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Welcome to the July 4th Finley Point Breeze! You've heard it before and you'll hear it again....July 4th is our favorite day of the year. Finley Point is especially vibrant w/ families having reunions, picnics, swimming, and of course there are those amazing fireworks over Skidoo Bay. There is such a festive vibe everywhere. The best place to be is on the Point!

We've had a warm early summer, and of course we are not complaining now, but hope this does not set us up

for a smoky August. We've already had several days in the 90's and almost everyone has gotten into the lake a month earlier than usual. It has been a dry winter and spring, but we had a nice week of rain recently and afterwards the Point really greened up. Let's hope we get a few more of those bouts throughout the summer (ok maybe not a whole week of rain, but a day here or there would work). We have had a productive year so far with Finley Point sales. Three sales have been on the lake and two have been on the interior. We are always looking for new places to market on the Point. While the lake market has not experienced huge appreciation, demand has increased and that's a positive indicator.

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FLATHEAD LAKE TSUNAMI?

By: Tom Bansak-Research Scientist, Flathead Lake Biological Station

Did you know that a tsunami is possible in Flathead Lake? I did not until I was talking with the Bio Station's physical lake ecologist, Dr. Mark Lorang. Yes, it is in fact possible.

There is a geologic fault on Flathead Lake's east shore along the Mission Mountains. The lake (especially the deepwater trench along the east shore) is due to the lake bottom dropping in relation to the mountains. For this reason, Flathead Lake is geologically considered a "block-drop, graben lake". What a mouthful.

This fault results in periodic earthquakes. Most of these earthquakes are very minor. Bureau of Reclamation studies indicate that the largest "recent" earthquakes along the Mission Fault were Magnitude 7.0 about 8000 and 15,000 years ago. Notable more recent earthquakes were Mag. 3.7 east of Finley Point in 1995, and Mag. 5.5 in 1952 near Bigfork (actually on the Swan Fault) severe enough to damage the Bio Station's original Brick Lab (built in 1912) requiring its replacement in the 1960s. Back to tsunamis. A tsunami is like throwing a rock into a calm pool – the energy moves out as a ring of waves. They can result from landslides (above or below water) or downdropping, all of which can be associated with earthquakes. The great Lisbon earthquake of 1755 resulted in tsunami waves of 15m (nearly 50ft!) along the Portuguese and Moroccan coasts.

If there were major movement along the Mission Fault resulting in landslides or sudden lake bottom downdropping, waves of water would travel across the lake (West Shore problem?), and then slosh back and forth (everyone's problem). The size of the earthquake, downdropp-

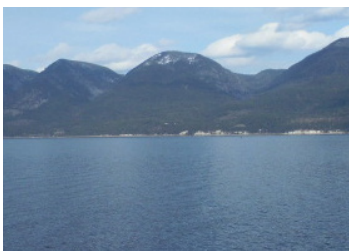
ing or landslide would determine the size of the waves. In the ocean, this would be called a tsunami. In the lake, it would technically be considered a seiche, one of the wave types discussed in a previous article (Local Ocean in Motion).

How would the effects of an earthquake-caused tsunami/seiche differ from storm waves? Again we need to look at some of Mark Lorang's research, as in 2010 he wrote a scientific paper about this. As complex as physics seem to me (a biologist), they can also be quite straightforward. Larger waves (height) are able to move larger rocks and to move them higher in elevation and therefore further inland. Large tsunami waves are larger than storm waves.

Using data from around the Pacific Ocean (particularly from beaches in Hawaii), Mark examined the characteristics of waves, size of rocks, rock elevations and distances from the shoreline. From this he developed techniques to determine the wave characteristics and power necessary to move the rocks, and was able to show whether tsunamis or storm waves had put them there.

This research ties back to Flathead Lake because Mark has also done extensive research on waves, wave power and their ability to move sediments and erode the lake's shoreline. We get our strongest storms and largest waves with the most power in the late summer and early fall (late August and September). Given that the lake is at full pool during this time frame, this is when most of the shoreline erosion takes place.

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29018 FINLEY POINT LANE

Quiet beauty, end of road privacy, & dazzling views of the Missions accompany this Finley Point hideaway. 138' of clear Skidoo Bay frontage beckon both the water enthusiast & relaxation artist. Comfortable, updated 2 BR 2 BA home comes w/ beautiful corner master suite & bath w/ picture window, open kitchen/living, loft bedroom, ample decking. 5-year old well and roof, insulated for year-round use.

