



State Veterans Cemetery



Photo: Clint Austin, *Duluth News Tribune*

The state's newest veterans cemetery is set to open this fall.

Work on the 104-acre site, located along U.S. Highway 53 in Grand Lake Township, includes constructing an administrative building, maintenance shop, committal shelter for burial services, a columbarium for cremated remains and a flag plaza; installing the road infrastructure and storm sewer system; and completing the landscaping. The creation of the new cemetery is funded by a federal cemetery grant, along with some state funding. The state will be responsible for the operating expenses once it opens and a dedicated local administrator will oversee it.

The cemetery will give veterans in northern Minnesota an opportunity to be laid to rest where their families can more easily visit. The only other state veterans cemeteries are located in Little Falls in central Minnesota and Preston in southern Minnesota, in addition to the national veterans cemetery at Fort Snelling in the Twin Cities.

Once the cemetery opens, burials for veterans and their dependents can begin. However, veterans and eligible dependents can pre-register to establish their eligibility for future burial. To pre-register, people can contact their county Veteran Service Office or the State Veterans Cemetery in Preston at (507) 765-7320.

The cemetery's master plan calls for a total of 16,000 gravesites, but it will be developed in phases as the gravesites fill. Each phase is expected to take 10 years to fill. The first phase is 19 acres and will include 1,257 casket sites, 720 columbarium niches for urns and 1,078 in-ground cremation sites.

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News From the Board

Caribou Lake Beach

Residents of Grand Lake Township are fortunate to have a great resource to add to our summer enjoyment. Caribou Lake Beach is located off Birch Point Road, adjacent to the DNR public boat landing. The beach is open for public use from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend, seven days a week from 8:00a.m. to 10:00 p.m. There are picnic tables, fire rings, and two handicapped accessible toilets that also serve as changing facilities. You are welcome to enjoy the facilities, relax on the sandy beach, or swim in Caribou Lake. All those using the beach are asked to abide by these guidelines:

- Please! No glass containers.
- Leave the premises as nice (or better) than you found it.
- Remember the Golden Rule and extend courtesy to others.

Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Inspection Program

The Township was able to secure funds from St. Louis County to allow for a team of inspectors who will be at the DNR boat landing on Caribou Lake. The team will be present to inspect boats and trailers being launched onto Caribou Lake. The team will also be available to educate the boaters on aquatic invasive species and how to avoid contaminating our lakes with AIS. Thank you to Cathy Strom who is coordinating the team!

Congratulations!

John Werner, a Grand Lake resident and member of Boy Scout Troop 106, has earned his Eagle Scout designation, an achievement only 4% of Scouts attain. Congratulations, John, for the great accomplishment!

Township Roads

The Town Board completed the annual comprehensive road inspection on May 18th. All roads were inspected, and a plan is being developed to address issues with gravel, culverts, and brushing. Once the plan is finalized and approved by the Board, work will commence on improving the roads. The annual dust control program will be done after new gravel is placed.

Proposed Airpark

An airpark community has residential dwellings with access to a runway where people can build a hangar next to their home (or sometimes attached as a hangar-home) enabling pilots to simply load-up, preflight, and fly without travel to a nearby airport. There are currently 630 residential airpark communities around the globe, three of which, including the first airpark in the USA (Sky Manor Aero Estates), are in Minnesota. With the large aviation community in Duluth, Superior, and the Arrowhead Region, a developer feels as if an airpark in the Duluth area could make aircraft ownership more enjoyable for many local aviators. The proposed development would involve standard 4 ½ acre lots adjacent to a 3,500' x 100' runway. The property is in the northwest corner of Section 6, T 51 N.- R 16 (the south ½ of Grand Lake Township), adjacent to the old Duluth and Northeastern Railroad off U.S. Highway 53. The plans call for a grass runway which limits the size of the aircraft able to use the facility. The airport operations would be limited to fair weather, daylight-only, and subject to visual flight rules. The runway would be available only to the adjacent property owners who would be required to be members of the airpark. Maintenance of the runway and the new road system would be maintained by the airpark community homeowner's association. The project would result in an increase in the Township's taxable base which could result in lower property taxes for Township residents.

