

Living on a Lake - A Day on the Lake!

By Gayle Rich Boxman

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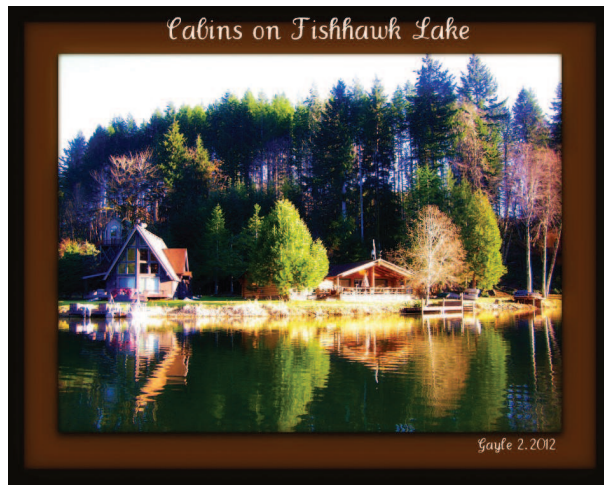
Finally, a photo op! It was a Saturday with an open day for my husband and I to enjoy a gloriously sunny February afternoon on Fishhawk Lake! After chores were all completed our "reward" was to break out our canoe, shove it off the stone steps into the glassy lake and go with the flow—literally!



February afternoon on the Lake

We headed across from our home on the lake and lo and behold, a bald eagle flapped out of the trees and flew right over our heads (of course before I could lay down my paddle and grab the camera). How many people get to say that while canoeing on their private lake in the woods?? He headed down the lake towards the spillway and we glided his direction long behind him. We heard the laughter of children lightly floating over the lake, a sound reflective of summer. It made me long for those days in July when people hop into their various modes of watercraft and tool about for hours on Fishhawk Lake. We are lucky—often in February we

I took snapshots of cabins dotting the lakefront and their ripply reflections in the water.



Cabins on Fishhawk Lake

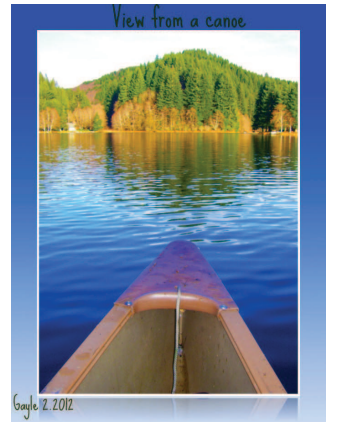
Then I turned to get a picture of my hubby.



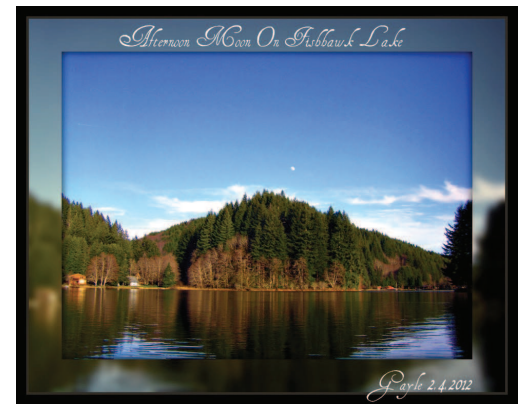
Larry on the Lake

As the sun was waning about 4ish, we turned to head home. I looked past the bow of the canoe and the sight I took in was the moon smiling over the treetops facing me!

We followed the sun along the shoreline, then headed for home. A blissful and sweet moment taken on a lovely quiet day at Fishhawk Lake.



View from a canoe



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Another Round: More Words of Wisdom About Beer



By Scott Laird

Astoria Brewing at The Birk—

The Birkenfeld Country Store and Café is excited to announce they will be serving beers from Astoria Brewing Company! The Birk will have six taps devoted to Astoria Brewing and are currently have a wide selection including Lagers, IPA's an Amber and a Wheat Beer. They will be rotating beers and with six tap handles there will always be a great selection to choose from.



Sounds like a another great reason to head out to The Birk—whether

it's just to have brew and some lunch or on a weekend evening for some dinner and some live music—and a good micro on tap.

"We are up and running with these now and I think this is going to be a great partnership for us with Astoria Brewing," says Birk owner Mike Ingraham.

The Wet Dog Café was founded in Astoria in 1995. The Brewery was added in 1997 under the name Pacific Rim Brewery. The name of the Brewery was changed to Astoria Brewing Co. in 2005, commemorating Astoria's first Brewery Company which was established in 1872.

An Epic Tale—Several years ago I came across an interesting beer from Stone Brewing. The Beer was called Stone 06.06.06 Vertical Epic. Printed on the 22 oz. bottle was an interesting tale. "As with any good epic, herein lies the prom-

ise of larger-than-life experiences, heroics and twists & turns as the adventure unfolds," I read on the bottle. "These bottle-conditioned ales are specifically designed to be aged until sometime after December 12th, 2012. Provided you can wait that long. At that time, enjoy them in a "vertical" tasting. Each one unique to its year of release. Each with its own

Happy St. Patrick's Day!
May the sound of happy music,
and the lilt of Irish laughter,
fill your heart with gladness,
that stays forever after.

"twist & turn" in the plot line," continued the story.

The tale on the bottle went on to explain that Stone Brewing had started this adventure on February 2, 2002 and that they were releasing a new ale one year, one month and one day from the previous year's edition.

Since then I have collected all the new releases and even located the 05.05.05 edition on ebay. They are all stashed away in the back of our fridge. The older releases are rare, very expensive, and hard to locate.

There is only one more release left, the 12.12.12. It looks like we will be doing our "vertical" tasting at the end of 2012 with only eight of the eleven Vertical Epic releases. But it still seems like a fun, interesting and epic way to drink some beer.

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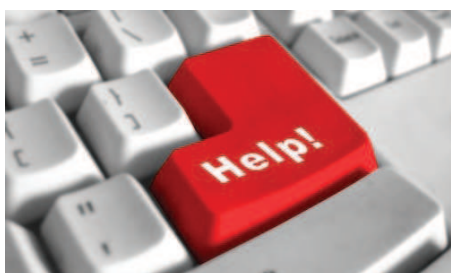
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