\$559,000 MLS 333134

FLATHEAD LAKE TSUNAMI? CONT'D

By Tom Bansak - Research Scientist, Flathead Lake Biological Station

Property owners do not much like shoreline erosion, and so many different preventative techniques have been used over the years. Traditional methods such as sea walls and rip rap of large rocks (or old car bodies once upon a time) may stop erosion locally, but they do not solve the overall problem. This is because hard structures such as sea walls, do not dissipate or eliminate the wave energy that causes erosion, they just reflect that energy back across the lake to the opposite shore. Or the waves continue along the sea wall until they encounter a neighbor's natural shoreline which then erodes (at times dramatically).

Mark's experience on ocean beaches and his research on

Flathead Lake have provided an alternative: constructed beaches. Soft structures such as beaches provide both shoreline protection and ecological benefits. Beaches are able to decrease the erosive power of waves, because as a wave breaks on a beach, the wave energy moves the particles (sand, gravels and cobbles), dissipating erosive energy. Scientifically determining the size, direction and power of the waves allows for the proper design (particle size, beach orientation) of constructed "dynamic equilibrium beaches".

For decades now, Mark has worked with a variety of co-operators (including US Fish and Wildlife Service, MT Fish, Wildlife & Parks, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes,



Before and after: Old sea wall (left) replaced with dynamic equilibrium beach (right) on Flathead Lake.

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FLATHEAD LAKE TSUNAMI? CONT'D

By: Tom Bansak - Research Scientist, Flathead Lake Biological Station



FINLEY POINT LANE

Smuggler's Cove lake-front! Private, protected cove off of Skidoo Bay is a lovely setting for your new lake home. Property is comprised of 4 separate lots totaling 4.86 acres. Plenty of foliage to assure privacy. Gravel beach. Many beautiful building sites add to the appeal of this offering. Quiet road, fantastic location.

\$595,000
MLS 313277

A prominent example is Flathead Lake's North Shore. Since the construction of Kerr Dam in 1938, higher than natural lake levels in the late summer resulted in the erosion and retreat of the shoreline by nearly 2 miles. Managed primarily as a wildlife refuge and waterfowl production area, state and federal agencies wanted to prevent further erosion and protect remaining habitat. To do this, at one point during the 1990s, there was a plan to build a sea wall across 3+ miles of the North Shore. Not only would this have just bounced the erosive power of waves back across the lake, but a sea wall would have eliminated any natural connections between aquatic and terrestrial organisms and ecosystems. Instead, after seeing the success of the North Shore's first experimental beach, constructed by Mark in 2005 for Bigfork residents and business owners Bob and Suzi Keenan who were willing to take the risk on an untested idea to stop erosion on their property, in 2008 the management agencies asked Mark to help them construct 2.5 miles of gravel beaches. Since then beaches have prevented further erosion, trapping wood, debris and sediments, and restoring wetland, aquatic and terrestrial habitats. On top of that, it was \$6 million less expensive than building a sea

wall across the North Shore.

At a conference I recently saw a scientist from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration issue a plea for new soft structure research and approaches to prevent coastal erosion. Turns out that during recent hurricanes (such as Sandy in the New York City area), soft structures were more successful and fared better than traditional hard structures. So from that agency's perspective, soft structures are the future in protecting coastal residents and cities from intense storms and rising sea levels. And we have some groundbreaking, leading research on this important topic right here on our lake.

Yet, none of this even takes into account aesthetics or human enjoyment. Personally, I prefer to sit on a beach, getting my feet wet and tossing rocks into the lake than sitting perched up on a sea wall or a large rip rap boulder. Beaches are an inviting transition between land and water as opposed to an obstacle or barrier. But you should look for yourself. Go visit the North Shore, or Finley Point State Park, or Salish Point in Polson, as these are all public areas where Mark has constructed dynamic equilibrium beaches.



