

Throughout the Summer

Menasha: Walk/Bike Trestle Trail crosses Lake Butte des Morts, Jefferson Park Swimming Pool June 10

-Smith Park Flower Gardens and Veteran's Memorial

-Farm Fresh Market June 12-Oct.30, every Thursday 2-6pm, Marina Terrace

-Waverley Beach Tikki Bar-anchor your boat and wade in, some weekends with music 739-9721

Neeah: City Library at Shattuck Park, transient boat docking and pavilion, nearby downtown businesses

-Fox Valley Sailing School-sailing lessons & boat leasing info@foxvalleysailingschool.org

-Shattuck Riverwalk Park: "Out to Lunch Concerts" Thursdays 11:30am-1pm-June 5-Aug. 28-722-1920, "Evening Concert Series" every other Wednesday 6pm-8pm-June 11-Aug 20, "Farmer's Market" every Saturday 8am-Noon- June 21-Oct. 18

High Cliff Marina: Grilling on the deck-weekends, **High Cliff Golf Course:** 989-1045

Aquatic Center Swimming Pools: Omro-Miller Park, Berlin-Riverside Park, New London

Winneconne: Fin N Feather Show Boat Excursion 582-4305

Oshkosh: "Waterfest Concert Series" www.waterfest.org Leach Amphitheater, 5:45pm, 6-19,6-26, 7-24,25,25, 8-21,22

-Streaming LIVE at the Leach Amphitheater 6 pm 7-8,7-15,7-22,7-29, 8-5,8-12, FREE

-Weekend Music on the Waterfront-Dockside Tavern 230-6900, Fratello's 232-2337, Becket's Jazz Org Wine-every Wednesday 7:40pm 230-3333

Fremont: Webfooters, water-ski show every Wednesday & Sunday, June 1-Aug. 24, 6pm, www.webfooters.org

Appleton: Free Riverfront Trolley Rides June 5-Sept. 20, FREE every 30min.-21 stops,Thurs. & Fri. 5-11pm,Sat. 8am-11pm

-Downtown Farm Market-Saturdays June 21-Oct. 25 8am-12:30pm

-Heid Music Concert Series-Thursdays June 5-Aug. 28-Houdini Plaza 5pm-8:30pm/Jones Park 6/26,7/31,8/28

-Lunchtime Live Summer Concert-Thursdays June 12-Aug 28, Houdini Plaza 11:30am-1pm

Stockbridge Harbor:Music- (May31),(June 1,7,8,14,21,29),(July 3,4,12,13,19,27),(Aug. 2,3,16,17,30,31) 439-1450

Wolf River Tubing: Weyauwega/Gills Landing 867-2844 Tentative, Wolf River Trips & Camping-New London 982-2458

Overlook Observation Decks: Fond du Lac Lighthouse, Columbia Park Tower, High Cliff State Park Tower

Wisconsin Department of Transportation-2014 Bridge Operation and Lock Schedules

For the four bridges in Oshkosh (Main Street, Oregon/Jackson Street, Wisconsin Street and Congress Avenue) and the Winneconne Main Street Bridge, the operational hours will be 8:00am to 12:00-midnight from April 18th, to October 5th. As in the past there will be restricted operation hours for Oshkosh bridges on Monday-Friday to avoid undue conflicts with the street traffic during the following time periods: (11:45am to 12:15pm) (12:45pm to 1:15pm) (3:00pm to 5:00pm)

For the two bridges in Menasha (Racine and Tayco Street), the operation hours will be 8:00am to 12:00-midnight on Friday through Sunday and 10:00am to 10:00pm on Monday through Thursday from April 18th, to October 5th. Operating hours on Memorial Day, Monday, May 26th and Labor Day, Monday, September 1st will be from 8:00am to 12:00-midnight as on the weekends. **Menasha bridges are now automated from Racine Bridge. NOTE: Racine Street Bridge will NOT be operated on September 21st from 7:30am to 1:30pm to accommodate the Fox Cities Marathon Route.**

During the off-season, all operable bridges and railroad bridges in the system can be opened if at least twelve (12) hours notice is given, prior to April 18th and after October 5th. Menasha 967-5102 or Police 967-5128, Oshkosh/Winneconne 232-1700, 420-2146, 232-1715

