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# Local Area Events

### **JANUARY**

Annual Lutefisk Dinner | Alexandria

### **FEBRUARY**

Sertona Ice Fishing Challenge | Alexandria

### **MARCH**

Osakis Ice Tee Golf Tournament

### **APRIL**

Miles for Meals Walk | Osakis Garfield Fish Fry

### MAY

Awake the Lakes Festival | Alexandria Heritage Fest | Alexandria Memorial Day Parade | Osakis

### <u>June</u>

Browerville Heritage Days Clarissa Summer Fest Osakis Festival Runestone Days | Kensington Prairie Days Heritage Festival | Long Prairie Vikingland Band Festival | Alexandria

### JULY

Bertha Bear Country Days
Hewitt Days
Minnesota Senior Games | Alexandria
Alexandria Circus
Star Storm Fireworks Display | Alexandria
Hockey Fest | Alexandria
MN Chain of Lakes Boat Show | Alexandria
Miltona Tornado Days
Relay for Life | Alexandria
Art in the Park | Alexandria
Eagle Bend Summer Festival
Great Alexandria Bike Race

### JULY, CONTD.

Tour of Gardens | Alexandria GEM Fest | Grey Eagle State Trapshooting Tournament | Alexandria

### **AUGUST**

Todd County Fair | Long Prairie
Douglas County Fair | Alexandria
Boats, Blues & BBQ | Alexandria
Downtown Crazy Days | Alexandria
Garfield Day
Parkers Prairie Fall Festival
Forada Days
Mid-Summer Fest | Brandon
Festival of the Lakes | Alexandria

### **SEPTEMBER**

Minnesota Food & Wine Festival | Alexandria Alexandria Fall Arts & Crafts Show Lake Hospice Motorcycle Ride | Alexandria Humane Society 5K & 10K | Alexandria Scandinavian Fall Bazaar | Garfield Fall in Love with Downtown | Alexandria

### **OCTOBER**

Fall Apple Festival | Alexandria Applefest & Catapult Contest | Alexandria Clarissa Haunted House Long Prairie Halloween Parade

### **NOVEMBER**

Christmas in the Fort | Alexandria Clarissa Christmas Tree Lighting

### **DECEMBER**

Holiday Extravaganza | Osakis Santa Days | Garfield Eagle Bend Santa Claus Day Christmas Open House | Alexandria

# Residential Services

<b>TODD</b>	COU	NTY
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1000 to 01111	
Administrator	(320)732-6447
Assessor	732-4431
Attorney	732-6039
Auditor & Treasurer	
Community Corrections	732-6165
Court Administration	
Emergency Management	
Environmental & Land Resources	
Extension Office	732-4435
GIS & Land Services	732-4248
Public Works	732-2722
Public Health	732-4440
Recorder	732-4428
Sheriff	
Social Services	
Soil & Water	
Solid Waste	
Veteran Services	732-4419

### **DOUGLAS COUNTY**

DOUGLAS COUNTY	
Administrator	
Assessor	762-3884
Attorney	762-3856
Auditor & Treasurer	762-3077
Community Corrections	762-3889
Court Administration	762-3033
Emergency Management	762-8151
Environmental & Land Resources	762-3863
Extension Office	762-3890
GIS & Land Services	762-2999
Public Works	762-2999
Public Health	
Recorder	
Sheriff	762-8151
Social Services	762-2302
Soil & Water	
Solid Waste	763-9340
Veteran Services	762-3883



# Todd County History (Long Prairie, County Seat)

Once home to Dakota, Ojibwe and Winnebago Indians, Todd County was settled in the 1840s. It was established in 1856 and organized in 1867. Todd County was named in honor of John Blair Smith Todd who was a general at Fort Ripley and territorial governor. Settlers were attracted to the ample timber and fertile prairie soil and construction of the railroad promoted development. Long Prairie was selected as the county seat and the first courthouse was built in 1883. By 1900 its population had reached 22,214 and the area continued to thrive. Today Todd County is home to approximately 23,869 residents and over 27,000 acres of lakes.

