



Ponderosa ANCHOR

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June 2022



Keeping the Lake Healthy!

Please remember that essentially everything you put on your yard, grass, weeds, trees, flower beds, etc. ends up in the lake! If you are planning to use fertilizer and/or weed sprays please be intentional about choosing products that will not contaminate the water or harm the fish. The Lake Ponderosa Association is dedicating the front page of this Anchor to assisting residents in making "lake healthy" choices. And if you hire a professional lawn care service to treat your lawn, please make sure they are using lake healthy products! We hope you find this information helpful!



If you are looking for a weed killer, please select a product that is natural and safe for use around water. Here is one product that could be used here at the lake. Eco friendly, phosphate free, 100% biodegradable and safe for use around water!

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No Roundup!

Roundup is one of the more toxic glyphosate products, harmful to fish and insects. The Roundup label forbids it's application directly to water surfaces or in areas where the product may run off into aquatic ecosystems.



Use a silt fence!

Please protect your shorelines and if you have loose dirt on your property, use some type of a silt fence to make sure the soil is not washed into the lake! Adding soil to the lake increases the need for dredging and reduces water quality.

Did you know??

The water at lake Ponderosa is tested periodically by Ed Hartman and Carter Thompson. Ed and Carter are professionally trained to take water samples and either run the appropriate tests (for example to measure clarity) or they get the samples to the University of Iowa lab for testing (e-coli for example). BIG THANKS to Ed and Carter for volunteering your time for this important activity. Water quality test results can be found on the Lake Association web page www.lakeponderosa.com.



Fertilizer

If you are fertilizing your lawn at the lake this year, or hiring it done professionally, please make sure the fertilizer is phosphorus-free. Some of the professional companies will comply with this request, some do not.

Also, do not over fertilize! All fertilizers and nutrients contribute to algae growth. Phosphorus is just the worst. On your bag of fertilizer are three numbers, usually separated by dashes (for example 20-10-15). You want that middle number to be ZERO, that is the phosphorus number. Preventing phosphorus from entering the lake is the best way to control algae growth.

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Lake Beautification Project

Spring is Here and the Lake Beautification committee has been very busy!

The Garden Posts are repainted and set up on the causeway welcoming owners and visitors to Lake Ponderosa! Solar lights are added to the posts to assist with viewing in the evening.

In addition to the posts, watch, as wildflowers have been planted along the rail and will add much color and interest to the causeway. At least 20 different varieties of wildflowers native to Iowa prairies will be displayed. How many can you name? (Special thanks to the fisherman who have been fishing on the causeway and have been very careful about avoiding stepping on these plants.)

Your children and grandchildren are invited to assist with making our causeway welcoming by planting zinnias or cosmos near guard posts. Please bring seeds, topsoil, and a small flag to mark your "garden". The children will love watching their garden grow!

Big THANK YOU to the children who came and painted rocks on Memorial weekend! Please stop by the boat ramp to view The Children's Rockin' Rocks! A Guarantee that it will make you smile!

If you are wanting to know about upcoming events, be sure to check out the sandwich board located near the Lake Ponderosa Utilities office.

AND mentioning upcoming events

Master Gardener, Craig James from James Greenhouse by Searsboro will be coming to Lake Ponderosa in the fall to talk about plants common to the lake. Watch Facebook and the LPA web site for further date/time information and come prepared with questions about plants that can be planted lakeside or in the shade!

In closing, on your ranger rides around the lake, be on the lookout for many positive, encouraging signs that have been placed. Which one is your favorite? We would love to hear from you about what this meant to you. Enjoy! Happy Gardening!



Boat Parade!

On Sat. July 2nd please consider decorating your boat and joining the lake Ponderosa Boat Parade! To start, all boats should meet at the south end of West Lake around 6:30PM. The parade will circle both west and east side main lakes. The route usually lasts approx. one hour. Happy boating!



LPA Annual Meeting
June 11th 10:00AM
Association Building
175 W. Woodland Dr.

