



Canada Lakes
Conservation Association

SUMMER
2025

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.
- Vessels 16 feet and greater in length except canoes and kayaks are required to have a USCG approved type IV throwable flotation aid.
- 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.
- As of January 1, 2025, all operators of motorized vessels, regardless of age, must carry a New York State-approved boating safety certificate.

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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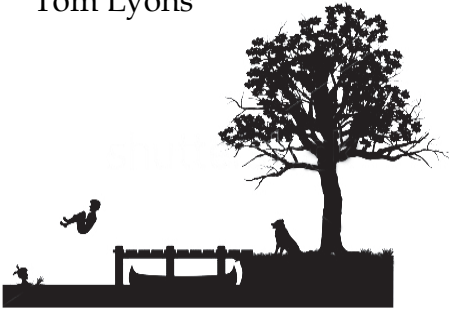
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2026 Echo

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

CLCA President's Message

What a great winter for those who enjoy skiing, snowmobiling, snow shoeing and other winter activities as snowfall exceeded all expectations. But now it's time to focus on an event packed and exciting upcoming summer season at Canada Lake.

First, I would like to announce that in partnership with the Caroga Lake Volunteer Fire Dept. we will now have a fire/rescue boat on the lake. Not only will this prove beneficial to those non-road access residents to provide a quicker and more effective response to emergency calls but also to those where a water access response would be optimal.

The centennial of the construction of the Kane Mt. Fire Tower will be celebrated August 14-17. Many events are planned which include stories from past fire tower rangers, a talk with Marty Podskoch who wrote a history of Adirondack fire towers, a historical presentation held at the museum, and kids events to name just a few. Keep an eye out for details online or on the store bulletin board.

The 2025 Directory is nearing completion and will be available to members in early summer. Shout out to Chris Rohrs and his team for another fabulous job.

We enjoy one of the highest quality waterways in the

Adirondacks. Our team samples and tests water quality up to five times each summer to maintain this great resource. Also, we have an enthusiastic volunteer group who inspect watercraft at the West Lake boat launch to prevent the spread of aquatic invasive and terrestrial species into our lake and surveys the lake periodically to assure no invasive blooms have occurred. Due to their diligence, we have so far prevented these stifling plant species from invading our lake, but we need help. Please reach out to Lorrie Mott, Randy Fredlund, or Marcus Harazin even for just a few hours per week. Training is easy and you are more than welcome.

But there are other ways to get involved such as volunteering with roadside and shoreline clean up, helping with our loon survey or at the picnic or ice cream social. We want to encourage all to get involved and meet the great people of our community. Check out the ECHO for something that interests you and join in.

Finally, as a reminder, as of January 1, 2025, all operators of motorized vessels, regardless of age, must carry a New York State-approved boating safety certificate. They are available online at: <https://parks.ny.gov/boating/education.aspx>.

Here's to a great summer!

Rick Fink

CLCA Calendar of Events: Summer 2025

June

21 (Saturday) *Directors' Meeting, Caroga Town Hall, 8:30 AM*

July

5 (Saturday) *Boat Parade and Party, 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM**

5 (Saturday) *Flare Lighting and Fireworks, 9:30 PM***

12 (Saturday) *CLCA Annual Meeting, Location, Caroga Fire Department, 3262 NY-29A, 7:00 PM*

19 (Saturday) *CLCA Picnic, Dykeman's, 230 Fulton Rd., 12:00 - 3:00 PM*

22 (Tuesday) *Lake Luncheon, 11:30 AM. Location TBA*

August

2 (Saturday) *CLCA Kids / Youth Event, 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Location TBA*

2 (Saturday) *Ice Cream Extravaganza, 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Bates' camp, 345 Kasson Dr.*

24 (Sunday) *Directors' Meeting, Caroga Town Hall, 8:30 AM*

30 (Saturday) *Labor Day Flare lighting, 9 PM*

* The Boat Parade will begin at 2:00. Location: McCormack/Newell Dock, 202 Sand Point Rd. The party will follow at the McCormack/Newell's from 3:00-6:00 pm. All boat and dock participants are welcome to attend. More information to follow in the Echo.

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

Note: 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

New Boating Rule!

As of January 1, 2025 **ALL** Operators of motorized vessels, regardless of age, **Must** Have a Boating Safety Certificate. For online courses available from New York State Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation go to:

<https://parks.ny.gov/boating/education.aspx>



CAROGA HISTORICAL MUSEUM

carogamuseum.org • (518) 835-4400
145 London Bridge Road / PO Box 434
Caroga Lake, NY 12032

Open Thursday through Sunday 1 PM to 4 PM
June 26th through August 31st

CALENDAR OF EVENTS – 2025

SPECIAL EVENTS

- | | | |
|----------------|-----------------------|--|
| JUNE 26 | 7 PM – 9 PM | MUSEUM OPENING RECEPTION <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>“Our Place and Neighbors”</i>
Randy Fredlund – local photographer & blogger• Welcome reception with refreshments• Exhibit runs from June 26th through July 27th |
| JULY 12 | 10 AM – 3 PM | ARTISAN & VENDOR FAIR <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Local Artisans, Vendors & Crafters• Raffles (drawing at 2 pm)• Bake Sale, & Ice Cream Sundaes• Food featuring BIG’N CHEESY: 11 am – 3 pm• Music featuring Josh Clevestine: 11 am – 2 pm |
| JULY 22 | 6 PM – 7:30 PM | CONTRA/BARN DANCE & ICE CREAM SOCIAL <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Anita Mason - caller• Music by Pat Mason• Wear comfortable shoes for dancing on the lawn• All ages are welcome• Bring your own seating• * Rain date of August 5 |
| July 31 | 7 PM – 9 PM | GALLERY OPENING RECEPTION <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>“100 Years on Top: The Kane Mountain Fire Tower”</i>
Curated by Allen Farber & Dick Loomis
Featuring photos by Debi Tebano• Welcome reception with refreshments• Exhibit runs from July 31st through August 31st |

AUGUST 14 7 PM – 9 PM

GUEST SPEAKER – MARTY PODSKOCH

- *“Adirondack Fire Towers”*
- Reception with refreshments
- Sherman’s Dance Hall
- Part of the Centennial celebrations for the Kane Mountain Fire Tower

AUGUST 17 3 PM – 5 PM

CAROGA LAKE MUSIC FESTIVAL CONCERT & ICE CREAM SOCIAL

- Final concert of the CLMF resident artists’ season
- Good will offering
- Bring your own seating
- Sundaes available 15 minutes prior to & during concert

WORKSHOPS

Note: All workshops are from 10 AM to 3 PM with a \$15 registration fee unless otherwise noted

JULY 17 BASKET WEAVING – COLLEEN MOSENTHIN

- **Classes limited to 12 each session**
- Weave a Kleenex box cover (square or rectangular) or
- Weave a planter with wheels (base 11” by ~10” high)
- Bring lunch and \$25.00 for all materials
- **Note: Please specify which basket when you register**

JULY 24 JEWELRY MAKING – JOANN CLARK

- **Class limited to 10 (minimum of 5)**
- Make a set of jewelry including bracelet, necklace & earrings
- Visit www.latebloomersdesigns.com for more images of design possibilities
- Bring lunch and \$25.00 for materials

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Send your check (**payable to Caroga Historical Museum**) for the **REGISTRATION FEE ONLY** with your name, address and phone number to:

Jean Griffin, 180 Everson Rd., Johnstown, NY 12095

For additional information on the workshops: call Jean at (518) 835-4022

Special Notice for Boaters in the Town of Caroga and Live within Ten Miles of the Adirondack Park Blue Line

All water craft launched in the Adirondacks are required to be free from aquatic invasive species. New York State DEC Regulation (6 NYCRR Part 576) states that:

No person shall launch, or attempt to launch, a watercraft or floating dock into a public water body unless the following reasonable precautions of cleaning, draining, and treating have been taken.

In addition, effective June 8, 2022 the Environmental Conservation Law now requires that all boaters operating any kind of motorized watercraft in the Adirondack Park and within ten miles of the Blue Line also possess special certification that, before launching, their vessel has undergone measures to prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species by following the Clean, Drained, and Dry. standards described in NYS Regulation (6 NYCRR Part 576).