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MONTECAHTO CLUB

By: Myrna DuCharme, President



NHN WESTSIDE DRIVE

Postcard views of Flathead Lake and Mission Mountains from this end-of-road lakefront parcel on Finley Point. Ideal location, stunning building sites, and approx. 225' of shoreline make this the perfect spot for a majestic lake home. Shoreline is fascinating with coves and vegetation. View shed includes Glacier Park. Come see this exclusive property!

\$799,000
MLS 330023

The ladies of the Montecahto Club kicked off the 2014-15 year with our combination Finley Pt. Fireman Fundraiser and Montecahto Club rummage/bake sale. Thank you for your support and items donated. It was a huge success.

Our booth at the Cherry Festival last summer featured our pies and turnovers, but we also sold cherry syrup, jam, hot pepper cherry jam, and Lise and Albert Silva's candies and condiments. Hand work by Lora Cole and Lise Silva was also a hit. Again thank you Pinkerman Orchards for your donation of pie cherries. We had rave reviews for our pies and turnovers. We'll be back this summer, so be sure to stop by our booth.

We are pleased to serve the community as far as renting the clubhouse for events. 501(C3) holders use it at no charge. The Montana Migrant Workers Health Clinic was held at the clubhouse in August and they were able to serve more clients and were thrilled to be out of the weather and not in tents.

Our annual Friendship Tea was well attended and beautifully decorated thanks to Kay Wall, chair of the committee. Two paintings by Barbara Buchli, the talented artist who painted the mural on the Lake City Bakery, were auctioned off with proceeds going toward finishing our lower floor in the clubhouse. We have scheduled the painting and installation of flooring to be finished the first week in July.

Throughout the year our members volunteer every second Monday of the month cooking soups and working at the Soups On in Polson. We also again supported the Food Pantry with donations.

In March club members cooked 643 pasties in the basement of the Lake City Bakery, whose staff we are also very grateful to. All sold and they were yummy, so be sure to get your order in next spring.

We adopted two books at the North Lake County Public Library in honor of Dorothy and Bill Stoner. Dorothy helped start the Friends of the Library and served on the Board for years. A memorial for JoAnn Black will be held at the clubhouse on July 11th at 1:00 p.m.

Our Dollars for Scholars scholarship this year went to Jonah Kasnitz, who plans to attend Seattle Pacific University and major in Marine Biology.

We have put together a 16 month 2015-2016 calendar featuring the Finley Pt. Fire Department which will be on sale during the Firehall/Montecahto event on June 27th at the Fire Department, across from the Finley Pt. Grill. Proceeds will benefit both organizations. Thanks go out to Diana Sawyer and Susie McNatt for all their work on the calendar. We will also be raffling a king size hand stitched quilt which will be on display at our Firehouse rummage sale. Tickets are \$1 a piece or 6 for \$5.

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MONTECAHTO CLUB CONT'D

By: Myrna DuCharme, President

Summer potlucks are being hosted by Dee Keese on July 23rd and August 27th. All are welcome – it's a great chance to meet your neighbors and renew old acquaintances. If you're interested in attending, call Dee at 887-2548.

We always welcome new members, and this year welcomed Lucy McCrumb. The position of historian was filled by Sydney Pierce, and she has done a phenomenal

job.

We will soon have a Facebook page put together by Doreen Ratzburg.

We welcome our new President for the 2015-16 year Kari Nelson and treasurer Olga Lincoln. Myrna DuCharme will become the Vice President, and Susie McNatt will continue as secretary.

We hope to see all of you at the Fireman's event on July 27th and at our booth at the Cherry Festival.

CAR DETAILING SERVICE BY DEREK DAVIS

By: Liz Smith

Derek Davis offers insured interior and exterior detailing for all of your vehicles, boats, ATV's, pretty much anything you own that is weathered. He has even done kayaks! Derek prides himself in customer satisfaction which is reflected in his attention to detail. Derek's detailing service offers pick up and drop off for your

vehicles. Ric and Sarah have used Derek's detailing service for the past two years and have been pleased with the results. You can reach Derek Davis at 406.261.2601 to schedule your appointment.

FLATHEAD LAKE ON MY MIND

By: Ric Smith

Wayne Schile has just published a book authored by Steve Smith entitled "Flathead Lake On My Mind." This fascinating book is a must read for all of us who love Flathead Lake. Oh, and of course our "official" area historian, Paul Fugleberg, has contributed.