BERTHA – pop. 426 BROWERVILLE – pop. 691 BURTRUM – pop. 132 CLARISSA – pop. 592 EAGLE BEND – pop. 567 GREY EAGLE – pop. 326 HEWITT – pop. 259
LONG PRAIRIE (COUNTY SEAT) – pop. 2,809
OSAKIS – pop. 1,572
STAPLES – pop. 3,019
WEST UNION – pop. 89
\*Populations are approximate.

# **Todd County Communities**

### **BERTHA**

Bertha was organized in 1878 and a post office was established in 1880 by John C. Ristau. The community was named in honor of Mr. Ristau's wife, Bertha, who was one of the first female settlers in the area. Construction of the railroad sparked growth and streets were platted by Francis and Louis Riggs in 1891. Bertha was incorporated in 1897 and has continued to thrive. Today Bertha is home to approximately 426 residents.

### **BROWERVILLE**

Browerville was first recognized as Hartford as the area was settled in 1865. It was renamed in honor of land owner and surveyor, Jacob Vradenberg Brower, who platted streets in 1882. Browerville was incorporated in 1884 and churches and schools were constructed to meet the growing needs of the community. Today Browerville is home to approximately 691 residents.

### **BURTRUM**

Located in Burnhamville Township, Burtrum was settled in the 1880s and first recognized as Hansen. The development of the railroad attracted new residents and streets were platted in 1884. A post office was established in 1888 and the community was incorporated in 1894 as it began to grow and develop. Today Burtrum is home to approximately 132 residents.

### **CLARISSA**

The land Clarissa was founded upon was donated by Lewis Bischoffsheim and his wife Clarissa in 1877. Streets were platted by George G. Howe in 1879 and Mr. Howe named the community in honor of Mrs. Bischoffsheim. A post office was established in 1880 and as railroad lines were constructed, Clarissa began to thrive. Today Clarissa is home to approximately 592 residents.

### **EAGLE BEND**

Eagle Bend was founded in 1883 and named after the bend of nearby Eagle Creek. The community was platted on land belonging to Benjamin F. Abbott. Mr. Abbott played an integral role with the development of the community and assisted with the establishment of a post office. Eagle Bend was incorporated in 1890 and businesses were organized to meet the growing needs of the community. Today Eagle Bend is home to approximately 567 residents.

# **Todd County Communities**

### **GREY EAGLE**

Grey Eagle was first settled by the Huffman brothers in 1873 and the community was named after an eagle shot in the area in 1868. James Huffman served as Grey Eagle's first postmaster in 1877 and Joseph Huffman established the first hotel. Streets were platted in 1882 and the community was incorporated in 1898. Construction of the railroad allowed for development as its proximity to the nearby lakes attracted residents. Today Grey Eagle is home to approximately 326 residents.

### **HEWITT**

Located in Stowe Prairie Township, Hewitt was named in honor of local farmer Henry Hewitt who was one of its earliest settlers. Mr. Hewitt donated land for the community and George Hildreth served as the first postmaster in 1880. Streets were platted in 1891 and Hewitt was incorporated in 1899. As rail lines were established Hewitt continued to grow. Today Hewitt is home to approximately 259 residents.

### **LONG PRAIRIE (COUNTY SEAT)**

Long Prairie was settled in the 1850s and was once home to a Winnebago Indian reservation. Ample natural resources and access to water attracted many settlers. It was named after nearby Long Prairie River and streets were then platted in 1867. David Olmsted served as the area's first postmaster and was highly influential in the development in Todd County. Long Prairie was selected as the county seat and by 1870 its population had reached 3,000. Businesses were established and the community was incorporated in 1883. Today Long Prairie is home to approximately 2,809 residents.

### **STAPLES**

In the late 1800s the Dower and Staples families, who were prominent in the lumber industry, settled in present day Staples. The local lake was named after the Dower family and the community was named after the Staples family. As the area began to develop, schools, churches, stores, mills and blacksmith shops were built and the area continued to grow. Today Staples is home to approximately 3,019 residents.

