

## **Lake Management Report**

**8/23/20**

**Mary Jablonski, CLCA VP**

### **Environment and Ecology: Dave Graves, Chair**

The committee continues to focus on the Woolly Adelgid or HWA, with the intention of increasing peoples' awareness and identification of this invasive insect. A zoom meeting was held on 8/17/20, to present a documentary film, titled, **The Hemlock Woolly Adelgid - A film about the loss of an Ecosystem**, by Chris Foito. The HWA is an invasive forest insect that is a serious threat to the native Eastern Hemlock trees in the eastern U.S. It has recently been found on Eastern Hemlock Trees in the Lake George area. The concern is that the HWA will eventually come to the Adirondacks, and destroy mass stands of hemlocks. The HWA insect has the potential to destroy entire hemlock forests. A few chemical treatments and biological predators of the HWA have been found that effectively kill the insects, however, they need to be discovered on the trees early. The film shows the HWA Insects and how they appear on the needles of a hemlock tree, very clearly, and excellent information is shared by the presenters. The message is that people need to learn NOW, how to identify the HWA and be proactive in inspecting their hemlocks regularly.

### **Water Level/Flood Control: Henry Eifert, and Bill Fielding, Co-Chairs**

This topic discussion at the meeting.

### **Fire Safety: Rick Fink, Chair**

Discussion at meeting.

**Water Purity: Merryn Byrnes, Chair**

No current information.

**Invasive Species: Mike Durkee, Lake Steward Chair**

**Marcus Harazin, Lake Inspection Chair**

Discussion at meeting.

**Lake Safety: Mary Jablonski, Interim Chair**

Discussion at meeting.

**Fishing: Tom Lyons, Chair**

Discussion at meeting.

**Stewardships:**

**Adopt a Highway: Bob Baker Chair**

Dates of pickups done this summer, at the meeting.

**Adopt a Shoreline: Deb Hoffman, Chair**

The 5 / 6 tires that were discovered by Rosemary Lee at the far end of West Lake have been retrieved! A huge thank you to Bob Baker, Carlton Fake and Ed Fake for digging the tires out of the sand and muck, and to Ed for disposing of them properly. They also removed a dock section that was near the entrance of Sawdust Creek.

I was also just informed that Joe Jablonski has taken some broken boards, some with carpet attached, to the transfer station. Joe also pulled a large portion of a tree with roots attached, up on shore. This is very heavy and will need to be cut

up before it is disposed of. It can then be taken to the brush dump, when the transfer station is open.

Rosemary Lee has also sent me pictures of trash that was left behind at one of the campsites. She has disposed of all that.

It seems to have been a busy month and I appreciate all the hard work that all have done. Thank you!

**Campsites: Betsy Cannon, Chair**

As noted in the shoreline report, Rosemary Lee disposed of trash left by campers at a campsite.

**Fire Tower: Tim Mitchell, Chair**

Report at Meeting.

**Island: Rick Fink, Chair**

Report at meeting.

Mary Jablonski, Lake Management, VP

**Lake Organization Committee Reports for 2020**

ByLaws-Dick Maider-Chair

No issues that pertain to the Bylaws Committee

Directory-Chris Rohrs

The Directories has been mailed and delivered (by the time of the meeting).

Fire Department-Howard Dutcher

Great strides are being made on the Caroga Lake Volunteer Fire Department's new facility. According to Howard they hope to be in their new home by February 2021. You can follow the progress on the Department's FaceBook page.

Legal-Dick Maider

No issues that pertain to the Legal Committee

Membership-Erin Beaudet

I have taken over as the membership committee chair. Thank you to Merryn Byrnes for her many years managing membership and for spending time during her very busy summer season teaching me the ins and outs of her database. Membership inquiries should be directed to me at [embeaudet@gmail.com](mailto:embeaudet@gmail.com) or 413-522-4187. Business cards were made and printed by Allen to be handed out for people seeking information about the CLCA at the store. Echos and directories for members who made payments after they were mailed are being sent. Information regarding funds collected from membership dues and donations can be found in the treasurer's report.

Members: 298

New Members: 21

Committee Members:

Merryn and John Byrnes

Dorthea Loomis

Alan and Mary Peck

Chris and Judy Moritz

Bill and Dorothy Fielding

Ken and Sherry LaBelle

Bob and Pat Hagen

Tim and Sue Mitchell

#### Nominating Committee-Lois Miller-Chair

The Nominating Committee was very lucky to have the following officers to present at the Annual Meeting:

Allen Farber-President

Marcus Harazin-President Elect

The Nominating Committee had several members of the CLCA indicate their desire to become a director for our Organization. After discussing the criteria for selecting new directors, committee members contacted and spoke with each candidate. The committee then discussed each candidate and the following new directors were presented at the Annual Meeting for approval:

Erin Beaudet

Randy Fredlund

Joe Vesey

All other candidates were notified and thanked for their interest in helping the CLCA. Their names will remain on file for consideration when new directors are needed.

Website-Allen Farber. Erin Beaudet and Dillon Nuanes have been made administrators of the website. Erin will help with the management and content of the website, and Dillon was appointed because of his technical expertise in website design. It is hoped he will be able to upgrade the quality of the site.

#### Welcoming Committee-Lois Miller-Chair

All 20 new members have been contacted via phone and/or email.

The following was sent to all new members:

As part of the CLCA Membership and Welcoming Committee, we would like to acknowledge that you and your family recently joined the CLCA. In normal, non-Covid times we would have tried to meet you in person while you were at the Lake to welcome you, bring you, among

other things, your copy of the Directory, pamphlets about Fulton County, Town of Caroga information and answer any question that you might have. This year instead we are reaching out to you by phone or email to welcome you.

As you may already know, every five years we create and distribute a private Directory of our members, with names, lake addresses. And phone numbers, email addresses and useful community contacts and phone numbers. Your copy as a new member in 2020 should be arriving soon at the address you listed in your membership application. If you would like additional copies they are available.

Thank you for joining our wonderful, active organization. We look forward to meeting you in person in the future and hope that in the meantime you will stay in touch by phone, email and Zoom meetings. If you are interested in joining a specific committee, please contact the Director of that committee and let them know so that you will be informed of schedule (online) meetings.

For further information please feel free to contact LOIS MILLER (Lake phone 518-835-6703; text 585-217-3058; email [lmiller2004@hotmail.com](mailto:lmiller2004@hotmail.com)).

Wishing you a happy and healthy summer at the Lake

Lane Franz

Lois Miller-Chair

There was no response from the following Committee chairs:

Adirondack-Jim Hays

Fire Department-Howard Dutcher

Lake Publication-Mark Moritz/Christine Moritz

Winter Emergency-Mary Jablonski

## **Lake Activities 2020**

Boat Parade:

Sent in separate email

Flare Lighting:

Flare Lighting will take place on Saturday, September 4th at 9 p.m.

Fireworks:

Mike Manning is working on a date for 2021.

Water Sports:

Diana Leaf and Hilary Davis will again chair this committee.  
They are looking forward to a great participation on July 24, 2021.

Social Functions:

Ice Cream Extravaganza:

Erin Alexander and Mary Peck will once again chair this event on August 7, 2021.

Lake Luncheon:

Fingers are crossed that all will return to normal for our 2021 Luncheon. I missed seeing so many of you this past summer. As soon as our committee meets in June information will be made available to all. Stay healthy and safe.

Deb Hoffman-Chair

Picnic:

Mary and Mike Cannon will again chair this committee.

Erin and Mary