

SUMMER 2020

Rules of the Waves We all can enjoy our lakes if we all work together

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 and before sunrise (no PWC use at night)
- 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
- The minimum age for operating a boat without a person over 18 years is 10 years and a PWC is 14 years and they have a boating safety certificate
- If you are less than 10 years old you may operate a motorboat (non-PWC) only if someone over 18 is on board with you. If you are less than 14 you may operate a personal watercraft if someone at least 18 years old is riding on the craft and they hold a safety certificate.
- All persons Over 10 Years old and born after May 1st, 1996 must complete a safe boating course to operate a power boat
- "Everyone" must complete a safe boating course to operate a Personal Water Craft



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Non Emergencies:
Call the Fulton County
Sheriff's Department
at
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IT IS EVERYONE'S
RESPONSIBILITY TO
USE COMMON SENSE
AND ACT SAFELY



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Stories! Information! Echoes!

All Ages Are Welcome!

If you think you can't write, don't worry, we have great editors!

Remember, we don't have an Echo without input from lake residents

Start thinking now about how you can contribute to the

2021 Echo

For more information contact: echo@carogalake.com

CLCA President's Message

Every winter, I try to take on a new project that connects me to the lake. Past projects have included creating new maps for the directory, researching the lake artist Paul Bransom, and creating the new CLCA website. This year, Dick Loomis and I created a digital version of Barbara McMartin's Caroga: An Adirondack Town Recalls Its Past. This book, which is currently out of print, is a valuable resource for the community, and creating a digital version will allow the book to be easily updated and supplemented with new material.

Barbara's narrative documents how the town developed over different stages. First was the hardscrabble period of the original settlers – settlements like Newkirk Mills developed around the streams that powered their grist and saw mills. This was followed by a period from the mid-1860s to the mid-1880s, which saw the tanning industry flourish, especially in Wheelerville.

By the 1890s, the town became a resort community. Cottages began to be constructed, but the real focus was on the resort hotels. The Fulton House constructed in 1888 and the Auskerada built in 1892 became the focus of life for both the visitors and the summer residents. Dances and musical entertainment were central to the social life of the period. An article entitled "The Band at

Canada Lake" that appeared in the September 20, 1897 edition of the The Daily Leader recounts the visit of the Gloversville Military Band under the direction of "Prof. Hans Gonderspiegel, an itinerant German music-master, whose Teutonic cap and crystal baton were anywhere and everywhere." Concerts were performed at the Auskerada and on steamer rides around the lake.

By 1920 the era of the grand hotel was in decline. The Fulton House had burnt in 1914 and the Auskerada would burn in 1921 – a pivotal year in the history of the town of Caroga. When Frank Sherman began stockpiling lumber in the winter of 1919-1920, people were curious what he was up to. In the summer of 1921, Sherman opened a dance hall that featured musical performances and later grew to include an park. amusement Attracting audiences from nearby towns, Sherman's prospered and the local community flourished. When I tell people of my generation that I spend my summers on Canada Lake in Caroga, they respond by sharing fond memories of trips to Sherman's, either to enjoy the amusement park or to attend dances.

When I think of Sherman's of old, I'm hit with fond memories: taking childhood trips to Sherman's with my parents, seeing Linda Smith's proper mother transform into an

CLCA President's Message

assassin during bumper cars, and taking my girls to get soft ice cream and ride on the carousel. With these memories in mind, I look forward to the future. As Kyle Price and the Caroga Arts Collective breathe new life into Sherman's as an arts center and cultural hub for our community, they also ensure that we can continue using the beloved property as a space for entertainment, celebration, and gathering, just as Frank Sherman intended. It will be wonderful to have our Carousel running again.

Postscript:

The first part of this message was written in early February. Looking back now, it is like a time capsule from a different era. It seems as remote in many ways as the era of the large hotels. The adjustments we are having to make in our daily lives are profound. The CAC and the Museum have canceled their in person events with the CAC going virtual. The CLCA has had to make major changes. At a Special Meeting of the Board of Directors in May, it was decided to cancel many of our regular events like the Lake Luncheon, Picnic, and the Ice Cream Extravaganza. We did get some good news that we will be able to have Fireworks and Flares on Friday, July 3rd. The membership came through dramatically in support of the event. On the 4th, we will have the Boat Parade without the party. It was also decided, unless conditions change dramatically, to hold all o

meetings over Zoom including the Annual Meeting which is scheduled for 7 pm on July 11th. It will be safer and more efficient to deliver the 2020 Directory by mail. The Board of Directors also decided to contribute the \$3,000 originally dedicated to CLCA social events to the North Bush Church Food Pantry as well as \$500 to the fire department. A primary mission for the CLCA has to be to protect the health and safety of our community.

Allen Farber



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2020 Season Cancelled

Out of an abundance of caution, the trustees of the Caroga Historical Association and Museum decided to cancel the 2020 season. We appreciate your support for the museum and hope you can join us for a great season in 2021.

Schedule of Events: Summer 2020

The CLCA Board of Directors has decided to cancel its normal series of social events that cannot conform to social distancing guidelines, and Association meetings including the Annual Meeting will be held virtually over Zoom. We are hoping to come up with alternative events, and if conditions change significantly we hold out the possibility of sponsoring events and non-virtual meetings later in the season. We will keep you updated through the newsletter.

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20 (Saturday) Directors Meeting, (Held Virtually)

July

3 (Friday) Flare Lighting & Fireworks Show, 9:30 PM*

4 (Saturday) Boat Parade, *Time And Details To Be Announced*.