**Lake property owners are
encouraged to attend!**

Upcoming LPA Calendar of Events:

LPA Annual Meeting
June 11, 2022 @ 10:00am
Association Building

Kids Fishing Derby
Saturday, June 18, 2022

Lake Ponderosa Fireworks
Saturday, July 2, 2022

Ponderosa Proud: Stepping Up. Stepping Out

If anyone has someone they would like to nominate for Ponderosa Proud, please contact an LPA board member.



Meet the president of our Lake Ponderosa Association Board, Dedee Lehman. Dedee joined the LPA board in June of 2016 and was nominated for the President role in June of 2019. Back in 2016, she joined the board because as a property owner and resident she wanted to learn more about the lake, events and meet new people. She continues to stay on the board because as a team the board continues to navigate new things and she enjoys volunteering her time to help make the lake a better place to live.

We want to thank Dedee and acknowledge her time and dedication leading the board. Dedee spends literally hours every week, volunteering to keep things flowing for our board sponsors. Along with her team on the board, she guides and organizes our Anchor Newsletter, the 911 signs, the Fishing Derby, the fireworks display, the maintenance and upkeep of no wake buoys, water testing, tornado siren, safety classes, fish supply, welcoming new residents, upkeep and rental of our LPA building and much more. She runs LPA meetings 9 months out of the year. When you look at Dedee's personal life and how busy she is, we are extremely lucky that she is willing to fulfill this volunteer role and provide the expert guidance she does.

Some background and history regarding Dedee: She and her husband, Dave, bought their first home here at the lake (on Center Pont Dr) in 2007, they were "weekenders" then. In 2011 they bought their current home (located on South Shore Dr.) and after spending so much time here at the lake, decided to live here full time a few years ago.

Dedee has been a realtor here at the lake since May 2018, joining McNaul Real Estate Inc. She LOVES working with clients here at the lake! Her husband and she own several rental properties and she's also the Site Property Manager (under McNaul Real Estate) for apartment complexes located in Montezuma, Grinnell, Malcom and Victor.

Over this past winter Dedee has trained to be an EMT to assist the Montezuma Fire Department. In Feb 2022 she achieved her EMT license and volunteers her time responding to medical calls with the Montezuma Ambulance crew. Often those calls occur here at the lake so please consider donating funds to the local Fire and Ambulance services.

Dedee is originally from Cedar Rapids where she worked in various management positions over the past 30+ years. Dedee has been married for 18 years and has 4 children, 2 grandchildren and a fairly new 9 month old puppy!

She stays extremely busy but feels lucky to be involved in the things she does, (real estate, property management, EMT, LPA Board president). In her free time, she enjoys spending time with family and friends, traveling, reading, ranger riding around the lake and spending time on the water.

Next time you see Dedee- please give her a huge **THANK YOU** for the time she dedicate to our "Lake family".. her hours are immeasurable. Dedee makes us **PONDEROSA PROUD!**

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Montezuma Clothes Closet

Submitted by Susan Hayes

Spring cleaning? Need a place to donate items? Don't forget our local clothes closet! The Montezuma Clothes Closet is located at 104 South 4th St. Montezuma. Currently, the hours are Tuesday afternoons noon until 5:00 and Thursdays 9:00-5:00.

The Closet is open to the public and there are no requirements to utilize this venue. The ministry is supported by our local churches, but frequently falls short financially for operating expenses. It is ran under the 501 c3 of the First Presbyterian Evangelical Church.

Over the years, there have been multiple managers of the Clothes Closet, under the direction of Darla Wilson who is the welfare secretary for the ministerial association.

There are 5 regular volunteers and 3 part-time volunteers (including myself).

The Closet started over a decade ago by Elsie Miner when she took a big leap of faith. Miner had received a phone call from someone who had several large bags of children's clothing and shoes and could not find a location to donate them. After praying, Miner decided to open her garage, as a location for people to come and get items for their child/children. She required that at no time would money be involved. All clothing items were free of charge. Over time they expanded to adding adult clothing, and over the years the closet continued to change locations and expand to what we have today.

Today, the closet accepts clothing, toys, books, household necessities, such as bedding, towels, kitchen items, home décor etc. Large furniture items are not accepted, but can be posted on their bulletin board, or on their Facebook page if you are looking for someone in need that might be looking for what you are donating.

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So, as you spring clean, or after you have your Memorial Day Garage Sale and are looking for a place to donate your extra items- keep it local, donate to our Montezuma Clothes Closet.