News From the Board *continued...*

Township Meeting Dates

GRAND LAKE TOWN BOARD

Location: Town Hall

Regular Town Board Meeting

7:00 PM on 2nd Tuesday of the month

Annual Town Meeting

7:00 PM on 2nd Tuesday in March

VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Location: Twig Fire Hall

Business Meeting

7:30 PM on 1st Tuesday of the month

Training Meeting

7:30 PM on 2nd & 3rd Thursdays after 1st Tuesday of the month



National Night Out

What is National Night Out?

The introduction of National Night Out, “America’s Night Out Against Crime”, in 1984 began an effort to promote involvement in crime prevention activities, police-community partnerships, neighborhood camaraderie and send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back. NATW’s National Night Out program culminates annually, on the first Tuesday of August.

Grand Lake Township National Night Out:

The first Grand Lake Township sponsored NNA was held in 2013 and was a huge success. Neighbors were reunited after years of not seeing each other; there was food and Deputies from the St. Louis County Sheriff’s Office including a K-9 that was a big hit with the kids! Each year we continue to have good attendance

Our 6th annual National Night Out event will be held on **Tuesday August 7th, 2018 from 5:30-7:30 pm** at the Grand Lake Township Community Center Pavilion. There will be food, Fire Department tours, Sheriff’s Office Representatives and an opportunity for fellowship with your community neighbors.

Hope to see you there!

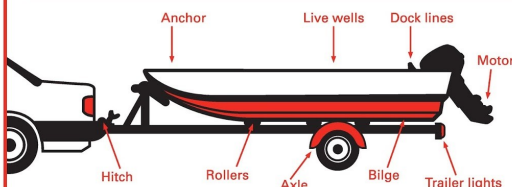
Please contact me with any questions!
Dewey Johnson 218-343-5760

CLEAN YOUR GEAR!

Help prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species.



- Check** for and remove plants, mud, and aquatic life before transporting
- Drain** water from boat, live well, bilge, and bait bucket before transporting
- Clean** boat and gear with hot water, or
- Dry** everything for at least five days



Check these areas

Community Education

Current Classes Offered in Grand Lake Township

- ◆ **Pickleball Summer League** - Join the fun, and learn how to play one of the fastest growing sports! Social Pickleball play will be self officiated and teams will be determined by players upon arrival. Equipment, paddles and balls will be available for play. Please note, staff will not be available, and players are expected to purchase their session according to the honor system.

Jun 4 - Aug 27, Mondays @ 5:30pm - 7:30pm

\$25.00 for the 13 week session

- ◆ **Grow your Own Mushroom Kit** - Learn how to grow crops of Grey Dove oyster mushrooms and keep the kit fruiting throughout summer and fall! Oyster mushrooms are very mild and take on the taste of what they are cooked with. They are very high in antioxidants and nutrients such as zinc, iron, potassium, folic acid, and vitamins C, B1 & B2. Instructor: Becky Gamache

Jun 19 @ 6:00pm - 7:00pm

\$25.00 for the session

- ◆ **PiYo Live** - Using your bodyweight, you'll perform low impact, high intensity movement inspired by Pilates and yoga. The results? Long, lean muscles, a high, firm booty and tight, flat abs. With PiYo, you'll work every single muscle to stabilize, stretch, and strengthen every inch of your body. You'll burn crazy calories while you're at it. Instructor: Stacy Greenside

Jul 9 - Aug 27, Mondays @ 5:30pm - 6:15pm

\$50.00 for the 8 week session

- ◆ **Soma Yoga** - Soma yoga is gentle yoga. It re-establishes mind-muscle connections. It is about listening to your body and making mindful slow gradual changes to increase your flexibility, strength, and balance resulting in overall mobility. You are encouraged to work at your own ability level. Also, are you worried about hip, knee, and shoulder issues? Judy will work with you to adapt poses and movements. Please bring a yoga sticky mat if you have one. Instructor: Judy Andersen