11 (Saturday) CLCA Annual Meeting, (held virtually)

August

23 (Saturday) Directors Meeting, (Held Virtually)

September

5 (Saturday) Labor Day Flare lighting: 9 PM

Check the bulletin board on the porch of the Canada Lake Store or the calendar tab on the CLCA website for updates and additional activities.

www.canadalakesconservation.com

FISH CATCHES

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

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

Want to Work on The Echo?

Join the committee we need editors.

Contact: echo@carogalake.com for more details.

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^{*} Please wait until 9:30pm to light your flares. Please be advised that all boats are required to be at least 500 feet from the island during the show.

Environment & Ecology

The Environment & Ecology committee will continue to focus on the Hemlock Woolv Adelgid (HWA) during the summer of 2020. This invasive aphid-like insect, originally from Asia, has been moving north from Virginia at a rate of 10 to 15 miles per year since the 1950s. It was first found in the Adirondacks near Lake George 2017 (www.dec.ny.gov/ press/110875.html). The insects attack hemlocks by sucking fluid from the tree at the base of the needles. There are no native predators of the adelgids in New York, and infested trees usually die within 4 to 10 years. Whole stands can be wiped out. Treatment options are currently limited, but efforts to introduce natural predators are showing modest progress.

Last spring, the Adirondack Invasive Plant Program (APIPP) requested assistance in preventing the spread of HWA. The Invasive Species Committee and E&F Committee worked with APIPP and NYS DEC to help prevent the spread of HWA around Canada Lake. We provided informational flyers to CLCA members about this invasive pest, urging camp owners to monitor the hemlocks on their property, and inspecting hemlock growth visible from the shoreline during aquatic invasive monitoring. Shoreline monitoring of Canada Lake did not reveal any infestations.

In June, the CLCA was alerted that a tree in the Rockwood State Forest (12 miles south of Canada Lake on route 29) was infested with the HWA. CLCA tracked this issue and communicated with DEC to express concern and offer support with abatement efforts. In January, Brian Ellis, Senior Forester for the DEC Division of Lands and Forests, informed CLCA that they had treated the infested area as well as all hemlock trees within 4-acre grid surrounding the infested tree. DEC will continue monitoring the area for possible HWA infestations. Both the AWI and the DEC thanked CLCA for its efforts and assistance.

The HWA is on our doorstep. Hemlocks account for about 10% of the trees in Adirondack forests, and there are large stands of hemlocks around Canada Lake. We will continue to encourage members to monitor hemlocks on their property and recognize infestations early, maintain our shoreline survey efforts, and quickly bring in expert assistance if needed.

The CLCA website also has a page dedicated to the HWA that will be updated as additional information becomes available:

http://www. canadalakesconservation.com/ hemlock-woolly-adelgid.

Environment & Ecology

A recent newsletter of the NYS Hemlock Initiative can be found at the following link:

https://sway.office.com/ synFPo1XEbqtIMOb?ref=Link.

Dave Graves

Adopt-a-Highway

Our Adopt-a-Highway team completed a considerable clean up on our route the day after the ice went out on Canada Lake. It was an optimal time of the year because there was no growth yet along the roadway, and trash was easily visible.

In the end, we collected a full truckload of trash. It was a feeling of both accomplishment and disappointment. Disappointment because we found full bags of trash littering the highway. I don't understand why a place so beautiful would be littered with bag after bag of garbage from homes and camps. One of the most concerning areas is the cliff at the Canada Lake lookout parking area.

Let's team up with the Town of Caroga highway department and volunteers to tackle this problem area. Even though this problem can't always be seen, we need to address it.

In closing, please take a moment to tell family and friends the importance of keeping our 11

Adopt-a-Highway

Adirondacks free of litter and debris. Let's all continue to work on keeping our little slice of paradise just that.

Bob Baker

Adopt-a-Shoreline

With the early drawdown for dam repairs scheduled, it was initially looking good for a shoreline pick-up last fall. The Lake level was down on October 25th, but by November 1st, the water level was above the banks, causing damage. Docks still in the water were floating by the Dolgeville boathouse, and beams and tires floated along the shoreline.

There was no pick-up due to these conditions, and I caution all residents to look out for debris floating near the shoreline.

Deb Hoffman

Canada Lake Boat Parade



All Boats Welcome

July 4th, Time: TBA

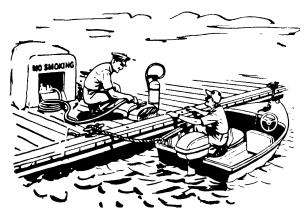
Classic, Decorated or

Just for Fun

Check out the CLCA board at the Canada Lake store in July for more details

Canada Lake Store & Marine News

Winter weather consisted of a mixed bag from rain to ice storms then back to snow. We learned that in 141 years of record keeping there had never been a warmer January. Fortunately there were about 4 or 5 weeks for some ideal snowmobiling conditions as winter progressed.



Howard and Chris stayed busy engaged in winter work projects like replacing boat floors, gel coat touch ups, and motor repairs. Joshua Peck from Green Lake will be assisting Bret in preparing the boats we store for this spring and summer.

Since we wrote the first two paragraphs our entire country is suffering from the highly contagious coronavirus and numerous lives have been changed. As a result we have revised our 2020 news. No one can predict the end of this situation so it's hard to say how we will be operating in the coming months. As of March 29th the store instituted curbside shopping with shortened hours and a delivery service which has been helping the local community. That will continue as needed. Lisa Bates and Erin Beaudet, both summer residents, graciously sewed several masks for our employees.

