

The Holiday Breeze

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This December bears no resemblance, weather-wise, to last December. But that doesn't mean we have less beauty at Lake Bloomington. Some of you have noticed some interesting visitors of late. The Goldeneyes, Buffleheads and Swans have been feeding on shad and other fish when the lake isn't frozen. Of course, we have the usual assortment of year-round residents, from squirrels and Bluejays to a variety of woodpeckers.

But the natural beauty of our special home-Lake Bloomington-is enhanced by the wonderful neighbors living along its shoreline. We look forward to a couple of winter get-togethers at the Green Gables and Lake Road Inn. We also always enjoy having a glass of wine with friends in front of the fireplace. Winter on the lake is special.

We hope you enjoy this time of year, and embrace the winter weather that reveals layers of beauty we don't see during the other seasons. Have a safe but fun Holiday Season. "There's no place like home." (For all our friends who've decamped to warmer places , click into the Lake Bloomington Face Book page to see the winter from a different perspective).

Jeff and Cheryl



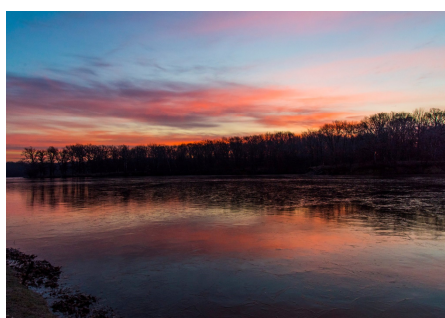
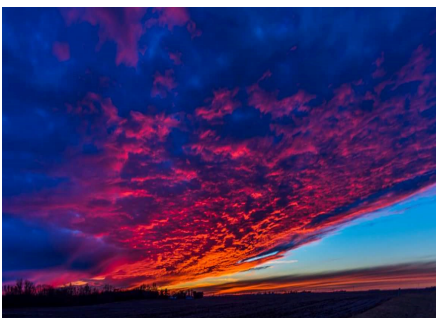
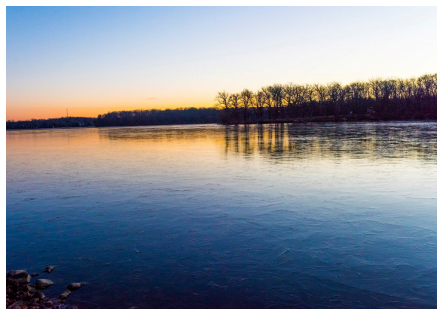
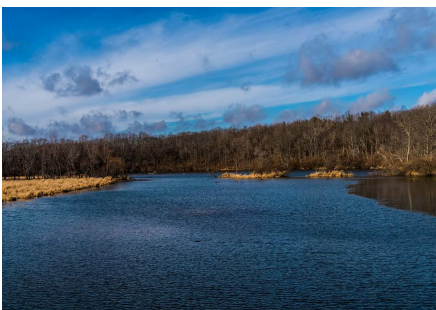
The Lake Bloomington Association is made up of residents and anyone else who enjoys the Lake and works to improve the lake and surrounding community. Anyone can join the LBA -- you don't have to live at the Lake. It's a great way to meet new people who also enjoy Lake Bloomington. If you are interested in joining the LBA, or have questions or comments, please email us at lakebloomingtonassociation@gmail.com.