To obtain a certificate you can go on-line or visit the Caroga Town Clerk's Office on State Highway 10 in Caroga Lake, the Town Boat Decontamination Station across the street from the Town Hall, the DEC Boat Launch at West Lake, and the boat launch at DEC's East Caroga Campsite. They are also available at other DEC designated aquatic invasive species inspection stations where boat stewards are present to inspect or decontaminate vessels and to provide boaters with a certification card.

Alternately, boaters may perform Clean, Drained, and Dry steps themselves and then complete a self-issued certificate. A Self-Issued Certificate is available below to be printed and carried by boaters.

Self-Issued Certificate for Watercraft Prior to Launch (PDF)



https://extapps.dec.ny.gov/docs/lands_forests_pdf/selfissuedcertificate1.pdf

Designated Inspection Stations 2022 (PDF)



https://extapps.dec.ny.gov/docs/lands_forests_pdf/designatedinspectionstations2022.pdf

We need you to do your part in keeping our lakes free from aquatic invasive species. Get your boat inspected and utilize the Town's free boat decontamination station conveniently located across the street from the Town Hall at 1840 State Highway 10.

Fishing Report

Stocked in Green Lake by CLCA

Rainbow Trout from Avery's Trout Hatchery

5/13/2024 – 215 Rainbow Trout
12–14”

9/16/2024 – 100 Rainbow Trout
12–14”

2024 Stocking done by NYS/DEC in our area of Fulton County

Canada Lake – 2,600 Lake Trout

Canada Lake – 1,785 Rainbow
Trout – 8”

East Caroga Lake – 1,200 Rainbow
Trout – 8”

West Caroga Lake – 5,200 Splake

East Canada Creek – 3,907 Brown
Trout – 9–10”

Middle Sprite Creek – 300 Brown
Trout – 9–10”

Cayadutta Creek – 2,844 Brown
Trout – 9–10”

Tim Mitchell

Volunteer work and community service are at the heart of what makes the Canada Lakes our section of paradise in the Adirondack Park. One of our past presidents, Tim Mitchell, exemplified these ideals and sadly passed last summer.

Whether it was carrying replacement boards up Kane Mt. for tower repairs, or providing expert court testimony to maintain the desired summer lake level, or coordinating a 1980's liming project to combat acid rain, or designing the replica of the Sherman's arcade building constructed at the museum, or architectural and engineering services on over twelve Canada Lake structures, Tim's impact on our area was always positive and much appreciated by so many. He was an inspiration to many of us through not only his friendship but his quiet, competent and thoughtful leadership and will be greatly missed.

Thank you Tim.

Rick Fink, CLCA President

Town Summer Recreation Program & Upcoming Events

www.caroga.town

FISH CATCHES

PLEASE REPORT YOUR FISH
CATCHES AT THE STORE.

YOU DON'T HAVE TO TELL
WHERE YOU CAUGHT THEM,
JUST THE SIZE.

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Caroga Community Survey!

The Town of Caroga is updating the *Comprehensive Plan*, and we need your input!



Scan the QR code to take the survey,
or go to Town Hall for a paper copy.



You also can find a printable PDF & SurveyMonkey link at:

<https://carogacomprehensiveplan.wordpress.com> or <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/6YKGPZ>.

We value your time and appreciate your input.

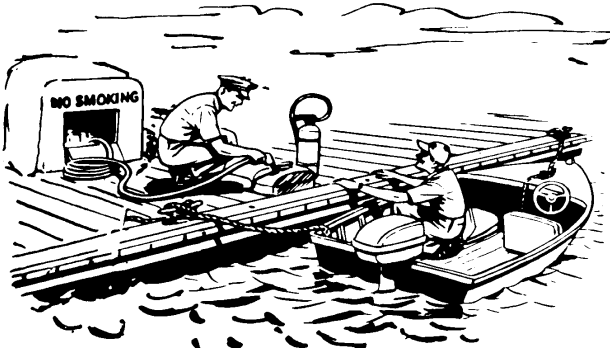


Wear Requirements for Personal Flotation Devices

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.

Canada Lake Store & Marine News



and Hayden Richards are assisting Bret with prepping the stored boats for delivery.

Our full-time staff, Cori Ryan and Mariah Heberer spent the off-season helping Merryn with end of the year inventories

2025 began as a genuine old-fashioned winter that took us back to similar conditions we had in the 1970's. Plowing and shoveling snow regularly was just part of everyday life. On February 17th a public safety alert alarm went off on our cell phones from the NYS Thruway Authority about the high winds and lake-effect snow that was causing accidents on the Thruway near Herkimer. The Lake Effect snow bands were persistent all season, creating a snowy playground in the Southern Adirondacks for all of us living here to enjoy. The Fielding and Byrnes families took advantage of the ideal conditions for snowmobiling, skiing, snowshoeing, and even fat biking on the Wheelerville trails.

and ordering for the upcoming season, including custom gift items and a supply of new apparel.

Heather will return in mid-June to reopen the Lake Effect Café with her signature baked goods and gourmet coffees. Kane Mountain Centennial shirts and stickers designed by Heather are available in the store with the proceeds benefitting the CLCA. Other items such as a book written by Marty Podskoch, "Adirondack Fire Towers, their History and Lure", is for sale in the gift shop to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Kane Mountain Fire Tower. Other merchandise and event information prepared by CLCA members commemorating the centennial will also be available at the store this season.

Marine winter projects are nearly completed as Chris Piehuta and Bret work in the shop until the ice goes out. Bill & Bret replaced the 30 year old docks with a new, Utica made Northern Lights system which will be easier to put in and out. David Wong, Andrew Ackert, Olen Costello,

An adult loon was recovered last Fall from West Lake by CLCA members. The cause of death was determined to be poisoning from lead fishing tackle. In partnership with the Adirondack Center for Loon Conservation, Canada Lake Store has placed a collection bin for all your old tackle. We

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are asking all CLCA members and friends to check their old and current fishing tackle boxes laying around camp and bring in any lead tackle to the drop bin located in the fishing section in the store. \$10 Vouchers are offered for each deposit of an ounce or more which can be redeemed for fishing supplies for sale at the Store, and your name entered to win additional prizes. Please spread the word and help protect the loons!

We are pleased to welcome back the following employees and introduce you to the new staff:

Ava Barker
Gloversville (new)

Anika Byrnes
Canada Lake

Kaelyn Byrnes
Canada Lake

Embree Fielding
Green Lake

Kylie Foster
Salisbury Center (new)

Maggie Francia
Caroga Lake, South Carolina
(new)

Jacob Ivancic
Canada Lake

Ella Kenyon
Pleasant Lake/ Hamilton, NY (new)

Ruby Kibicho
Stratford(new)

Mariah Kirk
Caroga Lake

Parker Klingbeil
Johnstown, NY (new)

Emily Luttmann
Canada Lake, Fishkill

Anna Murphy
Gloversville

Eleyna Rivas
Bleeker, NY

Kaya Rote
Caroga Lake (new)

Pam Salant
Canada Lake

Tanner Sandel
Gloversville (new)

Dawn Vandermolen
Caroga Lake

Karis Ward
Caroga Lake (new)

We truly appreciate all the support the community has given us throughout the 52 years we have been here. We are looking forward to welcoming you back to spend another season at your "happy place".

Kane Mountain Fire Tower Centennial Celebration

Kane Mountain Fire Tower Centennial Celebration August 14-17



This summer is the 100th Anniversary of the iconic Kane Mountain Fire Tower. The CLCA, the New York Chapter of the Forest Fire Lookout Association (FFLA), the Caroga Historical Museum and Association (CHM), the Town of Caroga, Fulton County Tourism, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC), the Canada Lake Store, the Caroga Arts Collective, the Caroga Lake Volunteer Fire Company, and other community partners are sponsoring a Centennial Celebration for the Kane Mountain Fire Tower.