Mini Lake Library!

Submitted by Susan Hayes

We had a lot of rainy days this spring, which do not make it enjoyable to be out on the lake yet... so how do you pass the time? How about by reading a good book!

A reminder that our wonderful lake has 3 Library boxes, in which you can donate and borrow books to read. The location of these are on Woodland (in front of the LPA building), Scenic Drive, and on the east lake at approximately 200 Hillcrest. This is a great way to take advantage of reading material, without going out and purchasing books. Please feel free to borrow and donate to these three locations! (books can be for children or adults, we just ask that you keep them "appropriate" since these mini libraries are assessable to all.)

We are also lucky to have Montezuma Public Library in town. Located at 500 East Main St. The hours of the library are Mon, Tues, Wed 9:30-5:00. Thursday 9:30-6:00, Friday 9:30-4:00 and Saturday 9:30-noon. The library offers a variety of special events, such as story times, Lego club, Bingo nights, Ladies Night Out and more.

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Fire at Ponderosa Supply!



Since 1979 Lake Ponderosa residents have been fortunate to have Ponderosa Supply here at the lake. Ponderosa Supply has been run by Bill Ahrens and his family for the past 43 years. Ponderosa Supply serves a 70-mile radius surrounding Montezuma and specializes in home and kitchen design, pole buildings, home storage and a variety of other supplies used for home and agriculture purposes.

Unfortunately, on the morning of April 19th 2022 a fire started in the east building and spread quickly. It took only 15 minutes for the fire to fully engulf the east side and then it continued to destroy half of the buildings utilized by Ponderosa Supply. Smoke could be seen from many miles away. Ponderosa Supply lost approx. 23,000 feet of storage buildings containing doors, windows, cabinets, lumber, etc.

Fortunately, several fire departments responded quickly and worked together to help minimize the loss, saving the main building where offices and some materials were stored. There were approximately 40 fire fighters from Montezuma, Malcom, Grinnell, Searsboro, Brooklyn, New Sharon and the Grinnell crew brought their ladder truck. The Montezuma Fire Department is very thankful for this mutual aide.

In addition to the fire departments many people stopped by to offer support and/or their sympathies to the Ahrens family. Some of you may remember Bill & Jane Ahrens (and their five children at the time) also lost their home in a fire back in 1988. The Ahrens Family would like to extend their sincerest THANK YOU to the firefighters and to the residents/friends who have contacted them offering thoughts, prayers and support. Luke Ahrens "It's a humbling thing to see your customers and neighbors coming and helping so quickly."

The Ahrens family intends to clean up and rebuild new buildings as soon as possible. They need much more space to store materials for homes and buildings scheduled to be built this spring. Structures can and will be rebuilt, thankfully no one was injured in the fire. Ponderosa Supply is still open and operating, stop by or call if you think you may be impacted by the loss of materials or if you are just interested in learning more about the products and services they offer.

The Montezuma Fire Department (MFD) responds to any smoke/ fire emergencies in and around Montezuma and here at the lake. Most firefighters work full time jobs, have families and still volunteer a considerable amount of their time. They spend many hours each month checking trucks/equipment, training and responding to various incidents. If you would like to donate funds to the MFD please send a check to PO Box 314, Montezuma. **THANKS MFD firefighters!**

Important Reminder: 911 Signage



The Lake Ponderosa Association encourages all lake residents to purchase a 911 roadside address sign. These signs are very helpful to emergency service and delivery drivers to assist them in locating the address provided quickly and accurately. Please consider purchasing a 911 sign even if you currently have your address numbers displayed on your home or mail box, those may be difficult to see during poor visibility (night, fog, etc.). The blue/white reflective roadside signs will assist these drivers, and your family/friends, in finding your home.

Send a check in the amount of \$35.00, payable to the Lake Ponderosa Association and mail to the Lake Ponderosa Association and mail to PO Box 751, Montezuma, IA 50171. Please note "911 Sign" in the memo of the check. Include your full name, lake address and your phone number.

Once you receive your sign it should be placed within a few feet of the driveway close to the road. Sign should be perpendicular to the road and visible from either direction. Please call 811 for line locates around 48 hours prior to installation.



