

# Cheney Lake Park

# 2245 Baxter Road

### **Park History**

Until 1972, this area was a gravel extraction site. It later became a man-made lake. During this time the area was used for swimming in the summer and snowmobiling in the winter. State funds were used to purchase additional land for this park in 1975. The park also received Land & Water Conservation Fund monies to help build trails and landscape the area. The lake is named for Roy Cheney who came to Alaska in 1942 to supervise military construction.

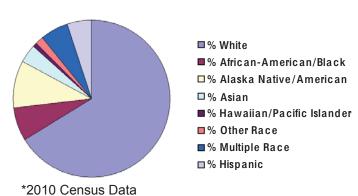
# **Neighborhood Statistics\***

Population: 24,262

Percent of Population under age 19: 32.9%

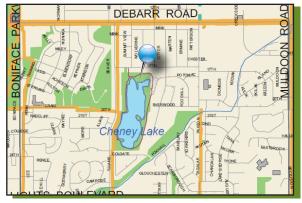
Rate of referrals to Dept. of Juvenile Justice: Low

### Ethnic Composition:



# Park Facilities & Equipment

- Accessible play equipment for 2-5 year olds
- Accessible play eqipment for 5-12 year olds
- •Lighted ice skating on the lake in the winter and boating in the summer
- •The lake is 34 acres in size and has a depth of 3' to 15'; no motorized crafts are allowed
- Parking lot with 30 spaces
- Portable restroom on site from May to September





#### **COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES:**

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### Report Card Background

The Anchorage Parks Report Card utilized community volunteers to create a comprehensive picture of the condition of our parks, reflecting the Anchorage community's opinions, preferences and ideas. Anchorage citizens along with Anchorage Parks and Recreation staff evaluated 38 parks based on 6 different settings. Parks were surveyed based on cleanliness, safety, structure, appearance, and function. Anchorage Parks and Recreation staff will use this information to strategically employ its funding and volunteer resources to better meet the needs of the Anchorage community.

# **Cheney Lake Findings**

Community members reported that Cheney Lake Park is a "beautiful park, with beautiful waterfowl (birds).

#### Fix It List

- Repair cracks in pathways
- · Repair or replace tables and benches
- Review number of trash cans; determine if more are needed and install

## **OVERALL GRADE**

**Active Recreation Areas** 

**Green Spaces** 

**Park Entry** 

Passive Recreation Areas

**Pathways** 

**Playgrounds** 

С
N/A
81
79
72
52
67

Scores were calculated on a 100 point scale



The playground is ready for another coat of paint



Popular place to picnic

For a complete directory of Report Card results for neighborhood parks, go to www.AnchorageParkFoundation.org/projects/reportcard.htm

The Anchorage Park Foundation developed the Anchorage Parks Report Card in partnership with the Eppley Institute for Parks and Public Lands at Indiana University, and community volunteers, thanks to a generous grant from the Rasmuson Foundation. The APF has raised over \$18 million dollars since 2004 to improve public parks, trail and recreation areas. To make a contribution or volunteer, please visit us at: