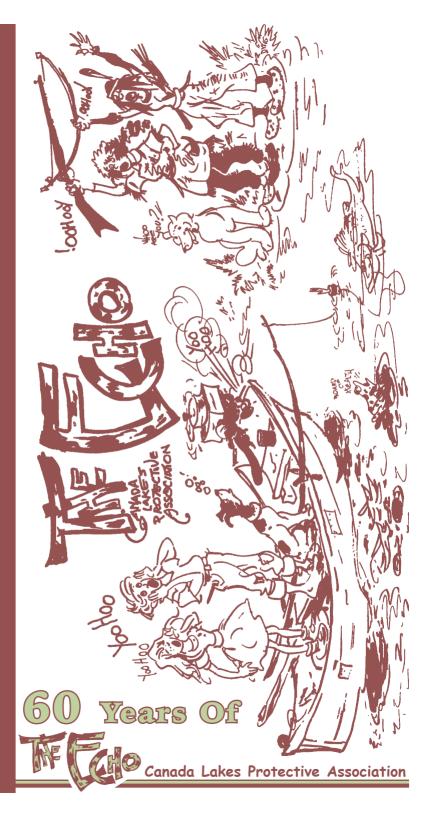
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Rules of the Waves

We all can enjoy our lakes if we all work together

A reminder from the Town of Caroga Navigation Committee

IT IS COURTEOUS TO:

- Operate your craft in a manner which does not endanger others
- Operate your craft in a manner which avoids excess noise

IT IS GOOD FOR THE ENVIRONMENT:

- To keep your trash and litter out of the lake and it is the law
- To operate your craft away from weed beds
- · To keep soap out of the lake



BOATING REGULATIONS

- Always ski with a spotter in the boat who is at least 10 years old
- Ski during daylight hours
- Maintain speed at or below 5 mph within 100' of shore, docks, skiers and swimmers, unless you are dropping off or picking up a skier
- · Utilize navigation lights after sunset
- Provide an approved life jacket for everyone aboard the craft
- Vests must be worn by all children under 12
- A throwable life preserving device must be present in the boat
- Do not operate a craft while impaired by any drug or alcoholic beverage
- · Engines on all crafts must be reasonably muffled
- Operators are responsible for any damage caused by their wakes
- Minimum age to operate a power boat is 10
- Age 10 to 18 must complete a safe boating course to operate a power boat without adult supervision
- The minimum age for operating a PWC is 14
- "Everyone" must complete a safe boating course to operate a Personal Water Craft



For Emergencies Only **Dial 911**

Non Emergencies: Call the Fulton County Sheriff's Department at 518-736-2100

> IT IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY TO USE COMMON SENSE AND ACT SAFELY



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Start thinking now about how you can contribute to the

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For more information contact: echo@carogalake.com

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All members are invited to attend the 25th annual CLPA picnic. Please provide a covered dish to share, and you may want to bring your own folding chairs. The CLPA provides soda, beer, hamburgers and hotdogs. Volleyball and games for younger children are provided. This has proven to be an entertaining event for all generations attending. We urge all members and their families to join us at the 2015 picnic scheduled for 1:30 PM to 4:30 PM Location TBA

2015 INFORMATIONAL GUIDE FOR THE TOWN OF CAROGA

The Town of Caroga's codes, permit requirements, tax information, garbage and recycling pickup times, transfer station information, and other valuable local services and events are available to you!

This information and more can be found in the Town of Caroga 2015 Directory. Copies are available at Town Hall, the Post Office or on the town website http://www.carogalakeny.com.

FISH CATCHES

PLEASE REPORT YOUR FISH CATCHES AT THE STORE. YOU DON'T HAVE TO TELL WHERE YOU CAUGHT THEM, JUST THE SIZE.

CLPA President's Message

Hooray! *The Echo* has arrived! *The Echo* has arrived! Time to get ready for another great season at the lakes.

I was reminiscing about my first visits to the lakes. They were with Clinton (who knew his first name was actually Clinton?) "Butch" Bachman. Butch was with us until his untimely 1990 death. For those of you who never knew Butch, he was definitely a mountain man and was most comfortable out in nature, doing the things he loved, mainly hunting and fishing. His fun-loving personality ensured him many friends and lots of partying! His family included his parents Karen and Clinton Sr. and sister. Judith. The Bachmans purchased "the camp" on Dolgeville Point in the mid 1950's and that property is currently my summer home.

During our years together (1970-1990) Butch and I would spend summer Sundays with his family, usually doing some projects or fixing something that just stopped working! There was never a shortage of projects! But after long days of fixing, patching and repairing, we would all enjoy wonderful dinners together. These meals always began with whiskey sours and conversations on the front porch. It was a magical time for me then ... as it still is today. The only difference today is that the drink is a pomegranate martini and Dixon and I prepare the meals for our family and friends. Ever have one of Dixon's beignets? As in those early years, I still love to just sit on the front porch and look out at the shimmering blue water with the mountain backdrop reflecting on its surface. For me the lake has a mesmerizing and remarkably calming effect ... and I always think, "I'm so lucky to be here"

That's why I get such great pleasure thinking about all of the youth who were and are so lucky to be able to spend their summers at our lakes. Having spent my childhood summers in Dolgeville anxiously awaiting for the new school year to begin. I envied those kids who grew up at the lakes. Now it gives me enormous pleasure to watch my own grandchildren and great grandchild have the opportunity to experience summers at the lakes. I know the bonds of friendship they have formed will last their lifetimes.

Whatever our age, we all experience joy as we light the flares to begin a new season at the lakes and sadness as we again light the flares to end another summer of fun. But as we close up our camps and say goodbye to all of our friends we all share the wonderful experiences we've had during the summer and as in the words of the famous Master Card ad, they are "priceless".

CLPA President's Message

Speaking of goodbyes, my tenure as president of the CLPA will end this summer. It has been a pleasure and honor to the CLPA community as your president. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to participate in our community in this extremely meaningful way. I have had the wonderful opportunity to work with dedicated and knowledgeable CLPA officers, board of directors, committee members and volunteers who continue to protect our pristine lakes. Without the efforts of so many, the richness we experience at the lakes would be diminished in so many ways. On a bright note, I leave the position as president in the capable hands of David Graves. who I am sure will do an amazing job of carrying on the goals and objectives of our organization.

Last, but not least, Happy 60th Anniversary to our wonderful publication: The Echo. Traditionally the 60th anniversary is celebrated as the diamond anniversary. Diamond, derived from the Greek word adamas, means unconquerable and enduring. These words somehow seem so appropriate in describing our amazing community of lakes.

If you are like me, there is always a smile on your face as you open and read the newest version of The Echo. I thought it might be equally fun for all of us to experience the 1955 original version, The Echo Vol. I, No. 1. Celebrate the stories, enjoy, remember and soon we will see each other on the lakes, creating new stories and memories to sustain us.

With Gratitude - Lois Miller

• Read The 1955 Echo In Full On The Next Page •

FIRE TIPS

- Have at least one fire extinguisher per building.
- Have a hose, with nozzle, hooked up to an outside faucet.
- Know where the nearest fire pump (red box) is located.
 - -- Sonnenberg's at 624 West Lake Rd
 - -- Dennie's at 342 South Shore Trail
 - Lichtneger's dock at 206 Dolgeville Point
 - -- In Bill Fielding's work boat
- Know how to operate these pumps or ask any director for instructions.
- Call 911 for the Fire Department.
- Know your House number when you call.

Lending Library



Year Round. Stop by the lobby of Town hall and pick up or drop off a Book or two......

There are also jig saw puzzles for you to take home!



THE ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Canada Lake Protective Association will be held at 8:00 P.M. Friday, July 8 in the Wheelerville school.

Mr. Fred Smith, a specialist in tree diseases of the Conservation Department, will discuss "Trees." Bring your problems and specimens.

Program plans for the summer will be presented by the officers and chairmen. officers and board will also be chosen.

We want your suggestions. This is your Association - come and bring your friends.

WORSHIP

Worship takes on special meaning in the woods. We are close to nature and to God.

We are fortunate in having both Catholic and Protestant services available in their respective chapels. Information about them is usually posted at the stores and postoffices.

Religious observance on Sunday will make vacation a richer and deeper experience.

CHANGES IN THE BY-LAWS

Your Board suggests that the following changes be adopted:

Article 3. Members

Add a paragraph to read: "Members of the original association shall become life members. Each year a member of the association who has rendered outstanding service to it and the furtherance of its purposes shall be chosen an honorary member.

Article 5. Officers

Change the first section to read: "The officers shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer and an Executive Committee consisting of seven or eight members. The officers above named shall constitute four of said committee and the President of the Association shall be the chairman thereof. The other members of said committee shall be the retiring president for one year and three other members of said committee shall be elected from other members of the Association. The first year the three

elected members shall serve, one for one year, two for two years, and one for three years, and thereafter one member shall be elected for a three year term. Each of the officers above named shall hold office for one year beginning September first and until his successor is elected.

MEMBERSHIP

If you have not joined please send \$5.00 for a family membership to Robert Lord, the treasurer, at the Canada Lake Post Office or to Andrew Ackerman, membership chairman, in care of The Cherry-Burrell Corporation, Little Falls, N.Y.

ECHOES

The mast-head of "The Echo" was designed by "Dwig", our beloved artist. He writes that it reminds him of the early days at the lake "when my kids used to howl down Nigger-Bay."

Get out your plugs and tackle! Robert Petrie of Dolgeville caught a sock eye salmon, the first one reported from the lakes.

"Skeets" Sliter has raised and fed mallard, black and wood ducks for years. Recently a mother duck he had befriended last year swam up to the feeding area with eight little ones.

One of our pioneer campers, Henry McCaughey and his wife have had fun watching a raccoon lick a platter clean night after night on their back porch. (We are told that Henry is an ardent stamp collector.)

One of the best "Westerns" we have read is "Incident at Sun Mountain" by our own Willis Ballard.

We welcome the new campers. Among them are: P.R. Montgomery from Conn.; Ralph Burrows of Little Falls; Edward Ellers of Piseco; Martin Gohn; Fred Memmoct; Allen Pulsifer and Edward Vonderahe. (We hope that we have the proper spelling.) We welcome them and their families and hope that they come to the annual meeting to be introduced to their fellow campers.

ECHOES (Contd)

Some of the campers had gypsy feet this past year. Margaret and "Ed" Vosburgh spent several months in Europe. Alfred and Marguerite Dennison were also abroad this summer. The Kenneth Widdemers spent the winter in Mexico. George Hackney tells us that he saw many from home at a picnic in Florida.

John Widdemer graduated from Yale this spring. He enters the Army in the fall as a second lieutenant. We hope that he will help spark-plug the dances this summer.

His aunt, Margaret, has been much in the news with her lecturing and writing. We have a first edition of her prize-winning volume

. . .

of poems.

Our secretary, Allen Fisher, has been elected president of the Northeastern New York Chapter of the Chartered Life Underwriters. His son, David, will serve as chairman of the "Juniors" this year, the group who are so helpful around the lake. One of their chores will be to transport a load of wood for the island from the shore.

"Bill" Dunstan, the association's former president, is chairman of one of the committees of the newly formed chapters of the Isaac Walton League in Schenectady.

We understand that "Burt" Yates has purchased the old land-mark, the Gates Place on Canada Lake and also the adjacent property.

Gregg Bronk graduated with honors from the Fort Plain Junior High School. He was also elected to the Student Council.

Lake trout fingerlings were stocked in the lake this spring.

Dr. David Hoffman joins the staff of the Mayo Clinic in July.

We came across a correspondence chess game we played years ago with George Streeter, now a physician. (He won!)

The Association has had excellent cooperation from the various public officials. We especially appreciate that of the Town Board; supervisor Charles Putnam; and road superintendent Ray Stock for the signs and the spraying of the roads. Thanks.

"Bob" Mosher has the dock, picnic table and fireplace in readiness for campers. (Help the "Juniors" keep the island clean!)

John Gore of Canajoharie has a rare gift for imitating bird calls.

We are told that the camp of Rev. Boyd McCleary on Green Lake has been purchased by Mr. Noelte of Fort Plain. PREXY'S COLUMN

While we are making fire protection a major objective this year, your Board hopes that some facet of our program will interest each camper and his family. We welcome your suggestions and criticisms.

Increased fire protection is now an accomplished fact. "Skeets" Sliter, chairman, reports that fourteen pumps are now located around the lakes and more are expected.

"Bob" Wilbur of Dolgeville has plans under way for the "Fishing Derby" in July for youngsters. (Details at the annual meeting.) Franz Mengey, also of Dolgeville, will assist him.

Alfred Dennison of Johnstown, our Vice-President, has drawn up a petition on "zoning" to be submitted to the membership.

"Bill" Dunstan of Schenectady and Tracy Bogart of Gloversville, in charge of sailing, hope to organize a pram club for youngsters.

We have asked the Town Board to put the old tennis courts in shape since we understand that the game has become popular again.

George Hackney of Johnstown, chairman of the "Sanitation" committee, reports that conditions are under control. (Let's all help him in keeping the water pure and picnic spoticlean.)

Roy Loomis, Fred Saunders and "Bill" Dunstan are serving on a nominating committee

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford R. Bronk of Fort Plain are in charge of the dances this year. They have the assistance of Mrs. "Betty" Moore of Amsterdam who did an outstanding job last year.

Chairman of other committees are: Membership - Andrew V. Ackerman of Little Falls; fish stocking and tennis-Fred Saunders of Canada Lake; and speed boats-Lydan Maider of Gloversville.

We hope to have swimming instructions for youngsters. Details have not been completed.

Paul Benjamin
President

The Echo Has Come A Long Way Since 1955!

Schedule of Events: Summer 2015

June

28 (Sunday) Directors Meeting: Miller's Camp 8:30 AM

July

3 (Friday) Flares & Fireworks: 9:30 PM

11 (Saturday) Ski & Wakeboard Clinic: Time TBA

11 (Saturday) Annual Meeting: Town Hall, 7 PM

15 (Wednesday) Ladies Luncheon: Pine Lake Lodge, 11:30 AM

25 (Saturday) Annual CLPA Picnic: 1:30 PM to 4:30 PM Location TBA

August

1 (Saturday) Amazing Race & Ice Cream Extravaganza:

Alexander Camp, Time TBA

22 (Saturday) Directors meeting: Miller's Camp, 8:30 AM

September

5 (Saturday) Flare lighting: 9 PM*

*Please wait for the island to be lit before lighting your flares - Thank you!

Note: Check the bulletin board on the porch of the Canada Lake Store or the CLPA website at http://canadalake.mylaketown.com for the youth calendar, updates, times and additional activities.

Safe Boating Course: (June 20 & 27) or (July 11 & 18) MUST ATTEND Both Days 9 am to 1 pm at Town Hall Call 835-4211 ext. 21 to register.



RECYCLE

First and third Friday of each month – put out by 6 am.

A Recycling Calendar & Recycling Guide is available at the Town Clerk's Office

Flare Safety

Just as you would attend a campfire, please be watchful when you light your flares for the 4th of July & Labor Day. There have

been incidences on the lake where docks have caught fire and sustained significant damage.

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CLPA Web Site

The strength of a community depends on good communication. The CLPA website (http://canadalake.mylaketown.com) is dedicated to providing the membership with the information they need:

Want to know when and where? See the Google calendar under the "News & Events" tab on the home page. This calendar attempts to list all CLPA, Caroga Historical Museum, Town of Caroga, and other notable regional events in one calendar that you can sync with your personal calendar. Help us to keep this up to date

Want to know about local resources like where is the transfer station and what are its operating hours? The website maintains a Google map providing residents and visitors with this important information. See "Canada Lake Resources" under the "Lake Community" tab on the homepage.

Want to keep up with important local issues? The website attempts to keep residents up to date about current issues and concerns. We have separate pages listed under the "Lake Issues" tab on the homepage dedicated to issues like aquatic and terrestrial invasive species, light pollution, loon population, and Canadian Geese.

Crucially, the website operates throughout the year so when important issues arise over the offseason, members can be kept in the loop. This winter the website attempted to provide members with up to date information about the status of the Sherman's property. It collected members' reactions, conducted a survey about potential uses of the property, and provided reports and recordings of community meetings.

Want to hear stories and see pictures from the past and present? The website is a great vehicle for sharing photographs and stories. Under the "Lake Community" tab there is an entry dedicated to "Lake History." Under this same tab there is a link to an Image Gallery that is composed of members' photographs broken up into different thematic albums.

What is the website address? If you forget the website address, Google "Canada Lake CLPA" and you will be directed to the site

Do I need to log on? Last summer we made most parts of the website accessible without having to log on. You will need to log on only to access your "Personal Profile," "Family Profile," and to participate in surveys. If you need help logging on, contact Allen Farber (farberas@ oneonta.edu).

We want to hear from you. The webpage committee is looking for your suggestions and help to keep it up to date and to expand the potentials of this valuable resource. Feel free to contact Allen Farber (farberas@oneonta.edu) or Merryn Byrnes (merryn@juno.com)

Website Committee

CLPA Youth Activities

We kicked off the summer this year with a planning meeting held at the Luttman's Camp. Veteran youth activity members and new comers to the Committee diligently planned some fun filled activities

The CLPA youth decorated a float this year for the Caroga Lake Parade. A special thanks to Dixon Peters, Lois Miller, Jim Zeitler and Frank Lichtneger for their help designing and building the float. It captured all the fun activities the lakes have to offer from fishing and water sports to relaxing by the fire with family and friends.

The 4th Amazing Race was held on Green Lake. Teams faced a variety of challenges and tasks along the route including a blindfolded coin dig, word scramble, scavenger hunt, Kane Mount rock find and a swimming task. For the final challenge teams raced to assemble puzzles from pieces earned at each stop along the route. Congratulations to the Moritz and Woods teams for being the overall winners. We all enjoyed the Ice Cream Extravaganza afterwards at the Alexander's Camp.

The Water Sports Clinic was held this year at the Leaf-Ryan Camp. A special thanks to Brett Fielding, Linda Clark, John Olm and the Franz family for piloting the boats.

We ended the summer with an adventure to Black Bay with John Byrnes. We "bush wacked" our way through the woods looking for beaver dams and heron nests. It was a great summer meeting new people, developing friendships and enjoying

all that the lakes have to offer. We look forward to planning some activities next year and we welcome any help and suggestions you may have.

Kathy Luttman



Invasive Species Report

The Fight Against Invasive Species: We've Come a Long Way!

Late last summer, Governor Cuomo signed legislation that prohibits the launch of a watercraft unless the boater has taken precautions to ensure that there is no plant or animal matter on the boat, trailer or other exposed equipment. The Department of Environmental Conservation has issued implementing regulations that ban the transport or introduction of invasive aquatic and terrestrial plants and animals into state waters and lands. The new law and regulations go into full force on March 10, 2015. Together they represent a major milestone in the efforts of lake associations, towns and counties. many non-governmental organizations to combat the spread and to manage the damage from these aggressive non-native species which can seriously degrade the quality and usability of our lands and waters, discourage fishing and recreational boating, and hurt tourism and local property values. We at the Canada Lakes can be pleased that the new legal framework reinforces the ongoing cooperative efforts of our Association and the Town of Caroga to protect our waters. But the new law by itself will not eliminate the threat, and we will need to continue and strengthen these efforts in the vears ahead.

Our local campaign against invasive species began in 2008 after Merryn Byrnes spoke at the annual CLPA meeting about the dangers they posed to our area. An ad hoc committee.

led by Jim Hays, concluded that the most immediate risk was from aquatic invasives. This committee recommended the formation of a standing committee to develop and establish lake steward and lake inspector programs to check boats entering the lakes and to inspect the shorelines. The CLPA directors agreed and negotiated with the NY DEC to provide for lake stewards at the West Lake DEC boat launch. Jim Havs also arranged with Paul Smith's College to provide appropriate training for stewards and inspectors. The CLPA provided funding for this work, including a paid steward.

Under the new Invasive Species Committee led by Jim Hays, the necessary arrangements were in place in time for the 2009 summer season. A call for volunteers was sent out by the Association president. The original crew of volunteer stewards included Jim Havs, John Snyder, Hilary Davis, Lane Franz, Dave Graves, Tim and Sue Mitchell, Mary Peck, and Doug Smith. The volunteer inspectors were Jim Hays, Hilary Davis, Alan Fenoy, Dave Graves, Dick Loomis, Ann Michalek, Lois Miller, Tim and Sue Mitchell, Robert Pickels, John and Pat Snyder, and Courtney and Nancy Young. The Association contracted with Chris Lernehan of Stewart Landing to provide steward services at the boat launch during weekends and holidays from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend (the period of greatest use of the launch site). The volunteer stewards supplemented the paid steward's work by covering Friday evenings

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and Saturday and Sunday mornings, a pattern which has continued over the years. The mission of the stewards was to alert boaters to the danger posed by aquatic invasives, to inspect boats and trailers, and to educate the boaters on how to clean boats and trailers. In this first year, the stewards checked some 480 boats. Later in the season the inspectors checked their designated shoreline areas, using the double-handed rakes made by Tim Mitchell, and were able to report that no invasives were found

Since that inaugural 2009 season, the Invasive Species Committee has continued to recruit stewards and inspectors to check boats at the West Lake site and to conduct shoreline inspections. During this time, we have inspected some 600-700 boats each season and have educated thousands of boaters about the risks of these pests and the ways to prevent their spread. The lake inspectors have cruised the shorelines, taken their samples each season, and continued to report that no invasive species have been found. In 2013, the good health of our waters was confirmed by a careful survey of all our lakes by the Darrin Freshwater Institute This useful baseline study was funded entirely by the Association. A PDF version of this study is available on the CLPA website: http://canadalake. mylaketown.com/aquatic-survey. Moreover, the stewards have found that public awareness of the threat of invasives has improved. Last year, a large majority of boaters indicated they were aware, that they understood what we were

doing at the boat launch, and they had at least some understanding of preventive steps. The debate and news surrounding passage of the new law and regulations should help to increase public understanding and cooperation.