Even with our own family we are practicing social distancing and have celebrated birthday parties on 12

Zoom. (Reed Fielding age 5 on 4/3, and Embree Fielding age 9 on 4/13) We post important messages on our Facebook and Instagram pages and on the CLCA website so our status can be checked regularly.

We have increased our grocery products to provide as many options as possible. Preordering is the best way for our customers to get what they want. Merryn, Keely, and Dorothy discovered some new gift ideas previous to this state of affairs. It will be a challenge to retail them as we may not have an open door for browsing. Here is a short list of some new items that we plan to feature:

Fresh bouquets of flowers from Tiffany Rutkowski's flower shop

"I Climbed Kane Mountain" tee's

Handmade Adirondack themed greeting cards by Peggy Short

local bourbon barrel honey

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Custom bumper stickers of local interest

Canada Lake shirt and hat combos.

In preparation for New York State instituting a plastic bag ban, we will have reusable shopping bags and cooler bags available with our logo.

This summer, we have the following employees to serve you:

Jeff Baker St. Johnsville

Jack Beaudet
Green Lake/ Conway, MA

Trevor Beaudet Green Lake/ Conway, MA

> Anika Byrnes Canada Lake

Kaelyn Byrnes
Canada Lake

Morgan Clark Caroga Lake

Isabella Clark
Canada Lake/ Santa Fe, NM

Molly Egan
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Vanya Fink Canada Lake/Prosper, TX

> Charlie Gagliardo Caroga Lake

Anna Heroth Green Lake

Rachel Kamppila
Canada Lake/ Burnt Hills, NY

Elisabeth Luttman Canada Lake/Fishkill, NY

Sam Mitchell Green Lake/ Galway, NY

> John Peck Green Lake

By the time the Echo is in your hands, we should have a new website with improved features, such as an enhanced ability to fill out work orders and new and used boat and motor listings. Be on the lookout for an online ordering feature as well.

The Lake Effect Café will reopen again in 2020. However, the operation and schedule are yet to be determined.

We certainly hope that all of us will get through this situation so we can proceed in a normal fashion. We are hoping for a typical pleasant summer at Canada Lake with all of you. We thank you sincerely for your continued support of our small family business, especially at this unusual time. Stay healthy and safe!

The Fielding family

Invasive Species Committee

For over ten years, the CLCA has worked with the Town of Caroga to help prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species (AIS) into our lakes. Starting in 2009, the Association arranged a single paid steward working on weekends from Memorial Day through Labor providing information about AIS and conducting voluntary inspections of boats and gear. Later, we paid for two stewards to work more days and hours, with the costs shared with the Town. The CLCA volunteers worked other shifts to supplement that work. The Town agreed in 2013 to hire and pay the stewards, with CLCA paying for training, supplies, and incidental expenses. In 2016, we partnered with the Town of Caroga to obtain a grant from the NY DEC that enabled the Town to work with the Adirondack Watershed Institute (AWI) to establish and operate the Caroga boat wash station.

In 2019, the AIS Committee worked with the Town develop a Lakes Management Plan and obtain a second DEC grant to expand the Town's invasive species prevention program. Also, AWI provided two stewards to increase coverage at West Lake and to staff the launch at the Caroga Campground for the first time. Altogether, these stewards inspected over

and intercepted ten boats with identified AIS. At West Lake alone, the paid and volunteer stewards inspected 2290 boats; this compares with some 1100 boats inspected in 2015. The number of boats coming into the Canada Lakes has more than doubled over the past several

Our volunteer Lake Inspectors from AWI also continued to monitor the lake bottom for possible invasive plants. They inspect Canada Lake, West Lake, Green Lake, Lily Lake, and the outlet to the dam at Stewart's Landing. No invasive species were found. AWI volunteers worked with the Environment and Ecology Committee to survey shoreline hemlock growth for possible Wooly Adelgid Hemlock infestations.

2019, an AIS volunteer also surveyed the Rockwood Reservoir and found both Variable Leaf Milfoil and Brittle Naiad, two invasive species. These plants likely traveled from Peck Lake and Caroga Lakes. In our area, the Carogas, Piseco, Peck, and Sacandaga Lakes all have AIS infestations, as do the Mohawk Hudson Rivers. continue to represent a major threat to Adirondack lakes, so our work must continue. We are grateful for our great volunteer 3,000 boats 14 stewards and inspectors and for

Invasive Species Committee

our partnership with the Town to address this challenge. Anyone over 18 interested in joining us can contact Mike Durkee (202 247 5895) or Marcus Harazin (518 928 7525).

Michael Durkee

Ice Cream Extravaganza

The Ice Cream Extravaganza was well attended las year on a beautiful, sunny day at 152 Green Lake Road. The Alexanders hosted the event, and several of our young people served ice cream, floats, and sundaes to the 90 people in attendance.

Once again, we want to thank Stewart's Shops for donating the ice cream and sundae packets.

Mary Peck



Ice Cream Extravaganza









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Water Sports Clinic

As you may have learned by now, many CLCA-sponsored activities are canceled for the summer of 2020 due to the pandemic. One of the canceled activities is the Water Ski and Wake Board Clinic. We were so looking forward to another fun-filled clinic this summer! We will certainly miss making new memories with all the enthusiastic participants. We'll plan to resurrect the clinic in the Summer of 2021, circumstances permitting. Until then, we hope to see everyone safely out on the water with their families, attempting to learn to ski or perfecting their skills.