### **WEST UNION**

West Union was settled in the 1860s and named after West Union, lowa, where many settlers originated. A post office was established in 1860 and the community was organized in 1867. Streets were platted in 1881 on land owned by Joel Myers and the development of the railroad allowed for growth. Today West Union is home to approximately 89 residents.



# Douglas County History (Alexandria, County Seat)

Once home to Dakota and Ojibwe Indians, Douglas County was settled and established in 1858. The area was organized in 1866 and named in honor of Supreme Court Judge and Senator Stephen A. Douglas. Settlers were attracted to the ample natural resources and construction of a military road and the railroad prompted development. Alexandria was selected as the county seat and the first courthouse was built in 1876. By 1900 its population had reached 17,964 and the area continued to thrive. Today Douglas County is home to approximately 36,390 residents and home to over 250 lakes.

**ALEXANDRIA (COUNTY SEAT)** – pop. 11,237

BRANDON – pop. 439

**CARLOS** – *pop. 421* 

**EVANSVILLE** – *pop. 568* 

**FORADA** – *pop.* 193

GARFIELD – pop. 242

KENSINGTON – pop. 267

MILLERVILLE – pop. 111

**MILTONA** – *pop. 370* 

**NELSON** – *pop.* 164

**OSAKIS** – *pop.* 1,572

\*Populations are approximate.

# **Douglas County Communities**

### **ALEXANDRIA (COUNTY SEAT)**

Alexandria was settled in 1858 and named in honor of early settler Alexander Kinkead. Mr. Kinkead served as the area's first postmaster and as a road was constructed in 1859, Alexandria grew dramatically. Streets were platted in 1866 and the community was incorporated in 1877. Alexandria was selected as the county seat and as the railroad was built in 1878, the area continued to develop. The community became popular for summer travelers due to its proximity to a variety of lakes and has continued to thrive. Today Alexandria is home to approximately 11,237 residents.

### **BRANDON**

Brandon was first settled in 1860 and a post office was established in 1861. Streets were platted by Lt. George A. Freudenrich in 1879 and the community was named after Brandon, Vermont, birthplace of settler Stephen Douglas. Brandon was incorporated in 1881 and as rail lines were constructed, the area began to grow and businesses began to thrive. Today Brandon is home to approximately 439 residents.

### **CARLOS**

Settled in 1863, Carlos was named after nearby Carlos Lake. Settlers were attracted to the ample natural resources and access to water. Businesses and a school were established to meet the growing needs of the community and the development of the railroad added to its growth. Carlos was incorporated in 1904 and the area has continued to flourish. Today Carlos is home to approximately 421 residents.

### **EVANSVILLE**

Evansville was settled in 1858 and named in honor of Evan Evanson who was one of the first postmasters in the area. Streets were platted in 1872 by Jacob Shanar and the railroad arrived in 1879. Evansville was incorporated in 1881 and the first newspaper was published the following year. Businesses, churches and a school were founded and the community began to grow. Today Evansville is home to approximately 568 residents.

### **FORADA**

The name Forada was derived from the first name of early settler Ada Campbell and streets were platted by Cyrus A. Campbell in 1903. Residents were attracted to nearby Maple Lake and a post office was established in 1904. Forada was incorporated in 1905 and construction of the railroad allowed for growth. Today Forada is home to approximately 193 residents.

# **Douglas County Communities**

### GARFIELD

Garfield was settled in the 1880s as the rail lines were built and the community was named in honor of President James A. Garfield. Streets were platted in 1882 and Torgels Knutson served as the first mayor. Garfield was incorporated in 1905 and the area continued to develop. A fire nearly destroyed the community in 1928, but residents quickly rebuilt. Today Garfield is home to approximately 242 residents.

### KENSINGTON

Located in Solem Township, Kensington was named after Kensington, England, where several settlers originated. Streets were platted by William D. Washburn in 1887 and the first post office was founded. Kensington was incorporated in 1891 and the community continued to grow. The Kensington Runestone, a 200 pound controversial grey rock, was discovered in the area in 1898 which was believed to bear Scandinavian markings. Today Kensington is home to approximately 267 residents.

