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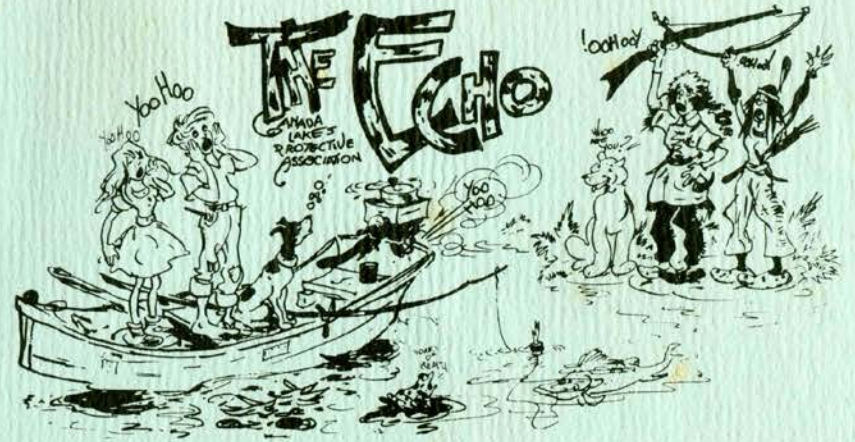
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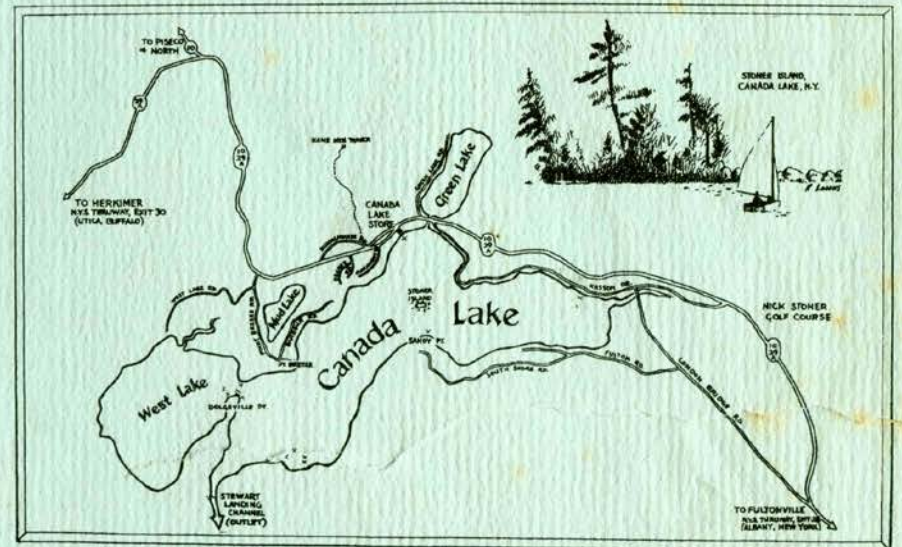


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SUMMER 1970



x's on map indicate approximate location of rock hazards in lake.  
Caution is advised when boating in the vicinity of any indicated hazard.



**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**  
Summer - 1970

<b>JULY</b>		
4 Flare Lighting	9:00 P.M.	
4 Fireworks display	9:30 P.M.	
5 Rain date for July 4th		
11 C.L.P.A. Meeting in the Caroga Lake Firehouse	8:00 P.M.	
24 Luncheon and Card Party, Nick Stoner Inn	12:30 P.M.	
<b>AUGUST</b>		
14 Luncheon and Card Party, Nick Stoner Inn	12:30 P.M.	
15 Board of Directors Meeting at Paul Kukla's		
22 C.L.P.A. Meeting in the Caroga Lake Firehouse	8:00 P.M.	
30 Boat Parade	2:30 P.M.	

<b>SEPTEMBER</b>		
6 Rain date for Boat Parade 2nd rain date - Sept. 7th		
6 Flare Lighting (on cannon signal from Nick Stoner Island)	9:00 P.M.	
7 Rain date		

**NOTICE**

Flares will be obtainable at the Canada Lake store this year.