Naturally, over time there has been turnover among the members of the Committee and the stewards inspectors. The invasive species prevention program could not survive or succeed without the time and energy of our volunteers. Too numerous to mention by name, you know who you are, and we salute you. (And keep coming!) As mentioned, in 2009 the first paid steward was Chris Lernehan; in 2010 and 2011, Casey Kiernan had the contract; in 2012, Don Gardner and Geoff Saunders did this work: in 2013, Don and Cathy Gardner filled one slot and Neil Kasson the other: and in 2014. Brooke Danvlak and Geoff Nehr were the first paid stewards to be hired by the Town of Caroga. Throughout this time, Jim Hays has served as the guiding light and strong voice of the Committee.

We should also recognize the crucial financial support of the Association and individual donors, especially in the start-up years. Beginning in 2010, the Town of Caroga has contributed to the budget, eventually covering about half the expenses. And now, with the Town Board decision last year to put the paid stewards on the town payroll, we have a better legal and financial foundation for the steward program under which the Association

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recruits, trains and supervises the stewards and coordinates the overall program on behalf of the Town. Kudos to Lois Miller, John Snyder, Jim Hays and others who worked with Supervisor Ottuso and the Town Board members to achieve this. Special thanks are also due Bill and Dorothy Fielding who generously agreed to take care of payroll and workmen's compensation matters for the paid stewards before the Town became their employer.

The work of the Invasive Species Committee has been strengthened by ongoing partnerships with the Adirondack Park Invasive Plant Program, the Adirondack Watershed Stewardship Institute at Paul Smith's College, NY DEC, and the other lake associations now organized as the Adirondack Lake Alliance. Together we have awakened public interest and gained political support, such that the campaign against the spread of invasive species can be carried out on a statewide basis, not just by individual lakes and towns. The new law is a significant step forward but the campaign is far from over, indeed, may never be completed. Invasive species are widely established across the state and in the Park, as we see at Caroga and other nearby lakes.

The communities around Lake George and the state have launched a major set of initiatives to address the challenges in that area, especially the use of wash stations for cleaning boats and trailers. Thanks to the efforts of Supervisor Ottuso and others, there are good prospects that wash stations

could be acquired for this area. More work will be needed to determine the locations and support needed to make the best of such equipment, and the experience at Lake George will help. But with or without wash stations, the best means to prevent the spread of pests is an alert and conscientious boater who inspects and cleans his boat, trailer and equipment each time he leaves the water and before he launches again. So, please, all boaters, stay alert and do your part.

We of the Canada Lakes Protective Association, through the Invasive Species Committee, will also do our part, conducting the inspections at the West Lake site and checking the shorelines each season. This in turn means that we need a steady supply of new volunteers. We have relied heavily on a small percentage of the membership, which itself does not include all those who regularly enjoy our waters. If you or someone you know could contribute a few hours each summer, please raise your hand and join us in this important work. The CLPA website provides more details on the work and how to volunteer. Further, if you know of someone looking for a summer job with great opportunities for community service, frequent interaction with your fellow Americans, and a good tan, please steer them to either Mike Durkee (durkeeml@hotmail.com; mobile: 202-247-5895) or Marcus Harazin (harazm@sage.edu; camp: 518-835-2535). In either case, future generations will be in your debt.

Mike Durkee

Shoreline Report

Our committee had a rather quiet summer last year. Despite high water in June, our shorelines were kept free of debris. Several folks lost docks, but at last count all had been returned but one. Most property owners have embraced our goal to keep our shoreline clean. The committee has been wonderful to work with and very thorough when patrolling the lakes.

If residents find debris that they cannot handle, please send me an email (deb@hofnar.net) and a pick up will be arranged. If you do lose your dock or find one that has come to rest on the shoreline, we suggest posting a notice on the bulletin board at the Store or on the website under the "Lost and Found" tab.

Thanks to all for your dedication in keeping our shoreline clean.

Deb Hoffman



STOP AQUATIC HITCHHIKERS!

New This Year! Boat Washing Stations in the Town of Caroga

locations to be announced by town

Check your boat, trailer and other fishing and boating equipment for any plants or animals that may be clinging to it when moving between bodies of water

More information available in the town directory

Environment and Ecology Report

The CLPA Environment & Ecology Committee held two meetings on July 13 and August 17, 2014 and focused efforts on making the CLPA website (http://canadalake. mylaketown.com) a prime resource for environmental topics. In addition to information on Canada Geese control, low-impact lighting, and loon survey results, there is now a section under the "Lake Issues" tab on "Terrestrial Invasive Plants" Committee volunteers carried out a survey of common invasive plants around our lakes. The website now has a map of their locations (thanks to Allen Farber). It also has pictures of these plants to help with identification and provides tips on control, treatment and disposal. White sweet clover is an invasive that is readily seen along Kasson Drive and by the Green Lake bridge (see picture on the website). It is more of a nuisance than a serious problem, but it can be readily pulled up by the roots early in the season. Japanese Knotweed and Phragmities (seeds can be brought in with septic fill) require more aggressive treatment (see the CLPA website).

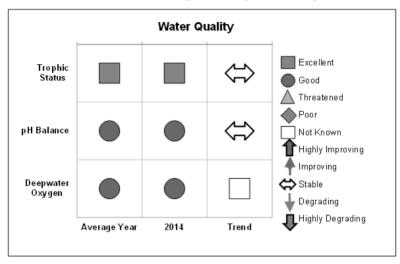
Best regards, Dave Graves - Chair

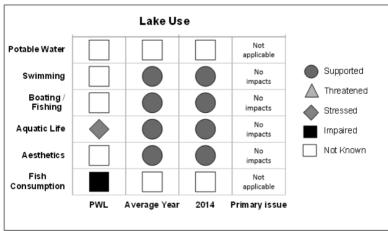
CLPA VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Our Canada Lakes' Protective Association is always looking for volunteers. If you would like to help out, please call David Graves (835-2369) or any Chairperson.

Water Quality Report

Scorecard For Canada Lake: Results Of Water Testing for the Citizens Statewide Lake Assessment Program (CSLAP) 2014





PWL- Priority Waterbodies List

The full Citizens Statewide Lake Assessment Program (CSLAP) Lake report and the full Scorecard report with explanations for Canada Lake can be found on the CLPA website at http://canadalake.mylaketown.com/waterquality. Other CSLAP

individual lake reports can be found on the Water Reports by County page of DEC's website (http://www.dec.ny.gov/lands/77821.html). Historical reports and regional lake reports are available on the New York State Federation of Lake Associations website (http://nysfola.mylaketown.com/).

Water Quality Report

2014 WATER QUALITY QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS FROM CSLAP TESTING 2014

Q1. What is the condition of our lake this year?

A1. Water quality conditions in Canada Lake were close to normal and highly favorable in 2014. No algae blooms or any other water quality problems were reported.

Q2. Is there anything new that showed up in the testing this year?

A2. The HABs testing includes information about the types of algae found in the water samples. These results showed very low algae levels comprising primarily green algae.

Q3. How does the condition of our lake this year compare with other lakes in the area?

A3. Canada Lake has slightly higher water clarity, and much lower algae and nutrient levels, than a typical Adirondack lake; and, as in most Adirondack lakes, no shoreline blooms were reported.

Q4. Are there any trends in our lake's condition?

A4. No clear long-term trends are apparent and slightly lower water clarity and nutrient levels since 2007 do not indicate changes beyond normal variability. Most of the other CSLAP indicators have not exhibited any clear changes.

Q5. Should we be concerned about the condition of our lake? Are we close to a tipping point?

A5. Canada Lake does not appear to be susceptible to algae blooms or other significant water quality problems. The greatest threat to the lake, at least at this time, appears to be invasive species, particularly since invasive plants and animals are found in nearby lakes.

Q6. Are any actions indicated based on the trends and this year's results?

A6. Individual stewardship activities such as pumping your septic system, growing a buffer of native plants next to the water bodies, and reducing erosion from shoreline properties and runoff into the lake will help to maintain highly favorable water quality conditions by reducing nutrient and sediment loading into the lake. Visiting boats should be inspected to reduce the risk of new invasive species as nearby lakes harbor several invasive plants not found in the lake.

Source: Citizens Statewide Lake Assessment Program 2014 Report, Canada Lake, Scott A. Kishbaugh, P.E., Chief, Lake Monitoring and Assessment Section, Bureau of Water Assessment and Management, NYSDEC Division of Water

REMEMBER!!

A non-motorized craft always has the right-of-way

2014 Boat Parade

Last summer's 2014 Boat Parade was a great success! Any and all boats were welcome and ten highly decorated boats along with a few classic and antique boats participated in the parade while many spectators cheered them on from their docks along the route. The parade began with everyone gathering in front of Carol Fisher's camp on the south shore where each boat received an entry number (a paper plate on a paint stick). At the blast of a horn, Louie Nehr's original wooden 1963 Chris Craft, driven by Brian Franz, lead the parade clockwise around Canada Lake, past the "judges" and into and around West lake. It ended with a reception and fun-filled awards ceremony at the Franz camp. Sixty-seven maritime enthusiasts attended the reception where Jack Rvan's famous Fish House punch was once again served along with other refreshments and plenty of tasty appetizers.

This year's winner of the hand-crafted traveling Boat Parade trophy went to the Moritz and Peck families for their "Out of the Galaxy" Star Wars boat. The creators and participants were John and Joshua Peck, and Ian, Kevin, and Anna Moritz. This watercraft had it all: Jedi warriors, Darth Vader, R2D2 and even a Yoda, their dog!

Honorable mention went to the Junior Dance Championship Boat, which featured Anika and Kaelyn Byrnes along with Isabella and Amelia Clark showcasing their gymnastic skills on their floating dance floor.