### **MILLERVILLE**

Millerville was settled in the 1860s as fertile soil and ample natural resources attracted residents. The community was named in honor of John Miller, an influential pioneer and a post office was established in 1869. Millerville was incorporated in 1903 and early industry was dominated by agriculture. Today Millerville is home to approximately 111 residents.

### **MILTONA**

Miltona was named in honor of Florence Miltona Roadruck, wife of one of the area's earliest settlers. The community began as a railway station and then relocated to land belonging to John Hintzen. Mr. Hintzen was influential in the platting and organization of Miltona and the community began to thrive. In 1970 a tornado almost destroyed Miltona, but residents quickly rebuilt and now celebrate Tornado Days annually. Today Miltona is home to approximately 370 residents.

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# **Douglas County Communities**

### **NELSON**

Located in Alexandria Township, Nelson was first called Dent. The community was founded in 1875 and renamed Nelson in honor of Senator Knute Nelson in 1881. A post office was established and businesses soon followed. Early industry was dominated by agriculture and the community continued to grow. Today Nelson is home to approximately 164 residents.

### **OSAKIS**

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Osakis was first settled by the Mary Gordon family in 1857. Mrs. Gordon established an inn which became a popular stopping place for travelers. The area began to grow and mills were constructed, attracting new residents. As the railroad arrived in 1878, Osakis continued to develop and the area was a popular trade center for agricultural products. Today Osakis is home to approximately 1,572 residents.

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# Parks & Recreation

### ATHLETIC COMPLEX

Browerville | (320) 594-2201

The Athletic Complex near the Browerville Public School features an outdoor swimming pool, playground equipment, tennis courts, ball fields, running track and picnic areas.

### **BASS LAKE PARK**

Grey Eagle | (320) 285-2464

Bass Lake Park features a fishing pier, boat launch, swimming beach and picnic areas.

### **BATTLE POINT COUNTY PARK**

Osakis | (320) 859-3777 Located near Lake Osakis, Battle Point County Park features a boat launch, nature trails and picnic areas.

### **BIG BIRCH LAKE PARK**

Grey Eagle | (320) 285-2464

Big Birch Lake Park features a fishing pier,

swimming beach with bath house and picnic areas.

### **CHIPPEWA PARK**

Brandon | (320) 762-2966

Chippewa Park features a campground, boat launch, fishing pier, swimming beach, playground equipment, nature trails, horseshoe pit, and picnic areas with grills.

### **CHRIST THE KING PARK**

Browerville | (320) 594-2201

Christ the King Park features playground equipment and picnic areas.

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# Parks & Recreation

### **CURTIS A. FELT MEMORIAL PARK**

Alexandria | (320) 762-2966

Curtis A. Felt Park features a historic display, playground equipment, ball diamond, sand volleyball court, nature trails and picnic areas with grills.

### **DOWER LAKE RECREATION AREA**

Staples | (218) 894-2553

Dower Lake Recreation Area features a campground, fishing pier, swimming beach, basketball court, sand volleyball courts, ball diamonds, nature trails, horseshoe pits, disc golf course and picnic areas.

### **HEWITT CITY PARK**

Hewitt | (218) 924-4343

Hewitt City Park features a swimming beach and picnic areas.

### **KENSINGTON RUNESTONE PARK**

Kensington | (320) 762-2966

Kensington Runestone Park features a historic display, playground equipment, horseshoe pit, sand volleyball court, nature trails and picnic areas with grills.

### **LAKE BROPHY PARK**

Garfield | (320) 762-2966

Lake Brophy Park features a fishing dock, swimming beach, historic display, playground equipment, nature trails and picnic areas with grills.

### LAKE CARLOS STATE PARK

Carlos | (320) 852-7200

Lake Carlos State Park features a campground, boat launch, swimming beach and picnic areas.