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to either Diana Leaf (518-835-6454; dianaleaf@ verizon.net) or Hilary Davis (518-588-4101; 518-835-3707; canadalakediva@hotmail.com). In the meantime, enjoy the beautiful environment at Canada Lake, and stay safe!

Hilary Davis



Alexandra Halverson, 12 years old, very first time water skiing, Canada Lake 2019

Youth Activities



Kids and guests were invited to 115 Dolgeville Point for last year's Youth Activity event. Another year of the local invention "Lawn Ball" was followed by chasing each other around, digging for gummy worms, and other wild Olvmpian feats. Lunch included and all had a great time.



CLCA members are always welcome to contact Youth Director Ward Halverson add ideas of their own. Funding is available! Past events have included reading on Nick Stoner Island, trips down Lily Lake, swimming excursions, etc. Call or text Ward at (315) 868-1000, or call (518) 835-8565.

Midnight Swim!

Colette Corr (Age 7)

"Come on, Come on!" I yelled up the stairs to the rest of my family.

"Let's do this!" "Hurry up!"

It all started when my five year old sister requested a MID-NIGHT LAKE SWIM! Can you believe it? My first midnight swim!

"We're almost ready!" my sister called out.

A few minutes later we were out the back door. I felt the damp wood beneath my feet. I had butterflies in my tummy. This worrying feeling starts in my tummy and spreads. Was that feeling taking over? As we walked down the stairs, I suddenly thought out loud, "I'm scared."

"Scaredy-cat," my aunt, dad and Diana (my little sister) called to me in a taunting tone. And it was true. Kind-of. Little gnats bite the now cold midnight air.

Then I suddenly felt the urge to feel water. I closed my eyes and let my brain take over. I jogged towards the edge of the dock with my eyes closed. I lunged forward. I felt a cool, and sort-of-slimy thing around me. I swatted my arms and legs to get to the surface. This feels weird, I thought.

"Come on in!" I called to Diana and Dad even though my teeth were chattering. We splashed and played and let the current take us away! I dove in and dove out, and swam all about.

This was AWESOME! I absolutely loved this swim. And it was quite a swim to remember.

The Boat Parade 2019

The sky looked ominous between one and three o'clock on July 6th—the start of the 2019 Boat Parade was in question. But luckily, at 3:00 p.m., the rain stopped, the sun peeked out, and ten registered boats started their motors, along with several others joining in along the route.

We saw a lot of patriotic themes in 2019 during the parade over the 4th of July weekend. The trophy will be shared between the Franz and Alexander Families. The winners were: The Outclaws with Wesley & Harrison Franz, Joshua Peck, Jake Armstrong, and Esteban Cruz, and The Party Animals with Jack, Kelly & Kerry Alexander, Bridget Munro, and Ella Eddy. Our honorary mention goes to The Flamingo with Nicki & Rick Fink, Kaelyn Byrnes and Amelia Clark. Everyone enjoyed the parade both on and off the water, and all participants received a ribbon.











The 2020 Boat Parade Saturday, July 4th Time And Details To Be Announced.









Lake Luncheon

Last year's Ladies' Lake Luncheon was held on Wednesday, July 17th with 52 people attending.

A quartet from the CAC performed before lunch. Despite the rain, it was a great success, and we collected several cartons of canned food for the local food bank.

Kathy Rohrs













The lake luncheon has been canceleed for the 2020 season.

We look forward to a great luncheon for the 2021 season.

One Hazy Morning On Stewarts Landing

By Randy Fredlund, There was a time when sleep was less of a challenge. However, rising shortly after the sun does provide opportunities. Sipping coffee and idly looking out the window is one, particularly when that window provides a view over the water to the forest beyond.



What's that white spec in the trees?



Looks like an eagle.



Yes, definitely an eagle.
Of course, he is not following the modelling agreement, and has landed too far away on a hazy low-light morning.
On the positive side, this provides excellent rationalization for expensive new camera equipment.



"You lookin' at me?"



"I really don't care."
He sat for 40 minutes,
waiting for the easily distracted
photographer
to lose interest.

One Hazy Morning On Stewarts Landing



Fortunately, there was enough coffee to merit waiting until he finally prepared for action! (This shot taken just after the impressive weight reduction technique all birds use prior to take-off.)



It appears a fish has taken advantage of the eagle's "Swim near surface, fly high" offer.



Now away, down low over the water.



But the fish won't be taking advantage of that offer again.



A quick splash and upward again.



RECYCLE

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

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- 2. Cardboard
- Glass/Cans/Plastic Combined in 1 bag



Get your grill on for the 2020 Backyard Music Festival! Caroga Arts is excited to bring you the Caroga Lake Music Festival experience to YOUR backyard in celebration of Independence Day!

The Fourth of July Virtual Concert will feature a variety of world-class artists and musical selections from jazz to classical to ragtime to folk – and of course some classic July Fourth music! Go to the link below for more info.

http://carogaarts.org/event/backyard-music-festival/

Caroga Lake Post Office

835-4326

RETAIL HOURS

Monday - Friday 9:30 AM to 1:00 PM 2:30 PM to 5:15 PM Saturday 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM

Lobby Hours

Monday - Friday 8:00 AM to 5:30 PM SATURDAY 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM

LAST COLLECTION TIMES

Monday - Friday 4:00 PM SATURDAY 11:30 AM

MUSIC ON THE WATER

The Daily Leader, August 27, 1894, p. 8: MUSIC ON THE WATER: Summer Visitors at the Lake Have a Rare and Delightful Treat, The Daily Leader, August 27, 1894:

Music on the water! Did you ever experience the delightful sensation? Were you ever miles away from city life, plunged for any length of time in a snug little cottage in the depths of the wilderness, where the twittering birds and the rustling of the leaves as the wind played through the tree tops were the only sounds to break the surrounding quiet -when suddenly there reached your ears sweet strains of music softened by the water? If you were never so situated, ask your friends at Canada lake to tell you of their impressions Saturday evening and yesterday.