Oshkosh Bridges:Main St. 233-7639,Oregon St. 231-3181,Wisconsin Ave. 235-4511,Oshkosh Ave. 231-5204,Winneconne 582-7811,Oshkosh Railroad 456-9864 **Menasha Bridges:**Racine St. 209-4032,Tayco 209-4033

Eureka Lock to Berlin-www.berlinboatclub.com, 22miles from Lake Butte de Morts to Berlin-Buoys are placed May 17-Sept.15, 9am-8pm, phone 361-2628

Weyauwega:The railroad bridge that crosses the Wolf River near Gill's Landing, 6 hour advanced notice is required for opening 877-333-7989.

Lock User Fee Schedule: Season unlimited recreational & commercial transit permit \$120.00, two vessels \$140.00, each addition vessel \$20.00. Daily limited transit permits based on boat length: Less than 26 ft.-\$6.00 and 26 ft. or greater-\$12.00. Off season lockage, 12hr advance request, lock information 202-1853.

Days/Hours of Lock Operations: **Menasha and DePere**-10am to 10pm Monday-Thursday; 8am to 12midnight Friday-Sunday and Holidays, Menasha April 18-Oct. 5, Appleton #1,2,3,4 & Cedars May 23-Sept. 1

Little Rapids-10am to 10pm Thursday-Monday (closed Tuesday-Wednesday)

Appleton Locks #1-4-11am to 11pm Friday-Sunday and Holidays.(Appleton #1 down river lockage times at noon, 2pm, 4pm, 6pm, 8pm, and 10pm; Appleton Lock #4 up river lockages at 11am, 1pm, 3pm, 5pm, 7pm, and 9pm)

Cedars Lock-10am to 10pm Friday-Sunday and Holidays call Friday to schedule 750-3309

Fox Locks Phone Numbers (all 920): DePere 227-7024, Menasha 202-1857, Little Rapids 227-7043, Appleton #1 750-3306, Appleton #4 750-3307, Cedars 750-3309, Kaukauna Office 759-9833.Special 12hr notice lockage 202-1853.

Docking:AYC 733-9848 (before #1),Pullmans 830-7855,Stone Cellar Brewpub 731-3322,Little Chute-Down the Hill 788-6077

COMMUNITY CONTACTS FOR LAKE WINNEBAGO'S CONNECTING WATERWAYS (area code 920)

Services NOT-Listed below-- Little Chute: Kens Sports & Boats 788-0220, Fox River Prop 788-9830, **Two Rivers:** Two Rivers Dockside Canvas 414-793-3759, **Kaukauna:** Dave Sports 766-4410, **Brillion:** Horn Ford Boat Sales 756-2115, **Greenville:** AJ's Mobile 739-2628, CR Canvas Specialty (Cheryl & Rick) 757-6423 **Green Bay:** Ship Yard 434-2000, Gr. Bay Marine Surveyor 621-5907, **Eldorado:** Riggs Marine 872-2728, Robert McPherson Mobile Fiberglassing 991-9374, Yacht & Boat Delivery 715-304-8477, Rick Steiner Boatworks 540-0440, Larry Kaup Surveyor Menasha 730-0565, Endeavor Diving Service 702-8517, **Stockbridge:** Ryan Kamba (Boat Lettering) 464-0841, **Green Lake:** Norton Wood Boat Repair 295-9357, **Sturgeon Bay:** Door Sailmaker 743-4126

City of Menasha: www.cityofmenasha-wi.gov, Menasha Marina & Nautical Gift Shop 967-5193, Menasha Dock Association 858-1911, Club Liquor 725-9247, JDog Studios 585-3008, Valley Marine Mart 722-6379, Wild Apple & Gallery 886-6636, The Wreath Factory & Otter Creek 886-9989, Tresa's Treasures & Bridal Boutique 486-1449, Marina Place Apartments 268-3293, Vertigo 1894 Coffee/Gallery 730-9100, Jefferson Park & Pool 967-5163, Taxi Cab Service 809-5995, Aspen Landing 725-7777, Club Tavern & Food 722-2452, Franky's Blind Pig Saloon & Grill 886-0777, Germania Hall 725-6666, Hank's Tavern & Food 722-9820, Jitters Bar 720-6006, Kampo's 3rd Street Diner 727-9500, Luigi's Italian Food 722-8000, Menasha Grill Café Beignet 722-6873, Mihm's Charcoal Grill 722-0306, The Old Grog Tavern & Food 729-1165, Weather Vane Breakfast/Lunch 725-2824, Da Big Slice Pizza & Delivery 727-9500, Glass Slipper Styling Studio 725-2918, Your Guest Chef Catering 412-7067