The celebration will honor the tower as well as the Observers and Rangers who worked at the tower

from 1925 until 1988 when the State turned to aerial surveillance to protect our forests. The celebration will also acknowledge the importance of the Fire Tower and trails to tourism and recreation in the Southern Adirondacks.

Years ago, the Canada Lakes Protective Association under the motto “Don’t Raise Kane worked to save the tower when demolition was considered. Through a formal Voluntary Stewardship Agreement with the DEC, CLPA and now CLCA members have worked to help preserve the tower and trails. The CLCA also participates in FFLA’s Fire Tower Steward Program run in conjunction with the DEC. Stewards greet visitors at the Tower on weekends during the hiking season and provide information about the Tower and local areas of interest.

Several events have been scheduled to celebrate the Kane Centennial.

We encourage members and their families and their guests to participate in the events and visit the Tower. We also ask that you help by volunteering or contributing to the costs.

Kane Mountain Centennial Merchandise (T-Shirts, patches, and commemorative postcards) will be on sale at the Canada Lake Store. Proceeds will be used by the CLCA to maintain the tower and Observer’s cabin.

Kane Mountain Fire Tower Centennial Celebration

Thursday, July 31

Kick-Off Event: opening of the exhibit “100 Years on Top: The Kane Mountain Fire Tower,” at the Caroga Museum, from 7 - 9 PM. The event will be the first public display of panels detailing the history of the fire tower. A reception will be held with dignitaries to commemorate the occasion. The exhibit will be on display throughout the month of August during museum hours (1 - 4 PM Thursday to Sunday, except Saturday, August 16, 10 AM – 4 PM; Sunday, August 17, 10 AM- 2 PM).

Each Day from August 14-17

From 8 AM – 4 PM FFLA stewards will be stationed at the tower to greet hikers. Special “I Climbed Kane Mountain Cards” will be given to visitors.

Thursday, August 14

9 AM - Noon: Special program for children participating in the Town of Caroga Summer Youth Program at the Town Hall. The event will include presentations by Smokey the Bear, Rangers from the DEC, and members of FFLA.

7 - 9 PM: Martin Podskoch, award winning author and historian, will make a presentation on Adirondack Fire Towers sponsored by the Caroga Museum at Sherman's Park.



Saturday, August 16

3 PM - 5 PM: “Desserts and Diaries”: cake, coffee, and conversation with retired Forest Rangers and Fire Tower Observers at the Caroga Lake Volunteer Fire Department's meeting room. This is an opportunity to speak with the Observers who worked at the Kane Mountain Tower and hear their stories.

Sunday, August 17

3 PM- 5 PM: Caroga Lake Music Festival Concert and Ice Cream Social at the Caroga Museum. This is a free concert with contributions appreciated.

For more information and a history of the Fire Tower see the webpage on the Caroga Museum website. The page includes an updated listing of events and

Kane Mountain Fire Tower Centennial Celebration



by Debi Tebano

information about parking. The page includes information about other events happening in Caroga that weekend, including events sponsored by the Caroga Arts Collective and the Nick Stoner Golf Course. Scan the QR code to access the webpage:

https://www.carogamuseum.org/?page_id=4849



See also the CLCA Bulletin Board at the Canada Lake Store

Marcus Harazin

Hike Area Trails This Season
And Complete

THE FULTON 5



If you are looking for some interesting hikes to complete by yourself or with friends and family, there are several interesting hikes right here in the Canada Lake area. They are part of the FULTON FIVE. Once you complete all five hikes you can download a form from Fulton County and send it in for a cool patch:

Use the link below for more information:



<https://www.44lakes.com/fulton-county-5-hiking-challenge/>

2024 Winter XC Ski and Snowshoe Day for CLCA members Freemans, Harazins, Jan Bass and friends!



CLCA PICNIC

July 19th



12:00 PM to 3:00 PM

Location

Dykeman's, 230 Fulton Rd.

All members are invited to attend the annual CLCA picnic. Please provide a covered dish to share, and you may want to bring your own folding chairs. The CLCA provides soda, beer, hamburgers and hotdogs. This has proven to be an entertaining event for all generations attending. We urge all members and their families to join.

**Canada Lakes
Boat Parade and Party**



All Boats Welcome

Saturday July 5th

Time: 2 - 6 PM

*Classic, Decorated or
Just for Fun*

Location

**McCormack/Newell Dock
202 Sand Point Rd.**

Loon Death on Canada Lake

On September 11, 2024 the Adirondack Center for Loon Conservation contacted Rosemary Lee and Bill Kitchen to relay a report of a dead loon sighted in the channel between West Lake and Canada Lake. They requested assistance in retrieving the body so that a cause of death could be determined.

Bill, Rosemary Lee and Lilka Lichtneger convened at the location in a pontoon boat and Bill launched his kayak from West Lake in search of the deceased loon, which apparently



had been in the water for some time. In preparation for this, the remains had to be placed in a container with ice to preserve the loon for later examination at a Wildlife Laboratory for the Department of Environmental Conservation. The Canada Lake store kindly provided the ice for our efforts as well as indicating that some reports had been given to the lake store staff on the dead loon. The examination of remains on an animal is called a “necropsy”.

After a search, the body was located by Bill and he managed to get it on his kayak, while Rosemary and Lilka prepared the container with ice.



The container was to transport the loon to the laboratory. Following about a month later, the lab report was received and here are the results:

This was an adult male common loon, which was banded and in severely compromised condition,

Loon Death on Canada Lake

including hemorrhaging, congested lungs, and internal organs as well as liver damage. Internally, a smooth round flattened lead object was found. The liver contained lead, mercury and selenium levels and the concentrations were indicative of lead poisoning.

While this loon could not be saved and endured a painful and lengthy demise we can learn from this tragedy and continue our efforts to protect loons and other species from lead poisoning. Loons and grebes that ingest lead tackle acquire it as a result of fishing activity such as ingesting a fish that has broken a line and ingested the tackle, or mistaking lead weights for the small stones that they normally ingest to aid in digestion. The loons die within 2-4 weeks of ingesting this lead.

Canada Lakes Conservation Association and our residents have sponsored our participation in the Loon Friendly Lakes Program and the annual loon census for years. In 2024, the loon count included 7 adults, 1 chick and 3 nests. In order to preserve and protect the loon population, we need to increase our efforts to protect nests from disturbance, avoid high speeds when loons are present on the lakes and especially in nursery areas, and eliminate our use of lead tackle and weights. The Canada Lake Store and Marine

is offering coupons to exchange lead tackle for non-lead fishing gear. This is also sponsored by the Adirondack Center for Loon Conservation. Please take advantage of this option if you are fishing the lakes! Also, the boat launch at West Lake has a container for fishing line, which also causes entanglement of loons, so make sure to dispose of that properly. We can all work together to preserve our beautiful Adirondack lakes and lands for people and the iconic animals that inhabit this very special spot that we call home.

For more information, contact the Adirondack Center for Loon Conservation or one of our members conducting the loon census.

Rosemary Lee

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Fire Pump Training Session Taught by Rick Fink July 2024

2025 Training Sessions Will be Announced at the Annual CLCA Meeting.



The 13th Annual CLCA Boat Parade 2024

Last year's boat parade started promptly at 2 PM from the McCormack/Newell Camp and proceeded around Canada Lake and West Lake. A big shout out and thank you to Alan & Josh Peck for once again leading the parade in their 1957 aluminum Cadillac. There were many spectators hooting and hollering for their favorites boat from their docks.

There were a total of ten registered boats who participated in the parade as follows:

Pope & Beer - Pecks

Double Trouble - Lozier/Sammons/Eddy

Batmobile- Clark/Olm

Jungle Cruise 2 - Lyons

Half ***- Fieldings

Ooh La La Team USA- Woods

Super Mario World- Moritz/Davis

Barbershop- Franz Boys

Red, White & Blue- Contino

CLCA President - Finks

The awards ceremony and party was held afterwards at the old Franz camp next to Sand Point. Voting for the favorites was conducted online by anyone with a paid CLCA membership with instructions provided in the Echo. The competition was stiff and the gold medal winner of the 2024 parade was Edwin Woods & Kathleen Richards with a Paris Olympic themed boat appropriately named "Ooh La La". Closely followed in second place was the Lyon's "Jungle Cruise 2" and the Moritz/Davis' bringing in the bronze with "Super Mario World". Thank you to everyone who participated in your boats and on the shore.

