

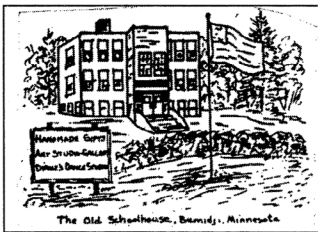
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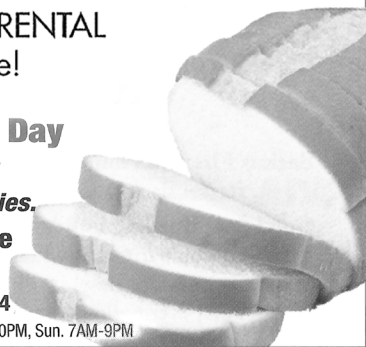
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Local Area Events

JANUARY

Cass Lake Lion's Club Mid-Winter Convention
 Cass Lake Lion's Club Pancake Breakfast
 Back to Hack | Hackensack
 Wellness Festival | Pine River
 Walker City on the Bay Sled Dog Race

FEBRUARY

Cass Lake Lion's Club Pancake Breakfast
 Cass Lake Lion's Club Truck Thru the Ice Project
 Cass Lake Winter Fishing Challenge
 Northern Mississippi Range Chili Feed | Cass Lake
 Pied Pipers Dinner Dance | Cass Lake

FEBRUARY CONTD.

Take A Kid Ice Fishing Weekend | Cass County
 Winter Fishing Walleye Dinner | Cass Lake
 Ice Car Racing | Leech Lake
 Resort, Retail & Restaurant Buyers Show | Leech Lake
 Leech Lake Riders Chili & Soup Feed
 Shingobee Chalet | Leech Lake
 Winter Wine Making | Leech Lake
 Ice Bocce Tournament | Longville
 Ice Golf Tournament | Longville
 MN 150 Sled Dog Races | Remer
 Eelpout Festival | Walker
 Polar Plunge | Walker

Local Area Events

MARCH

Hobo Club Bull Head Feed | Boy River
 Cass Lake Lion's Club Breakfast
 Kid's Perch Derby on Pike Bay | Cass Lake
 Spring Light Goose Opener | Cass Lake
 Home Stretch | Leech Lake
 Irish Beef Stew & Silent Auction | Leech Lake
 Moondance Bonspiel | Leech Lake
 Women's Expo | Leech Lake
 Cabin Fever Bus Tour | Walker
 Sport & Travel Show | Walker

APRIL

Cass Lake Lion's Club Pancake Breakfast
 Spring Shoot-Out | Leech Lake
 Champion's Dinner | Leech Lake
 Wild Game Feed Extravaganza | Leech Lake
 Kid's Easter Egg Hunt | Pine River
 Miss Pine River Scholarship Pageant
 Breakfast with the Easter Bunny | Remer
 White Elephant Sale | Remer
 Walker Lion's Club Home & Garden Show
 Spring Fling Retreat | Walker

MAY

Backus Area Old Timers Weekend
 Fire Department's Smelt Fry | Backus
 Lion's Community Yard Sale | Backus
 Take Your Mother Fishing Weekend | Cass County
 Lions' Club Memorial Day Dinner | Cass Lake
 Cass Lake Lion's Club Pancake Breakfast
 Paul Bunyan Telephone's Coop. Celebration | Cass Lake
 Veteran's Memorial Pow Wow | Cass Lake
 Sportsman Night Out | Leech Lake
 Leech Lake Walleye Tournament
 Memorial Day Program | Pine River
 Pancake Breakfast | Remer
 Memorial Day Service | Walker
 Spring Fling | Walker
 Wine & Culinary Experience | Walker
 Youth Crappie Fishing Tournament | Walker

JUNE

Pine River | Backus Family Day at the Fire Hall
 Take A Kid Fishing Weekend | Cass County
 Cass Lake Lions' Club Pancake Breakfast
 Chippewa Triathlon | Cass Lake
 Moon Dance Country Jam | Cass Lake
 Sweetheart Canoe Derby | Hackensack
 Crazy Days | Leech Lake
 Kinship 9 Hole Golf Tournament | Leech Lake
 Leech Lake Tribal College Golf Fundraiser
 Turtle Races | Longville
 Collector Cars & Motorcycle Show | Longville
 Duck Races | Pine River
 Ride with Jim Oberstar | Pine River
 Relay for Life Walk | Pine River
 Pine River Summerfest
 American Legion Convention | Walker
 Community Garage Sale | Walker
 Father's Day Classic Sale | Walker
 Walker History Walk

JULY

Lion's Fly-In Breakfast | Backus
 Zion Lutheran Corn Feed | Boy River
 Moon Dance Jam | Cass Lake
 Cass Lake Rib Fest
 Sweetheart Days | Hackensack
 Hackensack 4th of July Fireworks
 Leech Lake Art Show & Sale
 Longville Independence Day
 Leech Lake 4th of July Pow Wow
 Summerfest & Mardi Gras | Longville
 Block Party | Pine River
 Cass County Fair | Pine River
 Firemen's Day | Remer
 Crazy Days | Walker
 Dianne Honer Memorial Arts & Crafts Fair | Walker
 Independence Day Celebration | Walker
 Pork Dinner | Walker

Local Area Events

AUGUST

Backus Corn Fest
 Bob Heig Memorial Couples Contest | Cass Lake
 Dragon Boat Festival | Cass Lake
 Cajun Fest | Leech Lake
 Northern MN Indian Golf Classic | Leech Lake
 Leech Lake Regatta
 St. Agnes Auction | Leech Lake
 Taste of Longville
 Pine River Community Garage Sale
 Remer Area Fundraising Golf Tour.
 Harvest Festival | Remer
 Walker Bay Days
 Flea Market, Crafters & Antique Fair | Walker

SEPTEMBER

Boy River Hobo Day
 Take A Kid Fishing Weekend | Cass County
 Fall Has It All | Hackensack
 Natl. Chainsaw Sculpting Invitational | Hackensack
 Boys & Girls Club Day for Kids | Leech Lake
 Leech Lake Labor Day Pow Wow
 Muskie's Inc. International Tourn. | Leech Lake
 "NO CLASS" Car Show | Leech Lake
 North Country Marathon & 10 K | Leech Lake
 Northwoods Quilt Show | Leech Lake
 Taste of Texas | Leech Lake
 Fall Has It All | Longville
 Oktoberfest | Longville
 Broken Wing Rendezvous | Pine River
 Heritage Days & Pine River Quilt Show
 Lake Ada Art Crawl | Pine River
 Pancake Breakfast | Remer
 Priority 55 Fish Fry | Walker

