsepower

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unless accompanied by an adult (someone who is at least 18 years of age).

- 8. Operators must pursue a course with the shore on their right. They are not to cut behind or in front of other watercraft, or jump the wake of another watercraft within 100 ft. of that watercraft, or whatever that watercraft may be towing.
- 9. Operator plus observer is needed when pulling a skier/tuber, etc.
- 10. Flotation devices, lights and fire extinguishers, horns or whistles are required for all watercraft.
- 11. Non-powered craft has the right of way at all times.
- 12. No wake policy will be in effect in inlet areas.
- 13. No watercraft shall be operated after dark without lights.
- 14. Dredging will be done in the summer of 2009 and billing for such has been included in the water, road, and aquatic control billings for the year 2008/2009. Dredging will continue as required.
- 15. No stripped, partially wrecked or junked motor vehicles, trailer, boat, refrigerator, stove, other appliance, or any other salvage item of any kind, or parts thereof, shall be permitted to be parked or kept on any road, and/or residential area or lot, or access area. The Poweshiek County nuisance vehicle ordinance is in effect for Lake Ponderosa.
- 16. The Aquatic Control portion of your fall billing will be used yearly for stocking fish.
- 17. Lake Ponderosa is a private lake, but most laws of the State of Iowa apply to the lake. The Poweshiek County Sheriff's department does patrol the lake area and will respond to all calls within its jurisdiction.
- 18. A noise ordinance will be in effect in the Lake Ponderosa Development area. This includes the Lake Area and roads. Every internal combustion engine used on any motorboat must be effectively muffled to a noise level maximum of 86 decibels as measured at a distance of 50 feet or more. ATV's (four wheelers) and motorcycles shall meet legal requirements as to noise and, no modified ATV's (four wheelers) or motorcycles shall be on the lake area. Please extend the courtesy to your neighbors in regards to any late night fireworks, parties, or loud music. If a problem does occur and you are unable to talk to those persons involved, it is best to contact the Sheriff's department.

**The following items have been suggested in addition to the rules above:**

- Contractors and/or lot owners should install silt fencing when performing any land disturbing activities such as building, landscaping, clearing, grading, filling, excavating, riprap work, driveway installations, terracing and septic work.
- Contractors and/or lot owners should remove any soil or debris tracked or deposited on the roads during construction or building of any kind.
- Lakefront lots should be properly protected by riprap of some sort.
- Parents shall make all efforts to see that children are old enough to operate land craft that includes ATV's, golf carts, and utility vehicles of any kind. Please refer to the State of Iowa laws for age requirements.

Members of the John L. Ahrens Family



**FUTURE 2010 EVENTS**

| DATE             | TIME               | EVENT                      | CONTACT PERSON |
|------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|----------------|
| May 8, 2010      | 8:00 AM            | Clean Up Day               | Barbie Ahrens  |
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| June 12, 2010    | 10:00 AM           | Annual Meeting             | Open to public |
| June 19, 2010    | 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM | Fishing Derby              | Harry Meek     |
| July 3, 2010     | 10:00 PM           | Fireworks                  | Association    |
| No Event in 2010 | No Event in 2010   | Tour of Homes              | TBA            |
| August 2010      | TBA                | Ice Cream Social           | Unit Leaders   |

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**PANCAKE BREAKFAST:** Dave Arendt stepped up to the plate again and offered to head up the annual pancake breakfast which will be held Saturday, May 29th. If you are willing to volunteer, please contact Dave.

**SIGN AT ENTRANCE 2:** The sign at entrance 2 has been hit again, twice. Both drivers of the incident have come forward or have been notified that an estimate for repair is in the works and they will be notified of their 1/2 of the damages.

**ROAD DISCUSSIONS:** Approximately 29 e-mails have been received to date regarding issues and/or concerns regarding the roads. There were many constructive, forward thinking ideas regarding ditches, culverts, water run off into the lake and concerns with driveways, cables, TV lines and waterlines. There was a sense that everyone is concerned with the ditches and culverts which would have to be the first thing that needs attention regardless of any action taken on the roads themselves. Dave will follow up with one particular lot owner, Mike Brooner who works for a company called Civil Design Advantage that can offer a cost effective, practical solution to the road and drainage issues. He also is aware of some possible public funding that may be available. Dave will see if he would be willing to meet with the board for some ideas.

