

GREAT LAKES ALMANAC JANUARY RESPONSES AT GREAT LAKES AQUARIUM

(January 15 and 22, 2023)



SURVEY QUESTIONS

- *What do you enjoy most about the lake in winter? What activities do you do on and around the lake this time of year?*
- *What animal tracks have you seen in the snow this winter? Feel free to share where you were and what you were doing. You are also welcome to draw them.*

RESPONSES

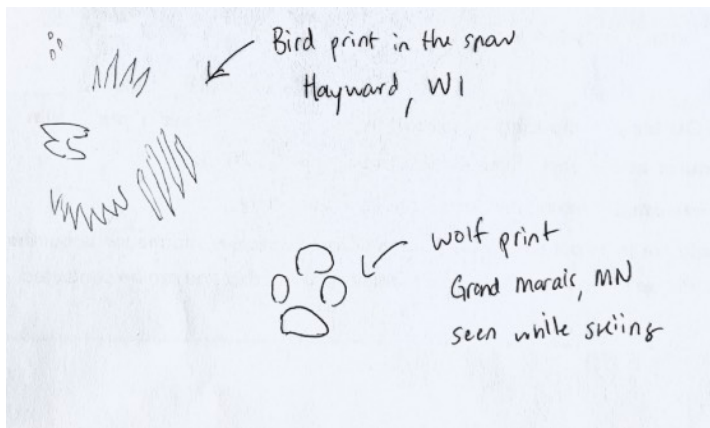
The fog rising on really cold days; seeing the sun shine on the water; throwing rocks and splashing. We've seen deer, bunny, and squirrel while outside walking and outside the back window. - Sarma and Aivar S, Duluth, MN, ages 30 and 1

I enjoy looking at the ice (it's frozen!) and throwing rocks. I like taking walks around the lake. We have seen deer tracks, bunnies, dogs and human tracks. - Jeremy and Jessie Z, Superior, WI, ages 2.5 and 30

I like that it looks grey - lots of greys and whites. I like when it's frozen and when the winds move the ice. The waves are huge during the storms. We play by the ice during the winter on Park Point. *We've seen fox tracks, owl wings, rabbit, deer, bobcat and mice.* - Anonymous

The ice! I love the way it shifts and changes, the way it catches the low angles of the sun and the noises it makes. When it all piles up on the shore, it makes an otherworldly landscape. I like to ski on the lake.

- Cara P , Duluth, MN, age 39

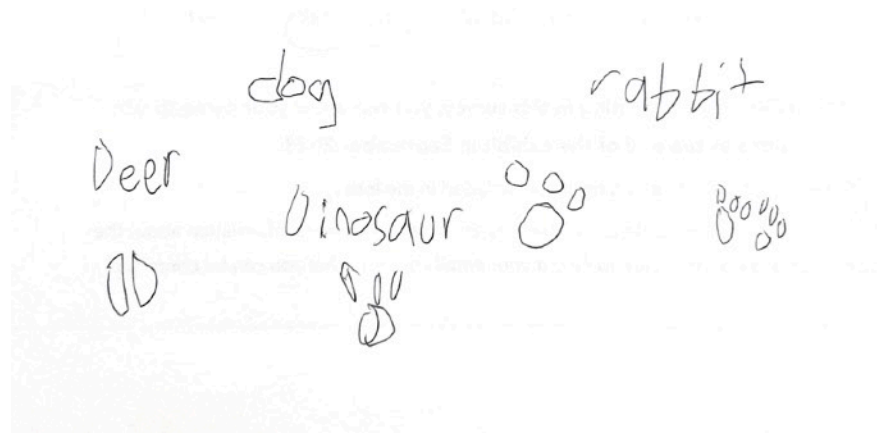


I like to look at the lake and throw rocks. I like to listen to the ice move. I have seen deer tracks at school and puppy tracks around our neighborhood. - Juniper K, Duluth, MN, age 3.5

I enjoy walking on the trails with Papa who likes to ice fish. The ice dams on the shore are my favorite thing to watch. I have seen deer and bunny tracks all around the yard. - Eli A, Duluth, MN, age 5

I enjoy nordic skiing, snowshoeing on the north shore, sliding and trips to Grand Marais. I've seen kitty cat and bunny tracks hopping in the snow and fox tracks. - Milo, Duluth Falls, MN, age 3