QR Code to Vote for the 2025 boat Parade







2025 Boat Parade

Saturday, July 5th at 2 PM

Start location and boat registration: 202 Sand Point Road (Newell/McCormack Camp)

Themes encouraged but not required.

Voting: Online (QR code at the start of the article)

Awards Ceremony and party: Immediately following the parade at 202 Sand Point Road (Newell/McCormack Camp)

Everyone's invited boater, spectators, family and friends!

QUESTIONS: Kristin 305-772-0602 or Brian 518-835-6048 or Nina 859-948-3477

VOTING INSTRUCTIONS:

-Opens online on July 5th, 2024 from 12 PM - 2 PM

-Paid CLCA members are eligible to cast a vote for their favorite boat. Multiple votes are allowed per household as long as each individual has a paid membership.

-Logon to bit.ly/2025boatparade or scan the QR code below.

-Answer the questions.

-Submit your vote.

If you have questions, submit them to canadalakeboatparade@gmail.com

NICK STONER ISLAND



R. Loomis

CLCA has the responsibility for maintaining the Island. Enjoy but please cleanup after yourself.

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



“CLCA has five fire pump locations indicated on the ECHO map for non road access properties. Residents should become familiar with pump location, transport, set up and operation. Contact any committee member for assistance”.

2024 Annual CLCA Picnic



We had great weather for the 2024 CLCA annual picnic and saw about 70 people in attendance. It's always such great fun to spend time with 'old' friends and meet new friends too. In fact, we were having so much fun that we didn't take many pictures. We'll look to commission someone at this year's event to do a list/count and to take more pictures as well.

We served pulled pork, bbq chicken thighs and hot dogs, beans, sauerkraut, drinks and picnic goers brought a wonderful array of salads, desserts and noshables. Thanks to Merryn for her wonderful assistance and service with procuring the food through the store! We celebrated two CL birthdays on that exact date to boot. Brian Franz and Steve Egan. So thankful that this event is part of the budget to allow a nice social gathering in a very informal setting where all are welcome. All had fun and some played cornhole and ladderball. Again, not ample pictures, sorry.

The date for this year's fun is Saturday, July 19th and we'll hold the picnic from noon till 3 since it's on the same day as the CAC Gala again. We're sorry that it's on the same day but it's become apparent that functions are scheduled on the same trend each year and so it's hard to move events due to existing conflicts.

Hope to see many on July 19, 2025!

Tom & Jana Dykeman





First Time on Kane Mountain Fire Tower

Whenever our children and their friends visit grandparents (John Leonforte and Rosemary Lee) summer home on Dolgeville point on Canada lake we always make a hike to Kane mountain fire tower.



This picture was our family's first time on the fire tower. You can see Dolgeville point in the background.

Bill & Diana McCormack



RECYCLE

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

All recyclable items – paper, cardboard, plastic, metal and glass – need to be mixed together – No Sorting or Separation is Needed

Remember!

**A Non-Motorized Craft Always
Has the Right of Way.**

Wetlands: Source of Life

What are Wetlands?

Wetlands are characterized as “lands and submerged lands commonly known as swamps, sloughs, bogs and flats which support wetland vegetation. These plants characterize the wetland including trees, shrubs and wet meadow plants that depend on permanent or seasonal flooding or water logged soils”.

Why are they important?

Wetlands are rich, diverse ecological systems containing distinctive plants and animal life. In addition, just one acre of freshwater wetlands can store up to 1.5 million gallons of floodwaters! These functioning wetlands also protect our clean drinking water supply. In our region of Caroga Lake, and across the Adirondacks, frequent and intense storms bring flooding which has damaged homes and ecosystems. Wetlands provide the buffer or sponge to collect runoff from intense rainfall.

Many residents have observed the wildlife present in our wetland areas of the lakes, including migratory waterfowl, such as loons and wood ducks, freshwater fish, amphibians, dragonflies and damselflies, mammals such as bear, otter, and moose. Significant numbers of native plants need wetlands to survive such as cattails, blue vervain, pickerel weed, water lilies and many others.

Wetlands: Source of Life

Who benefits by having Wetlands?

We all do – water quality improves because wetlands filter out pollutants; flood and storm water control-wetlands absorb, store and slow the flow of rain and snow melt helping to minimize flooding and damage; surface and groundwater protection-groundwater discharges into wetlands and help maintain base water flow in streams, rivers, ponds and lakes; fish, wildlife and plant habitat-wetlands are one of the most productive habitats for feeding, nesting, spawning, resting and cover for fish and wildlife, including rare and endangered species; carbon sequestration-wetlands contribute to climate change mitigation by storing carbon in soils and plants; public enjoyment-recreation, education and research. Who among us is not thrilled at the sight of a great blue heron feeding in the shallow waters of our lakes?

What are the sizes and acreage of wetlands in Caroga Region?

The Adirondack Park contains six million acres and 14% are wetlands. In our community, freshwater wetlands consist of 2,625 acres just in the Canada Lake and Caroga Lakes area.

In the 1600's more than 220 million acres of wetlands were estimated to exist in the lower 48 states, since then, more than half have been drained and converted to other uses.

How can you protect wetlands?

It is estimated that over half of New York's historic wetlands were lost due to activities such as filling, draining and dredging. Human development is one of the causes of loss of wetlands as the built environment takes over land. In the US, 60% of land is in private hands, we can do a great deal to protect remaining wetlands in our region.

One surprising fact is that beavers are considered "ecosystem engineers" in the development of wetlands, which are rich in biodiversity and create nurseries for fish and amphibians as well as the nesting areas for our loons.

In the past, wetlands were considered swamps with little use except for wasteland and dumps. Many of our most well known metropolises are built on wetlands - the New Jersey Meadowlands were used as a dumping ground for artifacts from demolition and reconstruction of the old Penn Station. Today, when we are enjoying the beautiful lakes and shorelines of our local region, we can truly appreciate the contribution of wetlands to the ecosystem as well as the tremendous resources they protect. We are truly lucky to be gifted with these wetlands!

The next page is a fun activity for children and families to enjoy when observing wetlands;

Rosemary Lee

Wetland Inhabitant Word Search

Search for the types of animals found in wetlands. See if you can find:

- beaver
- flounder
- wood duck
- clam
- crab
- crayfish
- mosquito
- raccoon
- heron
- bear
- frog
- egret
- dragonfly
- sunfish
- mink
- turtle
- shrimp
- salamander



Find a printable version here:

https://www.epa.gov/sites/default/files/2015-10/documents/wetlands_inhabitant_word_search.



**ADIRONDACKS TO HAVE
ANOTHER GOLF COURSE**

**EXCELLENT DEVELOPMENT
UNDER WAY**

NEAR CAROGA LAKE

**NEW STATE ROAD BIG
FACTOR**

**MAKES DISTANCE FROM
UTICA TO PINE LAKE 40 MILES**

Increasing popularity of the Adirondacks and recognition of that increase by residents of Adirondack communities is seen in creation of another mountain course. This one is being laid out near Wheelerville between Caroga and Canada Lakes in Fulton County. Work is now under way and will be continued as long as weather permits in hope that the first nine holes will be ready for use late next summer.

The significant thing about this new undertaking is that it has been financed by a \$40,000 bond issue by the town of Caroga. The land for the course was deeded by Cyrus Durey, Pine Lake. Mr. Durey has been responsible for much of the current development along Green, Canada, and Pine Lakes

and showed his interest in the nature of those attractive summer places by turning over the land for this new project.

Although towns would hardly be expected to finance an undertaking of this sort, the Caroga people were so impressed by its possibilities for the future that there were only five votes cast against the resolution authorizing the bond issue. Once the permission had been granted no time was lost in clearing the land needed for the greens and fairways. The terrain is rather rough so that the course promises to be very sporty. There seems to be an abundance of good soil which also make the production of grass easier than has been the case in some mountain courses.