### LAKE CHARLOTTE PARK

Long Prairie | (320) 732-2167

Lake Charlotte Park features a fishing pier, boat launch, swimming beach, playground equipment, basketball court, tennis court, sand volleyball court, ball diamond and picnic areas.

### LAKE LE HOMME DIEU BEACH

Alexandria | (320) 762-2966

Lake Le Homme Dieu Beach features a fishing pier, swimming beach, sand volleyball court, nature trails and picnic areas.

### **LION'S CENTENNIAL PARK**

Grey Eagle | (320) 285-2464

Lion's Centennial Park features tennis courts, sand volleyball courts, ball diamond and picnic areas.

### LION'S PARK

Eagle Bend | (218) 738-5982

Lion's Park features playground equipment, tennis court, ball diamond and picnic areas.

### LIVING LEGACY GARDENS

Staples | (218) 894-5161

The Living Legacy Gardens feature perennials, shade-loving plants, wildflowers, native plants, herbs and picnic areas.

# Parks & Recreation

### **LOCKE PARK**

Long Prairie | (320) 732-2167

Locke Park features playground equipment and picnic areas.

### **NELSON PARK**

Eagle Bend | (218) 738-5982

Nelson Park features a basketball court, sand volleyball court, roller blading area, nature trails and picnic areas.

### **NORTH PARK**

Browerville | (320) 594-2201

Located near Eagle Creek, North Park features fishing opportunities and picnic areas.

### **OSAKIS PUBLIC BEACH**

Osakis | (320) 859-3777

Osakis Public Beach features fishing pier, swimming beach with bath house and picnic areas.

### **PINE GROVE PARK**

Staples | (218) 894-2553

Pine Grove Park features playground equipment, ball diamond, horseshoe pits, nature trails and picnic areas.

### **SOLDIER'S FIELD**

Long Prairie | (320) 732-2167 Soldier's Field features a ball diamond and picnic areas.

### **SOUTH PARK**

Browerville | (320) 594-2201

South Park features playground equipment, picnic areas and an ice skating rink during winter months.

### **SPRUCE HILL PARK**

Miltona | (320) 762-2966

Spruce Hill Park features a fishing pier, swimming beach, ball diamond, nature trails and picnic areas with grills.

### **VETERANS PARK**

Staples | (218) 894-2553

Currently under development, Veterans Park will feature a historic display and picnic areas.

### **WATER TOWER HILL**

Long Prairie | (320) 732-2167

Water Tower Hill features picnic areas and sledding during winter months.

### **WAYSIDE REST & PARK**

Eagle Bend | (218) 738-5982

Wayside Rest and Park features picnic areas with grills.

### WESTSIDE PARK

Long Prairie | (320) 732-2167

Westside Park features playground equipment, ball diamond and picnic areas.