**1970 COMMITTEES**

Echo: William Bates  
 Membership: Alvin White  
 Publicity: Edgar Moore, Ralph Weir  
 Fishing: Mert Lessler  
 Sailing: Jack Ryan, Chairman, Bill Bates, Monty Mason, Barbara Patterson  
 Pollution: Joseph Mason, Lloyd Decker,  
 Fireworks: Paul Kukla  
 Boat Parade: John Fielding  
 Communicators with the youth on the Lake: Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Taylor, Mr. & Mrs. Lendol Sliter  
 Bridge Parties: Evelyn Loomis, Anna Kukla, Gretchen Fielding, Eleanor Franz  
 Nominating: R. Loomis, A. White, J. Ryan  
 Youth Activities: Scott Brown, William Knapp, Deonie Bates, Elizabeth Scott  
 Flare Lighting: Roy Loomis

**1970 OFFICERS**

President .....	Arden P. Zipp
1st Vice Pres. ....	Todd Ballard
2nd Vice Pres. ....	Alvin White
Secretary .....	Mabel Kane
Treasurer .....	Paul Kukla
Directors 1 yr. ....	John Brower Fred Juer
	John F. Ryan Willard Ryan
Directors 2 yrs. ....	Lloyd Decker John Fielding Merton Lesser Albert Lunden
Directors 3 yrs. ....	William Bates LeRoy Loomis Joseph Mason Gerald Thiesen

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

A booklet was published in New York in 1897 by the Auskerada Park Club. It was entitled "Aughstagradié" a tale of the Auskeradas.

Ongowanda was a chief of the Mohawks. He offered a prize - his own canoe, to the one who could catch as many fish as he had caught. A young Huron came to the lake determined to win the canoe. After fishing all day he took his catch to the island where the chief lived. As a result, he won the prize, and so great fisherman came to live on the Auskerada Lakes "the waters of many fish."

Come back with me to the Auskeradas, the book goes on to say, where the spirit of contentment and perfect rest pervades the atmosphere. Where the birds, flowers and green trees of the forest, the softness, smoothness and beauty of the lakes steal into your soul. The teepees of the Indians have disappeared and so have the hotels which followed, the Auskerada Hotel and the Kanaughta House, but the beauty of the lakes remain. It is a veritable garden of Eden!

Now that the calendar says "Spring is Here", it is time to start thinking of getting back to our beautiful lakes. As most of you know, the C.L.P.A. was formed many years ago, for the very purpose the name indicates. As a result, we have one of the cleanest and most desirable bodies of water in Fulton County, populated by some of the nicest people. Let's keep it that way. To do so requires the work and cooperation of every

one! Come to the meetings and enjoy a pleasant evening. Give us some suggestions for a better organization. Help us establish a budget and a progressive program.

I would like to extend a particular invitation to the young people. They are a part of the success or failure of the future of the organization, and their ideas will be more than welcome.

Meanwhile, I join you in looking forward to another "Lights On" at our lakes.

Sincerely,  
Arden Zipp

**SAILING - SAILING**  
1969 Season

The 1969 sailing season is now history but we are sure many events that led to its making will remain fresh in our memories for a long time.

We were introduced to the 420 sailboat, the second sailing club approved class boat. Any Association member planning to buy a sailboat is urged to purchase either a Sunfish or a 420. More fun and excitement can be generated when racing a class sailboat.

**1969 Sailboat Race Winners**

Trophy	Open Class	Sunfish
CLPA First place	Dunstan	Mason
CLPA Second place	White, Mahoney	Loomis
CLPA Third place	Castilloux	Fielding
Canada Lake Store	Dunstan	
Kasson Sunfish		Mason
Bogart Memorial	Castilloux	J. Ryan

The Canada Lake Sailing Club would like to express their many thanks to Bill Dunstan, who has requested that he be relieved of his Chairmanship responsibilities.

Under Bill's able leadership and guidance, the club grew from a six boat fleet to thirty-five plus.

**SAILORS AHOY!-1970 SEASON**

The sailing season is almost here. We have made some improvements in the racing program for 1970, but we've not been able to do much about the wind.