Thursdays @ 9:30am - 10:45pm

Jun 28 - Aug 30 (no class Jul 5th or Aug 23rd)

\$36.00 for the 8 week session

- ◆ **Zumba®** - Dance Fitness classes that are fun, energetic, and make you feel amazing. Perfect for everybody and every body! Each Zumba class is designed to bring people together to sweat it on. You'll leave with boosted energy and a serious dose of awesomeness. Instructor: Melinda Van der Vieren

Jun 4 - Jul 9 & Jul 16 - Aug 20, Mondays @ 9:15am - 10:00am

\$35.00 for each 6 week session;

\$6 drop in punch cards available in 2, 5 or 10 class quantities

- ◆ **ZPump Express** - A condensed version of ZPump; 30 minutes of Zumba cardio, 20-25 minutes of weights, and a brief cool-down and stretch at the end. Cardio and toning together, for the busy life-styles we lead. Bring 3, 5, 8lb weights, and a mat. Instructor: Heidi Pedersen

Jun 6 - Aug 15 (no class Jul 4th), **Wednesdays @ 6:00pm - 7:00pm**

\$55.00 for the 10 week session

Grand Lake Fire Department

Twig Fire Station
PO Box 1083
Twig MN, 55779
218-729-5902

Grant Gimpel-Fire Chief
218-349-9022

Dan Lysher-Asst. Chief
218-348-3346

Jerry Tanski-Asst. Chief
218-730-7074



Do you feel the need to give back to your community, but you're not sure how? Or have always had an interest in driving a fire truck, saving lives or protecting a neighbors property? The Grand Lake Fire Department is looking for dedicated individuals to join our fire department. We hope you'll consider becoming a member of this great organization.



Grilling Safety

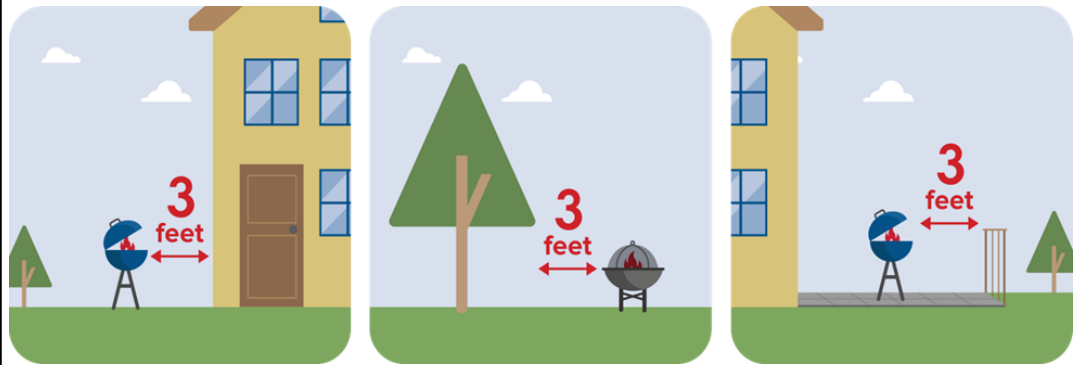
Did you know?

Grill fires cause an estimated \$37 million in property loss each year.

- Almost half of home grill fires happen between 5 and 8 p.m.
- Fifty-seven percent of home grill fires occur during the months of May, June, July and August.
- Patios, terraces, screened-in porches and courtyards are leading home locations for grill fires.
- Seventy-nine percent of all home grill fires involve gas grills.
- "Mechanical failure, malfunction" is the leading factor in the start of grill fires. Leaks or breaks of containers or pipes are often to blame.

Grilling fire safety tips:

- Only use grills outdoors, away from siding and deck railings.
- Clean grills often and remove grease or fat build-up.
- Make sure your gas grill lid is open before lighting.
- Have a 3-foot safe-zone around grills and campfires. Keep kids and pets away from the area.
- Dispose of coals after they have cooled in a metal can.
- Never leave grills, fire pits and patio torches unattended.