I like to walk around the lake in winter. - Lucy P, Duluth, MN, age 10



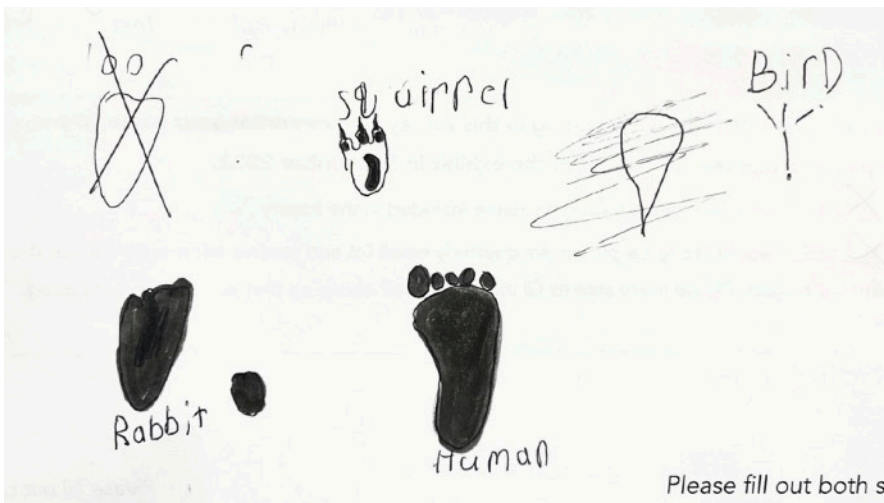
I like the calmness/stillness, that it's frozen, and that we get to skate on it. The serenity and all the pretty birds that are still around. I like skipping rocks in Canal Park. We have seen rabbit and deer tracks. - Savannah G, Woodbury, MN, age 7

I love the sunrises over the lake in winter. The different textures and ice, slush, water, etc. And the ice stacking on the shores. I enjoy fat biking on the beach and lake when safe. Just sitting by the shore, listening to the ice. I have seen squirrel and rabbit, deer as well in and around my yard and out on the trails. - Heather M, Duluth, MN, age 41

We enjoy ice fishing, snowshoeing, and exploring to find animal tracks, dens/homes. We also enjoy sledding and skating. We also enjoy making snowmen, snow angels and snow balls. We've seen deer, porcupine, fox, bird tracks - we have land in Solon Springs we were walking around. - Maddy J, Superior, WI, age 7

I enjoy sea smoke when it's SUPER cold and ice bowls on top of Lake Superior rocks on the shore. I've seen soooo many bunnies! And dog and deer prints. - Makenna J, Duluth, MN age 5.5

I enjoy the many changing moods of Lake Superior. The winter, in particular, is very dynamic - the changeable surface of the lake-surfaced shore - so many colors, textures and shapes. Every year the beach looks so different and different at different times of winter. I like hikes on the beach. I've seen deer, snowshoe hare, bird and our dog's tracks in our yard when out sledding and playing in snow. - Teri S, Duluth, MN, age 42



I like ice fishing, snowshoeing at the Glensheen by the lake, and walking on the lake walk. The lake is peaceful yet powerful in winter.

- Essie, Duluth, MN, age 7

I like watching the sea smoke and looking for agates after a storm. I've seen the tracks of deer, rabbits, squirrels and dogs! - Aurora S, Duluth, MN, age 4

I enjoy making snowmen on the lake and when the lake turns to ice. I like to walk, ice skate, ice fish and make snow angels. I've seen tracks of deer, otters, fox, human, bunny and birds - Kynlea S, Duluth, MN age 5



*I enjoy looking at the lake in the early mornings.
- Tucker G, St Paul, MN, age 9*

*We live right on Lake Superior. We don't do any activities on the lake in winter but we enjoy the views and the wildlife! We've seen tracks of fox, rabbit, deer, coyote, cats, birds, dogs, squirrels and humans.
- Natalie E, Ashland, WI, age 6*

I like the view, to walk the boardwalk and sightsee. I have seen deer and coyote tracks. - Shawn A, WI, age 26

The cracked lines on the ice make cool shapes. Walking on the lake is really cool. Deer, rabbit, dog. - Sam B S, Duluth, MN, age 18

I just like to watch the ice and the waves. I have seen rabbits and deer. - Seth W, Duluth, MN, age 19

In my younger days, I ice-fished and snowmobiled a great deal. Now, as I'm older, just walking, driving and taking photos! *I've seen tracks of deer, rabbit, squirrel and pheasant (not around here).* - Steve B, Burnsville, MN, age 66

I enjoy snowshoeing, sledding, sunrises, sunsets, eating fish. Lots of small animals. - Geoffrey C, Bayfield, WI, age 40

I enjoy seeing the lake smoke when it's very cold. My children enjoy throwing rocks into the lake year round. *We've seen tracks of the kids, our dog Maggie, deer and squirrel.* - Candace, Blair and Alex, Duluth, MN, ages 5, 3 and 36

I love hiking along the shoreline and going ice fishing. We also love driving onto the ice and eating pizza. *I've seen tracks of deer, coyote, rabbit and mouse.* - Phil K, WI