The racing committee feels these changes will help encourage more Canada Lake vacationers to join us. These innovations include a few more social activities, changes in the scoring, and a new schedule. So if the new program interests you, participate!

First, we hope to have a wider acceptance of the 420 class and the committee is working toward that end.

This year's schedule will be similar to our previous schedules, but we will also have two

special 3 race series to accommodate the part time vacationers and to encourage them to join us as regularly as they can.

We will continue two classes, the Sunfish and the One-of-a-Kind, and we will add the 420 class if there are at least three 420's this year.

The scoring for the open class will be based on published Portsmouth Rating System for the class the boat belongs in.

**Schedule for 1970**

**Saturday July 4** - Meeting 10:30 a.m. Monty Mason's dock

**Saturday July 4** - The 4th of July Trophy Race.

**Canada Lake Protective Association Summer Series of Six Races:**

First Series:

- July 11
- July 18
- July 25

**Saturday August 1** - Awards to be presented to 1st half of summer series, followed by cocktails and pot luck supper at Barbara and Jim Patterson's dock - 5 p.m.

Second Series:

- August 8
- August 15
- August 22

All Races on Saturday, with Sunday as alternate rain date.

**Saturday August 29** - Cocktails and Race Awards at Jack Ryan's dock at 4:30 P.M.

**Scoring**

For all classes the scoring in their respective class will be as follows:

Order of finish	Points given
1	30
2	26
3	23
4	21
5	20
6,7,8, etc.	19,18, etc.

All boats entered and starting but which do not finish are allowed 5 points each.

**Awards**

The Kasson Sunfish Trophy and the Canada Lake Store Trophy for the July 4 Race, with the awards presented at the August 1 party.

The CLPA trophies for the 6 CLPA races, a first, second, and third place trophy both for the open class and for the Sunfish class.



Certificates of Merit, a total of 4, for those who sign up for a special 3-race series and who are first for their class among those participating in the 2 special short series.

The Bogart Trophies will be awarded for one year to the Sunfish sailor and to the open class sailor who have the higher score in their class for either the July series or the August series.

We hope that this system will encourage sailors who cannot vacation all summer to try for one of the Bogart Trophies. We feel that these trophies can best serve as inspiration to sailors who cannot be with us all summer and cannot compete for the CLPA Trophies.

#### Time Keeping

We need two people each racing Saturday to handle this chore. Please volunteer now for a weekend, or ask your spouse, children or interested friend to help out.

*Racing Committee*  
*Jack Ryan, Chairman*  
*Bill Bates*  
*Monty Mason*  
*Barbara Patterson*

#### ECHOS

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Yuenger sold their home in Flushing, N.Y. They spent the winter in the warm sunshine of Arizona, and hope to be back at the lake by the first of June.

Although the family of Mr. and Mrs. W. Arnold Petrie are scattered about these United States, it is hoped they may all get together for at least some of the summer. Jane, now Mrs. Robert Davis, resides on Mt. Bromley, Vt., with Parker Arnold Davis, the Petrie's first grandson, now two years old. Nancy Petrie, a BS Major in Psychology, is in Denver working at the Wallace School for brain damaged children. This is her second year in the West, and plans to return East this summer. Arnold has retired from his insurance business after 39 years, and his new associate is Douglas Daley who is carrying on the business. Mr. Petrie will devote his time to his Real Estate business and will spend more time at the lake.

Mr. and Mrs. William Schreivogl, whose camp is on West Lake, report they, with their son Andy, have been hiking in all winter, and Bill and Andy have had good luck ice fishing. They are looking forward to another summer with all their friends around the "Canada Lakes."

Ethel and Jerry Theisen have purchased the camp on the North Shore — Hutchinson Road — formerly owned by Marion Still. Jerry was recently promoted to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubbard M. Smith (Linda Fisher) and daughter, Alison, are now living in Paris, France. Hub is European Production Manager for Time-Life International.

Douglas and Helen Hays, whose camp is on Barbour Road, moved last November to 108 South William Street, Johnstown, New York 12095.