News and Views Around the Lake



**Happy Birthday
King Jack!**

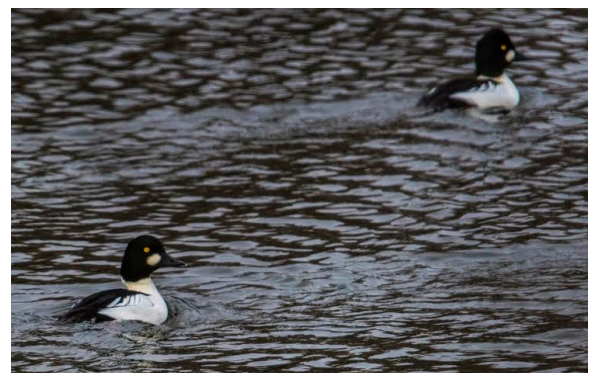
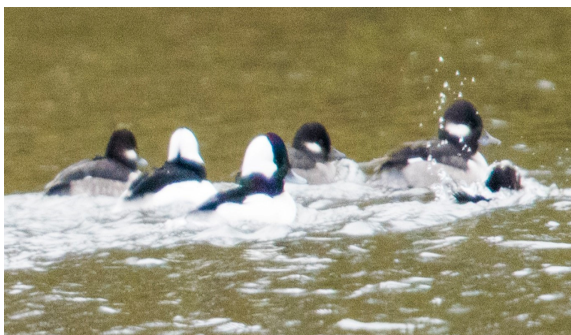


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Just a reminder to the residents of Lake Bloomington that we have our own recycling bin. The bin is located in the parking lot next to the boat ramp. This is a recycling bin, not a trash dumpster. On several occasions there has been random trash put in the bin. While we can't monitor what visitors to the Lake put in the bin, please be sure **we** are including only recyclable items. This recycling is single stream so no sorting is required. We encourage everyone to take advantage of this ecological opportunity.



Nature Near You

Bloomington's water department asked that we post the following info:

A pair of mature Bald Eagles has begun to rebuild their nest just west of the Hickory Creek bridge. This time of year is of critical importance to Bald Eagles with the Eagles preparing to lay their eggs in early January. We respectfully ask that all residents be vigilant in guarding against all human activity – especially snowmobiles and hiking should not occur within a 660 ft. radius of the nest. Too much disturbance will cause the eagles to abandon the nest, as was witnessed last year. Please help us to provide a safe and calm area so that we can all enjoy the Eagles for years to come. To learn more, please visit: <http://www.fws.gov/midwest/eagle/pdf/nest-seasons.pdf>; <http://www.baldeagleinfo.com/eagle/eagle4.html>.



Nature Near You



Lake Bloomington Association Membership Form

www.LakeBloomington.com

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone #'s: _____ Indicate: Home Work, Cell

Lake 911 Address if different from above: _____

Lake Phone: _____ Full Time? Yes No

Email Address(es): _____

Please include your Email address(es) if you want to be informed of LBA events and delivery of the LBA Newsletter. This will NOT be used or distributed for any other purposes.

Comments: _____

Dues: \$ _____

Extra Fireworks Donation: \$ _____

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Please send the above along with your \$ 25.00 Annual Dues to:

*Bill Yowell, Treasurer
P.O. Box 223
Hudson, IL 61748*

Note: Each family or individual in a multi-ownership property should sign up for their own membership if they wish to receive their own Lake Breeze & Directory.

Please make checks payable to: **Lake Bloomington Association**

The \$ 25.00 annual Lake Bloomington Association (LBA) membership dues are used to further the primary objective of the LBA, which is the improvement of Lake Bloomington and the surrounding community. Your dues pay for:

- Lake Breeze Newsletter Subscription
- 4th of July fireworks and festivities
- Lake Bloomington landscaping care and maintenance
- Various service and beautification projects
- Oktoberfest and other social events
- LBA Membership Directory

– Payment of annual dues is requested in January of each year –

Upcoming Events

Winter Social

Green Gables

January 25

Spring Social

Lake Road Inn

March 15



*On behalf of the
Lake Bloomington Association,
we would like to wish all lake residents,
families and friends...*

Happy Holidays!

The Lake Breeze Newsletter will be published on a quarterly basis and sent by email to all registered members of the Lake Bloomington Association. Articles, photos and items of interest for the Lake Breeze should be submitted to lakebreezemail@gmail.com. ———Lake Breeze editors Sandy Schroeder and Julie Smith