This beautifully written book has a ton of history, personal stories, and photographs. Want to learn about first inhabitants, fascinating people who have loved our lake, and lake monsters? You need to get a copy of this book.

Visit: www.flatheadlakeonmymind.com to learn more about the book, read the first chapter, and order your copy. The Crow's Nest in downtown Polson will also have copies for sale. Ric and Sarah would like to thank Steve, Wayne, and Paul for putting this book together. When Wayne told us about his book project, we knew immediately that it was a terrific idea. Seeing and reading the book confirmed this.



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Fridays	Farmers Market off of Main every Friday through the summer
Thursdays	Every Thursday through the Summer KwaTuqNuk will have music on the patio starting at 8 PM
July 14	Flathead Biological Station Research Crusie from 3:15-6:15 call 406-982-3301 for more info
July 17	Wine tasting cruise on the Shadow call 883-3636 for more info
July 18-19	Polson Cherry Festival Sat. 9-6 Sun. 10-4 Call 883-3667 for more info
August 7-9	Summerfest, includes car show, art show, golf scramble and more Call 883-5255 for more info.
June 27	Mission Mountain NRA Rodeo events for all ages! For rodeo informatin call 883-1100

LOTS GOING ON AT THE FINLEY POINT GRILL!

Times: 6:30-8:30pm Downstairs, and outside!

July 1st. Bob Starkel Karaoke

July 2nd JIMNI

July 9th Caselli & Barton

July 16th Peterson Bros

July 23rd JIMNI

July 30th Texas Tom Roat



32663 S Finley point road

Efficient, maintenance-free lake living defines this appealing Finley Point year-round home. Sunny gravel beach with 122' of lake frontage & endless lake views is just steps away from bungalow style dwelling with open floor plan & classic wood accents. Home is flooded with soft natural light. Settle your company into the bunkhouse for ease of entertaining & enjoy the never-ending summer evenings. \$699,700 MLS 333080

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FINLEY POINT HAPPENINGS

By: Ric Smith

Today, the lake only has a few inches to go till full pool. It roared up several feet the last half of May and has slowly been working its way upward every since. Always fun to watch, as it is a true indicator that summer is here.

This spring seems to have produced a wider variety of birds. We are not sure why. We see the usual suspects, and new comers. Small and large Woodpeckers, Doves, and what we think are Western Tanagers. We watched wild turkeys travel the Point in herds and fly, landing in our cherry trees. It was very entertaining!

The early morning and late evening skies have been spectacular. In fact the skies are so amazing they look like a scene from a Spielberg movie...photo shopped or computer enhanced. Such a stunning time of year. Hope everyone is enjoying it.

Of course we are seeing the usual amount of hikers, cyclists, walkers, and runners of all ages this spring. Please drive slowly and carefully. There seem to be more and more deer also. Another reason to drive carefully. Roads? Yes, they have been patched several times this season. Pot holes, ruts etc. still appear suddenly, even when you

think you know they're coming. They seem to reconfigure themselves every so often.

Finley Point Grill and the Smoke House have had terrific business this spring. The FPG has remodeled and opened up their downstairs, which looks fantastic and has a casual, welcoming atmosphere. They offer a burger bar, pizzas, yummy unique appetizers, cold beer, and good cheer.

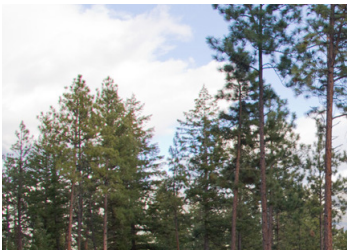
We have had a few bear sittings so far, and there is even a family at the tip of Finley Point who is enjoying playing host to a mama fox and her 3 little babies this spring. We hear they are pretty irresistible.

So...life on the Point is good! Enjoy the season and all of the joy that accompanies summer on Finley Point.

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S Finley Point Road

Lake view lot available on Finley Point! 2-acre interior lot with sweeping lake and mountain views. Tree thinning will open up breathtaking southern-exposure views. Property is partially surrounded by parcels under conservation easement, ensuring quiet and privacy. Existing driveway easement takes you close to building site on bench near top of property. Septic approved. Adjoining lot of 4.68 acres and house also for sale.

\$87,500 MLS 332623

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NEW ADDITION TO FINLEY POINT!