DeLuca — Mould News from Kon-Tiki on Canada Lake:

Mrs. Arlene DeLuca married Mr. Harold M. Mould of Priddle Point, Gloversville. The couple resides at 242 Kingsboro Ave., Gloversville. Mrs. Mould does volunteer tutoring at the Lexington Center for physically, mentally and emotionally handicapped persons. She has been doing substitute teaching in Mayfield and Gloversville this year. Mr. Mould has continued as Supt. of the Mayfield Central Presbyterian Church. He is employed at the Fulton Co. Silk Mills in Gloversville.

David V. DeLuca was united in marriage to Miss Susan B. Secrest of Rochester. The young couple reside at 13 Buckingham St., Rochester, where Mr. DeLuca is a practicing attorney, and Mrs. DeLuca is employed by the Marine-Midland Bank.

"Dede" DeLuca Owens is a teacher of crippled children at the D.T. Watson Home, "Sunny Hill", Leetsdale, Pa.

Mr. Mould's daughter, Mrs. Carolyn Graves (who teaches in Mayfield) and grandchildren, Joel and Jeff Graves, all of Gloversville, are frequent visitors at Canada Lake and enjoy bicycling, boating and swimming.

Doctor and Mrs. Bernard Feldstein spent the month of February on a cruise through the Panama Canal to Guayaquil, Ecuador.

Curtis and Miriam Feldstein Case have had the unique experience of spending the first winter of their marriage at the Feldstein cottage on South Shore. In spite of the extreme temperatures and snow storms they report this a worth-while adventure, and have winterized the summer dwelling for comfortable living. Both have commuted daily; Curt to Utica College, and Miriam to her teaching in Remsen Central School. They are appreciative of the excellent snow plowing on the South Shore road.

Catherine and Bill Roberts of Hutchinson

Road, drove to Indiana during Easter vacation to visit their daughter and son-in-law and family, Mr. and Mrs. Royce R. Powers.

Bonnie Joan Buchner, daughter of Comm. and Mrs. Ronald G. Buchner of Caroga Lake, was married to David Porter Baswell of Somerville, N.J. Mr. and Mrs. Baswell are both seniors at Albany Medical College, working toward their M.D. degrees.

Sherry Buchner is a Junior at St. Lawrence University, majoring in a pre-med course.

Mrs. Ronald Buchner has been attending State University at Oneonta for a Master's Degree in Counselor Education.

Esther and Bill Dunstan spent the winter on the French Riviera at Cannes.

Margaret and Ed Vosburgh went out to Seattle, Washington in mid-August to be with daughter Diane. On Sept. 3rd, Diane had a little girl, Liana Kay Halverson.

Over Labor Day week-end Lowell, Diane, Margaret and Ed went up the Campbell River in British Columbia where the big salmon run. It was nice, but they still like Canada Lake better by far. They hope to be returning to the lake in early June.

Delia Shannon, daughter of Lois and Hugh Shannon of St. Johnsville and Green Lake, and William Fear, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. William Fear of Gloversville, were married September 6. Delia and her husband are residing in Fukuokor, Japan, where Mr. Fear is serving with the Air Force.

Mr. and Mrs. Shannon express their regret of the passing of their good friend and neighbor, "Tony" Beekman.

Nancy Lou Robertson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Robertson of Kasson Drive, has been chosen to participate in the Master of Arts in Teaching program at Harpur College at Binghamton, N.Y. Miss Robertson is a June 1969 graduate of Harpur. She is presently teaching Junior High English in Binghamton and working toward her Master's degree at Harpur.

Bette and Russell Watson are new owners, since Sept. 1969, of the camp formerly owned by the Greenslete's. Mr. and Mrs. Watson own and operate the Homestead Mobile Park & Sales in Little Falls. Mr. Watson is also a salesman for the Miller Real Estate Agency in Canajoharie. They have two daughters, Linda aged 23, married to Richard Miller; and Judith, aged 17, a junior in high school.

Lt. J.G. George B. Clark, son of Donald J.

and Rosalind Clark of North Shore, is a Navy pilot presently serving in Vietnam aboard the carrier Hancock. Another son, Donald J. Clark, Jr., will complete two years in the Peace Corps this June, teaching English in Tarouand, Morocco.