Through the courtesy of J. Fitch Van Ness, the proprietor of the famous Auskerada hotel, the Gloversville Military band made a visit to the lake Saturday. They were accompanied by a LEADER representative to "make a note of it; a mission which he was constantly reminded of in a deep bass voice which could belong to no one except genial, funloving Bill Brower, and echoed by his jolly fellow travelers at every turn. The heavily loaded wagons left this city at 1:30 p.m. and moved leisurely up the mountain roads, which, by the

they ever were, and shortly after 5 o'clock a sharp turn in the road brought into view the handsome new Hotel Auskerada, and the broad surface of water dotted with small craft.

A SPLENDID HOTEL



The Auskerada hotel is worthy of more than passing notice. The structure is of modern build, graceful outline and suggestive of comfort luxury. It is five stories high and contains 66 apartments for the accommodation of guests, and wide piazzas extend the entire length, where visitors sit at ease and enjoy the cool, health-laden breezes wafted over the water from the pine covered mountains which form a part of the glorious scenery. The parlors are long and wide and the apartments throughout furnished. elegantly average of regular boarders this season has been between 60 and 75, while a very large transient business attests the popularity of the place. Yesterday not less than 200 dinners were served, way, are in better condition than 24 and Landlord Finch and his

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cheerful, energetic lady were showered with congratulations on the variety and quality of the cuisine, and the possession of such a rare chef as William Host, who reigns supreme in this important department and wears his honors well. A well furnished bar is on the ground floor, and here William Hochgrebe is the ruling spirit who banishes thirst and clears away the mountain dust imbibed by the way. The hotel is situated at the inlet to the lake, where it commands an imposing view of the lake, and of the mountain which surround it. Pretty little cottages nestle here and there in the woods along the lake front, adding rustic beauty and variety to the scene.

AND THE BAND PLAYED

The band men were received with a cordial welcome by Mr. Van Ness and Mr. Finch, the dust of travel was quickly removed, and after an excellent supper Captain Lewis Ballou drew his neat little steamer up to the dock, and the musicians entered it for a ride around the lake. The band never played better, and the effect of the music, to those ashore, was simply grand. The evening light was sufficient to reveal the forms of ladies and gentlemen hastening from their cottages down to the water's edge and flags and handkerchiefs were waved merrily in token of appreciation. After supper band concerts were given on the

main piazza of the Auskerada which was thronged its entire length with delighted listeners, while many of the young people improved the opportunity with an impromptu dance in the long front parlor.

Concerts at frequent intervals during the day Sunday and another voyage with music down the lake contributed to the enjoyment of the day and fine vocal melody enriched the musical feast. Out on the little steamer popular melodies were sung by Messrs. A.D. Andregg, W.W. Brower, Fred. Cramer, and Edward Schermerhorn, and the blending of their voices was superb. Ashore they were joined by T.F. Mullarkey, and whenever their voices burst forth in song. they were quickly surrounded by admiring listeners.

It was the first time the band has ever visited the lake, and the musical feast will be remembered as a red letter period among the sojourners at that popular resort. The members of the band and the writer unite acknowledging that they were never more handsomely entertained, and they will always have a particularly warm spot in their hearts for the Auskerada and its generous management.

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"COACH"



Late this past summer, I had the honor of being called "Coach" by the 2019 NYS Class C Women's One Slalom Champion. This was not my greatest honor however, because she not only called me Coach, she also calls me Dad.

During the winter of 2019, my daughter Jacqueline Fake had the opportunity to waterski in Fort Lauderdale, Florida while being employed at a nearby horse training facility. I had always told her she had the potential to waterski competitively, but I don't think she realized that until she received training at the McGinnis Ski School during her off hours. At that point there was really no mention of any competition, but instead of how much fun she was having.

When the time came for her first ever competition, as a surprise to her, I magically appeared to watch her ski alongside a very talented

group on Okeeheelee Lake. At this point, she had registered herself in the Grassroots division which is for those who are just starting on the competitive circuit. After the first round, both the boat judge and driver pulled us aside to comment on her runs through the course and ask why she registered in the Grassroots division. After that conversation, they switched her division to Class C Women's One so she could gather points in the national standings. That day was a huge learning curve for my daughter and I as we had no idea how tournaments were run. We had never seen anything like these competitions and instantly became addicted!

We have both been skiing for decades. In fact, at a very young age Jacqueline was skiing on my combo skis and joining me barefoot runs sitting atop my shoulders. As she grew, she transitioned from two skis to one.

"COACH"

For roughly 10 years, skiing took a back seat to school sports until she was bitten by the waterski bug and slalom skiing became her sport of choice. She began to demand ski runs complete with instruction from her "Coach" every morning and evening, sometimes even in the rain. Those morning ski runs had a way of setting the tone for the day while the evening skis allowed for a de-stressing outlet. Every single set we looked for something positive and something to work on for the next run.