OCTOBER

Deerfield Harvest Supper | Backus
 Cystic Fibrosis Walleye Tournament | Cass Lake
 Treats for Tots | Cass Lake
 Go Pine River Dinner
 Haunted Hallway | Pine River
 Kid's Halloween Party | Pine River
 Lutefisk Dinner | Pine River
 Fall Fest | Remer
 Halloween Dance | Remer

NOVEMBER

Lion's Craft & Bake Sale | Backus
 Walleye & Baby Back Ribs Dinner | Cass Lake
 Festival of Lights | Leech Lake
 Pork Dinner | Pine River
 Turkey Bingo | Remer
 Holiday Gala | Walker
 Hunters Feast | Walker
 Tinsel & Lace Showcase | Walker


DECEMBER

Santa Claus Comes to Town | Boy River
 Cass Lake Building Center Christmas Open House
 Chamber Santa Event | Cass Lake
 Holiday Dinner | Cass Lake
 Cass Lake Lion's Club Breakfast
 Cass Lake Lion's Club Christmas Party
 Walleye & Pork Chop Dinner | Cass Lake
 Reed's Ice Classic Sale | Leech Lake
 Fundraising Concert | Pine River
 Pine River American Legion Arts & Craft Sale
 Kid's Holiday Shopping Day | Pine River
 Parade of Lights | Pine River
 Breakfast with Santa | Remer
 Christmas Tree Lighting | Remer
 Christmas Open House | Walker

Cass County Resident Services

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County Surveyor.....	547-7368
Court Administration.....	547-7200
Environmental Services.....	547-7241
Health, Human & Veteran Services.....	547-1340
Highway Department.....	547-1211
Land.....	547-3338
Law Library.....	547-7250
Natural Resource Conservation Service.....	547-7254
Probation.....	547-7212
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Cass County History (Walker, County Seat)

Cass County was established in 1851 and named in honor of Lewis Cass, a territorial governor, senator, secretary of state and secretary of war. Originally home to Indians, Cass County was settled by fur traders, explorers and missionaries. As a trail from Fort Ripley to Leech Lake was constructed, an influx of settlers arrived to take part in the lumber industry. Lumber camps were established and communities were platted. In 1895 the Northern Minnesota Logging Company built the railroad and tourism was introduced. Walker was voted as the county seat and the area continued to grow. Today Cass County is home to approximately 28,732 residents.

BACKUS – pop. 297

BENA – pop. 100

BOY RIVER – pop. 35

CASS LAKE – pop. 828

CHICKAMAW BEACH – pop. 145

EAST GULL LAKE – pop. 1,027

FEDERAL DAM – pop. 93

HACKENSACK – pop. 283

LAKE SHORE – pop. 1,068

LONGVILLE – pop. 178

MOTLEY – pop. 639

PILLAGER – pop. 492

PINE RIVER – pop. 877

REMER – pop. 357

WALKER (COUNTY SEAT) – pop. 1,289

**Populations are approximate.*

Cass County Communities

BACKUS

Backus was named after lumberman Edward Wellington Backus. Backus established sawmills and lumber camps, creating a need for a settlement in 1890. The community was incorporated in 1902 and the area continued to grow. Today Backus is home to approximately 297 residents.

BENA

Bena's name was derived from the Ojibway word for partridge and grew as a railway village in the 1880s. Located on the Leech Lake Reservation, a post office was established in 1898 with Ernest Fleming serving as first postmaster. Today Bena is home to approximately 100 residents.

BOY RIVER

Boy River grew as a community in the 1880s. By 1910 a post office, railway station, general stores and hotels were established. In 1922 Boy River was incorporated as a village and the community continued to grow. Today Boy River is home to approximately 35 residents.

CASS LAKE

Cass Lake was named in honor of General Lewis Cass and was established in 1898. Populations increased with the arrival of railroads to the area. Once known as Tuller, the community was a popular tourist destination with over ten hotels by 1920. The lumber industry helped make the community become very prosperous and it was one of the largest lumber producers in the county. Cass Lake is the headquarters of the Consolidated Chippewa Indian Agency which governs seven reservations. Today Cass Lake is home to approximately 828 residents.

FEDERAL DAM

Located in Gould Township, Federal Dam grew as the United States constructed a reservoir dam on Leech Lake River. A post office was established in 1910 and the community was incorporated as a village in 1911. Today Federal Dam is home to approximately 93 residents.

HACKENSACK

Named after a city in New Jersey, Hackensack was established in 1888. It was incorporated as a village in 1903 and continued to grow as the railroad arrived. It is the site of legendary Paul Bunyan's girlfriend, Lucette Diana Kensack. Today Hackensack is home to approximately 283 residents.

Cass County Communities

LAKE SHORE

Lake Shore grew as the railroad arrived in 1904. Incorporated in 1947, it has since become a popular tourist destination. Today Lake Shore is home to approximately 1,068 residents.

LONGVILLE

Located in Kego Township, Longville grew as the railroad arrived. A post office was established in 1904 and the community was incorporated as a village in 1941. Today Longville is home to approximately 178 residents.

MOTLEY

Motley was named after the railroad station established by the Northern Pacific Railroad Company in 1874. The community was platted in 1870 and a post office was built in 1873. Officially organized in 1885, Motley was incorporated as a village in 1905 and the community continued to grow. Today Motley is home to approximately 639 residents.

PILLAGER

Located in Sylvan Township, Pillager was first settled as a railway stop in 1886. A post office, hotel, general store and a blacksmith shop were established by 1900 and Pillager was incorporated as a village. Its name is derived from the Ojibwa of the Leech Lake Reservation. Today Pillager is home to approximately 492 residents.

PINE RIVER

Pine River began as a trading center for agricultural and lumber products. A post office was built in 1877 with George A. Barclay serving as the area's first postmaster. Pine River was incorporated in 1901 and housed a grain elevator, creamery and a pickle factory. Today Pine River is home to approximately 877 residents.

REMER

Remer was named in honor of the brothers E.N. and William P. Remer, as William established a post office in 1904. The community began as a railway village and a sawmill and general stores were built. Incorporated in 1912, Remer is located in the Chippewa National Forest which houses the most bald eagles in the continental United States. Today Remer is home to approximately 357 residents.

Cass County Communities

WALKER (COUNTY SEAT)

Walker is named after Thomas Barlow Walker, a prominent lumberman who arrived to the area in 1868. Walker established a settlement and the community was incorporated in 1896. As the railroad arrived in 1899, Walker continued to grow as a resort community. It was selected as the county seat and is located in the legendary Paul Bunyan Playground. Today Walker is home to approximately 1,289 residents.

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Bring your own lunch. You'll avoid using non-recyclable styrofoam to-go containers and unnecessary throw-away packaging.



