

April 2018

Colorado Lake and Reservoir Management Association

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CLRMA Spring Luncheon & Algae ID Workshop

April 17th, register at www.clrma.org

CLRMA's Annual Spring Luncheon April 17th – The CLRMA Spring Luncheon will be on April 17th at the Westminster Recreation Center. Limited spaces are filling up fast. Register on line now. The focus will be learning about algae. Dr. Patrick Kociolek from CU-Boulder will be leading an algae workshop from 10am to 1:30pm with a lunch time talk. This is a great opportunity to bring in your algae samples and learn about what is growing in your lake or reservoir.

24th year of the North American Secchi Dip-In – This has been a long tradition for many volunteering monitoring programs around the country. If you are planning to collect water clarity data this July, please send the data in to the Dip-In database. NALMS manages the website and database now and will be seeking a grant to improve the website and make the database more compatible with EPA's STORET.

Lakes Appreciation Month (July) – Now is the time to plan out your Lakes Appreciation events for this coming July. If you plan to celebrate a lake or reservoir this coming July, let CLRMA know about it. Lakes Appreciation Month is a great opportunity to highlight your lake and educate people about the importance of it. You can participate in the Dip-In and/or organize a shoreline clean up.

Lake Word of the Month – *Polymitic* – When a lake becomes isothermal and mixings top to the bottom several times a year. This occurs for shallow lakes (about 6 meters or less) or when reservoirs circulate frequently. Many reservoirs and smaller lakes in Colorado are drawn down during the drier summer months. Under these conditions, wind and thunder storms can fully turn over the water column several times.

Website of the Month – https://www.nalms.org/media_category/nalms-notes/ Good place to find past newsletters from NALMS.

NALMS Update – Be on the lookout for the next NALMS Notes & Lake News email. NALMS puts out a bimonthly email highlight lakes news and NALMS items. You can also check them out at the website of the month link above. This is a great way for everyone to see what NALMS is up to. This electronic newsletter goes out to over 5,000 people.

CLRMA on Facebook – Search under Colorado Lake and Reservoir Association, or under @CLRMA, or just go to <https://www.facebook.com/clrma/>. Photos were posted from the Rockies game where CLRMA awards were handed out. Check CLRMA out on Facebook and post a photo of your lake or sampling site.

Lake Events and Activities at your Local State Park – Here are a few examples of fun lake-related activities scheduled for January around the state park system. Go to <http://cpw.state.co.us/aboutus/Pages/Calendar.aspx> to see a complete calendar of events is all the parks.

Get your 2018 fishing license from CPW. It is still just \$36 – that includes \$0.25 for search and rescue in case you find yourself lost.

Chatfield State Park, Saturday April 7 – First Saturday Hike, no park pass required.

Barr Lake State Park, Saturday April 7 – Bald Eagle Nesting Tour, you can ride the eagle express to see the nesting birds in action

Mueller State Park, Sunday April 8 – Outlook to Lost Pond Hike, great 3 mile moderate hike to a pond

Barr Lake State Park, Saturday April 14 – 6th annual 5K Raptor Run

Loveland, Saturday April 21, Family Crappie Fishing and Cooking Clinic, come learn how to fish for Crappie and how to cook them up right

Chatfield State Park, Saturday April 28 – Bio Blitz, come and help document as many species as you can with iNaturalist

If you know of an upcoming lake event or activity, let us know and we will post it for the following month.

If you have anything that you would like to share with other CLRMA members, please send them to ColoradoLRMA@gmail.com. To learn more about CLRMA and what is going on, you can always go to www.clrma.org. The updated website is a great source of information. If you would like to see other lake/reservoir material up on the website or in the e-mail updates, please let CLRMA know.