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Lakes Appreciation Month - July

Even though every month should be Lakes Appreciation Month, July is the dedicated month in the United States that has been designated for Lakes. July is also National Ice Cream month which is probably more popular.


Lakes Appreciation Month is a time for people to reflect and to show their appreciation for the lakes and reservoirs that are important to them.

CLRMA has been supporting Lakes Appreciation Month for over 15 years and continues to encourage everyone to participate. The usual activities include organizing a shoreline clean up, participating in the North American Secchi Dip In, and helping with any watershed or lake projects.

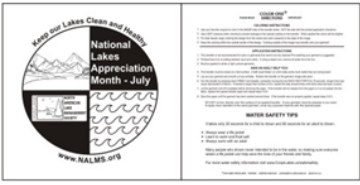
New for 2017, CLRMA has created our own Facebook page dedicated to Lakes Appreciation Month. You can now post your lake photos and send in anything lake related that you do during the month of July. So like CLRMA at <https://www.facebook.com/clarion/>.

The other new way to celebrate Lakes Appreciation Month is to use the new Color-ons that NALMS has developed for the month of July. The Color-ons are great for handing out t-shirts to kids at outdoor events. Kids color the iron on and then they walk away with a shirt that has their own coloring art work on it. The Color-ons are available through <http://www.majormidnight.com>.

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Lake Appreciation Day 2017

July 15, 2017



8 am—3 pm

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Barr Lake State Park

Celebrate Lakes and Lands by participating in volunteer projects that will help your community.

Morning Activities

8 a.m. – Noon

- Volunteer Projects:
- Weed Warriors
- Shoreline cleanup
- Tree planting
- Park maintenance

Followed by:

- FREE Complimentary lunch
- FREE Tee-Shirt and Goodie bag

Afternoon Activities

Noon – 3 p.m.

- Free canoe instruction
- Archery demonstration
- Face painting & Jumping Castle
- Various vendor booths
- Climbing wall
- Boat rides with the rangers
- Boat demos

Thanks to our generous partners and sponsors



For more information call Barr Lake Nature Center (303) 659-6005
Free entrance fee for volunteers. RSVP required.

Fourth of July Celebrations

What's more patriotic than barbecuing and watching fireworks over a lake? Several communities throughout Colorado have Fourth of July activities near a lake. Go out and witness twice the sparks with a nice lake reflection of fireworks. Then contemplate the water quality impacts later.



Here are some of the lakes with fireworks shows in 2017:

- Grand Lake – July 4th starting at 10 PM <https://www.visitgrandcounty.com/calendar/index.php?eID=265>
- Georgetown Lake – July 4th starting at 9 PM
- Lafayette, Waneka Lake – July 4th starting at dusk at 1600 Caria Drive
- Loveland, North Lake Park – July 4th Fireworks over Lake Loveland starting at 9:17 PM (North of Denver on I-25, not the ski resort)
- Northglenn, EB Rains Jr. Memorial Park – July 4th Fireworks over Webster Lake start at 9:30 PM

Sign Up for the NALMS Symposium

Another way to celebrate Lakes Appreciation Month is to commit to learning more about lake and reservoir management. Join CLRMA, NALMS, or attend the upcoming NALMS Symposium in Westminster.



RMSAWWA and RMWEA Joint Annual Conference

LOVELAND, COLORADO
SEPTEMBER 10 – 13, 2017



The Rocky Mountain Section of American Water Works Association (RMSAWWA) and Rocky Mountain Water Environment Association (RMWEA) are holding their Joint Annual Conference at the Embassy Suites in Loveland, Colorado from September 10 - 13, 2017.

Join over 1,000 of your peers and colleagues in the water industry for 4 days of exhibits, technical sessions, and networking opportunities. Technical sessions include the latest insight into processes used during studies, design, construction, and operation for water, wastewater, and stormwater facilities along with management and supervisor training, lab practices, and water quality. The 2017 Joint Annual Conference will focus on Innovation, including innovative treatment technologies and innovations in the areas of regulations and management.

The Exhibit Hall this year is featuring more than 120 booths from industry professionals and an outdoor section with supplier demo set-ups. To learn more or to register, go to the website at: http://www.rmwea.org/annual_conference.php

Registration is open now!

Featured Lake - Buckeye Reservoir

Although the name might make some think of Ohio, Buckeye Reservoir is actually located in Colorado - barely. Buckeye Reservoir is about 10 miles from the town of Paradox and even closer to the Utah border.

If you are looking for seclusion, you can find it here. The reservoir is off the beaten path and can be accessed from the Rimrocker Trail, Colorado's longest network of four wheel drive trails. If you are seeking an off-road adventure, there are many four wheel drive trails in the area and Rimrocker will take you to Moab. The nearby Paradox valley also offers a multitude of hiking and biking trails with spectacular views.