Start a compost bin in your yard. There are even ones that you can store under your kitchen sink.



Be crafty. Let old items be an inspiration for a craft project and re-purpose old items. Punch holes in tin cans to make candle luminaries or use empty yogurt containers to organize nuts and bolts.



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Contact the MN DNR for specific zone areas:

Online: www.dnr.state.mn.us, Toll Free: 1 (888) 665-4236.

You can purchase hunting and fishing licenses by phone: 1 (888) 665-4236.

HUNTING

RABBIT & SQUIRREL

09/14/13 - 02/28/14

GRAY & RED FOX, BADGER, OPOSSUM & RACCOON

(North) 10/19/13 - 03/13/14

(South) 10/19/13 - 03/15/14

GOOSE

(Spring Light Goose) 03/01/13 - 04/30/13

(Early Canada Goose) 09/01/13 - 09/20/13

CROW

07/15/13 - 10/15/13

BEAR

09/01/13 - 10/13/13

MOURNING DOVE

09/01/13 - 10/30/13

SNIPE & RAIL

09/01/13 - 11/04/13

DEER

(Archery) 09/14/13 - 12/31/13

(Youth) 10/17/13 - 10/20/13

(Camp Ripley Archery) 10/17/13 - 10/18/13

(Firearm 2A & 3A) 11/09/13 - 11/17/13

(Firearm 1A) 11/09/13 - 11/24/13

(Firearm 3B) 11/23/13 - 12/01/13

(Muzzleloader) 11/30/13 - 12/15/13

SHARPTAILED GROUSE

09/14/13 - 11/30/13

HUNTING, CONTD.

GROUSE & GRAY PARTRIDGE

09/14/13 - 01/01/14

MOOSE

(Northeast Zone) 09/28/13 - 10/13/13

TURKEY

09/28/13 - 10/27/13

PHEASANT

10/12/13 - 01/01/14

PRAIRIE CHICKEN

10/19/13 - 10/23/13

FISHER & PINE MARTEN

11/30/13 - 12/05/13

FURBEARER TRAPPING

BEAVER

(North) 10/26/13 - 04/30/14

(South) 11/02/13 - 04/30/14

MINK & MUSKRAT

(North) 10/26/13 - 02/28/14

(South) 11/02/13 - 02/28/14

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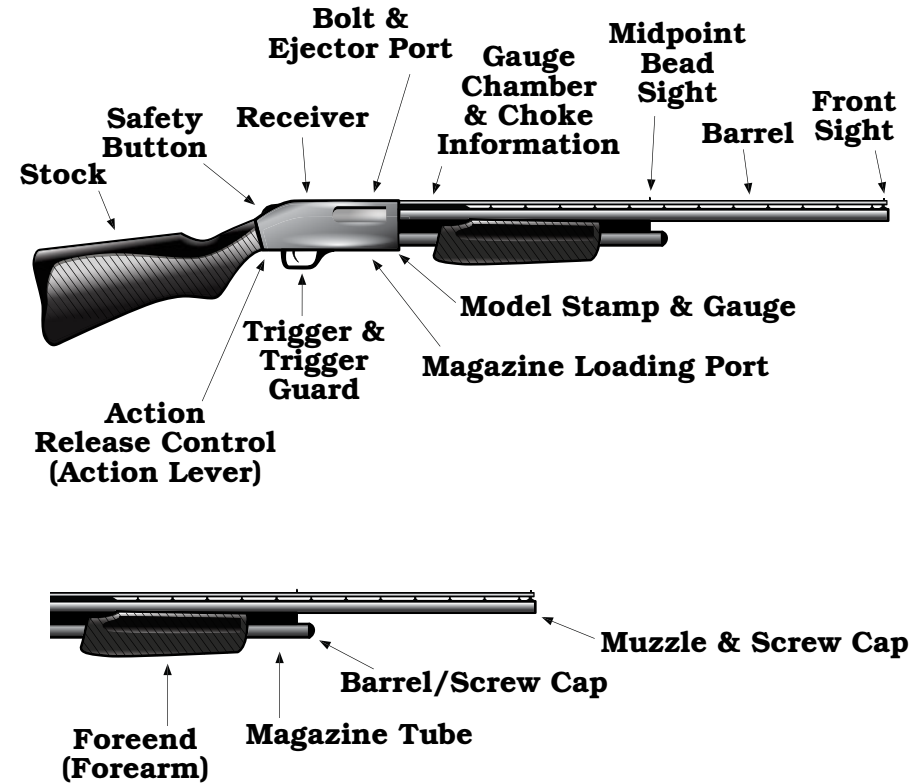
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BOBCAT

11/30/13 - 12/05/13

Hunting Safety



All hunters should consider taking an advanced hunter education class to learn the latest hunting techniques along with tips on coming home alive.

Here are five suggestions for a safe and successful hunting experience:

1. Get a detailed map of the area you are hunting, review it before you leave, and carry it with you in the field.
2. Carry a compass and know how to use it. Decide ahead of time the direction to head for if you get lost or disoriented.
3. Weather can change quickly, so hunters should carry a simple survival kit and be prepared for an unexpected overnight stay in the field. The survival kit should contain a rope, a knife, water, waterproof matches, an emergency shelter, and first aid supplies.
4. If you are on the water, make sure to wear a personal flotation device (life preserver).
5. Know your hunting partners' physical and emotional limitations, as well as your own, and don't push your partners or yourself beyond those limits.

Minnesota State Record Fish

Follow these steps if you catch a fish that you think could be a record:

- Weigh the fish on a state-certified scale (found at most bait shops and butcher shops), witnessed by two observers.
- Take the fish to a DNR fisheries office for positive identification and a state record fish application.
- Complete the state record submission form and send it along with a clear, full-length photo of your fish to the address listed on the form.