Montezuma Food Pantry

Submitted by Susan Hayes

Another local community outreach is the Montezuma Food Pantry which strives to eliminate hunger in Poweshiek County. It is located at 501 N. Front Street housed in the southeast building owned by Community Hope Church. The pantry is a member agency of the Northeast Iowa Food Bank and is accountable to the food bank, the Department of Human Services and IRS. Through the Montezuma Food Pantry's contract with the food bank, the pantry can receive USDA commodities and purchase certain available grocery items much more reasonably than that of buying retail (generally for every \$1 over \$10 worth of food or 3 to 4 meals).

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Weigh-In: 11:00 am until Noon
Lunch starts at 11:00 am

It's that time again and we are so excited! The Kid's Fishing Derby will be held on Saturday, June 18th from 9:00-11:00! Everyone...kids and adults...always have a great time and there is lunch and prizes! Be sure to pre-register by June 8th!

What it is and how it works:

The derby is open to kids up to 14 years old. At least one adult who is 21 years old and a lake property owner or guest must accompany the kids. Individual anglers can fish from shore or in a boat and there can be more than one angler per boat. Anglers will be fishing for two categories, 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 and for Small Fry (smallest fish of all species). Only Bluegill, Crappie, and Catfish can be caught. NO BASS OR WALLEYES.

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. If you use a stringer, never hook through the gills, only the mouth.

****To volunteer or register for the event, contact Sunni Kegebein at 319-427-1592 or by email kegebeins55@gmail.com** For registration we will need the name of kid(s) and ages, sponsor (lake homeowner), address and phone number.**

There will be no same day registration so please register no later June 8, 2022.

Check out all the fun everyone had last year!



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This past March, the Montezuma Food Pantry assisted 289 households representing nearly 500 persons. This large well-organized pantry is impressive and has received accolades from the Northeast Iowa Food Bank as being one of the best run pantries in the state. However, the pantry came from humble beginnings nearly 20 years ago when the deacons of the First Presbyterian Church began supplying food to people in need. At that time operating from a 3 x3 foot cart (shown in photo). after the closing of the Poweshiek County Food Pantry (in the basement of the courthouse) the Presbyterian Deacon's pantry expanded from the small cart to an office area. Soon outgrowing that office space, the pantry moved to 411 East Main and was overseen by the Montezuma Ministerial Association which working together all the churches could financially support the increasing budget.

Community Hope Church was built in phases, and when the first phase was complete, they offered the use of their former education building for the ministry of feeding people and pay the utility cost, snow removal, and garbage disposal expense so every dollar donated to the Montezuma Food Pantry could go toward the purchase of food.

The Montezuma Food Pantry received its own 501c3 status in 2012 and has a board of directors. There are now two dozen volunteers that serve in different capacities—13 of these are from Lake Ponderosa! The charitable organization is funded by monetary donations from (individuals, businesses, churches, clubs, trusts, memorials, and grants) AND provisions brought in—garden produce is also welcomed! Recyclable cans and bottles can also be donated to the bin located in Super Valu's parking lot.

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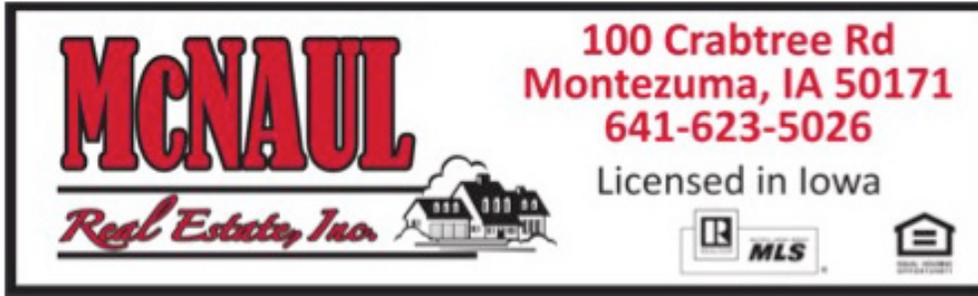
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The LPA decided to leave the gate open and look for longer-term solutions to the problems. The board has narrowed their search down to two suppliers to provide a new gate, gate operator and gate controller. Both suppliers have also quoted a photo-eye sensor to detect if anything is in the path of the gate. Each solution provides a remote maintenance capability. The board is planning to make a supplier selection and get a new gate solution in place as soon as possible.

