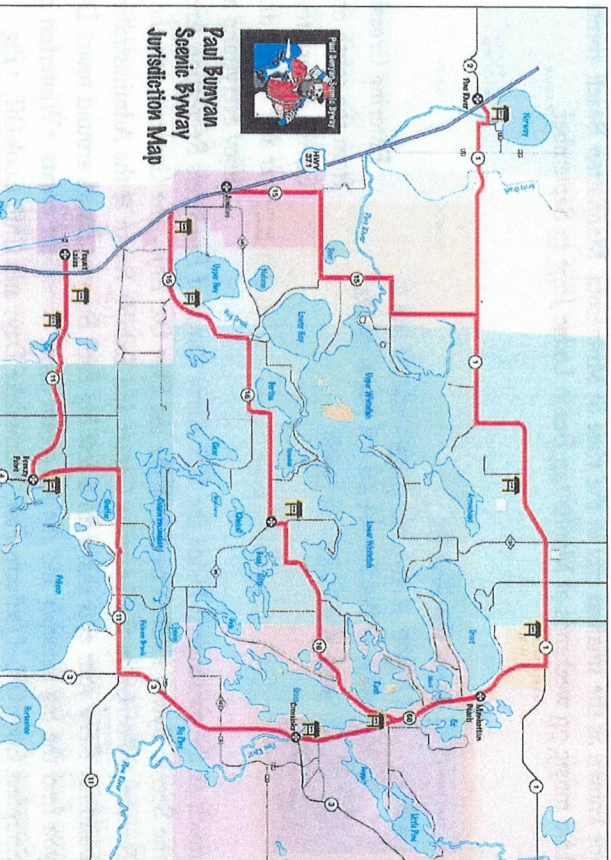


Hop in the car. Keep heading east on CSAH 11. Did you know you're traveling on the original 'Breezy Point Resort Road'? Curious? Stop at historic Breezy Point Resort and get the whole story. Jog north on CSAH 11 to the Breezy Point city offices. Find out how the Red Splendor crabapple tree became the official city tree. **Breezy Point events** • Special Olympics Polar Plunge, • Butterfly Release at Pelican Woods Cemetery & Nature Trail, • Airport Days.



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## Paul Bunyan Scenic Byway Association Presents



### Paul & Babe's Stompin' Grounds

**Everybody loves a great story!**  
Six cities, eight townships and two counties brimming with old and new stories make up the Scenic Byway route. Poke around, listen in and maybe become part of a few new local stories yourself.

**Pine River** hosts lots of history like the still unsolved murder of its founder, George Barclay. Wander around the restored historic train depot, red caboose & horse drawn fire engine. Then swing into the adjacent Pine River Info Center to learn a little more about these and most everything else too, from the story of who carved Paul Bunyan's baby boots to where you can find tasty wild rice to the history of the first telephone in Pine River. **Pine River events** • Farmers Market, • Duck Races, • Summerfest, • Heritage Days, • Bluegrass Festival, • Parade of Lights

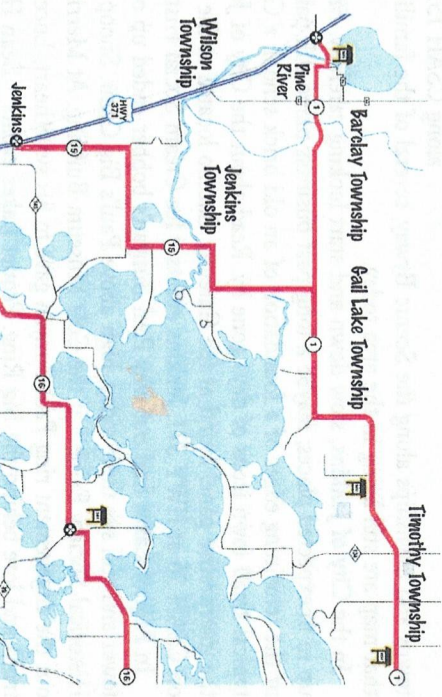
**East of Pine River** on CSAH 1 are three townships in a row.

**Barclay Township** sports a set of big Paul Bunyan footprints near its Township Hall. The Barclay name has a long history in the area, the best-known being George Barclay, first mayor of Pine River. Barclay Township Hall is an historic structure, first used as a one-room schoolhouse. The playground and surrounding yard is now an official highway rest stop, maintained by the township.

**Gail Lake Township**, with its population only around a hundred people, is the smallest township on the Paul Bunyan Scenic Byway. Within its boundaries is Jail

Lake, often a source of confusion between the township name and the lake name. Might there be the beginnings of a tall tale there? Why not be the one to pen the story!

Home of the inspiration of one of the newest tall tale characters, Timothy



Burr, **Timothy Township** uses its original one-room schoolhouse, complete with outdoor biffy, as its current township hall. It's one of the frequently photographed sites along the Scenic Byway. Psst, Timothy wasn't the first choice for the township name. Ask around, maybe you'll learn the true story. Still curious? Go see the Timothy Township History Panel on the interpretive kiosk at the Fire Station located on CSAH 1 west of the town hall. **Timothy Township events** • Christmas in July at Faith Lutheran Church, • Memorial Day Service at Swanburg Cemetery.



