



NEWSLETTER

June/July 2023

Dear Members and Friends of the Big Lake Improvement Association:

Summer is

PONTOON BOAT PARADE: We will have the pontoon parade on **Tuesday, the 4th of July**. Pontoons will meet at the north end of the lake near the public landing at 3:00 PM. Prizes will be awarded with first place having their name engraved on the plaque. Second and third places will get prizes also. Please vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places online on the Big Lake Improvement Association Facebook page on July 4th.

PONTOON TRAILER: The pontoon trailer is available to BLIA members at no cost. The trailer is located at Joe and Arlene Kelley's back lot, 3144 Magney, and can be picked up when available. Please be sure to sign in and out on the provided clipboard, including your phone number, return within two hours. When the weather is good, others may be waiting.

ANNUAL MEETING AND DINNER: will be held at Big Lake Golf Course on August 10, 5:00 cash bar social hour, 5:30 Dinner and speaker, xxxxxxxx, U.S. Coast Guard at 6:15. More information to come. Fun prizes and a 50/50 drawing will also be part of the evening. The menu is yet to be determined, but will certainly be delicious!

HISTORY BOOKS: will be for sale at the dinner or by contacting any board member. History Books will be for sale for \$10.

CALENDAR PICTURES: Thank you for the pictures, we had a great time selecting pictures for this year's calendar. Remember, if you attend the annual meeting and dinner you will get your copy at that time. If you cannot make it they are available for sale.

GARAGE SALES: Start saving up your goodies for next year, first weekend in August, 2025.

2023 MEMBERSHIP: If you haven't sent in your dues, please mail your 2024 membership dues to BLIA, PO Box 3, Sawyer, MN 55780 as soon as possible. Dues are \$20 per family, \$10 per single, and a special rate of \$10 for new members.

The BLIA Board is always welcoming to new board members. We meet only from May through September, possibly 5 or 6 times for about an hour. Some of us have been on the board for way too many years and we need a younger crew with new ideas. If you are interested, please contact a board member or attend a board meeting. Board meetings are open to all BLIA members.

The next BLIA Board meeting is Thursday, July 18th, 7 PM at The Big Lake Golf Course. Everyone is welcome! If you are considering joining this group to help make our lake community even better please stop in and check it out.

Reminder that the Facebook Big Lake Improvement Association page is a great place to share information.

Sincerely yours,

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Brian Shockley, President

Jen Owens

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