By: Sarah Beck Smith

I would like to take a moment to welcome a special new 4-legged resident of Finley Point, our delicious 11-week old chocolate lab named Howard. Howard joins us after an 18-month hiatus from dog life, which was the time it took for all of us to finally move forward after losing our incredible Belle (black lab) awhile back. Though he has been with us for only 3 weeks, his little chewing-obsessed puppy soul has burrowed itself deep into our hearts. Not dissimilar to other puppies that have gone before him, his culinary tastes are rather undiscerning. He gets equal amounts of pleasure in everything from cotton balls to tree bark, flip flops to iPhone chargers, Chap Stick to shin guards (he is named after US soccer goalkeeper Tim Howard, so there may be a deeper connection in this respect), and of course various organic matter left behind by other animals. He derives no greater glee than madly racing around the house with a forbidden item in his mouth, flaunting his treasure in a special way that is not afforded to his regular doggie chew toys, which of course he finds quite beneath him.

I wish I could report that we are breezing through potty training but alas, we are fading in the trenches. I can only hope the hit or miss (heavy on the miss) nature of this endeavor will improve with puppy age or divine intervention quickly, because we are running out of Clorox and 409. When we first picked up our beloved Howard, we were given a cheery little missive entitled "Potty Train-

ing IS Possible." I actually laughed out loud at the title, particularly the bold capitalization of "IS" (Karen, if you are reading this....remember how I laughed, and you didn't?!?). I thought it was humorous how the punctuation implied that this process might be a challenge, not without its moments of anguish. How I turn to this publication for hope these days! Potty Training IS Possible! At least for the very happy smiling man on the cover, with his mature dog (why couldn't the featured dog be a puppy? It would make me ever so much more hopeful). Potty Training IS Possible, even though your puppy may want to "eliminate" (the poetic/hygienic verbiage used by the author) in the house 10 minutes after his last half-hour trip to the "potty spot" in the yard. Potty Training IS possible, even though your puppy chooses to eliminate in the germophobic child's room, not the child's room where the elimination would not even be noticed. Potty Training IS possible, even though your puppy will eliminate calmly while looking at you with an angelic face, as you are grabbing your laptop to head out the door for work. Yes Virginia, Potty Training IS Possible!!

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33240 S Finley Point Road

Striking, modern custom Finley Point home with clean crisp lines blends beautifully into its natural private wooded sanctuary. Home features highest upgrades in construction & finish such as cook's kitchen w/ 6-burner stove, granite, slate, tile, hardwood, central a/c. Windows & natural light abound. Top of the world Flathead Lake & mountain views. Multiple winner in 2005 Parade of Homes. Adjoining 2 acres also for sale.

\$415,000 MLS 332412

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34322 Mission View Road



1.25 acres on peaceful, scenic Finley Point. Parcel has beautiful building sites overlooking Flathead Lake. Currently lightly timbered. Tree thinning will open up and offer dazzling lake views. Located on no thru street, this lot is nearby community lake access, and home to gentle wildlife. Perfect combination of trees/vegetation and views. Sanitation restrictions have been lifted. Come see!

\$45,000 MLS 335422

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NEW ADDITION TO FINLEY POINT! CONT'D

By: Sarah Beck Smith

But he is such a love, and generally irresistible. I hope you will see him next summer, following in the footsteps of Miss Belle, running or walking alongside of me. I hope to spend as many long hours reveling in the beauty of Finley Point with my new friend as I did with my old friend. When I took Howard over to where Belle is buried in our yard, with one fell swoop of this tiny muzzle, he felled her grave marker, which is just a stick w/ a bell on top. The marker had literally withstood a blizzard and a fire in the

previous 18 months. At first I was angry, but then had to laugh. We fixed it and went on our way, and I think Belle must have approved of the whole scene. It had to be her way of saying "this crazy little guy is OK." Come and say hi if you see us bounding around on the Point. Have a great summer!



119 Timber shadow trail

3+ acre lot in the Finley Point Estates, a tasteful, well-planned community in the heart of Finley Point. Enjoy quiet privacy along with easy access, community water, septic approved, paved roads, streetlamps, lighted entryway. Lovely building sites for your dream home nestled in the trees. Community lake access just a few minutes away for boating and swimming.