Estimates are revealing the anticipated cost of replacing the boat ramp gate system will be between \$10,000 - \$15,000. Additional donations are needed, if you would like to donate funds towards this project please make a check payable to LPA and mail to PO Box 751, Montezuma, IA 50171. THANK YOU!

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They are both recently retired. Dennis is retired Army 44 years and a Warrant 5 Officer. Peggy is a retired bookkeeper and manager. They have 4 children, 11 grandchildren, and 2 great-grandchildren. They enjoy boating, swimming, and just relaxing and loving retired life.



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MEET YOUR NEIGHBORS! Jeff and Amy Steinbeck

We are Jeff and Amy Steinback of Belle Plaine, IA. We have a son, Drew 20 and daughter, Alyssa 16. Jeff works as a Regional Manager for Remington Seeds, and Amy is a Licensed Massage Therapist for Essence of Life Hospice. Drew works for Rabe Hardware in Blainstown and Alyssa is finishing her sophomore year at Belle Plaine High School.

Jeff and Amy grew up in Southwest Wisconsin, but moved to Iowa in 2009. Yes, we are Badger and Packer fans! We've been looking at cabins for a few years and finally decided to move forward with a purchase. We are very excited for fishing, boating, family time, meeting new friends, and enjoying the outdoors at Lake Ponderosa!



BUOYS & NO WAKE:

No Wake - A no wake policy is in effect for most inlet areas around the lake. No wake means in these designated areas boats should travel at a very slow (nearly idle) speed, to minimize the wake created behind the boat. Speeds should be slow enough that by the time the wake wave reaches the shore line there is NO WAKE! Going slower, but not slow enough, will still result in waves reaching the shorelines eroding the sand/soil and potentially damaging docks.

Buoys - Please RESPECT THE BUOYS! No wake buoys are important for the safety of individuals swimming in the area and the protection of our shorelines, docks, etc.

DO NOT TIE YOUR BOAT OR LILY PAD ONTO THE BUOYS! Avoid hitting the buoys and never tie a watercraft onto a buoy. Cracking or damaging a buoy will result in the buoy taking on water and needing to be replaced, replacement cost is a few hundred dollars each (materials and labor). If you see someone damaging a buoy please note their sticker number and contact the lake office.



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2022 Lake Ponderosa Fireworks



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Facts for you to be aware of:

- On July 2 at 8:00 AM the causeway from Center Point to South Shore Dr. will be blocked off to allow J & M to set up. Please advise friends/family to take a different route.
- Given ATF and DOT regulations, Once pyro is out and being loaded, J & M must have 350 feet clearance from people, vehicles, boats etc.
- **Rain date is July 3.**

Fireworks are **paid** for by your can donations at a cost of **\$25,000. THANK YOU** to all of those weekly volunteers who come to sort the cans and to those of you who choose to donate to the Fireworks Fund via your annual LPA membership form.

Notice: Due to Covid, if J & M is unable to provide a team to set-up the show, the fireworks show will be cancelled and scheduled at a later date this summer.

Lake Ponderosa For Sale and Pending



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205 Cottage Lane



240 Horseshoe Drive

Lake Ponderosa Properties For Sale



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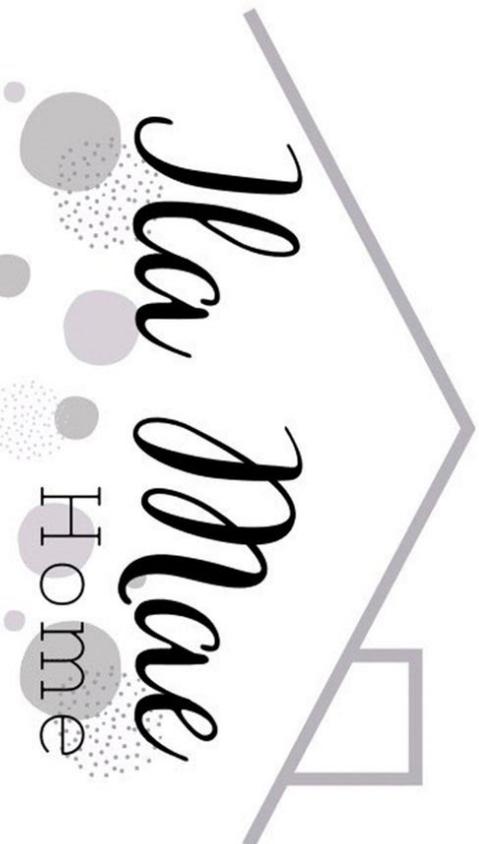