**BREAK-INS:** There have been four break-ins this last week. A notice will be put in the Anchor to be a good neighbor and report any suspicious vehicles or untimely visits at your neighbor's house to the police. A list of some ideas will also be put in the Anchor for lot owners that are only part timers. There has been 16 -24 of these break-ins at Holiday Lake.

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2009 WATER QUALITY REPORT FOR Ponderosa

This report contains important information regarding the water quality in our water system. The source of our water is surface water. Our surface water is drawn from Diamond Lake.

Our water quality testing shows the following results:

| CONTAMINANT                        | MCLG       | MCL                        | DETECTED LEVEL                    | DATE SAMPLED | RANGE OF DETECTION | VIOLATION | SOURCE  |
|------------------------------------|------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|--------------------|-----------|---|
| Turbidity (NTU)                    | N/A        | TT                         | .28 100% of the samples below MCL | 2009         | .01 - .28          | No        | Soil runoff   |
| Copper (ppm)                       | 1.3        | AL=1.3                     | .013                              | 2007 - 2009  | .006 - .027        | No        | Corrosion of household Plumbing systems.  |
| Fluoride (ppm)                     | 4          | 4                          | .9                                | 2008         | 1.01 – 1.29        | No        | Water additive which promotes strong teeth.   |
| Lead (ppb)                         | 0          | AL=15                      | ND                                | 2007-2009    | ND                 | No        | Corrosion of household plumbing systems.  |
| Nitrate [as N] (ppm)               | 10         | 10                         | .7                                | 2009         |                    | No        | Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits |
| TTHM (ppb) [Total trihalomethanes] | N/A        | 80                         | 18.4                              | 2009         | 11 - 31            | No        | By-products of drinking water disinfection  |
| Sodium (ppm)                       | N/A        | N/A                        | 21.6                              | 2009         |                    | No        | Erosion of natural deposits; Added to water during treatment process                        |
| Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) (ppb)      | N/A        | 60                         | 16                                | 2009         | 14 - 18            | No        | By-products of drinking water disinfection  |
| Chlorine (ppm)                     | MRDLG =4.0 | MRDL=4.0                   | 1.50                              | 2009         | .63 – 1.93         | No        | Water additive used to control microbes   |
| Chlorine dioxide (ppb)             | MRDLG =800 | MRDL=800                   | 290                               | 2009         | 0 - 290            | No        | Water additive used to control microbes   |
| Chlorite (ppm)                     | 0.8        | 1.0                        | .893                              | 2009         | .1 - .893          | No        | By-product of drinking water disinfection   |
| Total Organic Carbon (TOC) (ppm)   | N/A        | TT<br>25% - 35%<br>Removal | 58% Removal                       | 2009         | 44% - 77%          | No        | Naturally present in the environment  |

Note: Contaminants with dates indicate results from the most recent testing done in accordance with regulations.

**DEFINITIONS**

- Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) – The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
- Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) — The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
- ppb — parts per billion.
- ppm — parts per million.
- N/A – Not applicable
- ND — Not detected
- NTU—Nephelometric Turbidity Units
- Treatment Technique (TT) – A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.
- Action Level (AL) – The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
- Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG) – The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is known or expected risk to health.
- Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL) – The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

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#### GENERAL INFORMATION

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water posed a health risk. More information about contaminants or potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

#### SOURCE WATER ASSESSMENT INFORMATION

The Ponderosa water supply obtains its water from the Diamond Lake. Diamond Lake was determined to be highly susceptible to contamination because it is a surface water supply. Diamond Lake water source will be most susceptible to activities such as farm run off. A detailed evaluation of your source water was completed by Montezuma Water Dept. and is available from Montezuma Water Office 641-623-5675.

#### ADDITIONAL HEALTH INFORMATION

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Ponderosa Water Department is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at [www.epa.gov/safewater/lead](http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead).