Appleton: Fox Cities Convention/Visitors Bureau 734-3358, Appleton Yacht Club 733-9848, Trolley to the River 954-9112, Ed's Boat Sales 733-8934, Anchor Marine 788-5950, Reynebeau Upholstery 734-1086, Korth Upholstery 734-2526, Mega Motor Works Boat Sales & Service 882-6342, Ecklund's 734-7134, Sport-O-Motive 734-9994, Appleton Tent & Awning 733-470, Dave LaBarge Mobile Marine & Storage 810-4386, Explorer's Guide Maritime Academy-learn to be a captain 733-5500, Appleton Boat Repair 731-2555, Pulmans 830-7855, Stone Cellar Brewpub 731-3322

Berlin: Chamber 361-3636, Family Restaurant 361-7693, Clem's Bar/Pizza 361-0746, Fox River Beef Bar 658-1020

Big Lake Butte des Morts: Tilly Too 582-7626, White House Inn 582-7211, Butte de Morts Supper Club 582-0665

Eureka: Bill & Stella's Bar & Grill 685-5954, Landing's Bar & Grill 685-2662

Fond du Lac: Lakeside Park Marina 906-5096, FDL Yacht Club 921-9950, FDL Yacht Club Winter Storage 921-9950, Salty's Supper Club 922-9940, Oscars Bar/Grill 921-8345 (caters/shuttles to marina), Tony's Marine Tops 921-3926, Steve's Prop Repair 960-4979, Nimmers Marine 923-4749, Mr. Marine 921-7070, Whealon Towing/Storage 923-6551, Wind & Kite Surfing 922-2550

Fremont: Chamber 446-3838, Ted's Grand View 446-3261, Anchor Point Marina/Houseboat & Pontoon Rental 446-2224, Ma's Bait 446-2444, Han-a-Lula Resort 446-3245, Gala Resort 446-3222, Hotel Fremont/Ice Cream Parlor 446-2402, Bridge Bar 446-3300, Watersports Rental 407-0106, Captain Jacks Wolf River Marine/Rentals 446-3141, Fort Fremont Marine 446-3220, Mid State Marine 446-3399, Tri County Power Boat Alliance 446-3930, Blue Top Resort/Rental 446-3343, Yogi Bears Jellystone Park Campground 446-3420, Larry & Jan's Cabins/Boat Rental 446-3161, Red's Banks Resort 446-2933, Channel Cats 446-2200, Anglers Bait Shop Bar/Grill 446-2442, Fishing Guide 570-1187, FWR Jet Ski Rental 407-0106, Wolf River Resort 582-4555

Lake Poygan: Hidden Harbor Marina 376-0597 (south @ buoy 12 compass reading 210), Captain's Cove 582-4757

Neenah: Future Neenah 722-1920, Docking at Shattuck Park to downtown businesses, City Slips at Shattuck Park 886-6315, Boat and Dock Marina 722-6205, Nodaway Yacht Club & Fox Valley Sailing School 725-3423, Holiday Inn 725-8441, Cannova's 886-0325, Elk's Club 967-0397, N.E.W Marine Tops 729-5538, Geiger Fiberglass Repair 725-3267, Riveredge Marine 982-4874, Bergstrom Mahler Art Museum Riverside Park 751-4658, PDS boat lettering 585-9800, FRESH Specialty Menu 886-1488, Aspen Coffee & Tea 720-0068, Great Harvest Bread Co. 727-0135, Greene's Pour House 486-1049, Uncorked 486-1725, Zacatecas Mexican 722-7116, Matt Kehler 527-1887-detailing