# Local Area Attractions

### ALEXANDRIA AREA ARTS ASSOCIATION

618 Broadway St. | Alexandria | (320) 762-8300

### **ALEXANDRIA BEETLES BASEBALL**

121 W 5th Ave. | Alexandria | (320) 763-8151

### **ALEXANDRIA FESTIVAL OF THE LAKES**

610 Fillmore St. #6 | Alexandria | (320) 762-5666

### **ANDES TOWER HILLS SKI AREA**

4505 Andes Rd. SW | Kensington | (877) 542-6337

### **ANTIQUES OSAKIS**

26 W Main St. | Osakis | (320) 859-3200

### ARROWWOOD RESORT & INDOOR WATERPARK

2100 Arrowwood Ln. NW | Alexandria | (866) 386-5263

### **BLIZZARD HOCKEY**

802 3rd Ave. W | Alexandria | (320) 763-7600

### **CARLOS CREEK WINERY**

6693 Co. Rd. 34 NW | Alexandria | (320) 846-5443

### **CASEY'S AMUSEMENT PARK**

1305 Nokomis St. NE | Alexandria | (320) 763-7576

### **CHRISTIE HOME MUSEUM**

42 3rd St. N | Long Prairie | (320) 732-2514

### **CROOKED WILLOW**

11181 Hwy. 27 E | Osakis | (320) 859-3624

### **DOUBLE EAGLE GOLF COURSE**

31886 Co. Rd. 3 | Eagle Bend | (218) 738-5155

### DOUGLAS COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

1219 Nokomis St. | Alexandria | (320) 762-0382

### **EAGLE MOUNTAIN TRAIL & TUBING**

33861 Breezy Dr. | Burtrum | (320) 573-2222

# Local Area Attractions

### **ERICKSON'S PETTING ZOO**

11890 Hope Rd. SE | Osakis | (320) 762-0184

### **EVANSVILLE ART CENTER**

111 Main St. | Evansville | (218) 948-2787

### **FORT ALEXANDRIA**

206 Broadway St. | Alexandria | (320) 763-3160

### **GENEVA GOLF CLUB**

4181 Geneva Golf Club Dr. | Alexandria | (320) 762-7089

### **HOT AIR BALLOON RIDES**

Hwy. 11 S | Clarissa | (218) 756-2162

### **KENSINGTON TOLLSKOGEN SKI TRAIL**

8755 Co. Rd. 103 SW | Kensington | (320) 762-2966

### **KNUTE NELSON HOUSE**

1219 Nokomis St. | Alexandria | (320) 762-0382

### **LAKE CARLOS STATE PARK**

2601 Co. Rd. 38 NE | Carlos | (320) 852-7200

### **LAKE MILTONA GOLF CLUB**

3868 Co. Rd. 5 NE | Alexandria | (320) 852-7078

### **LAKES AREA THEATRE**

2214 Geneva Rd. NE | Alexandria | (320) 808-3841

### LONG DRIVE-IN THEATRE

24257 Riverside Dr. | Long Prairie | (320) 732-3142

### LONG LAKE LODGE HUNTING PRESERVE

16021 Long Lake Rd. NW | Brandon | (320) 524-2755

### LONG PRAIRIE COUNTRY CLUB

406 SE 6th St. | Long Prairie | (320) 732-3312

### MCCOY BIG GAME HUNTING RANCH

30423 Grosbeak Rd. | Long Prairie | (320) 732-2514

### **MIDWAY MALL CINEMA 9**

2910 Broadway St. S | Alexandria | (320) 762-8204

### MINNESOTA LAKES MARITIME MUSEUM

205 W 3rd Ave. | Alexandria | (320) 759-1114

### **OFF BROADWAY ANTIQUES**

201 E 6th Ave. | Alexandria | (320) 763-0852

### OSAKIS AREA HERITAGE CENTER

801 Nokomis St. E | Osakis | (320) 859-3777

### **OSAKIS COUNTRY CLUB**

501 E 8th Ave. | Osakis | (320) 859-2140

### **PASTIME ANTIQUES**

314 1st Ave. NE | Long Prairie | (320) 732-4800

### PINE RIDGE GOLF COURSE

13955 Co. Rd. 16 NW | Evansville | (320) 834-4028

### PIONEER VILLAGE

304 S Gran St. | Evansville | (218) 948-2010

### RUNESTONE MUSEUM

206 Broadway St. | Alexandria | (320) 763-3160

### THEATRE L'HOMME DIEU

1875 Co. Rd. 120 NE | Alexandria | (320) 846-3150

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### **CROW**

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09/01/13 - 10/30/13

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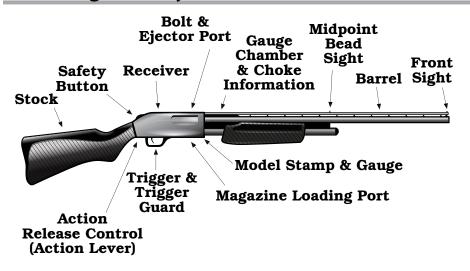
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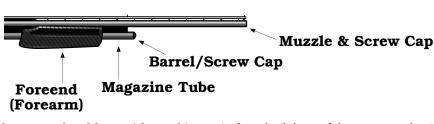
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### **BOBCAT**

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 Fishing Seasons

**BOWFISHING** 

05/01/13 - 02/23/14

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(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