Adirondack Committee Report

During 2014 the Adirondack maintained contact Committee with the Adirondack Lakes Alliance (ALA) a newly revitalized organization that aims to unite Adirondack Lake Associations primarily to combat the spread of invasive species. John Snyder has been the most active member of our committee by attending several meetings of the ALA and is now a person of importance within that organization. The CLPA joined the ALA during the year and we hope that we can learn from the experience of others and contribute to their efforts. This work will continue during the coming year. If other members of the CLPA would like to join the work of this committee please contact Jim Hays jimhays@ldeo.columbia.edu.

James Hays

Garbage Pickup

From May 1st to September 30th Tuesdays

> October 1st to April 30th Mondays

Garbage is to be curbside by 6am on day of collection in clear plastic bags. No Kitty Litter allowed. Do not include any recyclables, or yard debris. Residents are encouraged to place garbage in a trash

can with handle locks - up to 20 gallons in size. Paint cans without lids may be placed

in a separate plastic bag curbside if they are empty and dry.



Echo 2015 Headlines!

Eric Kuliseid wins Most Improved. Eric raced and practiced frequently and has become very proficient. Fast downwind and getting faster upwind, Eric will be formidable! Come out & challenge him!

Bogart Trophy for **Most Improved Teen Racer** is waiting for a new home.

Successful 2014 Clinic attended by 4 subteen & teen gals at the "Beach."

Racing over short courses. All boats of any class welcome. Saturdays in July and August 2 PM.

Race Course location will be set according to participant location & wind direction.

One week sailing clinic will be open to all members. Call 835-3701 to register for this major event! Member fee only\$10/

family. Many thanks to all 2014 members for your support. Parents and sailors are invited to assist and participate!

One week sailing clinic will be held from Monday July 27 through Friday July 31. The classes will start at 9:30 am and end 11:30 am. Graduation Cookout after class Friday July 31 at 137 Dolgeville Point! Rain dates will be determined if needed. Physical Requirements: MUST be a decent swimmer! Things to bring - One Sunfish, Life jacket, Bailer

Day 2: Reaching, Tiller free Tacking, Beating and Tacking, Sailing backwards.

Day 3: Tacking Drills, Running and Gybing, Reaching Slalom courses.

Day 4: Tacking Drills, Gybing, Upwind/Downwind drills, Triangular Slalom courses.

Day 5: Trim for Speed, Round the Buoys Practice all skills, Sponge Tag, Fun Races.



and Sponge, Bow Line, Water, Snack, SUNBLOCK. Clothing Gloves, Long sleeved collared shirt of synthetic material, long pants if you have some of synthetic material, otherwise normal bathing suit, wind jacket, sneakers you don't care about, hat you can tie on or bring two, and SUNBLOCK. Eye wear should be securely attached.

Location: Young Camp at 137 Dolgeville Point. Boats to be rigged & ready to sail by 10 AM.

Day 1: Propulsion sans sail, Proper Rigging, Capsize Recovery, Easy Reaching.

Meetings and Parties are scheduled as follows:

Season Opener: Clinic, Cheese and Cheers & brief meeting - July 3, 4 PM 137 Dolgeville Point.

Sailing Clinic: See above schedule. July 27 to 31. 9:30 - 11:30 AM, 137 Dolgeville Point.

Summer's End: Twilight sail following Awards Party, September 4, 5 PM, 137 Dolgeville Point.

For more info or to become a member, call Court or Nancy at 835-3701. Or just sail by!

Ladies Luncheon

The 2014 Ladies Luncheon was an exceptionally successful event. The owner of the Paradise Lounge, Jeff Houck, and his staff did an incredible job providing us with a delicious meal and plenty of space for our auction.

Thanks to the generous donations from local businesses and artists we were able to raise money for the fireworks display and we increased our donation to the food pantry. This was also one of our largest donations to the food pantry by the Ladies of Canada Lake. The women at the church were very thankful for all of the much needed food and household items

The success of the Ladies Luncheon is due to the dedication of the fabulous committee members who give so much of their time to make sure this event goes off without any issues.

I want to personally thank all of the women that have volunteered each year, it has been wonderful working with you and I truly appreciate all that you have done!

The Luncheon will be held on Wednesday, July 15th this year at 11:30am

Maureen Sasscer









Camp Treasures: Recycle your camp treasures to help raise money. While doing your spring cleaning, look for any items you could donate to the ladies luncheon silent auction. Examples, art work, house hold goods, antiques, crafts, jewelry, tools, candles, etc. Please contact Mary Peck 518-835-2173 or Kristin Franz 305-772-0602 for any questions or to pick up your items. Thank you!!

CAROGA HISTORICAL MUSEUM

carogamuseum.org • (518) 835-4400 145 London Bridge Road / PO Box 434, Caroga Lake, NY 12032 Open Thursday through Sunday 1 to 4pm

June 25th through August 30th **CALENDAR OF EVENTS – 2015**

SPECIAL EVENTS

JUNE 25 7 PM – 9 PM MUSEUM OPENS:

Welcome reception with featured artist Alan Gessinger

Exhibit runs from June 25-July 31

JULY 18 10 AM – 3 PM CRAFT FAIR & BBQ:

Crafters, Bake Sale, Raffles (drawing at 2 pm)

Food 11am - 3 pm

Weaving demonstration – Eileen Wrightsman

Music – Durey Creek Bluegrass Band – 11 am – 2 pm

JULY 24 7PM – 11 PM MUSIC & DANCING: ~ CLEENSTREET~

Popular local group will play it all: Rock, R & B, Country

Performance held at Adirondack Paradise

St. Hwy. 29A and 10, Pine Lake

Admission \$10 at the door

Refreshments will be available for purchase

AUGUST 6 7 PM – 9 PM GALLERY OPENING:

 $Welcome\ reception-August\ featured\ artist-Ed\ McDaniel$

Exhibit runs from August 6th through August 30th

AUGUST 8 4 PM – 7 PM BROOKS CHICKEN BARBECUE:

Eat on grounds or take out

Walk-in tickets - \$12

Presale tickets recommended - \$10

Call Chris Moritz (835-3003) or the museum (835-4400)

for tickets

145 London Bridge Rd, CoHwy 111

Music provided by Warren Sieme

WORKSHOPS

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10 AM - 3 PM

AUGUST 20 10AM - 3 PM

"NEW" TERRARIUM BUIL DING : SUSAN ACKERBALIER

Bring lunch and \$34 for a 1 gal size or \$21 for a ½ gal size All materials included Class limited to 10
WATERCOLOR: CHERYL BIELLI Bring lunch, (personal supplies optional) & \$14 for materials. Class limited to 12
BASKET WEAVING: EILEEN WRIGHTSMAN Bring lunch, shears, measuring tape, clothespins, awl, small tub, pencil & \$22.00 for materials. Class limited to 12
QUILTING: DIANE HENDERSON Bring lunch, shears, needles, white thread & \$5 for materials Class limited to 10
BIRD IN A BARN SHADOW BOX: CHERYL BIELLI Bring lunch & \$10.00 for materials Class limited to 12
BARN QUILT SQUARE: LIZ ARGOTSINGER & KATHY (ZIGGY) ZAJICEK Bring lunch & \$15 for 1 foot square. If interested in doing a 4 foot square (framed, primed, ready to paint), call Liz by July 13 at 774-8717, or email at argotsinger18@hotmail.com Class limited to 12

The registration fee for each workshop is \$20.00 for members and \$25.00 for nonmembers. Send your check (payable to Caroga Historical Museum) for the REGISTRATION FEE ONLY with your name, address and phone number to:

PHYLLIS SANFORD

Class limited to 12

Fran Miller, 196 E. Stoner Lake Rd, Caroga Lake, NY 12032 For additional information on the workshops call Fran at (518) 835-9729.

Bring lunch and \$10 for materials

PAINTING SNOWMEN & EVERGREENS ON TIN:

Canada Lake Store & Marine News

According to the weather authorities it's been since late December that the temperature in our area has reached 50 degrees. On April 2nd we finally hit over 50, although on this day the ice is still 3 feet thick on Canada Lake, and looking like it might not go out until May. However, the year round residents and visitors certainly have benefitted fully in participating in their winter sports.

In January, Howard and Chris attended Mercury School in New Hampshire to keep current on their knowledge of Mercury Marine products. In the off season Hope continues to carry out her responsibilities in both the marine department and the store. Bret kept occupied the winter

selling new and pre-owned boats as well as preparing quotes for new docks. Chris Stevens and Rich Emminger will be assisting us again with the stored boats. Merryn has devoted many hours to improving the organization of the store, and upgrading the merchandising of our products with the help of her husband, John. John will also be treating the streams this spring to reduce the number of black flies in our town by participating in the town BTI program.

In January Bill and Dorothy went with a ski club to Andorra and skied for 6 days and toured Barcelona on their way home. Bill will be back in mid-April after an unusually mild winter in Utah. Merryn, John, Anika and Kaelyn had a fantastic time at Disney in Florida in early January. Heather and Steve will return to get the Lake Effect Café ready to open Memorial Day Weekend after working in the ski business in Utah. Eric, Jess, Embree, and Addison



enjoyed their trip to Disney too in March. Bret and Sam got married this winter, ski patrolled at Royal Mtn, and had a daughter, Reed Heather, on April 3rd.

This season in the gift shop we will feature adorable children's animal hats, customized ceramic ornaments, Adirondack scented candles, sprays and soaps, and attractive Adirondack wine glasses. With our new coolers we have been able to expand our beverage selections to include local and popular craft beers, as well as delicious healthy organic and all natural drinks. Also for your taste buds we are pleased to bring back the

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Canada Lake Store & Marine News

flavorful crisp varieties of the Saratoga Cracker Company for the summer season. Chocolate and peanut butter lovers will be delighted to see the Adirondack Barkeater chocolate bars on the counter again and several peanut butter flavors from the Saratoga Peanut Butter Company. We are also adding specialty mustards to go along with the Saratoga Crackers and our infamous "store cheese".

We will focus on making mealtime easier for you with fresh meat arriving in time for the weekend with selections such as Bowmans's ground chuck, arguably the best ground chuck around. Also don't forget our bacon wrapped pork fillets and tender signature steaks. Besides our always available Ahi tuna steaks and tilapia fillets, we can provide fresh seafood every weekend throughout the summer. Just call in your selection and we will take care of the rest!

The following people will be on our staff to assist you this summer:

Andrew Camarra	West Lake/ Johnstown
Kristen Cannon	Canada Lake/ East Setauket
Abigail Heroth	Pine Lake/ Johnstown

Emma Heroth Pine Lake/
Johnstown

Anna Heroth

Jonathan Heroth	Pine Lake/ Johnstown
Casey Ivancic	Canada Lake
Courtney Ivancic	Canada Lake
Aubrey Kamppila	Canada Lake
Raymond Nellis	Caroga Lake
Maggie Newell	Canada Lake/ Lexington,KY
Andrew Salant	Canada Lake/ Holliston, MA

Our advertisement in the new 2015 Directory says it best: "Our goal is to provide our CLPA members and nearby residents with a wide range of high quality goods and exceptional service, along with a gathering place for socializing with your friends and family." Please let us know what else you would like to see offered in our store. We will always welcome your suggestions and try to accommodate your requests. We thank you for your patronage and hope you have an incredible summer season.