\$115,000 MLS 307122

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RECIPE

Submitted by: Sarah Beck Smith



104 LYNX DRIVE

Large parcel offered w/ lake-through-the-trees views in the beautifully planned Finley Point Estates community. Many desirable building sites. Paved roads, streetlamps, community water, septic approved, lovely rock entryway just a few of the amazing features of this neighborhood. Large lots ensure privacy and quiet. Finley Point State Park just a short drive for lake recreation, boat launch, etc.

\$99,000
MLS 328743

ASPARAGUS AND SNOW PEA SALAD

For those of you who know me, you will not be surprised that I have not yet tried this recipe (I do not have a high comfort level in the kitchen). BUT, it looks absolutely fabulous for a hot summer afternoon or evening, and it is from one of the best places in the world...the iconic Moosewood Restaurant in Ithaca, NY. Enjoy, and let me know how you like it.

Ingredients:

1 lb fresh asparagus
1/4 lb snow peas
Peanut Dressing
2 T fresh lemon Juice
2 T peanut butter
2 T soy sauce
1 T dark sesame oil
1 T mild honey, or more to taste
Sliced scallions
Bean sprouts
Quartered cherry tomatoes

Instructions:

- 1) Rinse the asparagus and remove the tough stem ends. Steam or boil the spears until tender but still crisp, about 5 minutes
- 2) Drain, rinse under a gentle stream of cold running water or plunge into a pot of cold water to cool them quickly, and drain again
- 3) Set aside in a serving bowl
- 4) Remove any tough stem ends from the snow peas
- 5) Blanch for just a minute or two, until the color brightens and they are crisp-tender
- 6) Drain, rinse with cold water, and drain again
- 7) Add the snow peas to the serving bowl and refrigerate
- 8) When ready to serve, whisk together all of the dressing ingredients in a small bowl until smooth
- 9) Drizzle the asparagus and snow peas with the dressing, top with scallions and sprouts, and garnish with a few cherry tomato quarters.




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FLATHEAD LAKE ACTIVITY RESIDENTIAL

Activity since January 1, 2015

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Data compiled from the Northwest Montana Association of Realtors Multiple Listing Service

Active Listings	As of Apr. 1	As of Jul. 1	As of Oct. 1	As of Dec. 1
Up to \$500,000	23	26		
\$500,000 — \$1,000,000	60	69		
\$1,000,000+	46	52		
TOTAL	129	147		

Pending Sales	As of Apr. 1	As of Jul. 1	As of Oct. 1	As of Dec. 1
Up to \$500,000	2	2		
\$500,000 — \$1,000,000	6	4		
\$1,000,000+	5	0		
TOTAL	13	6		

Sold / Closed	As of Apr. 1	As of Jul. 1	As of Oct. 1	As of Dec. 1
Up to \$500,000	5	7		
\$500,000 — \$1,000,000	4	10		
\$1,000,000+	1	6		
TOTAL	10	23		



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FLATHEAD LAKE ACTIVITY LAND

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Active Listings	As of Apr. 1	As of Jul. 1	As of Oct. 1	As of Dec. 1
Up to \$500,000	24	25		
\$500,000 — \$1,000,000	24	29		
\$1,000,000+	10	11		
TOTAL	58	65		
Pending Sales	As of Apr. 1	As of Jul. 1	As of Oct. 1	As of Dec. 1
Up to \$500,000	3	0		
\$500,000 — \$1,000,000	2	2		
\$1,000,000+	1	0		
TOTAL	6	2		
Sold / Closed	As of Apr. 1	As of Jul. 1	As of Oct. 1	As of Dec. 1
Up to \$500,000	0	4		
\$500,000 — \$1,000,000	0	1		
\$1,000,000+	0	1		
TOTAL	0	6		