Mrs. Anthony Wolf, mother of Mrs. John C. Rockwell, has been at the lake since 1904, and has owned property since 1909 on Green Lake. She is now 90 years old and in good health and spirits.

Mrs. Helen Place Poncel was in Albuquerque, New Mexico for six weeks during the winter, visiting her son Cdr. William-M. Place, who is stationed there doing research in Weapons department for the Navy. He and his family will be visitors at camp for a month this summer.

Bernard and Helen Caringe of Camp Brookwood on the North Shore, took delivery of a new 27 ft. Airstream trailer at the factory in Ohio in April. In June, they and son Michael trailered down the Skyline Drive in Shenandoah National Park along the Blue Ridge Parkway to the Great Smokie Mountains in Tennessee. Later in the summer and early fall they traveled in Vermont, New Hampshire and Maine. Michael is a Junior at St. Michael's College in Vermont and is on the college ski team.

Deborah Franz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lorenz Franz of Old State Road, is a student at Bemidji State College, Bemidji, Minnesota; and Kurt Franz is a student at Colgate University.

The Walter R. Kurgans' from the "Little Swiss Chalet" report that Airman 1st Class Charles E. DeTraglia was home from Hahn's Air Force Base in Germany for 30 days. His brother Michael C. DeTraglia is going to enter college this fall. All the family is looking forward to another season at the Lake.

On October 4, 1969, Andrea Zipp, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arden Zipp, was married in the Zion Lutheran Church, Dolgeville, to Charles R. Shaver of Mohawk.

Alan R. Zipp is completing his year of apprenticeship with the Heintz Funeral Home in Utica. He will take his state board exams in October for a licensed funeral director.

Dr. Arden Zipp is preparing to write a text book in Chemistry. He is a member of the faculty at Cortland State University.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorenz Franz, 53 West State Street, Dolgeville, announce the engagement



of their daughter, Deborah, to David L. Hoffman, Jr., son of Dr. and Mrs. David L. Hoffman, Rochester, Minnesota.

Bill Bates, Jr. graduates from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, this year — will probably go in the Navy.

Mark Bates spent his Sophomore year at the University of Vienna — in Austria; he made the Dean's list his second semester.

Fred Juer, West Lake, accepted a position as Executive Vice President of the Worth Bat Co., a new division of the Lannom Manufacturing Co. of Tullahoma, Tenn., effective January 1, 1970. Lannom is the world's largest manufacturer of baseballs and softballs.

The family is planning to join Fred there after Rob's graduation from Dolgeville High School in June. Although their plans (for this season) are indefinite, the Juers are hoping to be able to spend part of each summer at the lake.

An early summer wedding is planned between Bronson E. Moore, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar E. Moore, Canada Lake, and Miss Linda Walter, daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth Walter and Woodward Walter, Caroga Lake. Bronson is employed as a technical engineer in the New York State Transportation Department.

Miss Denise Moore is employed at the Nathan Littauer Hospital as charge nurse of the pediatric ward.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald J. Clark (N. Shore, Kasson Drive) will spend two weeks traveling in Spain, Portugal and Morocco during March. They will visit their son, Donald, a Peace Corps teacher in Taroudant, Morocco.

Linda Lee Smith, daughter of Mrs. Wesley Smith, and Robert Allan Myers were married November 9, 1968 at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, St. Johnsville, N.Y.

Danny Jay Smith and Sandra Lee Gay were married October 18, 1969, at First United Methodist Church, Gloversville, N.Y.

Margaret Anne Short, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Short, was married to Mr. Donald L. Fenton, Jr., son of Lt. Cl., Ret. and Mrs. Donald L. Fenton, Sr., of Arlington, Texas, on February 4, 1970, at Dallas Texas.

Florence and Bob Dennie, owners of "Gramps Camp" on Kasson Road, have been on a vacation in Fort Pierce Beach, Florida. They enjoy the "Echo" very much, and are looking forward to an enjoyable summer at Canada Lake again.