Bill & Dorothy

PLEASE...

Post your House Number!

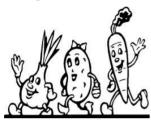
If you are unsure of your 911 # Call the Fulton County Sheriff's Department at (518) 736-2100 The Counties enhanced system assists emergency personnel to your location when dialed from a land line.

Pine Lake/

Lake Effect Cafe

Ever wake at the lake and wonder what kind of muffins or other breakfast choices I have been making for all of you?

Time to get yourself an Instagram app, as I have created the Lake Effect Café Instagram Page. This is where you can view items that I have made in the past or check out the morning selections.



In case you are not able to view online here is a rundown of items you can look forward to:

Every day but Wednesday you can find fresh homemade breakfast burritos, muffins, scones, biscotti, gluten free/dairy free granola, gluten free oat meal, and freshly ground and brewed coffee.

The weekends are all about pies by the slice and quiche.

If you would like a whole pie or for other large orders please contact me with at least a 48-hour notice at the lake effect cafe@gmail.com.

Hours of operation are 8am-4pm

Memorial Day & Weekends in June

Daily June 25th - September 7th

Closed Wednesdays

Ginormous Thank You

Shouting out a GINORMOUS THANK YOU to Alan Peck, Ken Luttman, Don Martin, and Steve Kamppila for coming to my aide last summer when our dock and boats floated away and got grounded in shallow water. I am



so grateful for good people like yourselves who demonstrate the support and cohesiveness we have on our beautiful, pristine lakes. Your



willingness to help, and actions to work together to get the job done is STILL so appreciated today!! Here's hoping once was enough and that Mother Nature is kinder to us in 2015!!!!!!

With gratitude, Elayne Ireland



CLPA Family Picnic 2014

It just gets better and bigger with attendees and volunteers. We want to shout out a "BIG THANK YOU" to Deb Hoffman for arranging the set-up of the food tables and table settings in my wife's absence due to a death in her family. Also. thanks to Chris Rohrs, who volunteered to be this vear's Chef. An outstanding job was accomplished by them and those who assisted them. It does take a large commitment by many to have a successful picnic and your efforts are truly appreciated. Volunteers are the strength of any good working team.

Where has the summer gone? Cool evenings and leaves are changing color already and it is just the end of August. In September we sold our property and unfortunately will not be able to host the 2015 picnic, but we will be residing at the property for the summer months.

Looking forward to seeing everyone around the lake.

Warren & Josie Roosevelt











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CLPA Family Picnic 2014









My Pet Mallard

The summer of 1952 I was 9 years old and spending the summer on Dolgeville Point. In front of my uncle's camp next door, a female mallard had built a nest on the rocks and there were 3 eggs in the nest. When the first duckling hatched, the mother had it in the water and was oiling its body to keep it afloat and was helping it learn to swim. In the meantime, a second duckling hatched and crawled out of the nest and fell in between the rocks. My mother, Millie, my sister Nancy and I rushed to the dock when we heard the mother mallard's distressful quacking. My mother rescued the second duckling and put it back in the nest where there was still one egg that hadn't hatched. However, because a human had touched her baby, the mother sensed danger and abandoned the nest.

My dad, Arnold, was on the porch watching the scene, and I took the tiny newly hatched duckling and put it on his lap and begged to be able to keep it. Finally, my dad agreed to let me keep her and I named the tiny female mallard, Fluffy. Skeet Sliter took the remaining egg that had not hatched, put it in a large box with a light and we waited daily for another duckling to be born. When the final and 3rd baby hatched, my friend Karen Menge kept it and named it Peepers.

In the fall when the camps were closed, Karen and I took our baby ducks home to Dolgeville. My dad obtained a large refrigerator box that

My Pet Mallard

we put it in our basement. I filled the box with newspapers and a blanket and my daily chore was to replace the dirty papers with clean ones. We put newspapers on the floor of the kitchen and I played with her every day; she was very clean and trained herself to stay on the newspapers

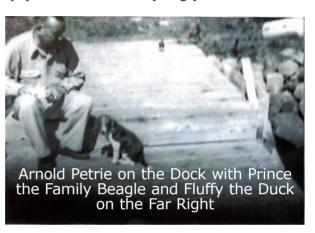
and never made a mess. In the spring she followed me around the yard and rode in my bike basket. When our beagle walked to the end of the street to wait for Nancy and me to come home from school, Fluffy followed the dog and waited also. People and cars going by couldn't believe their eyes.

I also took Fluffy in my bike basket to visit Karen and Peepers, her male brother.

There was a stream in Karen's backyard and we were alarmed to find Peepers trying to "drown" Fluffy. We ran to Karen's mother and couldn't understand why she wasn't upset and helping us. So I took Fluffy home and didn't visit again. My dad told me they were trying to mate and explained that it was nature's way of having more ducks in the world

That summer Fluffy went back to the lake with us and enjoyed the water and living under the boathouse. In the fall, my dad said she'd be happier on a farm for the winter so I only got to visit her on week-ends. The next summer, Fluffy again went back to the lake with us. She had

laid eggs in a nest she made under the boathouse and sat on them for a very long time. When an unusually long time had passed, my dad checked the eggs and said they had spoiled and he threw them away. When this happened, she quacked and was very angry.



Soon after that, a flock of wild mallards kept swimming in and she'd start to go with them, and I would call her and she'd come back She was torn between two worlds. My dad said she needed to be with the wild mallards, and I stopped calling her back to me. I worried about her being too tame and being killed by hunters. Dad told me she would become acclimated to the wild and be safe. I vowed never to eat duck because of Fluffy. Every summer when I see a mother black duck or mallard, the memories of my special time with Fluffy the female mallard come rushing back to me

Jane Petrie Davis

An Adventurer's Soul

The first time I read The Boxcar Children I was in 1st grade. While everyone else was reading Henry and Mudge and swinging on the tire swing, I was falling madly in love with the idea of living in the woods, of using a nook behind a waterfall as a refrigerator and of cooking dinner on the open fire; and now here I am, living in a city surrounded by cars and people where the closest to 'getting back to nature' I can come is walking the unattended, overgrown pathway that cuts between some apartment buildings. This is where I've found myself. Sometimes I feel trapped and sometimes I think if I got any happier my heart might burst. Everything is fleeting. This, I think, is the burden of longing for adventure.

I've never been sure if an adventurer's soul is born or made, but either way, I've always known I have one. Having been born and raised in the same notthat-small-but-small-enough suburban hometown, I've never doubted for a moment that there was something greater beyond those town or state lines, or national borders. I crave discovery, but it never used to be for anything overly grand like it is now. It used to be for the simple discovery of the island in the middle of the lake that seemed impossibly far away, or the desire to save an earthworm from its impeding doom on the asphalt road, to climb a boulder twice my height and see for miles, or to walk out all by myself to where the bottom drops off.

As far back as I can remember my family has spent time each summer at Uncle Ioe's and Aunt Sue's lake house. It's more of a cabin really, rust colored and lined in full with wood paneling that reverberates the joyous noise of reunion, family, summer, and of lives being lived. It's got a bona fide residential attic, complete with guest rooms separated by hanging sheets, that stored most of our duffle bags. We ate most of our meals on the screened in porch, taking in the view and listening to the loons call to each other. Inside, there's a chill that the fireplace can never quite beat and a hammock stung up between two pines paralleling the drive. It sits on hill that once seemed like a mountain, with just enough lawn to stop before the road if you let your legs succumb to gravity when you ran down it. My sister and I used to race down it (At least I think we did. She says I make up most of my memories. I think my soul knew I wanted to be a writer before my mind did, and it did me a favor and filed away the small, seemingly inconsequential moments so I would have them to write about later).

We used to do a lot of things together at the lake. We still do a lot of things together, but as all the kids got older our time became limited. Weekends were spent on basketball courts and in hotel rooms rather than in the water and around a campfire.

In those weekends, before time became a commodity highly sought after, I discovered my adventurer's soul. I found it in the dirt we used to play in and the holes we used to dig in the sand; I found it while we watched the night become illuminated by the ring of bon fires on the 4th. It was there as I fell asleep in

An Adventurer's Soul

my dad's arms watching the fireworks, willing myself not to be scared by the loud booms but to take comfort in the arms wrapped around me and the way the reverberations kind of made my ribs tickle instead. I found it at the camp store under the "lift lid" freezer right next to the ice cream, and on the road next to me the first time I got to walk down the road and over the bridge without the adults. I found it rocking me in the hammock so hard it flipped over, and pushing me the final way on our hike up to the fire tower, straining for the view and the sense of accomplishment. I found it on the boat ride to the island. giddy to explore something new. It hid in between the sparse pines and all around the moss-covered boulders I so boldly used as my playground. It became the voice inside me that let's me know I'll be ok in the end, even when my mother told me to be careful, that what I was doing was dangerous. It taught me to trust myself more than anyone else. In my short 19 years, it's become my best friend, my most trusted advisor, and often times the one who pushes me to go for whatever crazy plan I've conjured up. It's the reason I've written this, the reason I write at all.

So I just wanted to say thank you. Thank you Canada Lake for giving the loons a place to live and giving me a place to wander. Thank you for being a community of adventurers' souls and for fostering one in me. Thank you for giving me somewhere to run wild and free and for giving me a sense of what coming together really looks like. Thank you for being the backdrop to reunions that proved

strong friendships can't be broken, and for teaching me thunderstorms are breathtakingly beautiful rather than ferocious and frightening. Thank you for the inspiration for the setting of the novel I may never write. Thank you for the ice cream., but most importantly, thank you for the memories. If I ever get so fed up with the world to fulfill my childhood fantasy of living in an abandoned boxcar, look for me first on the island. There's no place I'd rather be.

Brenna Raffe

Water Ski and Wake Board Clinic



Are you interested in learning to water ski or wake board? Would you like to improve your skills or learn some new tricks?

Please join us on Saturday July 11th from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at the Leaf's camp on Decker Road. Instructors and boats will be standing by!

Bring your own equipment or feel free to use ours. All ages are welcome.

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please contact Diana Leaf at dianaleaf@verizon.net.

If you want to discuss this, please call my cell – 908-285-6154.

Thanks! Diana

1948 Newspaper Articles, Submitted by Jim Evans

THREE MEN ESCAPE SERIOUS INJURY WHEN BOAT SMASHED BY ANOTHER ON CANADA LAKE

Take to the water boys, it's a woman driver.