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SMITH TEAM LAKE SHORE SALES

By: Sarah Beck Smith

Location	Square Footage	Acreage	Lake Frontage	Offered Price
Beautiful Island Lake Lot on Bull Island	Land	1.7	200+-	\$165,000
Finley Point Home with Community Beach	1762	0.46	90.97	\$330,000
Gravel Beach Lakeshore Lot in Dayton	Land	0.96	200	\$424,500
Rocky Point Lake Cabin with Views	1591	0.68	91.9	\$599,900
Finley Point Lake Home	3833	0.68	105	\$585,000
Lake Home and Views on Finley Point	400	2.46	150	\$699,000
Remodeled, Year Around Home on Finley Point	2560	1.15	116	\$849,000
Spectacular Finley Point Lake Lot	Land	4	180	\$995,000
Nearly New Custom Home in Lakeside	3848	2.47	114.5	\$1,150,000
Custom Built Home on Finley Point	4327	0.95	162	\$2,195,000
Amazing Estate Property on Finley Point	9410	6.3	330	\$3,950,000
Beautiful Lake Front Lot on White Swan	Land	0.75	108	\$275,000
Lake Cabin on S. Finley Point	810	4.42	218	\$1,300,000
Lakefront land on S. Finley Point, SW exposure	Land	2.46	150	\$900,000
Prime Skidoo Bay Frontage	Land	0.89	135	\$795,000
Northern Views on Finley Point	648	0.71	125	\$499,700
2 Homes with pristine level frontage on Skidoo Bay	3328	2.64	340	\$1,980,000
2 Homes on 2 Lots overlooking Skidoo Bay	1674	7.36	265	\$475,000
Expansive views with gravel frontage	Land	1.71	150.3	\$595,000
Vintage lake home with walk out frontage	1360	0.34	77	\$397,500
Home and guest home on spacious walk out frontage	3416	1.26	125	\$747,700
Spectacular home on Skidoo bay	5356	1	97	\$1,200,000
South Finley Point Location with walk out frontage	1238	3.99	240	\$1,150,000



29737 Westside Drive

Spacious, nearly-new home on Finley Point. 3833 sq ft home features 3 bedrooms plus bonus room, 4 baths, two living areas, granite in kitchen, open kitchen/dining/living endless views from master suite, fireplace, decking, attached garage. Beach offers southern exposure (lots of sun!), gentle footpath, new dock, and beautiful views of the Narrows and islands.

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4TH OF JULY FUN FACTS

By: Liz Smith

So much history is wrapped up into this one day of celebration. Americans join together to show our pride in being an American. Fireworks bursting in the night air (when fire laws permit), food and fun all to commemorate our freedom. Here are some fun facts about our independence history. You can find these and more at <http://www.livescience.com/14844-50-fabulous-facts-july-fourth-declaration-independence.html>.

- The Declaration of Independence, signed in 1776, was meant to justify a revolt against the British, with a list of charges against the British king.
- The Fourth of July commemorates the adoption of the Declaration of Independence. It was initially adopted by Congress on July 2, 1776, but then it was revised and the final version was adopted two days later.
- The Declaration of Independence was signed by 56 men representing the 13 colonies. The moment marked the beginning of all-out war against the British. The American Revolutionary War is said to have started in 1775, however. The Declaration was signed more than two years after Boston officials refused to return three shiploads of taxed tea to Britain, fueling colonists to dump the tea into the harbor in what became the infamous Boston Tea Party.
- Several countries used the Declaration of Independence as a beacon in their own struggles for freedom. Among them, France. Then later, Greece, Poland, Russia and many countries in South America.
- "Yankee Doodle," one of many patriotic songs in the United States, was originally sung prior to the Revolution by British military officers who mocked the unorganized and buckskin-wearing "Yankees" with whom they fought during the French and Indian War.
- The "Star Spangled Banner" wasn't written until Francis Scott Key wrote a poem stemming from observations in 1814, when the British relentlessly attacked Baltimore's Fort MCHenry during the War of 1812. It was later put to music, though not decreed the official national anthem of the United States until 1931.
- Three U.S. presidents actually died on July 4. Two of them passed away within hours of each other on July 4, 1826: John Adams and Thomas Jefferson. The two had been political rivals and then friends later in life. The other to share the distinction was James Monroe, who died July 4, 1831.
- Oh how we've grown: In 1776, about 2.5 million people lived in the newly independent United States, according to the U.S. Census Bureau. In 2011, 311.7 million Americans will celebrate Independence Day.
- As Thomas Jefferson penned the Declaration, Britain's army was on its way toward to New York Harbor. It began:
- "When in the course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation." (Shown above, the only fragment of the earliest draft of the Declaration, revealing Jefferson's heavy edits.

Have a fun and safe 4th of July!




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