She worked incredibly hard both on the water and in the gym to achieve her goal of competing this past summer in New York. The competitions we attended were mostly in Cato, NY, however, towards the end of the summer Championship State Class C was held in Penfield NY where she wanted to compete in the worst way. Her goal was mostly to observe and learn from the incredible skiing talent to be showcased that day, however she also was able to place first in her division and claim the State Title for 2019.

As her "Coach" and dad, I look forward to the 2020 season of training and competition. This past season was definitely successful and we both have Canada Lake, our ski crew, and friends around the lake that watch and encourage us to thank for that!



Wear Requirements for Personal Flotation Devices

The following persons must wear a Type I, II, III or V PFD of proper size and serviceable condition:

- Children under the age of twelve unless they are in a fully enclosed cabin. The PFD must be the appropriate size for the child.
- Anyone operating or riding on a personal watercraft (Jet Ski, Wave Runner, or similar craft)
- Anyone being towed behind another vessel such as waterskiers, tubers, parasailing, etc. You are exempt if you are on a disabled vessel and being towed.
- Anyone riding in a pleasure vessel less than twenty-one feet, including rowboats, canoes, and kayaks, between November first and May first.

Echoes

Petrie-Davis Family News

The fall and winter were full of family visits with Thanksgiving at Parker's along with Hilary and Everett and an Austin, Texas visit by Jane and Tony to see Tori, Gil and Emerson, Christmas was spent in Vermont with the whole family. With spring and the quarantine, visits were cancelled along with a family trip that was scheduled for the Keys in Florida. Tori, Gil, Hilary, Parker and Igoe all worked from home. Jane homeschooled Everett -7 and Parker homeschooled Thorne-7 and Leon-6. However, Tori and Gil had to teach online while watching an active 2-year-old. We dream of the lake and summer. It won't be the same this year because of social distancing.

Camp Memmott News

Jim and Karen Memmott from 346 South Shore Trail announce the arrival of their first grandchild. Samuel David Memmott, son of Erin and Justin Memmott, of Washington, D.C., arrived on Sept. 9th. Samuel is a 4th generation Canada Laker and we bestowed upon him a lifetime membership in the lake dockworkers union. We will celebrate his first visit to the lake in August.

Sturchio News

Sandy and Tony Sturchio are happy to announce the arrivals of our two new Granddaughters,



Harper and Francesca (shown Above with Daddies David and Tony Sturchio).

Thank You Carole Fisher



Thank you Carole Fisher of South Shore Road. After hosting "Canadian Thanksgiving" for many years, Carole hosted her final one on October 12th of last year. The celebration was attended by a grateful community of family, friends, and neighbors.

REMEMBER!!

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

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Marion Yates Buchner (Bonnie)



Mom was born in Fultonville a hundred years ago in July of 1920, the same year women won the right to vote. At an early age, Marion showed an interest in business and dancing and by the time she was 14. she had her own dance studio in town with over 40 students. She was encouraged to go to college by her parents who knew then that an education was more important for a woman than for a man. Mom was only 16 when she began her three years at Cortland Normal School for teachers. Despite the fact that tuition was free, it was a financial hardship for her parents who together were running Yates (grocery) Store at Caroga Lake, to be able to pay for her room, board and incidentals. Her mother would use the backs of mom's notebooks to make inserts for her one pair of shoes when they had holes in the soles.

Her summers were filled with showing off her diving and swimming skills (in her pink bathing suit!) at Sherman's 29 ran for NY State Assemblyman at a

beach, as well as dancing the night away there, too, to the music of the Big Bands. Marion, who by now had become "Bonnie", auditioned for the NYC Rockettes and was given the job. However, her 3-year college had become a four-year school and her mother told her to go back and finish her college education before taking a job in NYC.

War broke out. Many of the men in her class went off to join the fight. She graduated from Cortland in 1941, and one night on the dance floor at Sherman's she met and fell in love with a handsome Navy man from Johnstown. On leave from war. dad and mom were married at North Main Street Methodist Church in Gloversville. Mom had been teaching at the time and when she returned from her three-day honeymoon, and dad had gone back to continue fighting in WW II, the school said "Congratulations!" and "You're fired!" because married teachers were not allowed to teach.

Mom found another job, as she always did, working first as a teacher and then as head of guidance, securing a better job each time she moved.

She was always proud of her four children and they were proud of her! She worked for the Governor of NYS. Nelson Rockefeller, both writing and delivering speeches. At the invitation of President Eisenhower, she traveled to Washington, DC and attended the White House Conference on Children and Youth. In 1960, she

time when it was generally thought that women had no place in politics. Always continuing her education, mom earned three master's degrees in her lifetime. Forever busy with many projects, she wrote books, poetry, painted, researched history and genealogy, put on plays and pageants, designed jewelry and invented things that made life easier for people. She loved reading, especially books about local history.

During her 40+ years in education, she was simultaneously running the Lakeside Motel on Canada lake with our dad, Commander Ronald G. Buchner, and bringing up four children, encouraging them, like her mother did, to further their educations.

When dad died, mom, brokenhearted, wondered how she would ever fill the enormous void in her life. This is when she rediscovered her love of dancing. She took lessons and competed not only in national dance competitions, where she won numerous awards, but also for the titles of Ms. New York State, Ms. Florida (where she owned a second home) and Ms. National Senior Citizen.

Mom will be most remembered for tap dancing on the Paula Abdul, Live to Dance Show when she was 90 years old. (You Tube: Bonnie Buchner). She traveled extensively with her daughter, Sherry (London, Paris, Canada, throughout the USA, and 15 cruises, where she danced!) and met many wonderful people who in turn fell in love with her.