David, Jr. and Peter Hoffman are attending the University of Minnesota, Peter in the graduate school; Michael is a junior at Colgate University and a member of the Alpha Delta Phi Fraternity. They are the sons of Dr. David H. Hoffman of the staff of the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota.

Leland S. Hoffman of New York City died recently. He was an honor graduate of Union College and a member of Kappa Alpha Fraternity. He was born in St. Johnsville, N.Y. Dr. David Hoffman is his son.

Scott Benjamin, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Paul L. Benjamin, is a freshman at Penn State University and a member of the Pershing Rifles.

The daughters of Dr. and Mrs. Frank Deming have produced a bumper crop of grandchildren for them, and they are expecting two more new arrivals this Spring, bringing the total to ten. They all have their grandparents love for the lake and are looking forward to coming again this summer — from as far away as Jacksonville, Florida.

#### NIAGARA MOHAWK NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS ON CANADA LAKE

Last October, the State of New York Public Service Commission authorized us to put into effect a new schedule of electric rates which includes a provision applying to customers who use electric service for summer homes and cottages on a seasonal basis.

The new schedule provides the following charges for re-establishing electric service which has been disconnected and resumed within a 12-month period:

\$ 7.50 — if re-established during regular working hours.

\$15.00 — if re-established during other than regular working hours:

The attractive paper napkins used for the Ladies second bridge luncheon at Nick Stoner Inn last summer were hand printed and donated by 'Injun Joe' who admits to seeing Nick Stoner swim to the island.

#### WHISPERIN' PINES

by  
Edgar E. Moore

"No sir, young feller, you can't beat the taste of food cooked over a camp fire, and right here on Stoner Island there's been a lot of food cooked, way back from the time when them Indians was roamin' right around in these very parts. Yes, I know, seems like today some people is callin' you young kids indians, but be that as it may. Whisperin' Pines? You listen to them whisperin' now that the moon's a comin' up and the breeze is ripplin' the water.

Long ago, mebbe 'bou the time your great grand daddy was a boy, a young feller come through with his daddy. Youngster's name was Henry R. Snyder, and he'd been asked by his daddy if he wanted to go to Canada Lake on a fishin' trip. He was pretty excited, 'cause back in them days anything north of Johnstown was known as the great wilderness. They come from Johnstown by horse and buggy up the Clapper Hill Road, now called the North Bush Rd. When they got to Wheelerville there warn't no buildings there 'ceptin' one farm house, barn and shed and a two stone grist mill. This was all owned by a Jeffords family who hailed from Dutchess County way. Folks was all hospitable in them days so they stayed over night. Next day they got in a Hudson river type of boat at the inlet and started rowin' over to Pine Bluff to pitch camp and do a little fishin'. Pine Bluff, that's now Dolgeville Point.

You know one thing that's just the same today and just as many now as then? Flies. Yes sir, that Ryan boy says he never saw so many flies, but when they got past London Bridge and hit the breeze, them flies, they just got blowed away. Well, to get on. This must a been a beautiful spot then — not that it ain't now, mind you, but there warn't nary a building — just them tall standin' virgin timber. The island, that's where we be now, he says with them tall pines it looked just like a man of war sailing ship guarding the shore line. Course you know this island has shrunk away plenty. When the power dam was built it raised the water and erosion set in. Who knows? Mebbe if somthin' ain't done some day these pines will no longer be whisperin' — they'll be drowned.

Well, Henry and his daddy camped on Pine Bluff, and one night a party come by and said they were from Ft. Plain way and were on their way north on the Indian trail. That trail, it started where East Canada Creek empties

into the Mohawk river and followed that creek to its intersection with this outlet. Thence up the west side of the outlet so as to keep on hard ground to West Lake. Following the shore of the lake to Pine Bluff and the outlet of West Lake which it crossed, then went up the low ground to Pine Lake, intersecting the old Caughnawaga and Johnstown trail, and then on to Canada. Hard to believe a feller would walk that far ain't it? Specially when today a man can't walk four blocks to the post office.