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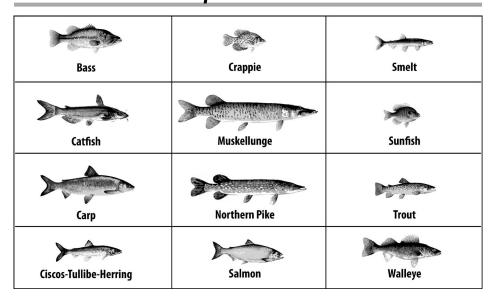
06/01/13 - 12/01/13

Take-a-kid fishing weekend

06/07/13 - 06/09/13

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# Common Fish Species





# **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.

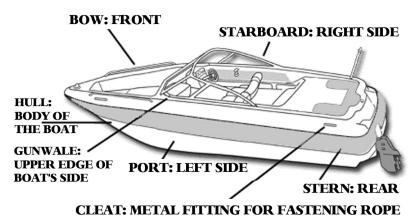
Turn boat at slow rates of speed.

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

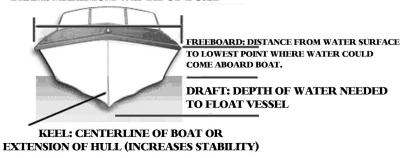
Don't risk operating water craft in rough conditions or bad weather.

# **Boating Safety**

### Know Your Craft



### **BEAM: MAXIMUM WIDTH OF BOAT**



# 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 age21 years or older old 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.

# 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.



# 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.

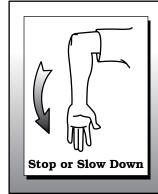
Don't ride near parked cars as doors can open and cause accidents.

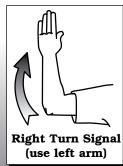
Obey all traffic signs and traffic lights.

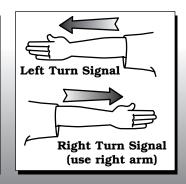
When biking with friends, ride in a single file.

Always pass other bikers or pedestrians on the left and say "On your left!" to make your presence known.

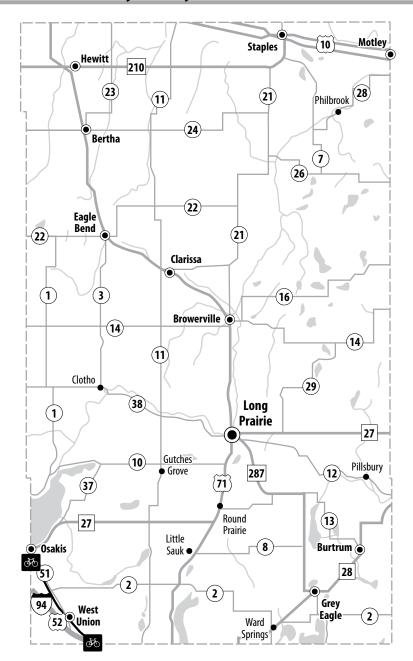
Always use bicycle hand signals to alert traffic of your changing direction.





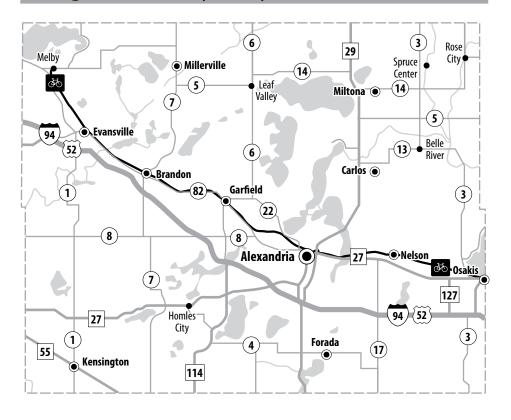


# Todd County Bicycle Trails





# Douglas County Bicycle Trails



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# 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

































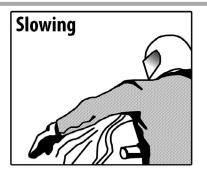


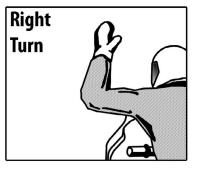


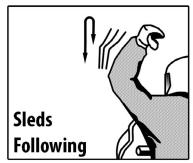
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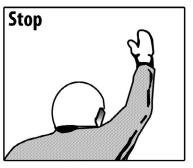
Communication is an essential part of safe riding. Hand signals are a practical way to communicate between other riders and traffic.