Mom loved people! She loved to sit on the porch at the Lakeside Motel, look over at the beautiful mountains and lake, and talk with people. She kept going till the end. She was brave and strong. An extraordinary woman, Mom never gave up on anything or anyone. She never stopped working. And she always loved Caroga and Canada Lakes and all the people she met and knew there. Thank you to each and every one of you!

Sherry Kenney

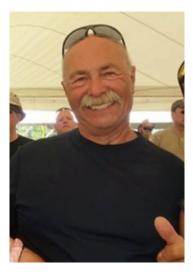
John J Castilloux

1934-2019 John passed away peacefully August 17, 2019. He was the loving husband and widower of Priscilla (Steuber) Castilloux and leaves behind his daughters Paula Castilloux and Michele Stivale. grandchildren Nicole, Heather, Alex, David and Rachel, and 5 greatgrandchildren.

While dating Priscilla, John brought his love of water-skiing and ski boats to Canada Lake. He taught all of us to ski, then dragged the grandkids around tubing and finally loved giving long shoreline trips in his pontoon boat, He loved the winter as well, staying at the camp by melting snow on the wood cook-stove, and spent days snowmobiling hundreds of miles of trails. In later years his favorite thing to do was giving us daily reports of the Stores web-cam, watching the ice go out.

We are thankful for the full and 30 fortunate life he lived.

William Knapp



The people of Canada Lake were forced to say good bye, too soon, to one of the long time lake residents. William Knapp passed away on April 6th, after a brief illness.

Billy was born and raised in Massapequa NY, spending summers on Canada Lake. In his early twenties, he moved full time to Canada Lake. Bill was one of the original founders of the Canada Lake Ski Club, in the late 60's and early 70's. His homemade fiberglass boat pulled many skiers around the lake. He also fixed everyone's outboard motor in those days.

Bill is survived by son David (Darcie) Knapp of Northville, NY, daughter Jennifer (Donald) Smith of Mt. Vision NY, sister Judy Tannenbaum Atlanta GA, and Donna Knapp, Atlanta GA and Canada Lake, NY, and many grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Ellen Rohrs Nolan



Ellen Rohrs Nolan was born on July 4, 1938 and never missed a summer at Canada Lake. It was a key event for her extended family to celebrate her birthdays every year at the Lake. She was beloved and had a wide circle of Canada Lake friends.

Ell had the great good fortune to grow up spending entire summers at Canada Lake with her grandparents, parents, siblings and cousins. She passed on her deep love for the place to her four children and 14 grandchildren.

Ellen and husband Jack raised their family in Wilton, Ct after she graduated from Marymount College in Tarrytown, NY. Just as at the Lake, Ell attracted a wonderful group of life-long friends in Connecticut. Ell will long be remembered as a warm and loving person, and oh so much fun!

Victor Sammons

My nephew Victor Sammons passed away today. He was sick, but we didn't expect it this soon. He just turned 50, on Tuesday, April 14th.

His mom has the camp, "The Open Door" on Hutchison Road. His sister Lauren Lozier, lives on Kasson Drive.

Victor was a sixth generation Canada Laker.

Susan Sheedy Kasson

Robert M. Milford III (Bob)

Bob passed away last June 22. He was 96 years young. He grew up with his brothers at Canada Lake at the Sand Point camp and later on Hutchinson Rd. Bob spent virtually every summer at "the lake" and recounted stories of paddling a canoe with his cousin under London Bridge to the golf course and spending the day there caddying. He would get .25 cents per bag so he would always try to take 2 bags. This was his summer job! He was a golfer and an avid tennis player, playing well into his 80s. He loved the family "work weekends" at the camp and would always ask about what was done when he could no longer attend. Bob would tell stories of Dwig and many other notables around the lake. He loved our annual trips to Saltzman's and bringing his children to Shermans back in the day. He cherished the times with his family at the lake and we are grateful for the gift he gave us of his traditions and legacy. His heart will always be a part of this precious place.

William Schumacher

William (Bill) Schumacher passed away on 5/27/20, at his home, after an eighteen-month stand off with lung cancer. His wife, Susan, daughter Carey, son, Christopher, and his two dogs were with him.

Bill was born on 12/05/49, growing up in Dolgeville, NY, and at Canada Lake, where he spent many of the best summers of his life. He moved to Vero Beach, FL, with his family, in 1966, and returned to Canada Lake often, for visits. He was the son of Harold (Hal) Schumacher and Alice Sullivan Schumacher. Hal purchased their camp on Hutchinson Road, in 1955. He was assured by his Hutchinson Road neighbor, Bob Silvernail, that the purchase would be one of the best decisions he would ever make; and it was.

Growing up summers on Canada Lake, there were always friends to socialize with, as it was a time when many families, moved to Canada Lake for the whole summer. Bill enjoyed boating, water skiing, sailing, visiting with friends and family on the dock, and golfing, at the near-by Nick Stoner Golf Course. He had many friends on the Lake, who recently shared memorable and funny stories with him, of their adventures, and even a few misadventures! He loved to laugh and had a way of getting those around him to laugh, too.

Being an excellent slalom skier, Bill taught his son and others to ski on one 32 ski. He often drove for family and

friends while they skied and found clever ways with his driving skills, to give them a thrill to remember!

For those of you who remember him, I ask that sometime this summer, you have a beer for Bill, or beverage of your choice, in a toast to his life. I think he would like that.