Source: www.usfa.fema.gov/statistics/reports/index.shtm

Run Report - March 1st - May 31st

Routine Medicals: 28 (Difficulty Breathing, Possible Heart Attack, Stroke, Etc.)

Public Assists: 1 (Lift Assists with No Injury)

Fire Responses: 8 (Structure Fires, Vehicle Fires, Power Line Issues, Automatic Fire Alarms, Grass & Brush Fires)

Motor Vehicle Accidents: 9 (Passenger Car, Semi Truck, Plane)

Grand Lake Fire Department continued...



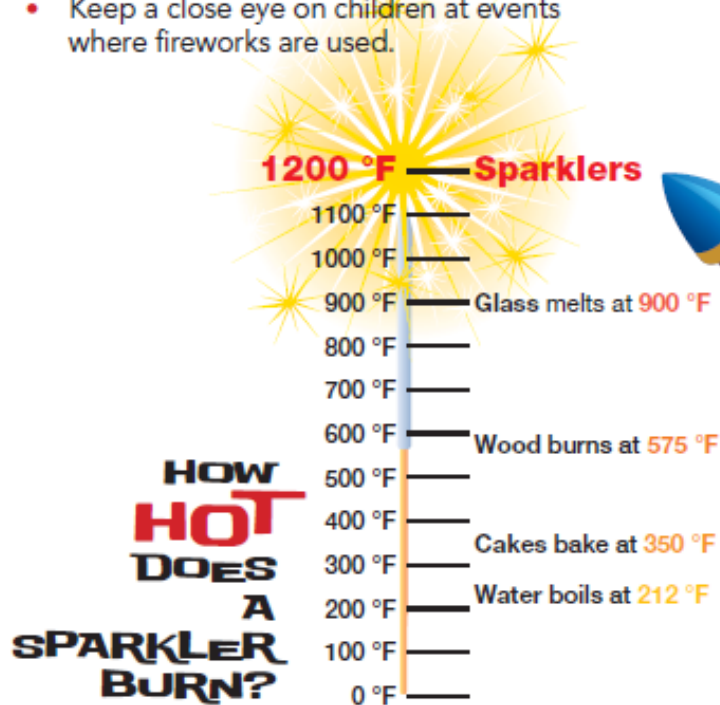
Fireworks are often used to mark special events and holidays. However, they are not safe in the hands of consumers. Fireworks cause thousands of burns and eye injuries each year. People can enjoy fireworks safely if they follow a few simple safety tips:

BE CAREFUL!

- Be safe. If you want to see fireworks, go to a public show put on by experts.
- Do not use consumer fireworks.
- Keep a close eye on children at events where fireworks are used.

CONSUMER FIREWORKS

NFPA is opposed to consumer use of fireworks. This includes sparklers and firecrackers. Even sparklers burn hot enough to cause third-degree burns.



FACTS

- ! Fireworks cause an average of almost 18,500 reported fires per year.
- ! Sparklers account for roughly one-quarter of emergency room fireworks injuries.



NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION
The leading information and knowledge resource on fire, electrical and related hazards

In the Community



Etiquette for Dog Owners

As pet owners, we have a responsibility to manage our pets and ensure good behavior in public. Gentle, pain-free methods are essential to training dogs and helping them bond with their owners. Being gentle, though, doesn't mean allowing or sugar-coating bad manners ("He's so excited to see you!" "She doesn't know her own strength"). Cultivating appropriate behavior in our dogs paves the way for pleasant relations and peaceful coexistence among dog owners and non-owners alike. Read on!

1. Teach appropriate dog-to-dog introductions. It is not appropriate for dogs to "play" with other dogs while on leash. It may be cute when two 10-pound puppies do this; it's not so cute at 60 pounds! Dogs must learn that there is a time for play, and a time to pay attention to you. If both dogs are well-behaved and focused on their owners, you can allow a walk-by so that they can greet appropriately, sniffing each other for five seconds. Allowing your dog to jump all over other dogs can result in injury (to either dog) and a bad reputation in your neighborhood! It also may erroneously teach your dog that all other dogs enjoy this kind of on-leash interaction...and many don't.