#### OTHER INFORMATION

Turbidity is an indicator of treatment filter performance and is regulated as a treatment technique.

#### CONTACT INFORMATION

For questions regarding this information, please contact John Ahrens at 641-623-3047 during the following hours: 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM Monday - Friday.

Decisions regarding the water system are made at the board meetings held on 1st Mon. of the month at 9:00 a.m. at Ponderosa Utility Office and are open to the public.

**CORRECTION:**

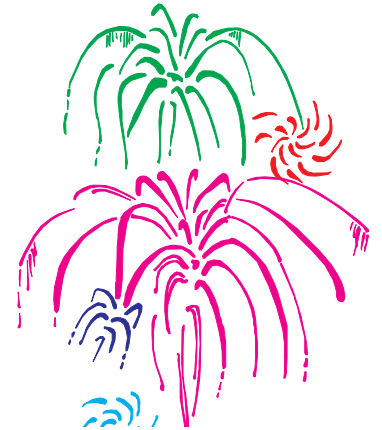
We would like to make a correction to the Membership Listing that was listed in the January/February 2010 issue. The following individuals should have been included

- Barbara Carlson
- Randy R. Boulton

**NEW SITES FOR  
2010 FIREWORKS  
CAN DONATION**

The new location to drop off can donations for the 2010 fireworks are SUPERVALU and the Lake Ponderosa Marina.

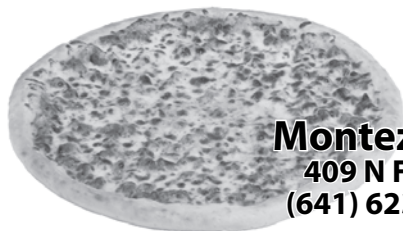
Please make sure that the cans/bottles are in grocery or garbage bags prior to placing them in the collection units. We would like to thank both SuperValu and the Marina for assisting with the can donation efforts.



**FUTURE ARTICLES / RECIPES / TOPICS FOR THE ANCHOR**

If you would like to submit a potential article or a favorite recipe that you would like published in a future issue of the Anchor newsletter please contact JoAnn Carstensen at [carstensen01@yahoo.com](mailto:carstensen01@yahoo.com)

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Dean Fogarty caught this 6 lb, 26" Walleye on the East Lake on the evening of April 4th. He used crank bait and casted off his ski boat. It was catch and release, of course.



*Proposal On The Lake*  
Brent McKenna pops the question to girlfriend Stacy Griffith.

COMMENTS RECEIVED WITH MEMBERSHIP FORMS

More will be included in the next issue

- Please keep working on getting the roads repaired/replaced! Thanks
- I appreciate the work the Association does for the lake area
- Thank you for all your hard work!
- Keep up the good work!!
- Please patrol lake. Several burglaries on Vista Drive and snow bird areas – total 5
- Enjoy the Anchor – thanks for your work
- Thanks for all your great work! Caught some nice walleye in Horseshoe cove last year- did catch and release – what fun to see them return and grow!
- Keep up the great work and thank you for all you do.
- I appreciate the work the association does for the lake area
- I won't donate to fireworks until we get rid of all the illegal fireworks that go on all summer.
- Nothing has been done to road to divert rain water wash to my property from above properties run off
- We enjoy living at Lake Ponderosa during the summer
- Please fix roads!!!
- Too many your kids driving 4 wheelers/golf carts without supervision in the summer! Lake patrol can't be on the lake and on roads – who is responsible?
- Let's do something about roads and water mains. Thank God your doing a lot now. Thanks
- Roads need gravel as soon as weather permits – need to contact Barbie
- Please continue to strive to get our roads improved. The roads are rough and shed dirt into our lake.
- Thanks for all you do!!
- Lake roads are fine as is – maintain as usual – blacktop will only cause more problems – washing, ice, etc. Leave what is working alone. Working with hills and water is very difficult and usually ends up in more problems – we have had this problem in our river home.
- Great job!
- Enjoying cookbook – thanks for all you do!!
- You people do a great job. We wish we could do more.
- Will there be a designated area for recyclable cans/bottles donation for fireworks money?

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