Buckeye Reservoir at Dusk

Buckeye Reservoir does have developed camp sites but they are spread out around the lake so it never feels crowded. Camping is rustic, with vault toilets and no potable water or electrical service. There is a boat ramp for small fishing boats, limited to 5 HP and no wake.

Like many reservoirs in rural Colorado, Buckeye's primary use is for irrigation storage so in dry years, it can be drained completely by fall. You can check current conditions and reserve campsites at the Buckeye Recreation Area using the link below:

<https://www.recreation.gov/camping/buckeye-recreation-area-co/r/campgroundDetails.do?contractCode=NRSO&parkId=108333>

The reservoir is of modest size at 109 acres but it is stocked with rainbow trout and offers decent fishing. When shoreline conditions are right, visitors might spot an interesting riparian plant, horsetail growing around the shore.

Horsetail is considered to be one of the oldest plants on earth and can reproduce using spores on the tip of the plant or by rhizomes on the roots that grow new plants from fragments. This makes it a great filler for gardens when it is wanted and somewhat of a nuisance if it is not. Some species of horsetail are edible and used as herbal supplements, while others can be toxic.



Horsetail - Equisetum arvense

Secchi Dip-In 2017

Celebrate Lakes Appreciation Month with us!

July 1st - July 31st



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Relax by the Water & Take a Dip!

Secchi Dip-In 2017 is approaching quickly and we'd love your help to make it a success! Planning to enjoy time by the lake this summer? A Secchi disk reading takes just a few minutes, is a great way to ensure those waters stay a healthy place to have fun, and is simple enough that everyone can participate.

Started in the United States, the Secchi Dip-In is now an international effort in which volunteers produce a "snapshot" of water transparency around the world. Secchi disk readings can be submitted online at www.secchidipin.org or via the Lake Observer mobile app (<https://www.lakeobserver.org>).

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Enjoy and help your favorite lake in July!

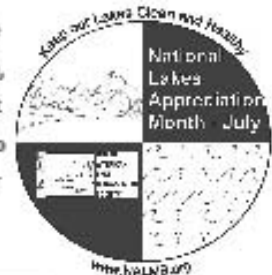
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From fishing to your daily coffee,

lakes and reservoirs play a vital role in our daily lives. For over 20 years, July has been officially Lakes Appreciation Month. It is a time when many folks are vacationing and enjoying lakes, and NALMS wants people to give something back. Just think, what would your life be like without lakes?

July is a great time to set aside some time to celebrate and help your favorite waterbody. Here are some ideas for a lake event in July: organize a shoreline clean up, hand out free fishing poles, arrange for free boat rides and canoe lessons, hand out free t-shirts with the new Lakes Appreciation Month design, find volunteers to participate in the Secchi Dip-In, and free food is always a hit. There are many other ideas that can be found at www.nalms.org or www.epa.gov/lakes.



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Lake Appreciation Event Summary

Barr Lake State Park's Lakes Appreciation Day - July 15th

Come out to Barr Lake on Saturday, July 15th. Sign in starts at 8am and then over 250 volunteers will work on various projects around the park. Projects include shoreline cleanup, staining wood, removing weeds and invasive plants, installing a split rail fence, and planting trees. Then a free lunch for volunteers will be capped off with fun water activities – boat rides, canoe rides, fishing, and kid activities (face painting, rock wall climbing, and fire trucks).

Boyd Lake State Park's Lakes Appreciation Day August 5th

In case you can't make it to a July event this year, one more will be held on the first Saturday in August. Details on the event are still coming together, watch your inbox for a flyer on the event!

Chatfield Reservoir State Park's Lakes Appreciation Day July 8th

Help care for Chatfield's popular Swim Beach area. Volunteers will help with the upkeep of the area by participating in a clean up. Dress for the weather and bring sunscreen and insect repellent. The event begins at the swim beach at 9:00 AM

Ridgway State Park's Lakes Appreciation Day Saturday July 15th

Many of the regulars will return for Ridgway Reservoir's Annual lake appreciation event including Friends of Ridgway State Park, Black Canyon Anglers and the Uncompahgre Watershed Protection Association.

The day will start with Huck Finn fishing at Pa-Cho-Chu-Puk ponds followed with the Lake Appreciation Day celebration at the Swim Beach. The usual booths with hot dogs, snow cones and ranger boat rides will be there along with Black Canyon Astronomy starting at 8:30 in the evening.

Grand Lake BBQ Weekend – July 15-16

This event in July can also be considered a Lakes Appreciation Month activity. Why not? Go up to Grand Lake, the state's largest and deepest natural lake, and enjoy a weekend of lake fun. Find out more at <http://www.colorado.com/events/buffalo-bbq-weekend>.

Lake Appreciation – sign up as a Lake Monitoring Volunteer

Here is a fun way to give back. Sign up to monitor water clarity at your favorite lake or reservoir. It is a great way to learn about water quality, help collect valuable data, and to teach others about lake management. What's more, is that as a CLRMA Volunteer Lake Monitor, you can get perks such as free admission to CLRMA events.





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