While they was fishin' there they went on down to Old Pole Lake. This was later changed to Little Lake, then along comes somebody and called it Lilly Lake. 'Pears like everyone is happy now as the name hasn't been changed. Stir up the fire a might, feller.

Whisperin' Pines. My how the time goes by. Seems like too many years has gone by since I first listened. Well sir, you know these and other early visitors spread around the word of this beauty spot and then a club was formed. Point Breeze Club, they called it, and built a club house. That's right where the Steinkamp cottage is now and that was the original club house. A few of these early ones was the Hackneys, Godfreys, Evans, Hayes, Hilla-brandts, and Kennedeys. Know I haven't named them all off, but anyway, a little later on they built the Auskerada Hotel, where the Lake Side Motel is now. Then they started buildin' cottages along that shore up past the club house.

How high was the water then? Well, Harriett Crispin who lives at Pine Lake, and whose daddy, Henry G. "Colby" Moore at that time owned Mud Lake says she used to walk with her daddy from the Club House along the sand bar — no boat house was there then — over to the Bluff, or Dolgeville Point. One time an old timer was a settin' on the Decker cottage porch — that's where Studicks is now — and he was a tellin' how he was out walkin' one day and saw blood spots on the ground. He follered the trail and com on to Nick Stoner, who had cut himself with an ax and would like to have bled to death if this feller hadn't come along. Well, the feller put down his gun, and Nick was so weak he could hardly help himself. Said he was headin' for Woolworths. That was over on West Lake. Later it was Giffords Boardin' House during the lumberin' days, and the last I knew it belonged to a Mr. Mosher. This feller managed to get Nick to the Woolworths — the missus was home but her husband was at a neighbors nine miles away gettin' out shingles. He come



home that night and together they nursed Nick back to health. You know that night when they got through eatin', Mr. Woolworth allowed as how he thought his wife should go to mill. Well, this feller who had rescued Nick, he didn't think no man should send his wife to mill that time a day, but do you know what go to mill was? Well sir, she walked over to a standin' hollow log, lifted the cover, poured in corn, and started poundin'. She sifted out the fine corn, and kept poundin' 'till the whole batch was fine. Didn't think them things happened almost right in your own back yard, did you?

Well, tis gettin' late, but I gotta tell you one more thing. The lumber for the old Auskerada, and the club house, and lot of the early camps was cut either at the saw mill at Pine Lake, or the one which was built at Wheelerville. Notice the different kind of voice that one pine has? Few years back he was clipped by a plane which was takin' off and last summer lightin' hit it, and for a while it looked like the end. Them Canada Lake people got a tree doctor up here and he gave it a good special tar coverin'.

Before we start puttin' out the fire one more word — you know about fifty years ago Jack Staley and Wilda Whitaker was married right here on this island. Can't think of a prettier place or nicer settin'. Yep, it's gettin' late and we gotta be goin' — but let's go quiet like, just listenin' to them whisperin'.

My thanks and gratitude to Mrs. Wallace Crispin for filling me in and giving me the privilege of reading an old family scrap book, many clippings going back to the early 1800's.

## CANADA LAKE HISTORY

by  
Barbara McMartin Patterson

My family has enjoyed Canada Lake for over eighty years, and it sometimes seems that the lake has not changed very much.

"Star light, star bright,

Oh! how the punkies bite tonight."

This little verse was found in the guest book of "Loch Villa", dated 1898. The book contains a number of amusing verses that tell of life at Canada Lake before 1900. I also found a bit of my family's history in the guest book. This history dates back nearly thirty years before my grandfather bought our camp on the North shore.

My grandmother, Harriet Foote McMartin, signed the guest book in the summer of 1890. She visited the lake with her parents and her sister Lulu. The next year she returned, this time accompanied by her older married sister's family that included new twins, Mildred and Marion Dillenbeck.

The summer of 1891 must have been just like a few recent ones. One guest left a note in July. "It rained the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th of July. Went home on the 6th".

The fishing wasn't bad. Someone in 1892 "caught a pickerel in my hands". And the most fish caught in one afternoon was 26 perch.