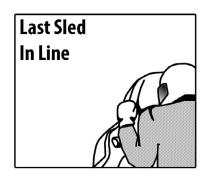
Be sure to give easy to see and clear hand signals when snowmobiling. Hand signals should never be subtle, but always deliberate.

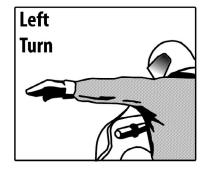






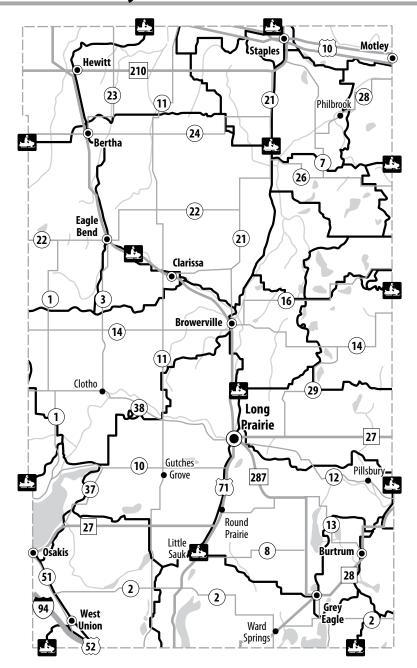






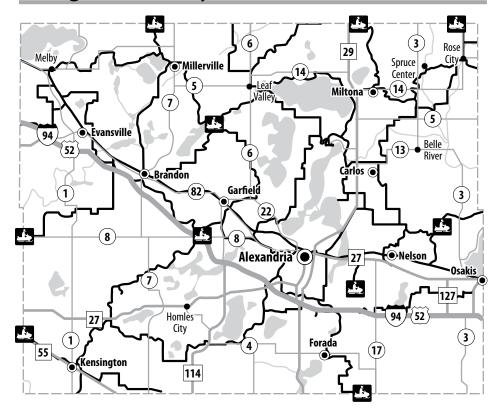


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# Emergency Planning

### **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.



### FIRE

- 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 CPR & HEART ATTACK

### **CPR**

CPR is to be administered when a person is not breathing or has no pulse. Be quick to act by remembering the A,B,C's: Airway, Breathing & Circulation.

### Airway:

Place the person on a firm surface, on their back. Kneel next to the person's neck and shoulders. Open the person's airway by tilting back the head and lifting the chin.

### **Breathing:**

With the head tilted and chin lifted, pinch the nostrils shut and cover the person's mouth with yours. Give two slow breaths.

### **Circulation:**

Find the hand position on the center of the breastbone. Place the heel of your hand on that position, with your other hand on top of the first hand. Use your upper body weight to push down. Give two compressions per second. Compress the chest at a rate equal to 100/minute. Perform 30 compressions at this rate. Repeat until an ambulance arrives.

### **HEART ATTACK**

Symptoms of a heart attack may include any of the following:

- Uncomfortable pressure, fullness or squeezing pain in the center of the chest.
- Expanded pain in the upper abdomen.
- Shortness of breath.
- Pain or numbness in either arms, shoulders, neck, jaw or teeth.
- Dizziness or fainting.
- Nausea and sweating.

### If you or someone else may be having a heart attack - follow these steps immediately:

- DIAL 911
- Chew and swallow Aspirin (unless you are allergic/not allowed to)
- Take Nitroglycerin (only if prescribed)
- Begin CPR if the person is unconscious

### IN AN EMERGENCY, DIAL 911

# • 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 Acetominophen 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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