That could have been the phrase uttered by one of the three Amserdam men who dove from their rowboat just before it was smashed by a motorboat yesterday afternoon about 3 on Canada Lake.

The three men were fishing from a rowboat with a kicker when they noticed the motorboat bearing down on them. Seeing that the on coming boat was apparently not going to swerve from its course, the men jumped from their craft and started to swim away.

A few seconds after they left the rowboat, the motorboat hit it amidships and smashed it to pieces. The men swam to shore but lost the boat, kicker and fishing tackle they were using.

The three men were Stephen Warshona, Earl J. Davis and Fred A. Lesta, all of Amsterdam. No one reported injury but Warshona, who stated he had undergone an operation about two months ago and he was 'having some pain where the incision had been made.

Miss Eleanor Sutton. aged 14, reported to Deputy Sheriff John Brown that she did not see the rowboat, which was owned by a Mr. Smith.of Green Lake.

The motorboat was owned by Francis T. Sutton, 112 Prindle avenue, brother of Mayor Milton C. Sutton.

This story involves my mother Elinor Sutton Evans who grew up in Johnstown (moved to Fairport NY as an adult) and passed away in 2006. Her family owned

a camp on Dodgeville Point and were summer residents, which is still owned by her sister-in-law Christine Sutton (next the Lois & Dixon). It's interesting to see how the two articles differ.

The first one reflects that a women driver, which a newspaper now days would never print, almost ran over three men that were only saved by jumping out of their boat to escape injury.

The second article makes it seem that only her quick thinking saved these men who were swimming in the water and their boat became collateral avoid damage to hitting them. More of a hero than the first story would suggest. It turns out that having vour uncle who lived

next door in town be the mayor of Johnstown might come in handy with helping the newspaper writers edit their story in a more flattering way the second time it was printed.

Mom took a lot of ribbing about this for this over the years since thank goodness no one was hurt and we could tease her about it. The original newspaper articles still hangs framed on the wall at the camp. The real story told by her is that she never even saw the boat. She was also 17, not 14 as the first story suggests. Like the old saying goes, what a difference a day makes.

Jim Evans, summer residents at our camp on West Lake

Prompt Action By Girl Averts Water Mishap

Swerves Motorboat to Avoid Man in Her Path, But Sideswipes Boat

Prompt action on the part of a 17-year-old Johnstown girl averted what might have been a serious accident yesterday afternoon about 3 at Canada Lake.

She is Miss Eleanor Sutton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis T. Sutton, 112 Jansen avenue, and a niece of Mayor Milton C. Sutton. While out for a spin in a motorboat owned by her father, the young woman passed between two other boats, and as she did so saw

directly in her path.
Cutting the power and swerving sharply, she managed to avoid the man in the water but sideswiped a rowboat with kicker attached, from which the three had jumped.

three men dive into the lake, one

They said they did so when they saw the motorboat bearing down on them and thought they were about to be hit.

The three are Stephen Warshona, Earl J. Davis and Fred A. Lesta, all of Amsterdam, and the boat they were in was owned by a man named Smith on Green Lake.

The mishap was reported to Deputy Sheriff John Brown.

Camp Ruffit

This is a Camp Ruffit advertisement book used during the early 1900's for people who wanted to come to the Adirondack Mountains to camp. While reading take a step back in

time and imagine.

What vigorousbodied human being is there who does not sometimes wish we could all be free from straight-jackets of custom, and all the hobbles and pokes which civilization fasts upon us to keep us in the closecropped pasture. How good it is that in summer we can burst through the bars and stride to the wilderness where we may be as free and untrammeled as the creatures that live there. Ruffit Invites You. Camp Ruffit is located on the shore of Green Lake, in the Adirondack Mountains about miles from Johnstown NY And 15 miles from Gloversville The

camp rates during July are \$9.00 a week. During August these prices will be advanced \$1.00. Boats may be rented at \$3 00 a week

Camp clothing is somewhat different from the garb of civilization. Collars and cuffs are not in keeping with life in a tent. Sweaters, wools, khaki skirts or trousers felt hats.

heavy shoes comfortable and serviceable.

Mail leaves. Green Lake every morning and arrives every evening. There is a long distance phone at the post office, about one mile from camp.

If you bring trunk, buy your ticket over the New York Central to Johnstown, via Fonda. If you come from Troy, Albany, Schenectady. or with hand baggage only, take the trolly to Johnstown Autobuses for Green Lake start from the Sir William Johnson Hotel. Johnstown. If you have have an auto. vou drive can directly to Green Lake, where a place

will be found to store your machine.





Camp will be open from Saturday June 26, until September 4.

Camp Ruffit

We have sixteen sleeping tents 8x9 feet, and two larger ones 12x15 feet; one the dining tent and the other the assembly tent. All tents are rain-proof and are placed on platforms raised a foot or more from the ground. Each sleeping tent is provided with spring bed and mattress or cots, pillows, wash-stand, basin, cup, pails, and lantern.

One large spacious tent called the Assembly tent serves the same purpose in camp that the living room does at home. It is fitted with rustic seats and tables and a real fire place that adds cheer and comfort on cool evenings. Here we read, write, play games or simply loaf.

Back of the dining tent is a well-equipped kitchen, presided over by two competent cooks. Good, wholesome, well-cooked food is provided. We have made arrangements for regular delivery of fresh meat, fruit, vegetables, milk and eggs.

The camp owns several non-sinkable steel boats and two canoes. There is a fine springboard on the end of the dock for diving, and Canada Lake furnishes an excellent sand beach for beginners.

If this kind of life appeals to you, and you have a desire to enjoy real camping out, then you are invited to join us this coming season for as long a time as you wish. Please write 3 days in advance and tell us exactly the date and hour of leaving Gloversville. Address 110 N. McClellan Street, Schenectady, NY. Homephone 451-R.

Tour De Adirondacks A Bicycle Story

It was ten years ago that my friend Hope Hansel called to tell me all about her new bicycle. She had learned that I was biking here at camp. At the time her bicycle friends were planning to ride the Canal Trail in Fultonville and she invited me to join them. Our meeting place was at the truck stop. It was there on the summer afternoon of June 14, 2005 that the "Biker Babes" were born.

We started planning bike trips, chalking up many special rides through the years. Hopes' cousin Joan in Hingham, MA, organized many of our first rides together. We biked Wompatuck State Park, Cohasset, Nantasket Beach, with a side trip into Boston by rail. One summer we biked the Rail trail from Barrington, RI to Bristol, RI followed by the Cape Cod trail with a swim in the ocean and a long lunch at a fish shack. The next trip we biked Martha's Vineyard, in a mist, our first ferry trip!

Another summer biking headquarters were Joan's condo at Sugarbush, VT. From there we biked Johnson and Stowe vowing never to do hills again! The ride from Burlington to So Hero and back was our first really long ride together. For that trip we packed bathing suits for a swim in Lake Champlain!

Trips to Washington DC, Pennsylvania, Niagara on the Lake, Ottawa and Charleston followed.

Two bike trips marked special birthdays. Hope's 65th was celebrated by biking Florida in February. My 70th was a trip on Northfork L.I. We biked to the Mattituck Strawberry festival, along LI sound and Shelter Island.

Tour De Adirondacks A Bicycle Story

Come the last weekend in July, the Babes visit my camp to bike route 10. We call this weekend the "Tour De Adirondacks" that has become a tradition. It coincides nicely with the Caroga Town Wide Garage Sales. You may have witnessed the Biker Babes whizzing by your camp decked out in our signature green T-shirts.

Our first stop is Mike Hojohn's place. Some of our best finds are tucked away in his garage. It's always fun to bargain with him. Then it's on for the downhill ride past Val's to the sales at Vroomans. Onward we ride by Sherman's along the lake shore road. By now some of the folks know us by our bikes and our colors. Treasures too big to take are put aside for later pick-up. We are always on the lookout for some "Bling" to wear at lunchtime. At Hogan's we stop for our usual bag of popcorn to fortify us for the ride up the long pull out of Caroga. Then it's just a short downhill past Millie and Bruce's to the Nick Stoner, Lunch at the Nineteenth Hole has become a Biker Babe tradition, especially that pitcher of beer waiting for us! Then we're fortified for the ride back to camp, ready for a relaxing swim. The day ends with the Babes Cocktail Hour followed by Captain Charlie's BBQ supper.

This July marks the Biker Babes 10th anniversary of biking the Tour De Adirondacks. Great gals, great rides, great scenes, great laughs that I will treasure always. Be sure to wave when you see us riding by!

Barbara Michaels









Leave It to the Beavers: Life in the Pond

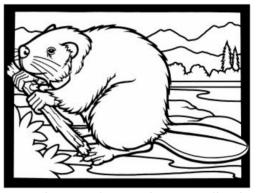
Beavers. once hunted to near elimination, have returned to the ponds, streams and forests of the Adirondacks and to other ranges in New York State. "Castor Canadensis" are "nature's engineers" frequently found in wetlands, which are now only 5% of the land area in the US. Extensive hunting in the 18th-19th century and loss of forested areas resulted in a serious decline of wetlands due to the killing of beaver. They range from 26-65 pounds with a tail 9-10 inches long. They are our New York State mammal! What do they do for our ecosystems?

- 1. Reduce flood risks
- 2. Reduce downstream erosion
- 3. Trap sediments
- 4. Recharge ground water for our aquifers and wells
- Purify water
- 6. Provide habitat for other species
- 7. Create a great place to visit and observe nature

Only natural processes can create a functioning wetland- when we humans try to recreate a wetland, it can take more than 100 years to reach a functional level! Therefore we need to leave it to the beaver, since most wetlands are created by beavers using renewable and recycled materials. Beaver are considered a "Keystone Species" since they create wetlands, among the most biologically

productive ecosystems in the world. They increase plant, bird and wildlife variety, and improve overall water quality.

The male and female beaver pair mate for life and build a solid dam to contain the water where they build their lodge, using apple, birch, red maple and aspen trees and mud for the structure. The pair raises juveniles, which at two years of age will be moved out of the territory to find another location



as they reach maturity. Mortality is high especially with the young, with predators such as coyotes, bears, owls and our highways and roads to cross. The average lifespan is less than ten years.