SPECIES	WEIGHT (lbs. - oz.)	LENGTH/GIRTH (inches)	WATERBODY	YEAR
Bass, Largemouth	8-15	23.5/18	Auburn Lake	2005
Bass, Rock (tie)	2-0	13.5/12.5	Osakis Lake	1998
	2-0	12.6/12.4	Lake Winnibigoshish	2004
Bass, Smallmouth	8-0	NA	West Battle Lake	1948
Bass, White	4-2.4	18.5/15.1	Mississippi River	2004
Bluegill	2-13	NA	Alice Lake	1948
Bowfin	11-4	35/20	St. Croix River	2008
Buffalo, Bigmouth	41-11	38.5/29.5	Mississippi River	1991
Buffalo, Black	20-5	34.2/20	Minnesota River	1997
Buffalo, Smallmouth	20-0	32/23.75	Big Sandy	2003
Bullhead, Black	3-13.12	17.17/14.96	Reno Lake	1997
Bullhead, Brown	7-1	24.4/NA	Shallow Lake	1974
Bullhead, Yellow	3-10.5	17.88/11.75	Osakis Lake	2002
Burbot	19-3	36.25/22.75	Lake of the Woods	2001
Carp	55-5	42/31	Clearwater Lake	1952
Carp sucker, River	3-15	19.5/14	Mississippi River	1991
Catfish, Channel	38-0	44/NA	Mississippi River	1975
Catfish, Flathead	70-0	NA	St. Croix River	1970
Crappie, Black	5-0	21/NA	Vermillion River	1940
Crappie, White	3-15	18/16	Lake Constance	2002
Drum, Freshwater	35-3.2	36/31	Mississippi River	1999
Eel, American	6-9	36/14	St. Croix River	1997
Gar, Longnose	16-12	53/16.5	St. Croix River	1982
Gar, Shortnose	4-9.6	34.6/10	Mississippi River	1984
Goldeye	2-13.1	20.1/11.5	Root River	2001
Hogsucker, Northern	1-15	14.25/7.13	Sunrise River	1982
Mooneye	1-15	16.5/9.75	Minnesota River	1980

Minnesota State Record Fish

SPECIES	WEIGHT (lbs. - oz.)	LENGTH/GIRTH (inches)	WATERBODY	YEAR
Muskellunge	54-0	56/27.8	Lake Winnibigoshish	1957
Muskellunge, Tiger	34-12	51/22.5	Lake Elmo	1999
Perch, Yellow	3-4	NA	Lake Plantaganette	1945
Pike, Northern	45-12	NA	Basswood Lake	1929
Pumpkinseed	1-5.6	10.1/12.13	Leech Lake	1999
Quillback	7-4.5	22.63/18	Mississippi River	1991
Redhorse, Golden	3-15.5	20.13/12.38	Root River	2007
Redhorse Greater	12-11.5	28.5/18.5	Sauk River	2005
Redhorse, River	12-10	28.38/20	Kettle River	2005
Redhorse, Shorthead	7-15	27/15	Rum River	1983
Redhorse, Silver	9-15	26.6/16.88	Big Fork River	2004
Salmon, Atlantic	12-13	35.5/16.5	Baptism River	1991
Salmon, Chinook	33-4	44.75/25.75	Poplar River	1989
Salmon, Chinook	33-4	42.25/26.13	Lake Superior	1989
Salmon, Coho	10-6.5	27.3/NA	Lake Superior	1970
Salmon, Kokanee	2-15	20/11.5	Caribou Lake	1971
Salmon, Pink	4-8	23.5/13.2	Cascade River	1989
Sauger	6-2.75	23.88/15	Mississippi River	1988
Splake	13-5.44	33.5/19	Larson Lake	2001
Sturgeon, Lake	94-4	70/26.5	Kettle River	1994
Sturgeon, Shovelnose	5-9	36/11.88	Mississippi River	2007
Sucker, Blue	14-3	30.4/20.2	Mississippi River	1987
Sucker, Longnose	3-10.6	21/10.25	Brule River	2005
Sucker, White	9-1	24.25/16.25	Big Fish Lake	1983
Sunfish, Green	1-4.8	10.25/10.63	North Arbor Lake	2005
Sunfish, Hybrid	1-12	11.5/12	Zumbro River	1994
Trout, Brook	6-5.6	24/14.5	Pigeon River	2000
Trout, Brown	16-12	31.4/20.6	Lake Superior	1989
Trout, Lake	43-8	NA	Lake Superior	1955
Trout, Rainbow	16-6	33/19.5	Devil Track River	1980
Trout, Tiger	2-9.12	20/9.63	Mill Creek	1999
Tullibee	5-11.8	20.45/16.4	Little Long Lake	2002
Walleye	17-8	35.8/21.3	Seagull River	1979
Walleye -Sauger Hybrid	9-13.4	27/17.75	Mississippi River	1999
Warmouth	0.41	8/7.25	Bartlet Lake	2010
Whitefish, Lake	12-4.5	28.5/20	Leech Lake	1999
Whitefish, Menominee	2-7.5	21/9.1	Lake Superior	1987

Minnesota Fishing Seasons

BOWFISHING

05/01/13 - 02/23/14

WALLEYE, SAUGER & NORTHERN PIKE

05/11/13 - 02/23/14

LARGEMOUTH BASS*

05/11/13 - 02/23/14

SMALLMOUTH BASS*

(Catch & Release) 09/09/13 - 02/23/14

LAKE TROUT*

(BWCA) 12/29/12 - 03/31/13

(Outside BWCA) 01/12/13 - 03/31/13

05/11/13 - 09/30/14

STREAM TROUT*

(Southeast) 01/01/13 - 03/31/13

(Catch & Release) Spring: 04/01/13 - 04/12/13

Summer: 05/11/13 - 10/31/13

Fall: 09/15/13 - 09/30/13

(All Lakes) 05/11/13 - 10/31/13

Muskie

06/01/13 - 12/01/13

Take-a-kid fishing weekend

06/07/13 - 06/09/13

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Boating Safety

Operating Watercraft

Follow these guidelines to help prevent and prepare for capsizing, swamping, or someone falling overboard.

Make sure that you and your passengers are wearing life jackets while the boat is moving.

Attach the ignition safety lanyard to your wrist, clothes, or life jacket.

Don't allow anyone to sit on the gunwale, bow, seat backs, motor cover, or areas not designed for seating. Also, don't let anyone sit on pedestal seats when craft is not in idle.

Don't overload your boat. Balance the load of passengers and gear stored on-board.

Keep your center of gravity low by not allowing people to stand up or move around while craft is in motion.













In small boats, don't allow anyone to lean beyond the gunwale.

Turn boat at slow rates of speed.

Secure the anchor line to the bow, never to the stern.