Special legislation was needed to permit the town to engage in this venture. Control of the course will be vested in a commission including Mr. Durey, Richard Evans and Burt C. Kasson. Rules for use of the course have not been determined but it is understood that daily, weekly, and seasonal permits will be issued upon payment of appropriate fees.

Tennis courts have also been laid out and backstops erected. If the

project develops in accordance with the plans of its sponsors, another nine holes will be added to the course and probably also a club house with suitable locker space and facilities for meals.

The course lies northwest of Johnstown and Gloversville on the state road which ends near Green Lake post office, the highway continuing northward, however to Piseco Lake. It is one of the most sightly sections of the Adirondacks, and has had unusually rapid development during the last few years. Canada Lake is the largest of a group which includes Green and West, the three being united by channels.

From the new fire observation tower on top of Kane Mountain overlooking Canada Lake, no less than 13 lakes can be discerned. The scenery is really quite superb and being easily accessible from New York and the Mohawk Valley, the promoters of that region anticipate for it a promising future.

One factor which will probably contribute to that result is construction of a state road from Stratford eastward to Pine Lake. Its completion will make Pine Lake only 40 miles from Utica 35

and will open to travelers from the western end of the Mohawk Valley a section of the Adirondacks with which few of them are familiar.

Caroga Lake Post Office

518-835-4326

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

(PO Box Access)

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

With Every Ending Comes a New Beginning...

A Canada Lake Renewal

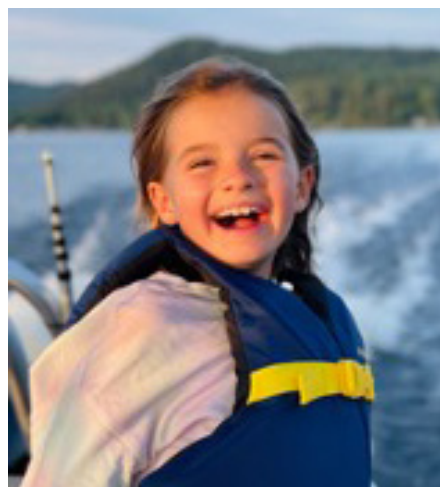
Life is a continuous cycle of beginnings and endings, presenting us with moments of closure and opportunities for fresh starts. In 2023, my wife Dawn and I decided it was time to retire and move back to the northeast, selling our home in Vancouver, WA. We were presented with the opportunity to purchase the property on 127 Hutchinson Road from William Kane and Barbara Kane Russell, and in July 2023 we officially became landowners on Canada Lake. Growing up in Dolgeville and spending many of my teen summers at Silvernail's camp (just a few cottages away), I knew how special and unique this place is, but in the end, it was my wife who led me back to this wonderful place that I've always loved.

As I write this, almost two years have passed, and we're now just a few weeks from moving into our new home that will be our permanent residence. It will be great to be finally settled. With five grandchildren (so far), five children, and 9 siblings between us, not to mention a lifetime of good friends, we will need more than a "cottage" when all come to visit—we will need a Lodge! So we have appropriately named our new place "Loon Lodge".

This is not just a new beginning for us, it's a fresh start for our Hutchinson Road property. 127

Hutchinson will again become the hub of lake activity that is in its long history, with children of all ages swimming and enjoying the lake, and friends and families coming together to enjoy life.

Grandchildren (from top to bottom): Gracie, Juliet, Max, Nino (Antonio) and Sophie



With Every Ending Comes a New Beginning...



We will always refer to the previous camp as the “Kane Cottage”, although it was originally built by David Still who purchased the property in 1911 from Caroga Land and Lumber Company. For 112 years, the Kane Cottage was enjoyed by many families as they treasured Canada Lake. Time had taken its toll on the old camp, so consequently we needed a new building, designed and constructed for how families live today that could house us in all four seasons. 37

While Our decision to rebuild marked an ending for the Kane cottage, we felt it important to provide reminders in the design of our new home, as well as in its construction, that link the past to the present. First, our exterior design is anchored by a center gable on the roof facing the lake, which is present in photos of both the original Still Cabin as well as the Kane Cabin. Our gabled roof design is a reminder of those who had come before us and had been the stewards of this place. The next time you troll by in your boat and see the main gable facing the lake, also remember the old camp that sported a similar look in years past

Still Cottage circa 1921 (first), Kane Cottage (second), and the new Loon Lodge (third), each with a center gable roof design. (Still Cottage photo courtesy of Allen Farber)



With Every Ending Comes a New Beginning...



The interior of our home also links past to present. Most of the woodwork comes directly from trees that were cut to make room for a new water and septic system. These beautiful trees aren't gone; they will live another 100-plus years as visible and functioning parts of our house: The Hemlock trees are now exposed beams in our kitchen & dining area, newel posts in our staircase, and shiplap wall accents. Our ash trees were milled into 4-inch tongue-and-groove plank flooring and staircase treads. The Maple trees were finished as window trim, case moldings, and the fireplace mantel. Finally, the one large,

yellow birch has been transformed into a large dining room table that will be a centerpiece when we gather with friends. All were made possible by a connection back to Dolgeville, where our logs were milled locally by a Saw Mill who cut, kiln-dried, and created building materials to our specifications.

New beginnings bring with them a sense of excitement...a chance to renew, to evolve, and to embrace the endless possibilities that life offers. It is with these thoughts that Dawn and I are excited to join the Canada Lake community as full-time residents and as caretakers of this beautiful place. See you all on the lake!

By Jim Contino

Transfer Station Hours

April 1st to Sept. 30th

Monday & Friday
8 AM – 4 PM

Wednesday
4 PM – 8 PM

Saturday
8 AM – Noon

Oct. 1st – March 31st

Monday & Saturday
8 AM – Noon

Wednesday
Noon – 4 PM

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Cannon Family News

Dave and Betsy Cannon are thrilled to announce the September 14, 2024 marriage of our daughter, Gillian Evans, to Alexander John Trunfio of Syracuse. The wedding was held at the Willowbank Estate in Niagara on the Lake in Canada, it was a beautiful day. Many of our Canada Lake friends were able to join in the festivities. Gillian and Alex reside in Buffalo, New York with their dog Winifred and two cats.

Dave Cannon

Curtin Family News

The Curtins, of Syracuse, NY, have moved into 139 Hutchinson Rd and are excited to be joining the Canada Lake community. Dan, Camilla, Gabriel (4), and baby Rosalie hope to spend most of the summer at camp. Please feel free to stop by to say hello!

Dan Curtin

Davis Family News

Blessed with good health and happy circumstances, we're having a glorious spring here in Sandown, NH and very much enjoying the return to life out of doors, of green in our lawn and surrounds, the colors purple, pink, lavender, orange and rose in our gardens, and the scent of lilac in the air. The lilacs are in bloom and I've transplanted a number of shoots, from the original Vermont bushes, around the yard in anticipation of a hopefully not too distant future visit

by Tony Davis in honor of his great love of lilacs.

Our boys, Thorne and Leon, now 12 and 11 at the tail end of 6th and 5th grades already, are pining for "the Camp" at Canada Lake. Oh my how fast they grow! They've been doing well in school, driving Daddy mad all day long as he tries to work on his latest venture (www.betterdemon.com) and keep things quiet (yeah right!) for Mommy who is also working from home as a Sr. Recruiter with Zoll Medical.

Opening up camp this year will have a special meaning and carry with it a sense of true renewal and rebirth. We're set to venture over ahead of Memorial Day weekend to get some docks and water in, and the camp aired out in advance of the rest of the family. We miss you Mom, Hilary, Everett, Tori, Gil, Emerson, et al. For myself, I can't wait to establish a beachhead and crack that first "Genny" on the porch or perhaps while catching a first sunset on West Lake! I may even dare to fire up a smelly cigar in memory of Grampa Petrie... no doubt when everyone else is asleep.