New London: Chamber of Commerce 982-5822, The Waters Supper Club/Lounge docking and gas 982-7960, Boat Parking at Riverside Park ½ mile walk to Hatten Park, Riverside Marina 982-4874

Omro: Chamber of Commerce 685-6960, Docking-Scott, Stern, Millers Park-Scott Park has power 685-7000, Drake's Marine & Boat Tops 420-1823, Fish Inn & Boat Rental 685-6844, Wedgewood Golf Course/Supper Club 685-6161, Tanner's Tap 685-6480, Dug Out 685-5707, Magic Air Refrigeration 685-2332, Marine Tops 685-5000

Oshkosh: Convention/Visitors Bureau 303-9200, Pioneer Marina 233-1981, Sweetwater Performance 230-3481, Dockside Tavern 230-6900, Bayshore Marina/Storage 231-9936, Fratello's 232-2337, Hergerts Marine Center 231-8520, Ludwig Marine 231-6751, Mertens Marine 231-6751, Ecklunds Marine 233-3313, Sail Tec 233-4242, Brooklyns 230-4477, Southside Ice Yacht Club & Bar/Grill 235-4470, Spellman's 231-1850, Lakeside Marina 231-4321, Skipper Bud's 231-3200, River Mill Marina 539-7931, Becket's on the River Restaurant 230-3333, Moes Marine & Prop Repair 644-4141, Oshkosh Tent & Awning 235-3170, Oshkosh Yacht Club 450-1339 on Winnebago, Premier Waterfront Hotel & Convention Center 230-1900, Anchor Interiors & Canvas 688-3256

Pipe: Calumet Harbor Jake's Marina 360-3411, Jim & Linda's Supper Club 795-4116, Cedar Lodge 795-4574, Capones Pizza 795-4140, Blanks Supper Club 795-4484, Columbia Park & Harbor 960-0187

Sherwood: High Cliff Marina 989-1349, High Cliff Supper Club 989-1050, The Granary Supper Club 989-1233, High Cliff Golf Course 989-1045, Shenanigan's Supper Club 989-1232, Almost Johnny's 989-1954, Angie's Upholstery 202-2608

Stockbridge: Docking-Harbor Bar 439-1450, Gobbler's Knob Supper Club 439-1265, Mud Creek Coffee/Food 439-1096, Fishtale Inn Bar/Grill 439-1565, docking at Calumet County Park Marina 849-1494

Tustin: Lake Poygan docking-Knot Anchor Inn Bar/Grill 446-2414, Tustin Shores Bar & Grill 446-2622

Van Dyne: Wendt's on the Lake Supper Club 688-5231, Black Wolf Captain Slam's 688-2485, T.J. Harbor Restaurant 688-9047

Winneconne: Chamber of Commerce 582-4775, Fin N Feather 582-4305, WindPoint Harbor 582-0158, The Other Place 582-7775, Lang's Landing Gas/Lodging 582-7501, Fishing Guide 267-3071, Steve's Marine Service 582-7247, Biggar's Supper Club 582-4422, Wolf River House Gas & Boat Rental 582-4555, Jechort Wood Boats 582-7557, Woodeye's Bar/Grill-indoor archery range 582-4887, Village Pub 582-0155, Steam Boat Museum 582-7643

Wolf River Templeton Bayou: Pine Grove Resort overnight docking & gas-bar/restaurant 446-3295

Weyauwega: Chamber 867-2500, docking at Gills Landing Bar/Grill 867-2844, Guth's Resort & Gas 867-2877

To celebrate our heritage of Lake Winnebago and its waterways, I compelled some brief worthwhile information pertaining to its navigational history and importantly current updates of the river.

This year, Neenah Nodaway Yacht is celebrating its 150th year, established 1864. One of the oldest yacht Clubs in the country. Learn about their past with History in the Park displays at Riverside Park in Neenah and see a sailboat representing the type sailed years ago. Also there is going to be a float in the Memorial Parade. Tour all different types of sailboats at the Neenah Harbor at the Sailing Open House, June 14th 10-2pm. NNYC offers a sailing school for both adults and youth. Always welcome, with no experience necessary, you can crew with a Tuesday night race boat. www.nnyc.org or e-mail SailPromotion@nnyc.org

Neenah Lighthouse: To go back in time, in the 1830's the Menominee Indians would hold their council meetings at the entrance point of the Neenah Harbor. Neenah was an Indian word for water. The Federal Corp. of Engineers in the 1880's dredged and widened this entrance. In 1929 this entrance point was donated to the City of Neenah by Helen Kimberly Stuart to build a lighthouse. Neenah Kimberly Point Lighthouse was built in 1945 and funded by the Kimberly family, founders of Kimberly-Clark Corp. since 1872. At the cost of \$7,500. The tower is 49 feet and topped with a sailboat weathervane.