Mary Schumacher Jablonski

Roy Smith



It is with heavy hearts that we share the news of Roy Smith's passing. On March 20th Roy lost his life to a hemorrhagic stroke.

LeRoy Henry Smith, or "Roy" as his friends and family knew him, was born on July 22, 1937 in East Rockaway, NY. He grew up near the Atlantic Ocean and enjoyed scuba diving, fishing and clamming with his buddies. Roy followed into the printing business where he met his future mother-in-law Doris Riley. Doris introduced Roy to her daughter, Audrey, and they fell in love, married on May 2, 1959, and had three daughters, Laurie, Jana and Sharon. Roy was a dedicated and loving husband and father for the rest of his life.

The Smith family residence was on Long Island, in the town of Seaford. In 1972 Roy was looking for a hunting cabin when he was shown a small camp on Canada Lake in the Adirondacks. He knew he'd found a special place when he walked into the cabin and saw the knotty pine walls and the fieldstone fireplace. As his family grew and soon included five granddaughters, Ellen, Allison, Annalie, Katie and Jennifer, Roy and Audrey moved to a larger lake house. The new camp was just doors down from their first camp, which allowed them to stay close to their dear friends and neighbors on the south shore.

Roy absolutely loved Canada Lake; it was his respite from Manhattan. He would commute into the city all week only to drive the 230 miles up to the lake to spend time with his family on Fridays. He did this every weekend for over 25 years, finally retiring to the lake house in 2000. After two cold and snowy winters, Roy and Audrey became snowbirds, enjoying Canada Lake from late spring to autumn before migrating to Florida for the winter months. Now Roy could golf year-round, which in his father's footsteps and went 33 he loved to do with his sons-in-law

Tommy, Terry and Michael.

Roy enjoyed many sports and outdoor activities. Some of his favorites were skiing (water, downhill and crosscountry), hunting, fishing, golfing, motorcycling, snorkeling, sailing, kayaking, and sunset cruising with his family on the pontoon boat. Roy was a real character and could be seen on Sunday afternoons water skiing slalom while holding the tow rope with his foot. He even water skied on his 75th birthday! Famous for his "dock-starts", and 360's on the large wooden disc, which he made himself, he sought fun and adventure and was always youngat-heart.

Every autumn, Roy would spend his weekends climbing up Sheeley Mountain behind our camp to hunt deer, but we all know he just loved to be in the woods communing with nature. If you climb up the mountain, you may even happen across one of his tree stands.

In addition to his love of sports, Roy had many hobbies and pursued a variety of interests - and it should be said that he was a curious and ingenious man. He had a real penchant for designing and constructing solutions for mechanical problems. Roy's "office" was his wood shop − it's where he went to do research, think through problems and tackle challenges; to build useful things like cabinets and kindling boxes; and not-so-useful, but fun things, like whirly birds and lawn ornaments. Roy was a natural teacher and 31 Don White

delighted in showing the kids and grandkids how to problem-solve. He was truly a king of common sense.

Roy had a great sense of humor and could always make people laugh through his corny jokes and goofy puns. He liked to keep things lighthearted and simple. He was a lover of nature and animals, especially German Shepherd Dogs, which he had by his side for most of his life.

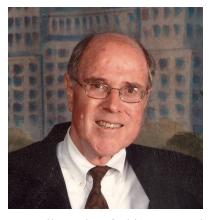
Roy lived a very full and active life and will be dearly missed by all who were lucky enough to have known him.

Sue White



Sue White passed at her home in Gloversville February 3, 2020. Sue enjoyed the family camp on Dolgeville Point, was a water skier, kayaker, and hiker. One of Sue's favorite pastimes was trimming the natural shrubs and trees in the yard at camp, as she sampled wild blueberries that thrive there. Sue would often be seen enjoying a pontoon boat ride around Canada Lake, and she was a regular at Royal Mountain as snow skiing was her favorite winter activity.

John DeWitt Widdemer



On April tenth of this year John DeWitt Widdemer, a longtime summer resident of Canada Lake. passed away at the age of 87. John spent every summer of his life at Canada Lake except for a couple of summers when he served with the US Army in Germany. He often spoke of his trips as a baby from Westchester, hanging in a basket from the interior roof of the family car. During his army years he married Lois Clark, a marriage of 64 vears' duration. He and Lois lived in Gloversville and have three children and two grandchildren. All spend time each summer at Widdemer camps on Canada Lake.

John was an enterprising entrepreneur, as a teenager he sold boats and cord wood to Canada Lake neighbors and real estate with Burt Yates. When he and Lois returned from Germany he joined her family glove firm, Hilts-Willard, of Johnstown and over the years, they transformed it into the highly successful Bali Leathers Inc.

John was an avid reader and a skilled writer, a talent he inherited from his writer mother and Pulitzer Prize winning Aunt Margaret. He loved nothing better than to be at Canada Lake and read his favorite authors, Graham Greene and F. Scott Fitzgerald. He took a keen interest in the group of New York writers and artists who came to the lake during the 1920's of which his family were members.

All who knew John will miss his cordiality, his storytelling and his humor. Many of us have life-long friendships that began in childhood days at Canada Lake. Mine with John goes back to 1943 when Paul Bransom introduced us while I was staying with the Bransoms during World War II. The loss of John to his family and friends is great but we cherish memories of many happy times. Those memories are a solace.

Jim Hays

NICK STONER ISLAND



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

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-Sherry Kenney 3/20/20

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