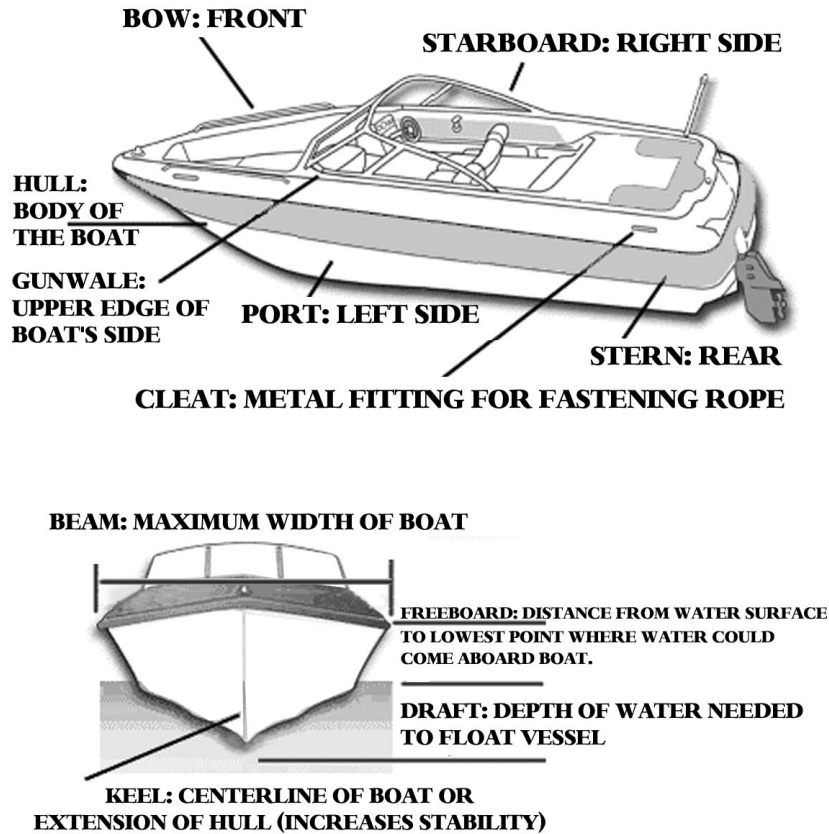
Don't risk operating water craft in rough conditions or bad weather.

Common Fish Species

 Bass	 Crappie	 Smelt
 Catfish	 Muskellunge	 Sunfish
 Carp	 Northern Pike	 Trout
 Cisco-Tullibee-Herring	 Salmon	 Walleye

Boating Safety

Know Your Craft



Who May Operate a Motorboat (Other Than a Personal Watercraft)

For engines 25 horsepower or less:

Those under age 12 may operate without restrictions.

For engines over 25 horsepower through 75 horsepower:

Those under age 12 must have someone 21 years of age or older on board within reach of the controls.

For engines over 75 horsepower:

No children under age 12 may operate, even with an adult on board.

Other restrictions apply to boat operators 12 to 17 years old:

Operators from 12 to 17 years of age may operate engines of 25 horsepower or lower with no restrictions.

For engines over 25 horsepower:

Operators 12 to 17 years of age must have:

A watercraft operator's permit, or someone age 21 years or older on board within reach of the controls.

Boating Safety

Flotation Devices



Offshore Life Jackets - Type 1:

For rough or remote waters where rescue may take awhile. Provide the most buoyancy, excellent for flotation, turns most unconscious persons face up in the water.



Near-Shore Vests - Type 2:

Good for calm waters when quick assistance or rescue is likely. Turns some unconscious wearers face up in the water, but not as efficiently as offshore life jackets.



Flotation Aids - Type 3:

Vests or full-sleeved jackets good for calm waters when quick assistance is likely. Not for rough waters. They will not turn most unconscious persons face up. Used for sports, such as water-skiing. Some inflate in water.



Unwearable / Throwable Devices - Type 4:

Cushions and ring buoys designed to be thrown to someone in trouble. Type 4 is not designed to be worn. Not for rough waters - not for anyone unable to hold on to it.



Special Use - Type 5:

Vests, hybrids/others designed for specific activities, for example windsurfing, kayaking, water-skiing. Some Type 5 devices inflate when entering the water. To be acceptable, Type 5 must be used in compliance with their label instructions.

All watercraft must have at least one Coast Guard Approved Type 1, 2, 3 or 5 flotation device that is the proper size for each person on board or being towed.

All devices must be in good condition and easily accessible.

Children under age 10 must wear a device when on board a boat that is underway unless: in an enclosed cabin or below deck or on an anchored boat that is being used for swimming or diving or passenger craft with a licensed captain.

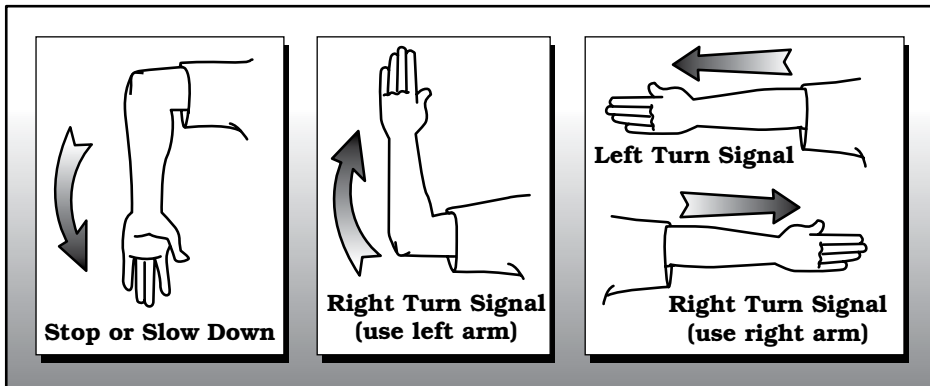
Along with the above at least one approved Type 4 must be on board boats 16 ft. or longer (except canoes and kayaks) and immediately available.

A Coast Guard approved Type 5 device may be substituted for any other Coast Guard approved device if it meets the same requirements and is noted on the label.