Menasha Lighthouse was the first lighthouse on Lake Winnebago but with a very short history that I would like to share with you. It was built in 1855 for \$6,000, 20 x 30 feet, 2 floors, fireplaces in each room and an enclosed stone spiral staircase to a great iron lantern. Built on the North end of Lighthouse Reef. Jerry Cowling the lighthouse keeper lived there with his family for four years. The lighthouse had a sad ending, with a severe life threatening incident with Mr. Cowling the lighthouse was never lit again. In 1880 skaters set fire to the building and with the water wearing away on the remains it is non-existing, but some say that in early spring with very clean water a platform is visible.

Mercury Marine celebrates their 75th Anniversary. In 1939 Carl Kiekhafer founder of Mercury Marine assumed control of a bankrupt marine engine plant who had 300 rejected outboard engines in Cedarburg, WI. This engine called the Thor, "the god of Thunder". His intent at first was to transform these engines for the dairy industry. He grew up on a family farm in Mequon. Instead he redesign the engines into outboards. 1946 moved Keikhafer Marine to Fond du Lac. In 1971 it became Mercury Marine. Mercury Marine in Fond du Lac employees over 3000 and 5,300 worldwide.

The United State Power Squadron celebrates their 100th Anniversary. This organization started in Boston in 1914 committed to boating safety and education. Started by Charles Chapman, who realized the owners needed instructions on how to operate safely and with confidence. At first, the principle object of the squadron was to be of service to the Navy in time of emergency. During World War 1 the USPS trained men for the naval coastal defense. These volunteers teach boating safety classes and free vessel safety checks. USPS has over 60,000 members and over 450 squadrons across the country. Oshkosh Sail & Power Squadron 739-4949.

The Fox River Navigational System Authority was created to oversee the management of the Fox River Locks constructed in the 1850's. Restoration of the 16 locks started in 2006. The Kaukauna locks are scheduled to be finished in 2015 with extensive work yet to be done on a pedestrian bridge and one Kaukauna bridge. This means that all the locks will be restored except the Rapid Croche Boat Transfer and cleansing station which has been sealed since 1988. Lake Winnebago to DePere, within 30 miles it drops 180 feet, the approx. distance of Niagara Falls.

The Fox-Wisconsin Heritage Parkway has restoration plans for the lock tender houses along the Fox River, built 1892-1927: turn Cedar, Little chute Locks into overnight vacation rentals, demolish the Menasha lock due to extensive deterioration and mold. They are preparing to have a 62 foot paddle wheel "On the Loos in the Parkway" to tour the Fox Valley. July 12-18th, reservations 920-707-2965.

Friends of the Fox Annual meeting, Saturday, May 17, 2-6pm at Riverview Country Club in Appleton "Moving Forward on the Beautiful Fox River". Reviewing information on the completion of the Kaukauna locks and boat lift transfer and their goals for 2014. E-mail a RSVP to manney@heritageparkway.org. To promote navigation on the lock system, the Friends of the Fox have placed safety buoys for the lower Fox River to Little Chute. Show your support and join as a member.

The Eureka Lock near Berlin has been reconstructed by the Berlin Boat Club. The DNR closed this lock in 2003 due to flood damage. With private donations, completely funded, it re-opened in 2013 with 454 lockages. To the best of their knowledge the Berlin Boat Club is the only club in United States which operates and maintains a lock system. Along this upper Fox River is the Fox River Runners Club who install, remove, purchase and maintain navigation buoys from Eureka Lock to Lake Butte des Morts. There will be a topographic map available on the FOF website and also in paper form at Menasha Marina and other designated areas. This will cover the area from Lake Butte des Morts to Berlin.