Parker Davis

Vesey Family News

It has been an exciting year for the Smith-Vesey family on Stony Point. Ada and Jon relocated to Millbrook, NY after spending the past thirty years in Hoboken, NJ. This will place them closer to the lake while still

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staying near the rest of the family in New York. This past November, they welcomed their first grandchild, James to the fold. In the fall, their daughter, Jordan, will pursue her Master's Degree in Foreign Service at Columbia University where her grandfather, Milburn D. Smith, graduated. And Ben and Leslie's daughter, Mollie, will also graduate magna cum laude from Boston University this spring. They are all looking forward to spending time at the lake.

Jon Vesey

Hinkle Family News



The Hinkle / Dykeman / Smith family is so excited to announce the arrival of Susan Joan Hinkle, March 22, 2025, 7 pounds 10 ounces. "Suzie" is the first child for Katie & Luke, first grandchild for Jana & Tom and first great grandchild for Audrey Smith. A fourth generation grows up on Canada Lake!!

Jana Dykeman

Smith Family News



The Smith family is overjoyed to announce the birth of the first Smith boy since Roy, Winter Kaiser Turiano, son of Annalie and Jordan Kaiser Turiano, grandson of Laurie Kaiser Herzlin and Michael Herzlin, and great grandson of Audrey and the late Roy Smith. Winter was born on April 10, 2025 and cannot wait for his first Canada Lake Summer.

Laurie Kaiser Herzlin

Remembrances

Audrey Dennie Fischer



On January 6th, Audrey Fischer passed away at the age of 96 years. Audrey's husband and father both worked for Treher & Jung and were given the opportunity to purchase some of the undeveloped land on Kasson Drive through that relationship with the Jungs. Gramps Camp was born in 1960 and became the joy of Audrey and her family's life - a testament to the love she instilled for this special corner of the Adirondacks.

Audrey was born and raised in Gloversville and studied at Nathan Littauer nursing school where she participated in the United States Cadet Nurse Corp; her schooling also included training on polio in Boston and pediatrics at Johns Hopkins. She graduated in 1948 and went to work at Nathan

Littauer Hospital, later serving as Head Pediatrics Nurse. She was married to Thomas Fischer in 1956 until his passing in 1993, with whom she raised two boys, Robert and Richard.

Every summer weekend was spent at Gramps Camp with delicious food and picnics by the water with her family, working to build and landscape their lakeside home. She and her husband loved to paddle around the lake in their Old Town Canoe and spend time in some of their favorite fishing spots. She loved watching her sons enjoy the lake too, boating, swimming, fishing and sailing, and then later her grandsons Mitchell and Michael doing the same. The true joy of her life was getting to spend time introducing her great granddaughter Riley to the joys of Canada Lake...a girl at last!

Audrey's world was the people she met, and if you happened to be paddling or boating past Gramps Camp, you were sure to get a wave, or perhaps even an attempt at conversation. In her later years, her walks from Gramps Camp to London Bridge took three times longer than you would expect, because she stopped to greet everyone, admire their gardens, ask about their families and express her genuine love and interest in anything anybody on Canada Lake was up to.

Remembrances

She loved watching the wildlife – loons and their babies, ducks, geese and goslings, deer, beavers, snapping turtles, and on one occasion a friendly bear. The pinkster blooms were a great favorite, as Audrey loved all flowers. She was a great swimmer and even managed to swim to the bridge from Gramps Camp in her late 80s. Many will remember her flowery and sequined bathing caps bobbing in the inlet waters.

Gramps Camp will not be the same without her, but we will remember her in the beauty of the pinkster blooms, and the care and love exemplified by the loon families that return each year to our beautiful Canada Lake.

Katharine Fischer

Sidney Coles Marshall



I learned online that Sidney Coles Marshall passed last summer (July 2, 2024). We had dozens of phone conversations over the years, though I only met her in person when we arrived our first summer renting from her in 2002. She shared excitedly of her summers growing up on the lake with our mutual friends the Ackerman's next door, of square dancing at Melody Lodge, of the eagles nesting on her home property in Blooming Grove, NY, how she had loved teaching school, how she had survived and recovered from cancer and currently loved her natural science classes as part of a 2nd degree at Columbia University. From other Canada Lake residents I heard how glamorous Sidney seemed, that she sensationally arrived at the lake on a motorcycle once with a beau, that her mother, Delia Collins threw lavish parties, and that Sidney was quieter than her mother.

Her maternal grandfather, Sidney Coles had built their camp (then 202 South Shore Road) on Canada Lake as a hunting cabin in 1920. It also had served as a TB respite for Sidney's uncle. Sidney grew up there in summers and her grandfather also had the stone patio enclosure built.

Remembrances

Carol C. Maider



Our mom, Carol C. Maider, came to this area in 1959 from Erie, PA, newly married after graduating from Wells College, and was thrown into the Maider family's lake lifestyle. Mom grew up sailing on Lake Erie with her parents, so our Lake wasn't what she was used to, but she grew to appreciate it over time.

We have many fond memories of seeing her and my dad, Bob Maider, who grew up summering at the Lake, enjoying long afternoons, sailing together and exploring Canada Lake's nooks and crannies.

Mom became an enabler of our family's lake customs over time. Weekend dinners of grilled steak, farmers market corn and

our 'famous' Maider blueberry muffins were a staple. Most of all, though, Mom loved observing her children and grandchildren living the Lake experience and creating new traditions of their own at Canada Lake.

It will be tough to be there without her this summer.

Laura M. Dolan and Richard C. Maider

Tim Mitchell



On August 16, 2024, Tim Mitchell passed away peacefully at his home on Canada Lake surrounded by the love of his family. Though his time with us was much too short, the stories, laughter, and memories he created will live on with all who knew him.

Remembrances

At the center of Tim's life was his love for his wife, Sue. They were married for over 50 years, and their life together was full of adventure, laughter, and a deep friendship. On their wedding day, Tim and Sue celebrated their marriage by water skiing around Nick Stoner Island in their wedding clothes. It began with that ski around the island and never once slowed down. There was never a moment when Tim didn't know just how lucky he was to have Sue by his side.

Tim was constantly working on some kind of project. There was rarely a day when he didn't have a tool in his hand. What made Tim truly special was that he never built just for himself, he built for everyone else. If you needed a hand with anything - a new roof, a dock repair, even an entire camp - Tim was the first person to show up, often before you even asked for help. He didn't just lend a hand; he practically took over, pouring his energy into making sure things were done right. He was generous with both his time and knowledge. Those who knew him best knew that you couldn't stop Tim from helping, it was simply who he was.

Tim also had a deep appreciation for the outdoors. Whether it was fishing, hunting, hiking, skiing, or simply listening to the rain fall on a metal roof, being in nature always made him happy. He loved spotting a deer in the woods, seeing the sun set behind the mountains, and feeling the crisp fall air on early morning hikes

up Kane Mountain. Being outdoors was where Tim felt most at home, and he passed that love of nature down to his children and grandchildren.

Canada Lake was more than just a place to Tim; it was home. It was where the things that mattered most to him came together: spending time with his family, his friends, never-ending projects, and the outdoors. Those years filled with laughter and the constant chaos of lake and family life are now precious memories we cherish.

A life well-lived is not measured in years, but in relationships built and adventures shared. Though the loss is profound, the gift of having known Tim is even greater. When his absence feels heavy, we can find comfort in the stories he told, the lessons he shared, and the generosity he poured into the world. We hear his laugh in the rustle of the trees, see his smile in the sparkle of the water, and feel his presence in the adventure of a problem that needs to be solved. Let's remember Tim every time we pick up a hammer, build something with our hands, or help someone simply because it's the right thing to do. That's what Tim did. He built things, he fixed things, and he showed up. Every single time. Without being asked, without hesitation, and without expecting a thing in return.

Rest easy, Tim. Canada Lake will forever hold your spirit, and your life will live on in all of us.

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Christopher Deward Moritz



Christopher (Chris) Deward Moritz, 85, affectionately known as “Kit”, passed away peacefully on June 12, 2024, in Cape Coral, Florida. Friends and family were able to visit during his last few weeks to say their tearful goodbyes.

