



CANADA LAKES CONSERVATION ASSOCIATION

Greetings Canada Lakes Community:

March 2026

Currently, the Lakes are experiencing great winter snow conditions where skiing, snowmobiling and other outdoor activities have been the best in decades. With this letter the transition begins where we look forward to spring and another fantastic summer at the lake.

The mission of CLCA is to preserve and protect the quality of the lake and surrounding environment. To this end it is up to all of us to pass on this great resource to future generations. Please consider volunteering on a committee of your interest whether it is invasive species prevention of our waterways, helping pick up around the island, shoreline or roadways, or helping out with a social or kids event, just contact a committee chair. You will be most welcome.

This year fireworks will be held **Sunday July 5th** at 9:30pm as Saturday was unavailable. Flare lighting will be on Saturday July 4th to celebrate 250 years of Independence. Re-light your flares at 9:30pm on the 5th for the fireworks celebration. Keep in mind fireworks are funded entirely through additional donations, not through membership dues and will continue provided interest persists.

Last year CLCA donations were critical in establishing a fire/rescue boat on Canada Lake to assist CLVFD in early response to emergency calls. This year the Fire Dept hopes to expand this resource by funding additional equipment to include a davit lift to safely remove the injured from the water, as well as other much needed support equipment. Please consider a donation here as well, as we are very lucky to have this capability on our lake.

Happy summer.

Rick Fink, CLCA President

2026 Calendar of Events

June

20 (Saturday) Directors' Meeting, Caroga Town Hall, 8:30 am

July

4 (Saturday) Boat Parade and Party, 2:00-6:00 pm

The Boat Parade will begin at 2:00 pm. Location: TBD. The party will follow at the TBD.

All boat and dock participants are welcome to attend. More information to follow in the Echo.

4 (Saturday) Flare Lighting, celebrating 250 years of Independence, 9-10pm.

5 (Sunday) Fireworks and Flare Lighting, 9:30 pm.

Please be advised that all boats are required to be at least 500 feet from the island during the show.

11 (Saturday) CLCA Annual Meeting, Caroga Fire Department, 7:00 pm

18 (Saturday) Ice Cream Extravaganza, 2:00-4:00 pm, Bates camp, 345 Kasson Dr.

21 (Tuesday) Lake Luncheon, 11:30 am. Sherman's.

August

1 (Saturday) CLCA Kids / Youth Event, Time and Location TBD

1 (Saturday) CLCA Picnic, Dykeman's, 230 Fulton Rd, 12:00-3:00 pm

23 (Sunday) Directors' Meeting, Caroga Town Hall, 8:30 am.

September

5 (Saturday) Labor Day Flare Lighting, 9:00 pm.

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.

<https://canadalakesconservation.com>

2026 CLCA Committees

Lake Management

Environment and Ecology:

Fire Safety

Fishing

Invasive Species:

Lake Stewards

Inspectors

Lake Safety

Water Level

Loon Conservation

Water Purity

Stewardship Committees:

Adopt a Highway

Adopt a Shoreline

Campsites

Fire Tower

Island

Lake Organization

Adirondack

By-Laws

Directory

Fire Department

Lake Publications

Legal

Membership

Nominating

Website

Welcoming

Winter Emergency

Lake Activities

Boat Parade

Flare Lighting

Fireworks

Ice Cream Extravaganza

Annual Picnic

Lake Luncheon

Water Sports

Youth Activities

Mary Jablonski VP

Marcus Harazin

Kate Freeman

Rick Fink

Tom Lyons

Lorrie Mott

Liz McDonald

Brian Franz

Bill Fielding

Henry Eifert

Jane Davis

John Byrnes

Bob Baker

Brian Franz

Betsy Cannon

Marcus Harazin

Brian Franz

Kate Freeman VP

Vacant

Dick Maider

Chris Rohrs

Howard Dutcher

Mark Moritz

Dick Maider

Erin Beaudet

Merryn Byrnes

Chris Rohrs

Allen Farber

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ECHO 2026

Please adhere to the deadlines below for submitting items:

- Stories of Interest- revolving around lake events, local history, or Adirondack living - March 30
- Committee and President's reports, calendar, committee rosters, list of officers, and back cover photo contest – March 30
- Family News, Remembrances, and Kids' Corner – April 6
- Last Minute changes -April 20

Submit your photos in standard image format. Only one entry per person.

Please submit content as soon as possible. Be advised that submitting content by the dates listed above will guarantee consideration for entry into the 2026 Echo. Anything submitted after deadlines may not be published this year.

CONTACT: **Preferred: Cell (Mark) (631) 987-9891**; Cell (Christine) (631) 525-7290.

All submissions should be sent to echo@carogalake.com.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!!

Invasive Species Program

Please consider offering up a few hours of your time this summer as a volunteer for the CLCA's Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) program this summer. Volunteer stewards are needed to inspect boats launched at the West Lake launch during the early morning and late afternoon periods to examine incoming boats when paid staff are not present. We also need volunteers to help inspect and survey the lake for potential invasive species growth and monitor aquatic weed growth in the Canada Lake system. The AIS committee will meet in April or May to plan for the season. We have many great volunteers. We would like to see more young lake residents step up and help keep the lake free of invasive species for future generations.

If you are interested in learning how you can help, contact
Lorrie Mott for Lake Stewards (lorriemott120@gmail.com)
Liz McDonald for Lake Inspectors (diz.mcdonald@gmail.com)

Kane Mountain Steward Program

The CLCA works closely with the NYS Forest Fire Lookout Tower Association and the DEC to provide volunteer stewards for Kane Mountain Fire Tower. Stewards help keep the trail clean and tower maintained. In 2025, stewards helped greet and educate over 2,000 visitors from June through September and helped sponsor the 100th Anniversary of the Kane Mountain Tower! Volunteers are needed to help keep this local landmark a vibrant part of the local community. If you are interested in volunteering as steward this season, contact Marcus Harazin at marcusharazin@gmail.com.