2. Always leash your dog. It doesn't matter how friendly Fido is: leash laws exist for a reason. Not everyone is comfortable around dogs, and dog owners must anticipate this and be respectful. Only let your dog approach a stranger if that person asks. The same rule applies to strangers walking their own dogs. If you see another dog and owner approaching, ask first ("Can they say hi?") and honor the other's response. Don't shrug off their objection because "he's such a nice dog": if he or she doesn't want your dog to approach, no more explanation is necessary.

3. Prevent barking. Practice the Attention exercise so as to easily redirect Fido if he barks at people or other dogs. If you know your dog behaves this way, allow her in the yard only when supervised. If she barks at passers-by and other dogs from the car, close your side windows and cover them. Consider using a Calming Cap to reduce her field of vision, and – if there is room – crate her with a chew toy. Allowing her to bark through an open window appears inconsiderate and careless, and can frighten both people and dogs within earshot.

4. Be aware of other peoples' space. Keep your leashed dog close to you and stay alert to others using the path/park/sidewalk, etc. Your leash should be slack but short enough to prevent Fido from contacting or jumping on passers-by. Even if people say, "It's okay," your dog needs to learn to behave appropriately in public. Some people dislike dogs, others are frightened of them, still others may simply prefer well-mannered dogs! A well-trained dog and a considerate handler set a great example of responsible ownership to their communities, and ensure that dogs will continue to be welcome there.

5. Be aware of other peoples' feelings. If your dog does something that upsets someone else (jumping up, running after them, barking at them, etc.), apologize to that person and take measures to prevent the situation from re-occurring. Do this even if your dog's behavior appeared benign in nature. Shrugging it off as an overreaction or a personal slight will not improve your dog's behavior and may negatively impact your reputation in the community.

6. Scoop your poop! No excuses: few things sour dog-to-human relations more than poop left where others can step in it. Bring an excess of bags on each walk to be sure you have enough. If you run out of bags, either come back and clean it up or ask another walker if they have a bag to spare. Cleaning up every time will set a good example for others and promote an image of dog owners as caring, responsible citizens...a good thing all around!

Source: Re-printed with written permission from *Animal Humane Society*. <http://www.animalhumanesociety.org/training/library/etiquette-dog-owners>

In the Community continued...

Volunteers Needed!! - Garden Club

The Township is a nicer place thanks to the volunteering of a group of ladies who grabbed their garden tools and got busy. They planted a garden at the Town property near the fire hall and also at the Township Cemetery. As life goes, they are not as able to maintain the gardens and the Town is asking for volunteers who enjoy gardening to step up and join in the effort to keep the gardens beautiful as they are in much need of some TLC. If you are interested, please contact the Town Treasurer at grandlaketreasurer@hotmail.com or show up at the Town Hall June 19th, 20th, and 21st from 6-9pm to work in the gardens, weather permitting. Please bring your gloves, gardening tools, and a bucket. Hope to see you there!

Thank you in advance to all the volunteers that continue to make our Township beautiful.

Grand Lake Township Recycling Center

Our recycling center is funded by a grant from WLSSD. Currently we accept household glass, aluminum, and plastic containers, along with cardboard and mixed paper.

Details can be found at wlssd.com. This year WLSSD is also planning to add plastic film (i.e. grocery bags) recycling options at the township recycling center. More information to come this summer. Thank you for recycling!



**Grand Lake Township
Recycling Center**

5281 Canosia Road
729-9590

Year Round Hours

Tuesday 7:00am-12:00pm
Wednesday 2:00pm-7:00pm
Saturday 7:00am-3:00pm

Reminder: Button
and rechargeable
batteries can be
recycled at our
facility.