Chris was born in Seymour, Indiana on March 12, 1939, to the late Christopher and Marian (Rogers) Moritz. After high school he attended Purdue University, graduating in 1964. While at school he met and married his wife of 60 years, Judy (Gilbody) Moritz, who was pursuing a graduate degree at the time. Following Judy’s graduation from Purdue, they moved to Long Island to begin their teaching careers. Chris taught math and computer science

for over 40 years, retiring from Riverhead High School in the late 90’s. Chris was a beloved teacher and mentor and spent much volunteer time as the advisor to many clubs such as mathletes, computer club, and brainstormers. Chris’ popularity with the student body became a common joke in his household, as outings with his family often resulted in current and former students recognizing him and coming up to express their appreciation for the help he had given them.

Chris was a confirmed “ham” enjoying the stage and the limelight. He performed in many local plays and musicals with his breakout performance as Luther Billis in the musical *South Pacific*, where he got to showcase his singing talent while sporting a grass skirt and a coconut hull bra. As a lifelong singer he was the first director of his church choir and served in that position for over 20 years. In 1966 he was one of the original founders of the North Brookhaven barbershop chorus on Long Island called the Harbormen. He also sang for many years with his own barbershop quartet, the 3 village 4, and the Big Apple Chorus in New York City which performed in Carnegie Hall each year

Chris’ love for Canada Lake started when he and Judy bought their home on Fulton Road in 1985. They called it “loonacy lodge,” a tribute to both their favorite bird and

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their outlook on life. Chris quickly became a passionate supporter of the community, serving for many years on the board of directors of the Caroga Historical Association and Museum, and on various committees of the Canada Lakes Protective Association. In addition to spending time boating and golfing with friends from Canada Lake, he spent many summers caring for his grandchildren at the lake during school breaks.

Chris was a warm, generous, caring, humorous, and fun-loving husband, father, father-in-law, grandfather, and friend. Left behind to cherish Chris' memory are his wife Judy, his sons Greg (with wife Nicolle) and Mark (with wife Christine), and grandchildren Ian, Kevin, Anna, Christopher, and Amelia.

Greg and Mark Moritz

Barbara Yuenger Michaels, Howard "Charlie" Michaels

Barbara Yuenger Michaels, lifelong summer resident of Canada Lake and husband Howard "Charlie" Michaels, passed away on September 3rd, 2023 and August 26th, 2023 respectively.

When Barb was a young girl, her family rented on South Shore Road for many summers. Her parents, Art and Dorothy Yuenger bought the camp Red Roost on Hutchinson Road in 1956. As a teenager, she and her best lake friend Sue Tantalo, gathered all of

the kids together. They had quite a gang of friends and family on Canada Lake, and continued to reunite together over the years.

Barb married Charlie in 1962. Charlie shared Barb's love of Canada Lake. They continued to spend every summer weekend at the Red Roost. They enjoyed spending time with both children and grandchildren on the lake. They sailed brother Art's Lightning and then raced a "420" with the Canada Lake Sailing Club.

In retirement to the Red Roost, Barb loved swimming, kayaking, bicycling, working with clay, photography, painting and Swedish weaving. Many of the camps around the lake have her work in them. Charlie continued his love of woodworking and completed the "handyman" projects around the Red Roost property. He also restored antique boats including ChrisCraft, Century, PennYan and Lyman. He loved biking around the lakes nearby and golfing at Nick Stoner with his golf league friends.

Barb and Charlie's best times were sipping cocktails on the Red Roost porch and waving to all the boats going by, many times using binoculars to identify who was out enjoying the lake. They will be missed by passersby, Lake friends and family.

Francine Hoffman

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Courtney D. Young, Jr



After a prolonged and complex illness, stoically endured, Dad slipped peacefully away in the early afternoon on Thursday, 13 March 2025, just two weeks shy of his 87th birthday. Mom was holding his hand, by his side as she had been without exception throughout those difficult final months. He smiled at her as he passed. Dad was many things: sailor and traveler; hunter, fisherman, canoer, and mountaineer; environmentalist and conservationist; judoka, skier, and golfer; he was a musician, a man of faith, a scholar, and a teacher. He was talented in all these things, and in some he was unequalled. But principally, and in some ways essentially, he was a keen family man and a dependable provider.

Graduating from a tiny class down the road at Stratford High School in 1955, Dad went on to earn a B.A. from Hamilton College (1959), an M.Sc. in Teaching from Union College (1962), a permanent certificate

for teaching mathematics from the University of the State of New York (1964), an M.A. in Education from Rutgers University (1967), and, topping all, an Ed.D., also from Rutgers University (1973). Though committed to secondary education and eschewing the professorial path, Dr. Young (the first in his family) nevertheless contributed to his field in numerous ways, including a pair of practical applications published in *The Mathematics Teacher* and a pair of variant-aptitude approaches published in the *Journal for Research in Mathematics Education*.

Dad taught mathematics for seven years at Emma Willard School, where he met Mom; and he taught advanced mathematics and computer sciences for thirty-two years at Nanuet High School, much of which time he served as Department Head. He was a formative presence in Nanuet, developing advanced placement courses and redrawing New York Regents curricula, continuing as a consultant and holding workshops some years after retiring. More than one former student claims him as that one great influence, that one seminal instructor in their life whose positive impact set them on the path to success.

Dad was a regular churchgoer, but also a practitioner of transcendental meditation; he was a believer in the gospel of love and compassionate humanism,

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with a notable predilection for the more mystical of doctrines. He was also a traveler. Together with Mom, he saw practically all of these fifty states, and nearly every country in Europe, with further adventures as far afield as Peru, Egypt, and the Sultanate of Oman.

Dad was an eager and ever-practicing musician, daily playing away at key trombone, piano, or trumpet, yearly joining Mom in local bands and orchestras; and, in his final decade, on top of all this, he gained an admirable proficiency with the banjo—the fulfilment of a lifelong dream. In winter Dad hit the ski slopes, whether New York's Gore Mountain, Colorado's Snowmass, or Germany's Zugspitze. In spring, summer, and fall he drove golf-balls down the links with family and close friends, all over New York, and, in later years, at his ayurvedic dream home in North Carolina. In earlier years he was a formidable judoka, advancing to 2nd degree blackbelt; he was stopped from throwing opponents to the mat only by a car accident that left him with a retina perilously close to detaching.

Dad was a staunch environmentalist and conservationist, promoting sustainable energy practices and fighting pollution all his days. He was the quintessential outdoorsman. A mountaineer and Adirondack 46er, he also conquered some of the higher peaks elsewhere in the US. He paddled and portaged hundreds of miles in his day, and

loved to race the rapids in Spring. He was skilled at hooking the wily brook trout, and he had no equal in enticing fierce pickerels to strike from under the lily pads. He was a master hunter of white tail bucks and black bears, not only in the hemlock groves, balsam swamps, grassy vliies, and hardwood ridges of his beloved Canada Lake hunting grounds—which he knew better than the back of his own hand—but elsewhere in the Catskills and High Peaks regions.

Perhaps most known to all, Dad was a world-champion racing sailor—especially in the Force 5, Super Sunfish, and Sunfish—but in other boats as well, small and large. He was a living legend at regattas all over the nation—at certain times and places (including the Canada Lake Sailing Club from the mid 70's onwards) he was practically unbeatable—and our houses were always overcrowded with Dad's sailing trophies. Each time we moved, he would downsize his collection, only to grow it again afterwards. The respect he earned from opponents and the inspiration he provided to up-and-coming sailors never ceases to amaze.