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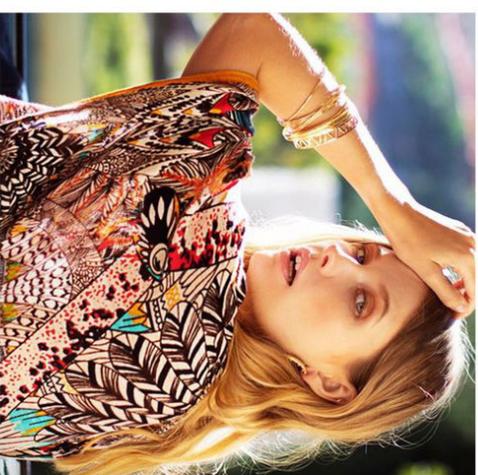


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2021 WATER QUALITY REPORT

FOR

Ponderosa Utilities, Inc.

This report contains important information regarding the water quality in our water system. The source of our water is surface water. All of the water is purchased. Purchased water comes from Montezuma Municipal Water Supply and 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	100% of the samples met requirements	2021	.01 - .27	No	Soil runoff
Copper (ppm)	1.3	AL=1.3	.032	2021	ND-.0367	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride (ppm)	4	4	.74	2021	.42 – 1.00	No	Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Lead (ppb)	0	AL=15	1.30	2021	ND-1	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits
Nitrate [as N] (ppm)	10	10	.600	2021	N/A	No	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits
TTHM (ppb) [Total trihalomethanes]	N/A	80	22.00	3/31/2021	13 - 30	No	By-products of drinking water disinfection
Sodium (ppm)	N/A	N/A	9.79	1/05/2021	N/A	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Added to water during treatment process
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) (ppb)	N/A	60	26.00	3/31/2021	15 - 41	No	By-products of drinking water disinfection
Chlorine (ppm)	MRDLG=4.0	MRDL=4.0	2.2	2021	1.16 – 2.69	No	Water additive used to control microbes
Chlorine dioxide (ppb)	MRDLG=800	MRDL=800	302	2021	20 - 750	No	Water additive used to control microbes
Chlorite (ppm)	0.8	1.0	.73	2021	.12 - .975	No	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Total Organic Carbon (TOC) (ppm)	N/A	TT 15%-35% Removal	40% Removal	2021	31% - 50%	No	Naturally present in the Environment
Barium (ppm)	2	2	0.0537	1/07/2013	N/A	No	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits

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.
- pCi/L – picocuries per liter
- N/A – Not applicable
- ND -- Not detected
- 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 no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
- 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.

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).

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. Montezuma Muni Water Supply 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 [Http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead](http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead).

SOURCE WATER ASSESSMENT INFORMATION

This water supply obtains water from one or more surface waters. Surface water sources are susceptible to sources of contamination within the drainage basin.

Original Supply ID	Original Supply Source
IA7950097	Montezuma Muni Water Supply

OTHER INFORMATION

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

CONTACT INFORMATION

For questions regarding this information or how you can get involved in decisions regarding the water system, please contact Ponderosa Utilities, Inc. at 641-623-5675.

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 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 2022 and billing for such has been included in the water, road, and aquatic control billings for the year 2021/2022. 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. Please extend the courtesy to your neighbors in regards to noise levels on all watercraft, ATV's (four wheelers), dirt bikes, and off-road vehicles. No modified watercraft, ATV's (four wheelers), dirt bikes or any other off-road vehicles shall be on the lake area. Please also be courteous of your neighbors in regards to late night fireworks, parties and 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.

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