Arrowhead Bookmobile

Mondays - June 4, 25; July 16; Aug 6, 27

Twig - Town Hall/Comm Ctr 9:30-10:00

Pike Lake - Dairy Queen 10:30-11:30

Hermantown BP Station 12:15-12:45

Fredenberg—Community Ctr 1:15-1:45

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Grand News

- **The next issue deadline—August 15, 2018** . Please submit articles, information, upcoming events or advertising anytime prior to the 15th.
- The GRAND NEWS is published quarterly (March, June, September and December) by Grand Lake Township. Contents of the newsletter are solely the opinion and responsibility of the identified contributors and not the responsibility of the Township.
- **Pre-Paid** advertising is available. \$20/issue for a business card size ad and \$50/issue for a 1/4 page ad. Ads will not be placed if pre-payment does not occur. To continue your ad or change current ad copy, please initiate contact with the editor.
- Send information to: grandlakeclerk@hotmail.com or Grand News, P.O. Box 1023, Twig, MN 55799.
- Editor, Amanda Radzak, can be reached at 590-4066 or grandlaketreasurer@hotmail.com.

Town Hall/Community Center Rental

Town Hall / Community Center Rental

For rental or questions, contact Frank DeLuca at 729-7941 or frankbdeluca@yahoo.com.

Visit the Township website at www.grandlaketownship.org

to view the schedule and rates or to download the application and policy PDF files.

PLEASE NOTE: Tables and chairs MUST NOT leave the building. *Thank you*

Holiday Reservation Lottery Policy

Due to the popularity of the Grand Lake Town Hall/Community Center, reservation requests for Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, will be granted via a lottery entry form and requests are accepted six (6) months prior to the requested date. Lottery/Reservation forms must be received between the 1st and 15th day of the submittal month. Potential reservations are chosen in a "random lottery drawing" at a regularly scheduled board meeting.

Thanksgiving Day request forms are to be submitted in May.

Christmas Eve and Christmas Day request forms are to be submitted in June.

- ◆ Along with your entry form you must submit a check for \$25 for the entry fee. Should you be picked for the holiday date requested your \$25 will be applied towards your \$100 refundable deposit. All entry forms and fees that aren't picked will be returned. If you are picked for the holiday date you will be contacted to make arrangements for the deposit. Should you cancel prior to the holiday your deposit will not be refunded. All refundable deposits will be returned following the holiday.
- ◆ Residents of Grand Lake Township only are to be considered for these holidays.
- ◆ One entry per family per holiday

Please mail entry forms to: Grand Lake Clerk, PO Box 1023 Twig, MN 55791

GRAND LAKE TOWNSHIP

LOTTERY ENTRY APPLICATION for TOWN HALL

Date of the Event: _____

Applicant Information

Name of Applicant: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Residency Is the applicant a resident of the Town? ____ Yes ____ No

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Contact Numbers:

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729-8978 www.grandlaketownship.org

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Dewey Johnson, Town Supervisor
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Steve Torgeson, Town Supervisor
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LeeAnn Vanderscheuren, Town Clerk
464-2392 / grandlakeclerk@hotmail.com

Melissa Ringger, Deputy Clerk
grandlakedeputyclerk@hotmail.com

Amanda Radzak, Town Treasurer
590-4066 / grandlaketreasurer@hotmail.com

Contacts for Specific Questions

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Cemetery: Paul Bergquist 729-6462

Fire Wardens: (dnr.state.mn.us/forestry/fire)

Paul & Jane Bergquist 729-6462
Grant & Georgianna Gimpel 729-6561
Dan & Cheryl Larson 729-5411

Township Permits & Zoning

(St. Louis County Planning Dept—
www.stlouiscountymn.gov) 725-5000

Fire Department

Grant Gimpel, Fire Chief 349-9022
Dan Lysher, Asst. Chief 348-3346
Jerry Tanski, Asst. Chief 730-7074

Posting Locations: (*Public/Legal Notices*) Town
Hall/Community Center, Twig Store & Recycling Center

Elections: Coordinated with the National/State Elections
on even-numbered years in August (Primary) & November
(General) at the Town Hall/Comm. Ctr.