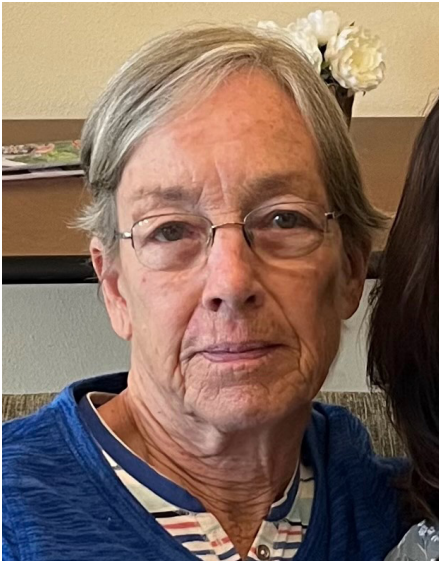
But for us, Dad was first and foremost a solid family man—a hard-working and effective provider. With Mom he secured for us the privileges of safe homes, quality schooling, and a healthy sustenance of nutrition both physiological and intellectual; and, of course, it is through Dad that

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we acquired that most glorious privilege of all: treasured summers and hunting seasons (and the occasional winter ice crossing) at Canada Lake. With Mom he taught us the meaning of family. Together they instilled in us a love of learning and of nature, and helped equip us with the practical tools for exploiting these passions; and, while serving up stories of his own challenging upbringing, Dad largely succeeded in steering clear of its harsher excesses. As his parents were proud to call him son, and his many comrades proud to call him friend, we are proud to call him “Dad”. We love you, Dad, and we will miss you terribly. We will always thank you for all that you brought us, and for all that you taught us.

Walter Young

Eileen B. Muller



Eileen B. Muller, 82, of Canada Lake, New York, passed away peacefully on Tuesday evening, January 14, 2025 at Lutheran Care Home in Clinton, New York.

On August 29, 1970, Eileen was united in marriage to Jeffrey Muller and shared a union of 41 years until Jeff passed away in July of 2011.

Together they built their dream home on Webster Rd in the late 1980's. She loved her home on Canada Lake. They lived on the lake full time until they retired, then they started spending their winters in Daytona, Florida. Eileen enjoyed being a snowbird. She was a very independent woman and traveled by herself back and forth from New York to Florida well into her late 70's with no GPS or cell phone. Eileen was an active person being an avid walker, walking at least two miles every day, cleaning up the roadside as she strolled. She was also an avid golfer and was a member of the Nick Stoner golf course and Daytona golf course.

She was a faithful member of the North Bush United Methodist Church and her Methodist church in Daytona.

She is missed by all who loved her.

Crystal Brandow

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Amy Steinhauer



Amy Steinhauer, age 45, formally of Westbrookville, NY, and currently from Johnstown, NY, passed at home surrounded by her loved ones on Thursday, August 22, 2024.

Born on April 10, 1979 in Port Jervis, NY, she was the daughter of Susan Caldwell and Charles Steinhauer.

Amy enjoyed spending time with her sons and family. She loved spending time at the family summer “camp” on Canada Lake. Amy also loved her work and music family. She was employed at MedWiz Pharmacy as a logistic Manager.

She is survived by her sons, John P. Hogencamp (Breanna) of Narrowsburg, NY and Jesse James Hogencamp of Johnstown, NY; brothers Charles Steinhauer (Season) of Fort Plain and Thomas Steinhauer (Loriann) of Caroga Lake, NY; mother, Susan Caldwell

of Johnstown, NY and nieces, Samantha, Breanna and Gabriella Steinhauer.

Susan Caldwell

William Kane

Bill Kane (1946-2025) died in his Asheville, NC home on April 7, 2025. Son of Mabel and Vincent Kane, Bill and his siblings, Michael and Barbara, grew up summers on the south shore of Canada Lake. Before that, his McCleary grandparents had the family for a month each summer on Green Lake. As a kid, he liked Willie’s Hots, the bumper cars at Sherman’s, and fishing. His uncle Frank Woolsey had taught him how to fish, and Bill loved getting up early and boating toward West Lake to catch sunnies in the shallow water. Mrs. Place always let him use her anchor.

Bill graduated with a degree in Spanish from Gettysburg College in 1968 and worked in Poughkeepsie, New York City, and the Boston area. He was a teacher, an actor, a DJ, and managed wine and catering. A devoted and loyal son, he visited Mabel on his summer breaks and loved fishing with Alan Peck on the lakes and West Canada Creek. In retirement he became an avid fly fisherman, and fished the French Broad and Swannanoa rivers near Asheville in North Carolina.

We celebrated his 70th and 75th birthdays in Nashville with brother Mike and his daughters. He loved to read and knew Civil War and

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Hollywood history by heart. He listened to jazz, big band, folk, rock, and classical music.

Bill was kind and authentic and loved his family. He leaves his brother Mike (Nancy) of Mt. Desert Island, Maine, sister Barbara Russell (Bill) of Nashville, nieces Margot and Sara Kane, and nephew, Alex Russell.

Barbara Kane Russell



STOP AQUATIC HITCHHIKERS!

Prevent the transport of nuisance species.
Clean all recreational equipment.

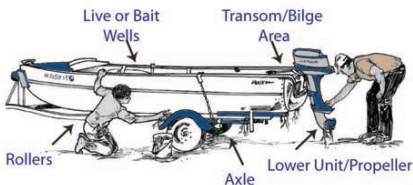
www.ProtectYourWaters.net

Aquatic invasive species are non-native plants and animals that can degrade a body of water, impair boating and fishing, threaten native plants and animals, and destroy habitat. Once aquatic invasive species are established, eradication is almost impossible.

When you leave a waterway:

- Check for and remove any visible plants or debris
- Clean and drain your boat and equipment
- Dry everything that came into contact with water

WATERCRAFT CHECK POINTS



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Aquatic Invaders to Look Out For:



H. Smith, AP/IPP

Water Chestnut

- Triangular leaves with toothed edges
- Sharp-edged seeds
- Can form dense mats



J.E. Marsden, UVM & D. Jude

Zebra/Quagga Mussel

- Tiny D- or oval-shaped striped shells
- Can cover hard surfaces
- Sharp shells can cut feet



E. DeBolt

Asian Clam

- Light green to brown shells with circular elevated ridges
- Typically less than 1/2-inch in size
- May outcompete native clams/mussels



A. Fox, Bugwood.org & Michigan DNR

Eurasian Watermilfoil

- Feathery leaves in whorls of 4
- Forms dense beds
- New plants sprout from fragments



DPW1 & J. Gunderson, MN Sea Grant

Spiny Waterflea

- Tiny crustacean with long, barbed tail
- Competes with small fish for food
- Masses can clog guides of fishing rods



D. Moorhead, R. Vidzki, Bugwood.org

Hydrilla

- Four to 8 blade-like, slightly toothed leaves form whorls around stem
- Can form dense plant beds
- Thrives in a variety of environments



To learn more about how you can help stop the spread of aquatic invasives, scan this QR code with your smartphone or visit www.dec.ny.gov/animals/48221.html



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Conservation

CAROGA PROPERTY RENTERS

Local Law #1 of 2024 was adopted on March 13, 2024. All Caroga property owners MUST have a valid permit to rent any dwelling unit in whole or part to any person, persons, or entity for a period of less than 30 consecutive nights. Applications are on the town website *Caroga.town* or available from the Code Enforcement Officer.

IN MEMORIAM

Sandi Christman
Audrey Dennie Fischer
Helen Hays
William Kane
Carol Maider
Sidney Coles Marshall
Tim Mitchell
Chris Moritz
Eileen Muller
Amy Steinhauer
Courtney Young



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\$20 single, \$25 family, \$50-99 Sponsor, \$100+ Patron**

**Please send a check with
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**ATTN: Membership
P.O. Box 434, Caroga Lake, NY 12032**

**Make check payable to
Caroga Historical Museum**

2025 Inside Cover Winner
by *Annalie Kaiser Turiano*



“Calling All Photographers”
2026 Back Cover Photo Contest!

Contest is open to all CLCA members and their families

Submissions will be accepted to
echo@carogalake.com starting in January 2026

**We are only selecting from landscape orientation pictures
for back cover, portrait will be disqualified!**

**Also: the photographers name and the name of the image
must be provided or it will also be disqualified!**

Judging will be performed by the Echo committee

One submission per person

Non-winners from previous years may resubmit same photo



“FLARE NIGHT ON CANADA LAKE” BY DEBI TEBANO

SEE INSIDE BACK COVER FOR DETAILS
ON HOW TO ENTER THE 2026 CONTEST!