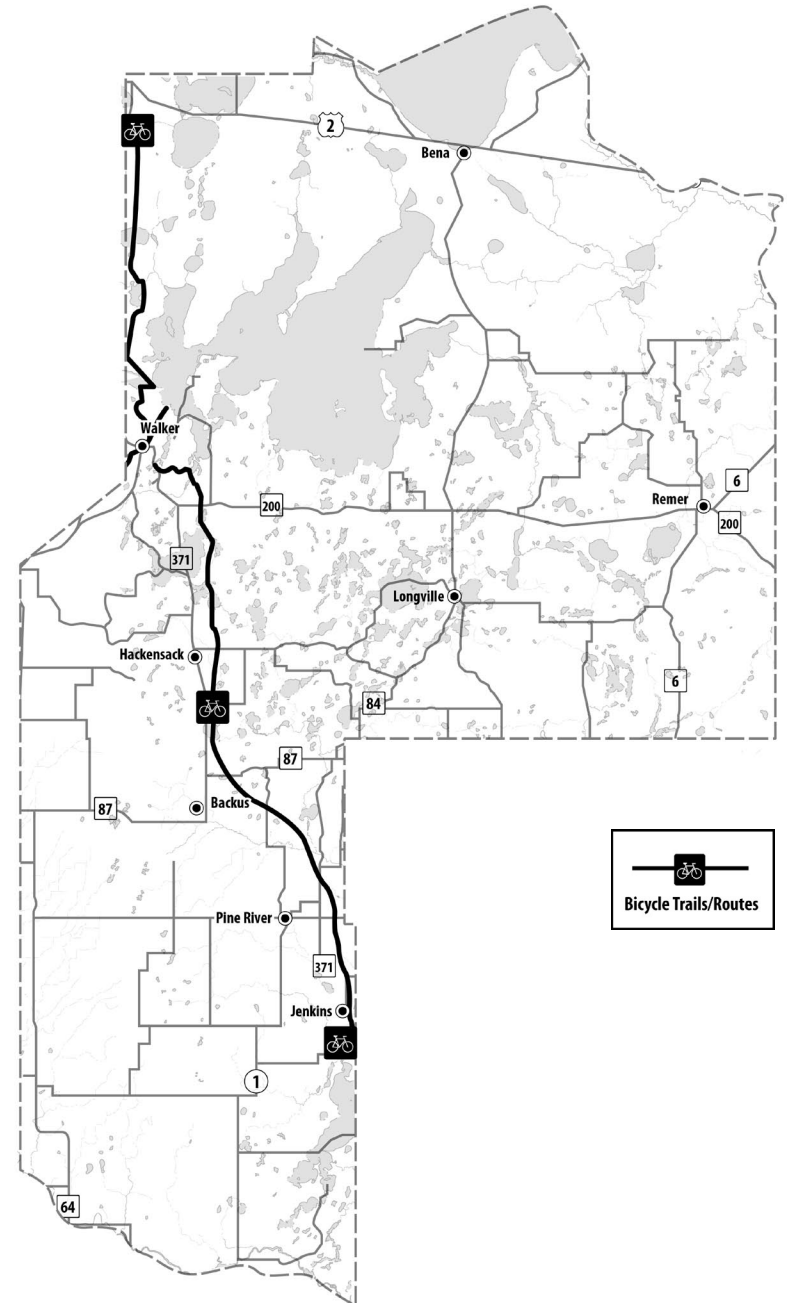
Anyone riding a jet ski or other Personal Water Craft must wear an approved -non inflating flotation device, as well as anyone being towed by a water craft.

Bicycle Safety

- Always wear a properly fitting bike helmet as most serious injuries are to the head.
- Be sure your handlebars, seat and wheels fit snugly.
- Keep your bike in good shape by checking and oiling your chain, making sure your brakes work properly and maintaining your tire pressure.
- Always ride with both hands on the handlebars except when doing turn signals.
- When leaving a driveway, curb or alleyway always stop and check for traffic in both directions.
- Cross only at intersections.
- Use the crosswalk to walk your bike across busy intersections and follow the traffic signals.
- Never ride against traffic. Travel in the same direction as the cars.
- Whenever you can, use bike routes and avoid busy streets.
- Don't ride near parked cars as doors can open and cause accidents.
- Obey all traffic signs and traffic lights.
- When biking with friends, ride in a single file.
- Always pass other bikers or pedestrians on the left and say "On your left!" to make your presence known.
- Always use bicycle hand signals to alert traffic of your changing direction.



Cass County Bicycle Trails

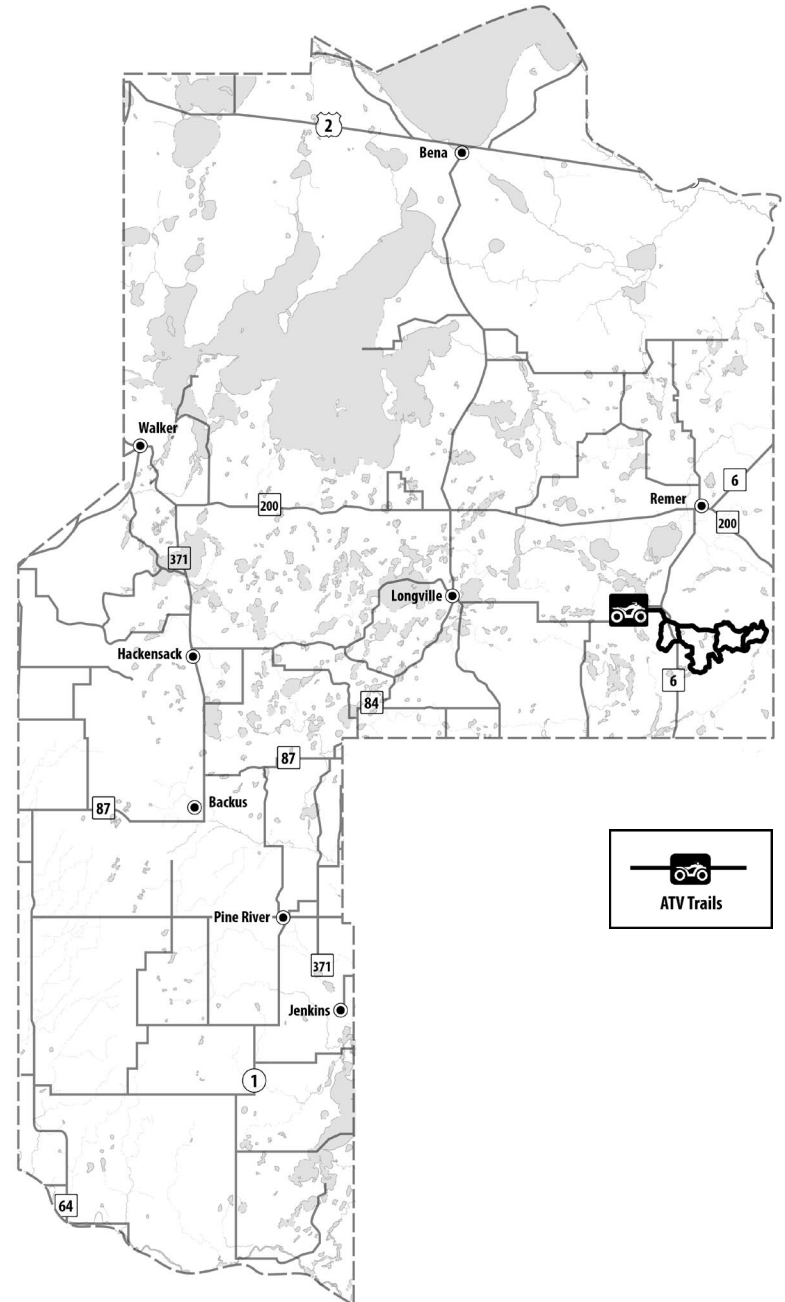


ATV Safety

- Read the owner's manual and know your vehicle thoroughly.
- Check your vehicle before you ride.
- Wear protective equipment and clothing.
- Don't lend your vehicle to unskilled riders.
- Supervise young or inexperienced riders.
- Never carry a passenger on vehicles meant for one rider.
- Do not operate under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
- Drive at speeds that are appropriate to trail conditions.
- Stay to the right on trails.
- Stay away from thin ice, open water and wetlands
- Know the weather forecast.
- Make sure headlights and taillights work properly.
- Maintain safe distances between other riders.
- Reduce your speed when riding at night.
- Yield to other motor vehicles and trail users.
- Young or beginning riders are encouraged to take a safety training course.