In 1895, Loch Villa was host to my grandfather's family. All his brothers and sisters were there except Dick Evans' grandmother. Those present included my grandfather, Daniel McMartin, his brothers, Arch, James, and Walker, and his sisters, Margaret M. MacIntyre, Flora, and Bessie. That group was even larger than some of the family parties I've had to cook for at the lake.

Mr. Decker's steamer provided many and delightful excursions. The trip to Stewart's landing was a lot of fun, but no more fun than the dances and the Aurkarada.

The weather was not all bad, for on July 3, 1898, "the thermometer on Mr. Decker's shady porch reached 88 degrees."

The verse the "boys from Fort Plain" wrote in July 1898 contains many familiar complaints, though the charm of the verse takes some of the pain out of the weather.

We have walked to Pine Lake Village,  
We have bathed in Green Lake Bay,  
And many more excursions we would take,  
But it rained most every day.

The Water now is higher,  
Than it's been for many a year,  
And the rains they have been longer,  
And the lightning more severe.

E'en the winds have seemed the stronger,  
And the thundering more near.

One guest left the following puzzle, which I hope will amuse you some rainy night. In fact, if you can find the answer, I would like to know it. You are supposed to "fill in the first line with a word of eight letters which will complete the other lines by successively beheading the first letters. The whole makes sense and is rather poetical."

Our oars with lily pads are \_\_\_\_\_  
Our eager hands the blossoms \_\_\_\_\_  
We said "Dull care away \_\_\_\_\_"  
And echo answered \_\_\_\_\_

Thanks to Mert Lesser, we have a record of the Fish Stocking Program at Canada Lake.

Stocked in September — Last Year:		
Lake Trout	6 3/4 in.	4300
Splake	5 3/4 in.	4225
Splake	5 1/2 in.	5000
Cross/Lake/Brook Trout		
Red Salmon	7/8 in.	25000

Mr. Richmond will be at a district conservation meeting this week and will see what aggressive action can be taken towards improving the lake's fishing in general. He advises that due to state stocking, the Caroga Lakes have become one of the state's best splake lakes.

## POLLUTION

As an aid to preventing pollution on our beautiful lake, we are urging all members to switch to soap instead of detergents for dishes and clothes washing. The soap is absorbed and digested by the earth, while it is a proven fact that detergents cannot be broken down — will eventually filter to the water table and re-appear as detergent in the lake, killing our fish and forming an unattractive scum and foam around the shores. This is so easy for us all to prevent — but so very difficult to correct. Couldn't we all back this 100% in our effort to conserve, and to prevent pollution?

Can we have more country flags displayed around the lake this year?

## CHURCH SERVICES

No. Bush United M.E.	10:30 a.m.
Rev. Joseph Beatty, pastor	
Caroga Lake Chapel	11:00 a.m.
Church opens for season June 27	
Catholic Chapel (St. Barbara)	
Masses at 8:00, 9:15, 10:30 & 12:00	
Rev. Father Joseph Regor and assistants	

## GARBAGE SCHEDULE

Pick up during July-Aug. — Mon. & Fri.  
Dump is open on these days and hours:  
Jan.-Apr. — 7:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m. on Mon., Wed., Fri.; Sat. 7:00 a.m. to noon  
Closed Sunday  
May-Sept. — 7:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m. on Mon., Wed., Fri., Sat. Closed Sunday  
Oct.-Dec. — 7:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m. on Mon., Wed., Fri. Sat. 7:00 a.m. to noon.  
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## Officers — Town of Caroga

Supervisor	Emma B. Krause	835-2882
Justice	Richard C. Sweet	835-8231
Justice	Michael Schmutz	835-8284
Councilman	Emmeran Arnst	835-8312
Councilman	Edgar Moore	835-2264
Highway Sup't.	Donald Baker	835-8721
Town Clerk	Viola Kovalovich	835-3094
Tax Collector	Richard C. Groshans	835-2004
Assessor	Clifton Westover	835-2564
Assessor	Robert Emmett Stock	835-2561
Assessor	Kenneth Holliday	835-2443
Sanitary Inspector	Arthur Popp	762-1182
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