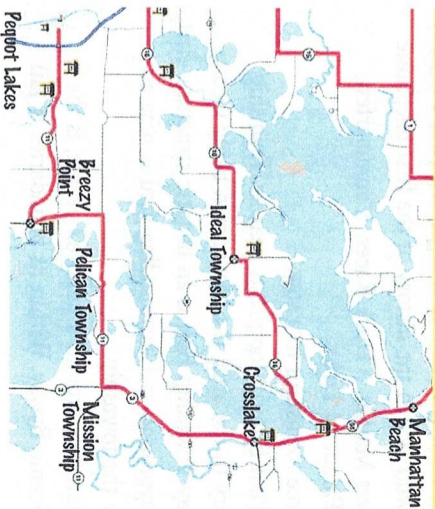
### Paul Bunyan's Sweetheart

Lucette was sweet on Paul from the moment she gazed into his eyes. Which was no easy task—story is, Paul stood about three-trees tall!

Folks in Jenkins and nearby **Wilson Township** know their history. Catch a glimpse of the Wilson Township newsletter,

or just start talking to people. Maybe you'll discover why the township is really only half a township and how they came to own the seats from an old Pine River theater. **Wilson Township events** • Summer Pig Roast

West of Ideal Township on CSAH 16, **Jenkins Township** is home to the Veterans Memorial Walking Trail. A 1913 plat map hangs on the wall of the Jenkins Township Hall, located along CSAH 15. Like many of the



towns and townships along the Scenic Byway, several of the families represented on that map are still living in the area today.

In the **City of Jenkins**, slow down and start looking carefully. Bits of history show up in unexpected places; maybe a long past business name still painted onto a building or the remaining edges of a foundation of an old brick school, a Grange Hall or other typical small town icons of days gone by. Read about the City of Jenkins history on the interpretive panel found at the Gateway Gazebo located at the A-Pine Restaurant on CSAH 16 at HWY 371. **Jenkins events** • Ice Cream Social History Project

In **Pequot Lakes** find out why Paul Bunyan's bobber ended up on top of the water tower and still sits there today, high above Paul's Big Chair. Snoop around in the Historical Society Exhibit at the Cole Museum Building. At Merritt Jewelers, check out the engagement ring Paul Bunyan gave to his sweetheart, Lucette, and find out the truth and lore behind the Big Ring. **Pequot Lakes events** • Bean Hole Days, • Chokecherry Festival, • Cherry Car Show, • Stars & Stripes Days

Along CSAH 16 is **Ideal Township**, busy with recreation year 'round. Wrapped around the Whitefish Chain, this township grew so much that it needed to add a second volunteer fire station along CSAH 1 on the north side of the township in 2006. In 2002 they celebrated their 100th anniversary and honored the Knebel family that bestowed the name 'Ideal' on the township all those years ago. Find out more at the Ideal Town Hall. **Ideal Township events** • Ideal Beef Feed, an historic Ideal Fire Department Fundraiser, • Farmers Market

Crosslake stretches north along CSAH 66 to the City of **Manhattan Beach**, it was once known as the smallest city in the state of Minnesota. **Manhattan Beach events** • Live music on weekends at Manhattan Beach Lodge June to September.



### Babe, the Blue Ox

A retriever at heart, Babe couldn't resist the urge to search for Paul Bunyan's lost golf balls in the lake named after the burly ox himself.

Entering **Crosslake** from the south on CSAH 3, park the car and let the driver enjoy everything as

much as the passengers! Inside the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Recreation Area, the Scenic Byway kiosk is next to Babe the Blue Ox. Enjoy the Gardens, and the Bunyan collection in the Learning Center and Exhibit Room at the Administrative building. Keep your eyes sharp for a few big Paul Bunyan things around town. Did you find the big hammer and the ice cream cone? **Crosslake events** • Winterfest and Soupfest Cook-Off, • Artisans Fair, • Crosslake Days and Chili Cook-Off, • Pig Roast, • Car Show, • Antique and Classic Wood Boat Rendezvous, • Crosslake Art Show, • St. Patrick's Day Parade, • Candlelight & Cider Tour at Historic Log Village

**Mission Township** kisses the Scenic Byway at the corner of CSAH 11 & 3. This area is surrounded by Memorial Forests - 120 acres of it! **Mission Township events** at Mission Park • Summer tennis program is award-winning "2017 U.S. Tennis Association Northern Section's member organization of the year", • Park Parade in July, • Crow Wing County Senior Citizens Picnic, • Fire Fair - Mission Fire Fighters Fundraiser, • Fall Festival

Further east on CSAH 11 across from Shaffer Lake, glimpse the osprey nest that spanned the creation of the popular Birds of the Byway brochure. CSAH 11 touches **Pelican Township** on the south side near the Halvorson Bay/Stewart's Bay public access to Pelican Lake. Soak your feet and enjoy the view. Family members for whom Stewart's Bay is named still live in the area. Pelican Township can crow a little over their township hall and garage, all paid for, cash on the barrel head!