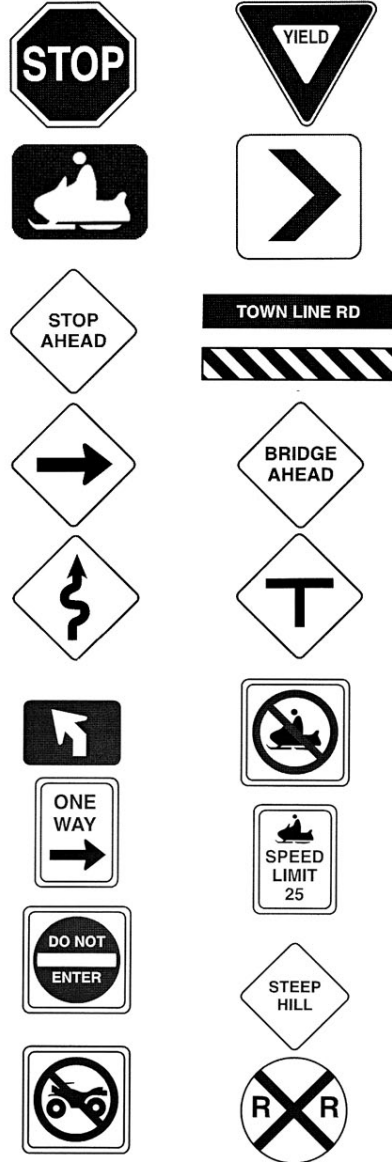
Cass County ATV Trails



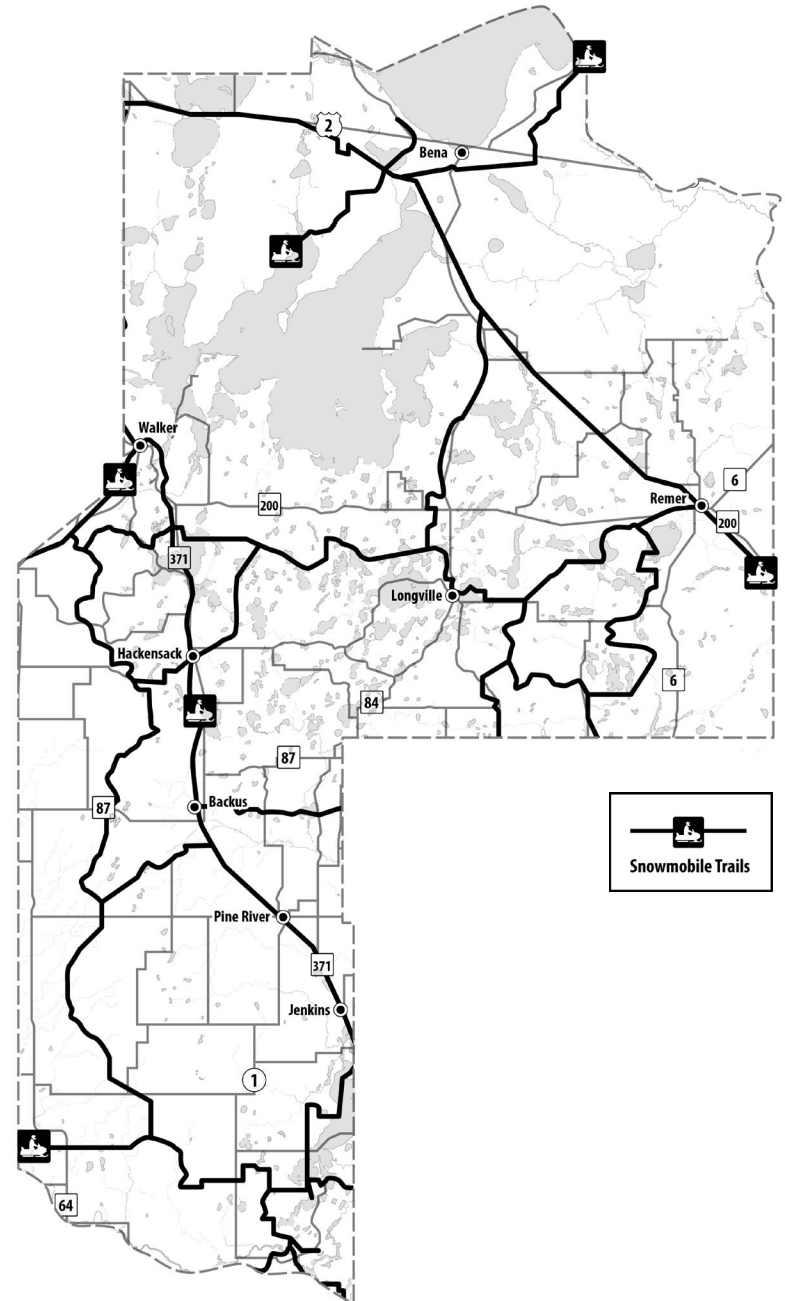
Snowmobile Safety

- Do not consume alcohol or take drugs prior to or during your snowmobile trip. Doing so increases your chances of injury or death.
- Slow down and don't cut to the inside of the trail corners. It's dangerous and illegal.
- If you snowmobile at night, don't override your lights.
- Always use the buddy system. Never ride off alone.
- Drowning is one of the causes of many snowmobile fatalities. Whenever possible, avoid the ice.
- Wear sensible, protective clothing designed for operating a snowmobile.
- Use a full size helmet, goggles, or visor to prevent injuries from twigs, stones, ice chips and other debris.
- Avoid wearing long scarves. They may get caught in moving parts of the snowmobile.
- Know the terrain you are going to ride. If unfamiliar to you, ask someone who has traveled over it before.
- Know the weather forecast, especially the ice and snow conditions.
- Be sure your snowmobile is in top-notch mechanical condition throughout the months of use.
- Familiarize yourself with the snowmobile you are driving. Thoroughly read the manual that accompanies the snowmobile.
- Do not pursue domestic or wild animals. That is not the conduct of a sportsman. Report such violations to the nearest law enforcement officer.

Common Trail Signs



Cass County Snowmobile Trails





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Emergency Planning

ESCAPE ROUTES

Everyone in your family should know the best ways to exit the house in case of a disaster. Teach your young children how to open sliding doors, windows and other exits. Designate a meeting place where the family can gather after escaping from the house.