Strike out on one of our nearby lakes and you may likely find a dam built by the beavers if you paddle back into the wetland areas. You might also see, as our neighbors have observed, small trees gnawed to a point, missing the young branches. Those are the marks of a beaver seeking wood...they may swim 2-300 meters away from the den to find suitable materials. What to do if they are creating problems due to the construction, maintenance

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Leave It to the Beavers: Life in the Pond

and replacement of their dwellings? A 2"X4" mesh applied 3-4 feet high around a tree base will suffice to halt the logging work; also dam removals can be done to clear out culverts to alleviate flooding. Painting the base of the tree with a paint and sand mixture has also been used to deter harvesting. Flow devices can be installed to allow for co-existence with human and animal needs and the development of beaver management plans. Trapping and removal of beaver is not an option. as it is illegal to try and relocate them. The native people referred to beaver as "little people", observing their determined work in building dams and fortresses. Like us, they respond to the sound of running water with a cue to start building an Adirondack lodge! We can travel our waterways and observe their construction, or perhaps at early morning or dusk see or hear that "splash" in the water signifying a large, paddle –like tail letting us know the beaver is hard at work creating a magical wetland. Join us on our travels this summer as we explore our lakes for amazing wildlife such as the beaver

Rosemary Lee Canada Lake, 2015



Thanks and credit to; Dr. Clive Jones, Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies and Mr. Mike Callahan, President, Beaver Solutions, LLC.

That Good Old Canada Lake, N.Y.

There was much mutual admiration between my sister Helen and Paul Bransom. He admired her athleticism, her interest in nature and her high spirits. She admired him for all the everyone admired him, his talent, sense of humor, love of nature and generosity. This excerpt of a letter from Paul to Helen in 1947 reflects their common interests in nature and Canada Lake. It is also indicative of another time when people shared thoughts through long letters. His carving a wood block to make the bookplate for Helen was a time consuming task. It is but one of many times he generously used of his talents to please his friends. For a full annotated version of the letter see the CLPA website: http://canadalake. mylaketown.com/bransomletter.

Jim Hays



Oct. 17th, 1947

Dear: Kicki:

At last! I have a chance to really get down to write to you and to thank you for your fine letter which gave

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us so much pleasure. It is so nice to hear of all your activities and to know that you are well and happy and that you think of us —as we certainly do of you. We miss you very much indeed and each day we go "Post Officing" and for "Watra" we wish that you were here to enjoy the beauty of the woods with us

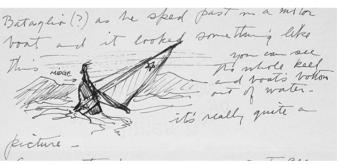
At one time about three weeks ago, it seemed as though we should not have our usual fall color sensation. There were several nights of below freezing temperature and many of the leaves on the trees in open places were just plain frozen—all curled up and black as though they had been burned! Those leaves promptly fell off but those that were left eventually took their usual autumnal glory.

The old trail along the short-cut and the road down to Barbours camp have been unbelievably beautiful – a lane of golden delight, and for the past two

weeks a succession of warm, clear, langorous days. As Aunt Grace and I walk through the soft colored stillness broken by the rustle of falling leaves and the swish of our own feet through the dry carpet, we muse on past day and those to come. Now almost all the trees have dropped their gay dress and wait for the harsh advances of the north-wind and his rough caresses. I

cannot help reflecting how beautifully and gracefully the season ages and accepts its fate with resignation—so different from your recalcitrant uncle who is young with you in spirit as you play ball, climb trees, swim, and dive! and ski!

This reminds me to tell you that Mr. and Mrs. Gore came in to see us a few nights ago and showed us a very remarkable enlargement of a snapshot of Midge at the peak of one of her big moments in her sailboat. It was taken by Doctor Bataglia (?) as he sped past in a motor boat and it looked something like this. You can see the whole keel and boat's bottom out [of the] water –it's really quite a picture.



Another thing you ought to see is the lake water level now! It is like it was several years ago when we had the broad beach all around and when the lake suddenly came up three feet after the heavy rain, remember? Well, we have the same thing now except for the rain which has been non-existent for almost a month —everything is very dry and the governor has ordered

That Good Old Canada Lake, N.Y.

all the woods closed and no hunting season (I am glad for the latter!) But, to get back to the water —at the end of your boathouse, just under your diving-board there is now just about six inches of water. You'd have to make a very flat dive now. As Aunt Grace told you we easily walked all the way around the bay and out around "Fort" Breeze point.

I wonder if your mother told you about all the blackbirds we saw during a short walk one Sunday. We first heard their noisy chatter when we reach the Trobridge camp and discovered them bathing all along that little sandy cove between Eberly's bridge and his house There must have been a flock of two or three hundred, and it was lovely to watch them splashing all along the length of the shore in the warm afternoon sunlight. They would take alarm and all fly up en-masse into the pines lining the shore and in a minute the whole crowd would drop down to the beach to resume the bathing. Their performance -- up and down-- went on for a long while to our great delight.

Speaking of birds and animals, reminds me to tell you that Miss Tymeson said that two small otters spent a morning playing and frisking around her backyard last week. So, those little fellows you all saw in your boathouse were evidently that same otter family. I do hope that nothing happens to them during the winter and that we may have the fun of seeing them occasionally

next summer —next summer—what a long way off that is so many things to be done in the meantime.....

I'm still working on your bookplate whenever I have a chance. I'm sorry it isn't finished yet. Please be patient with me. If you could see it now, it looks as though a dozen mice had been chiseling at it with tiny teeth. Wouldn't it be nice if some of our mice could chew out a few letters on it some nights as I sleep like those who worked for the Tailor of Gloucester —remember (NO MORE TWIST)

I must close now and to bed before the length of this letter will tire you and send you to bed too – Good night. Pleasant dreams.

With much love as always Your devoted Uncle Paul



A BIG ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY THANK YOU!

John, and Roy would like to thank the many volunteers who helped on our pickups last year. Many hardy souls cleaned trash from the roadside on several mornings during the summer. We could always use more help. If you would like to join this dandy intrepid crew, please call John Broderick (835-6150)

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family The **Davis** news: entire family visited at Christmas and we enjoyed watching the 2 year old and 10 month old cousins play and share time together. Parker, Igoe, Thorne and Leon have enjoyed family visits and the snowy winter. Thanksgiving in New Hampshire with them and no power was an experience. We ended up driving 3 cars to Vermont with all the food and having our Thanksgiving in Vermont with a side visit to Santa's land. Hilary is working hard at her new iob at Dealer.com in Burlington and was excited to have Everett ski on his own on a tiny slope with mom catching him to stop. Tori and Gil are working hard in Austin but got to ski when they visited at Christmas. Tony has been skiing often and Jane played a great deal of platform tennis. After the cold and snowy winter, Jane and Tony visited Tori, Gil, Aidan and Ian and then spent time at their favorite island in the keys for some relaxation

Parker Arnold, Atni Wigoena, Thorne William and Leon Rochandi Davis had a wonderful year growing, singing, laughing, cuddling, playing and just being happy. We had a wondrous winter with incredible amounts of snow and lots of cozy fires in New Hampshire. Thorne is learning to talk (and use the potty) while Leon practices walking and searching for things to eat. Parker worked from home while taking care of his increasingly boisterous boys and pushing his mobile game project, The Dreamland Chronicles, ever closer to

launch! Parker recently took a position as an Executive Producer for a leading educational software company, giving Atni the opportunity to be with the boys and continue working from home.

From Mike Kane, Last September, in wonderful early fall weather, Bill Kane hosted brother Mike for a brief stay at the family's Canada Lake camp. In between his daily fishing trips on the lake, Bill rode shotgun for a round of golf at Nick Stoner where the team racked up a bestever score, Another successful activity was cleaning up the grounds, producing two carloads of twigs and branches for the dump. Mike got to see Sue and Dan Tantelo and Barb and Charlie Michaels, and is hoping to make it back to CL for a couple days again this summer.

Alex Russell, **Bill and Barbara Russell's** son, continued his second year at Virginia Tech, studying statistics, accounting information systems, and natural hazards. Barbara continued attending writing workshops, and reads her poems Sunday, May 10th, as part of the Tennessee Women's Theater Project. Bill, Professor of Pediatrics at Vanderbilt, travelled to Jordan and Greece to talk on Type 1 diabetes research and endocrine topics. We look forward to returning to the lake in June or July.

The Miller/Peters camp is excited about the accomplishments of all their grandchildren. Colleen Miller Denton has her greatest accomplishment: Ms. Ellie Grace Denton, now 7. Ashley Miller

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is a graduate of ESF (Environmental Science and Forestry) in Syracuse, with an environmental engineering degree. Amber Miller is entering her third year at the University of Buffalo majoring in chemical engineering and Ryan Miller is a high school senior. We so love having all of them, and their parents David and Cathy, with us at Canada Lake.

From **Judy and Chris Moritz**: In September, in celebration of our 50th wedding anniversary, we cruised from New York to Bermuda. Wonderful ship, wonderful weather and very relaxing. Thought that trip couldn't be topped. We were wrong!

The hi-light of our year was a not-sorelaxing but long awaited trip to the Galapagos Islands known most for the visit by 19th century naturalist Charles Darwin. His studies of the islands' native wildlife led to his publication of "Origin of the Species" which formed the basis for the modern day theory of evolution. The islands are now an Ecuador national park which like our own Adirondack Park has strict regulations, limited accessibility and commitment to preservation of native wildlife and plants. We had two arduous island excursions a day via zodiacs from our small cruise ship. Unlike our Adirondacks, the islands are of volcanic origin and sit right on the equator. Thus, opportunities to swim or snorkel in the warm Pacific waters at the end of several of our land excursions were very welcome. The variety of wildlife

from island to island was amazing. Sea lions, nesting blue footed boobies and frigate birds, penguins, land and marine iguanas, giant tortoises and so many other species were not the least bit perturbed by the people with the funny hats and cameras who came to visit them

While we explored the Galapagos, the rest of our brood was spending their spring break at Canada Lake enjoying the still winter-like weather. They're all doing well and looking forward to summer at the lake

Audrey and Roy Smith are looking forward to their 43rd year at beautiful Canada Lake. Most of our family will be there the week of July 4th, coming from Colorado, Long Island and Pennsylvania.

We have an exciting year ahead with Allison Dykeman, Jana & Tom's oldest daughter graduating from Penn State in May, Annalie Kaiser, Laurie's daughter graduating from LIM College in Manhattan in May, then Jennifer Dykeman, the youngest Dykeman graduating from Central York HS in Pa. in June.

Laurie continues with her business, Preferred Billing Solutions, helping her clients in the mental health field. She has been able to come to Florida, 5 times visiting her friend, Michael, in Delray Beach. Laurie & Annalie also spent Thanksgiving with us in Florida.

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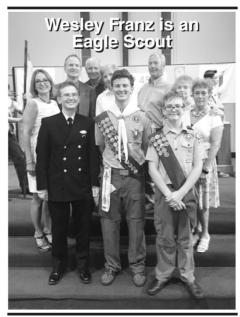
Annalie is interning at Barclay's Bank Center in Brooklyn as an event planner. After just receiving a scholarship from the college for being one of the top students, we're sure she'll have many job opportunities when she graduates in May.

