

**July 2015**

Colorado Lake and Reservoir Management Association

## **Celebrate Lakes Appreciation Month in Colorado**

### ***22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Great North American Secchi Dip-In (July 1 -31)***

**July is Lakes Appreciation Month** – It's here! LAM is celebrated across the United States and here in Colorado. Millions of people across the country visit a lake, pond, or reservoir during the month of July. Fourth of July fireworks are often displayed over water. All of these summer-time lake activities need to be appreciated. Here is a short list of LAM events across Colorado. Do your part and go to one to celebrate our lakes and reservoirs.

***Barr Lake (July 11<sup>th</sup>)*** – shoreline cleanup, tree planting, weed removal, and maintenance in the morning, free lunch at noon, and then fun waterside activities in the afternoon. RSVP, they are expecting over 200 volunteers.

***Cherry Creek Reservoir (July 18<sup>th</sup>)*** – 8am volunteers will help with projects around the reservoir followed with a shrimp fry lunch. Fun activities and boat rides will be in the afternoon. Please register to get your goody bag.

***Boyd Lake (July 18<sup>th</sup>)*** – 8am to noon for shoreline clean up, then an afternoon of fun opportunities like boat demos, archery and fishing clinics, boat safety tips, and search and rescue demos. The press release has contact info for more details.

***Fireworks over the water*** – Grand Lake, Ridgeway Reservoir, Lake Estes, Sheldon Lake (Ft. Collins), Dillon Reservoir, Georgetown Lake, Granby Reservoir, Keystone Lake (Keystone), Lake Loveland (Loveland), Baker Reservoir, Webster Lake (Northglenn), Lake DeWeese (Westcliffe), Windsor Lake (Windsor), and many other city fireworks that are shooting off over local parks that have ponds on them. Search on line to find out when and where for some great fireworks over the water.

**Lakes Appreciation Month Press Release** – If you have access to the media, attached is a press release about Lakes Appreciation Month. An easy way to celebrate LAM, is to get the press release out to inform the general public.

**North American Secchi Dip In** – Make sure you go out and collect water clarity data this month and send it in to the Dip-In. You can find instructions on how to send in your data at <http://www.secchidipin.org/index.php/about/how-to-participate/>. NALMS is also looking for photos. Send your photos and any comments to [secchidipin@nalms.org](mailto:secchidipin@nalms.org).

**CLRMA at Coors Field** – CLRMA has 18 tickets left for this year's fan appreciation night at Coors Field. Purchase your tickets for \$24 each. Game is on Friday, September 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:10pm. After the game, we will be escorted down onto the field to watch the fireworks. If you want tickets, contact Steve Lundt at [slundt@mwr.dst.co.us](mailto:slundt@mwr.dst.co.us). We plan to run out this year so get them now.

**Give us 10 minutes** – The annual fall CLRMA conference will be on November 5<sup>th</sup>. We want CLRMA members to come and give a short 10-minute update on anything interesting. If you have questions, problems, special projects, or just want to update the group, we want to hear about it. Please keep this in mind this summer as you work and managing your lake or reservoir. There is lots to learn from one another.

**Blue-green Algae Time** – With long, 90-degree days here the water is nice and warm to grow blue-green algae. Be on the lookout for blooms. If you have questions or need help identifying algae, refer to the Harmful Algal Bloom guidance document or contact CLRMA ([ColoradoLRMA@gmail.com](mailto:ColoradoLRMA@gmail.com)).

**Summer CLARION** – The next newsletter will be out shortly. You can check out past newsletters via the CLRMA website.

*If you have anything that you would like to share with other CLRMA members, please send them to [ColoradoLRMA@gmail.com](mailto:ColoradoLRMA@gmail.com). To learn more about CLRMA and what is going on, you can always go to [www.clrma.org](http://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.*