FLASHLIGHTS

The whole family needs to know where to find flashlights. Periodically check the batteries.

FULLY CHARGED CELL PHONES

All family members should keep their cell phones charged. Make a habit of charging them, while everyone is asleep. Cell phones can be lifesavers in emergencies.

LIST OF VALUABLES

Keep this document listing your possessions (and if possible, a video of your home interior) in a fireproof safe, or in a safe deposit box at a bank.

COMMUNITY EMERGENCY PLANS

Familiarize yourself with community evacuation plans and neighborhood escape routes. Post a copy of them in a highly visible place in your home.



THUNDERSTORM/TORNADO

- Remove dead branches from trees beforehand to avoid injury or damage.
- After seeing lightning, if you hear thunder in less than 30 seconds, it is recommended that you stay inside for 30 minutes after the thunder has ceased.
- The inside of a car is safer than the outside, as a lightning strike will simply pass through the car as long as you aren't in contact with any metal.
- Unplug all major appliances, as a power surge can cause serious damage.
- Avoid all tall structures and elevated areas as well as large amounts of metal.



FIRES

- Make sure that every level of your house has a smoke detector, and be sure to test them once a month. Have the family plan an emergency exit route.
- Always keep track of any stoves or high-temperature/high-voltage appliances that are running. Be sure to never leave any cooking unattended.
- Keep lighters and matches away from children.
- If a burn occurs, soak the skin in cool water. If the skin blisters, seek medical assistance.

⊕ *Emergency First-Aid Tips* ⊕

FIRST AID FOR BURNS & CHOKING

BURNS

For minor 1st and 2nd degree burns smaller than 3" in diameter: Cool the Burn. Run cool water over the burned area for 5 minutes, or until the pain diminishes. Never put ice on a burn!

Bandage the burn with sterile gauze:

It is important to use loosely wrapped gauze. This will avoid pressure and the bandage protects blisters. NEVER put lotions, vaseline, ointments or butter on burn. Do not break any blisters, which can cause infection.

Take Aspirin, Ibuprofen, Naproxen or Acetaminophen to relieve pain:

Minor burns usually heal with these basic treatments. Be aware for signs of infection which may include: increased pain, redness, fever, swelling or oozing. If symptoms develop, seek medical help. Avoid tanning the burned area for at least a year. Protect the area with sunscreen outdoors. Avoid giving aspirin to children.

For 3rd degree burns/all major burns - DIAL 911

DO NOT run cold water over large severe burns - this can cause shock.

DO NOT remove burnt clothing.

Check for signs of breathing/coughing/movement.

If there are no signs of breathing begin CPR.

Elevate burned areas above heart level, if possible.

Cover the burn(s) with cool, sterile, moist bandages, towels or cloth.

CHOKING

Most people clutch at their throats when choking, an obvious symbol for help. However, if a person isn't giving that signal, be alert for these indications. Inability to talk, difficulty breathing or noisy breathing, inability to cough forcefully, skin/lips/nails turning blue, loss of consciousness.

The Red Cross recommends a "five-and-five" method for first aid: First give five blows between the person's shoulders with the heel of your hand. Second, perform the Heimlich maneuver (abdominal thrusts) five times. Alternate between five back blows and five abdominal thrusts until the blockage is dislodged.

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FIRST AID FOR INSECT BITES/ANAPHYLAXIS & POISON SAFETY

INSECT BITES/ANAPHYLAXIS

Anaphylaxis is a severe allergic reaction from insect bites (latex, food and drug allergies can also cause Anaphylaxis). Typical symptoms include hives, the swelling of lips or eyes, swollen throat, drop in blood pressure, light headedness, confusion, nausea or diarrhea. If someone is having an allergic reaction from an insect bite with these symptoms:

CALL 911.

Administer emergency prescription medication. See if the person is carrying special emergency allergy medicine and give it to them according to the directions.

Loosen tight clothing.

Lay the person down. The person should lay down on their back with feet elevated. Turn them on their side if they are vomiting or bleeding from their mouth to prevent them from choking.

If they are not breathing - administer CPR. Most insect bite reactions are mild and cause no allergic reaction. If stung by a bee, use a straight edged object, like a credit card, to scrape away the stinger. Don't use tweezers - they can pinch more venom out of the stinger. Apply an ice pack to the area and take an over the counter pain reliever.

POISON PREVENTION

Teach your children about poison and how it can look like a food or drink. They should always ask an adult before eating or drinking anything. Have them learn the poison control phone number: 1-800-222-1222 and keep it programmed or posted near all your phones. Here are some prevention tips.

Lock up your poisons and medications. Keep them out of the reach of children, lock them up if possible. Make sure your children understand that medicine is not candy.

Follow directions carefully. Read your labels. Be sure to use and store all poisons and medications properly according to recommendations.

Keep your pets safe from household chemicals, too. Don't allow pets near areas that have just been cleaned with chemicals, such as freshly mopped floors or bleached bathtubs and sinks. Clean up any antifreeze/coolant spills. Pets like the flavor but they can die if they ingest it. Store poisonous foods or plants in areas that your pets cannot access. Call your local emergency veterinary hospital if you believe your pet has been poisoned.

IN AN EMERGENCY, DIAL 911

Safety Tips for Parents & For Kids

PARENTS:

Teach your kids that an emergency is when you need help from a doctor, a police officer or a firefighter.

Designate a safe place by your house that a child can go to if they need help right away.

Have your kids memorize your address and phone numbers. They should also know your full name and where you work.

KIDS:

FIRE SAFETY

If you or someone else is on fire - remember to STOP, DROP and ROLL. Wrap a blanket on the person to help put out the fire.

If there is a fire, leave the house as fast as you can! Crawl on the floor to avoid smoke and if the door is hot, don't open it - find another way out.

Learn all the fire exits in your house. Assign a safe place outside for everyone to meet in case of a fire emergency.

HOME ALONE

Never tell anyone that you are home alone.

If someone calls and ask for your mom and dad, tell them "They cannot come to the phone right now, can you please call back later?"

Do not answer the door, unless it is someone that you know your parents have okay'd them to come over.



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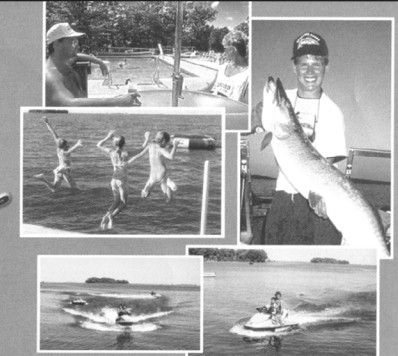
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