Jana continues as comptroller with Runkles. Inc. Tom works for Libra Industries in Ohio as VP of Sales & Business Development. Jana & Tom just celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary with a trip to Aruba with their daughters & best friends. Allison got a fantastic job with Lockheed Martin in Orlando, Fl., starting in July (after coming to the lake, of course!) Katie received Penn State's Presidential award for achieving a 4.0 as a freshman. Katie is studying secondary education. Jennifer, also a wonderful student & leader is always performing service projects. She recently took the Polar Bear Plunge in the freezing Susquehanna River, along with her Dad. They raised money for Special Olympics & she danced in a 12 hour dance-a-thon for Pediatric Cancer. Jennifer will be studying biology at Penn State in Sept.

Sharon Terranova just started a new position as a manager with Boulder County Mobility for All. Her husband Terry has formed his own consulting firm, CharTer LLC. He is currently working in Australia. Ellen is working in customer relations, which she loves, and she is going to college, part time in Boulder.

We are all looking forward to being together at Canada Lake & renewing all of our friendships, sometimes 3 generations worth.

Yuenger, From the Michaels, camp: The Michaels Hoffman family gathered in June to celebrate Charlie Michaels 80th birthday. Son Bill Michaels captained his historic 1932 Richardson Launch to host the cocktail cruise on Otsego Lake. (Charlies boyhood lake) After a sunset cruise we docked at the Otesaga Hotel, Cooperstown ,for a delicious birthday dinner. The boat crew included. daughter Francine Michaels Hoffman, Warren, Jane & Arty, Son Bill Michaels, Brenda, Sadie, & Henry. Cousin Sally Sister Betty Anderson. Michaels Terbush and Charlie & Barbara Yuenger Michaels.



Remembrances

Geoff Clifford



Geoff Clifford, Paul Franz, Allen Farber and Dick Loomis during a serious post-race debriefing.

"Clifford here." That was the greeting I would hear whenever I called Geoffrey. And "Ciao for now" was often his parting response. Geoff and I had a long history of competing in our Sunfish sailboats on Canada Lake every weekend during the summers. He would drive all the way from Newport, RI, to race with us on our small lake in the Adirondacks instead of sailing in Newport, one of the most prolific sailing venues in the U.S. While not a resident of Canada Lake, Geoff was an integral part of the sailing community and member of the Canada Lake Sailing Club. Some of the happiest days of my life were spent in those tiny boats trying to beat Geoff and Court and Paul and Allen and Dave and Lois and Lane and Linda and Nancy and... Sunfish boats often overturn and we christened Geoff, "Captain Capsize" for his expertise.

Another name our family lovingly called him was "Auntie Geoffrey." He would stay with us at our camp

on the weekends and play with our small daughters, get them all riled up before bedtime, then he'd fall asleep while we tried to calm our girls down. They loved playing with Auntie Geoffrey.

I met Geoff almost immediately when I moved to Utica some 45 years ago to start my advertising career. He was one of our clients. Geoff was quite the creative thinker, always coming up with some idea that he would often convince me to get involved in. Sailboat Survey was one of our first mutual endeavors. It was a Consumer-Reports-style magazine designed for sailors. We did not accept advertising since we thought that would be a conflict of interest if we were to be fair in reviewing and judging sail boats and equipment. Geoff did all the writing and research which often took us to Newport, RI, to interview boat designers, manufacturers, and famous sailors. We published 6 issues before we folded shop—not enough subscribers even though we got glowing reviews. Canada Lake Sailing Club members may also remember his weekly newsletter. The Telltale. a poetic—if not always accurate review of the past week's races.

Our next great idea was a board game called Protest! that taught sailing tactics and racing rules. We spent countless hours moving tiny paper boats around on tables at Friendly's. Geoff even convinced the

waitresses to give us refills on ice cream! Another financial failure. Mind you, these endeavors were only a few

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years after I had taught Geoff to sail a Sunfish. He went from "landlubber" to "old salt" in no time flat! Once he became intersted in a subject, he became obsessed. It led him to a job teaching sailing at J-World Sailing Schools—one of the most prestigious in the world—in Rhode Island where he spent the remainder of his life until his daughter brought him back to the Utica area. When he was still mobile, and despite the Parkinson's, he would walk a quarter mile to meet us for breakfast at our favorite haunt most every morning.

Geoff and I had some great times together. Geoff died on December 27, 2014. He was a good friend. I will miss him. "Ciao for now," Geoffrey.

Dick Loomis

Donald Kerr 1920 - 2014



Donald Kerr died on October 23, 2014 in Schenectady, NY. He was 94. Don's favorite role was as a husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather to a large extended family. Many happy days were spent with them at the family camp on the south shore of Canada

Lake. The high point of every family dinner was spectacular homemade ice cream, hand-cranked by enthusiastic grandchildren. Together with his wife, Ruth, he travelled the world, visiting five of six continents, including Antarctica. He loved the outdoors and with Ruth, hiked the Adirondacks and White Mountains. At the age of 72, he and another Canada Lake resident. the late Bud Osborn, went trekking in the Himalayas, with Mount Everest rising majestically in the background. A longtime Yankees fan, he proudly flew their banner. As a boy, he saw Babe Ruth hit three home runs in one game. An always hopeful Jets fan, he never waivered in his support. Don was elected to the Schenectady School Board in 1962 and served for 5 years. A Boy Scout as a youth, he led a Troop from Schenectady to the 1960 Boy Scout Jamboree in Colorado Springs. A professional engineer, he served in a number of management positons in GE's naval nuclear power business (KAPL) until his retirement in 1982. He was an active member of the Unitarian Universalist Society and Planned Parenthood Mohawk Hudson. Born, October 4, 1920 in Des Moines, Iowa, he grew up in New York City. He graduated from Dartmouth College, Class of 1942. He also received a BS and MS in chemical engineering from Columbia University. He served in the Army Air Corps during WW II, training as a machine gunner. Don was predeceased by his first wife, Jean. He is survived by his wife of 37 years, Ruth M. Kerr; children, Donald Kerr, Jr., Douglas M. Kerr, and Katharine Kerr Gillespie;

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stepchildren, Nancy F. Myers, E. David Fink, Frederick C. Fink and Richard L. Fink, 10 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren.

Hubbard Montgomery Smith

As briefly noted in last year's Echo, Hub Smith died on May 8, 2014, at home, from complications of heart disease, after a brief hospitalization.

Hub's first visit to Canada Lake was with Michael Parkhurst in the summer of 1960, where he was introduced to the 'lake ways' and the friendly Fisher neighbors next door. Many of you know how the story goes from there. Hub married Linda Fisher in 1964 and Michael married Susan Smith in 1965, and the two families now have four generations, side by side back in the cove. After a critical illness in 2003



left Hub paraplegic he adjusted his boating mode to the HMS Hubcraft, a little pontoon boat that just fit the grandchildren or another couple for cocktails.

Having grown up in Pelham, New York, Hub was an alumnus of Amherst College, worked at Time Inc in New York City for 27 years. His last position there was as worldwide Production Director of Time Magazine for 14 years. In 1985 the Smiths moved to Amherst, Mass. where Hub became Alumni Director of his alma mater, retiring in 1995. A generous and committed volunteer, he served on numerous community boards and non-profits. Since retirement Hub and Linda had spent the summer months at the lake.

Hub is survived on the lake by his wife of 50 years, Linda; children – Alison Mitchell (Sid) and Stephen Smith (Lynn); four (perfect) grandchildren – Matthew & Claire Williamson and Meghan and Sarah Smith; his sister Susan Parkhurst; sister-in-law Carole Fisher; numerous nieces and nephew; and Saunders family cousins.

A memorial service was held at the First Congregational Church in Amherst in June of 2014 which a number of lake friends attended, and some of his ashes are scattered at the lake. Hub's presence here will be felt for many years to come by all of us. Our thanks to the many friends around the lake for their kindnesses and friendship this past year.

Linda Fisher Smith

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Geoff Clifford **Donald Kerr Hubbard Smith**

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Please send a check with name, address and phone number to Shirley Holliday, P.O. Box 434, Caroga Lake, NY 12032 Make check payable to Caroga Historical Museum



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CLPA has the responsibility for maintaining the Island. Enjoy but please clean up after yourself.

- · Take your garbage off the Island
- · Clean up after your dog
- Make sure fires are out

Canada Lakes Protective Association http://canadalake.mylaketown.com

> Calendar of Events: http://canadalake.mylaketown.com/calendar



Summer Recreation Program

July 6 - August 14

The Town of Caroga, in conjunction with the Wheelerville School, sponsors a summer recreation program for children of residents and summer residents of the Town of Caroga.

Children who have completed kindergarten and up to age 13 are invited to attend the program.

There is no cost to attend and regular attendance is not mandatory. A bus picks the children up and returns them to the Wheelerville School each sunny day; on rainy days recreation will be held at an indoor location. The program includes arts and crafts, sports, games, and field trips.

Contact the Wheelerville School at 835 - 2171 for more information.



Safe boating courses will be offered on

(June 20 & 27) or (July 11 & 18)

MUST ATTEND Both Days

9 am – 1 pm at Town Hall Call 518-835-4211 x21 to register

The Safe Boating course is offered to youths and adults 10 and over at the Caroga Town Hall. A safe boater's certificate is required to operate a Jet Ski at any age, and to operate a motorcraft alone between the age of 10 and 18.

PLEASE DRIVE
CAUTIOUSLY & SLOWLY
WHEN TRAVELING ON THE
ROADS AROUND CANADA
LAKE THIS SUMMER



The most efficient method for providing CLPA members with important, up-to-date information is through e-mail. If you have an e-mail address, and it is not correct or does not appear in the CLPA directory, go to:

www.canadalake.mylaketown.com

login and edit your user profile to change or add an email, or email the address to *Allen.Farber@oneonta.edu*.

PERSONAL WATERCRAFT

- Each person on or being towed must wear a life jacket (PFD).
- The PWC must have a USCG approved backfire flame arrestor.
- If so equipped, the engine cutoff lanyard must be used.
- No operation between sunset and sunrise.
- No PWC may be operated within 500 ft. of a designated swimming area except when launching and then 10 MPH (straight out).
- Safety equipment such as a distress signal or horn must be on board.
- New York State Law prohibits: weaving in and out of traffic intentional last minute swerving except to avoid collision wave jumping
- Anyone operating a PWC in New York State must complete a safe boating course.
- The minimum age for operating a PWC is 14 if the operator holds a safety certificate.
- Underage riders who have earned a boating safety certification may operate a PWC if accompanied by someone 18 or older who is the holder of a boating safety cert. and is on either a PWC or motorboat within 500 ft & within sight of the underage operator.

