

Summer 2001 Newsletter

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

Summer is upon us and it looks to be a fine season shaping up, both weather wise and with Association activities. We can't do much about the weather, however, we certainly have had people step forward to ensure our social calendar is full, as well as to carry out our mission to preserve and conserve our beautiful lake. Our group would be meaningless without those who step forward to contribute their time and energy to further the good of the association. We extend our collective "thanks" to our volunteers. And to those who want to contribute, please contact me, or any other of the officers/board members, and tell us where you best can serve, even if in a small way. Remember, the sum of the parts *is* greater than the whole, when many choose to do something, rather than a few who 'try' to do everything.

I was unable to be with you at our 'spring meeting', as duty to our country took precedence. My 'thanks' to those officers who stood in for me. The meeting was very productive. That productivity established a Lake Resources Management Committee who will be looking into the weed and siltation concerns of our membership, chaired by MaryBeth King. We will be having our annual picnic- thanks to Carol Setter and Carol Benn, Pickerel Derby and Safe Boaters' Course - thanks to Tom Catterson, Music on the Islands- thanks to Bill Yetman, Golf Outing- thanks to Alan Pickard, and Boat Parade-thanks to Peter Bolos and Ed Benn. Again a 'thanks' to those volunteers who placed the buoys to ensure our boating safety. The particulars for the events are contained within the newsletter.

We were informed by the Forestport Fire Fighters, that Parker Snead of the Forestport Boat Company has donated a boat, motor, and trailer to them for their use. They plan on having it equipped and ready for use on the lake shortly. It will set up to handle medical calls and minor emergencies initially. This is a first for our lake and the fire department. I believe we should contribute a donation specifically earmarked for this endeavor and will discuss this with the board.

Looking ahead, a few officers and board members will be stepping down at the end of the year, making way for a new slate of leaders. Of course all positions are open to anyone who chooses to run for office. If you have a sincere desire to advance the mission of the association, please contact me for additional information about the position of your interest.

I look forward to enjoying with you, all the amenities our association and lake have to offer. Contact me anytime that I can be of assistance, and I'll be looking for you as I cruise our scenic waterway. Wishing you, your family, and friends, a wonderful and safe summer.

Personal Regards,

Sean O'Brien

President, Kayuta Lake Improvement Association

Spring Meeting Update

The Association announcement board, a plexiglass aluminum framed sealed key entry 36"x36" station, will be erected on the islands to serve as a focal point for association announcements and functions. It will be designed similar to state trail head boards and aesthetically Adirondack. Completion date early July, prox..

In response to concerns expressed by association members, a special committee, Lake Resources Management Committee, was formed to look into the matters of silt accumulation and weed infestation in certain areas of the Lake. The committee is headed by Marybeth King, 853-6328/831-4288. The following members also volunteered to serve on the committee: George Harris 831-5140, Maxine Gurdo 831-8542, Dan Sears 392-6331, and Tom Catterson 392-5557. Anyone wishing to assist or comment should contact committee members.

A proposal was voted upon to raise the association dues to \$20/yr.. This was a proposal. The final vote to increase dues to \$20 must be voted upon at the year end meeting. Notice must be posted in the newsletter for comment before the final vote can be taken.

Larry explained that in 1992, a resolution was adopted to safeguard against depletion of association funds for the next fiscal year. It reads: The association shall keep a reserve fund necessary to operate each concurrent year equal to the preceding years' membership receipts. Back then, dues were \$5.00. Membership was at 250 prox.. Therefore a reserve to carry forward to the next year for operating expenses was: $\$5.00 \times 250 \text{ members} = \1250 . At our present membership, $300 \text{ prox.} \times \$10 = \$3000$ reserve.

Tom Catterson reported that the Fish Stocking Program will be temporarily suspended, pending the outcome of the DEC Fish Survey this summer. Tom has been working with NYS-DEC to have them to a comprehensive assessment of our lake. With the results in hand and guidance by the DEC, we will know what future course to take. In the mean time, we will still continue to accept donations for fish stocking, with those funds held in reserve in the general account. To date approximately \$900 has been donated, thanks to the generosity of our members.

Safe Boaters' Course

Open to children, at least 10 yrs. of age, and adults. Children under 18 must have a valid certificate to operate any motorized craft by themselves. By 2003, all people in NYS must be licensed to operate a personal water craft.

July 7 and 14. Two concurrent Saturdays, 8am - 1pm. Forestport Town Hall. Enrollees must attend both sessions and pass the test at the conclusion of the second session to obtain a certificate. Call Tom Catterson to enroll, 853-1537 or 392-5557. Nourishment will be provided, courtesy KLIA.

KLIA PICNIC

Carol Setter & Carol Benn

THANKSGIVING IN JULY

July 14...1pm...rain or shine...Kayuta Lake Campground...O'Brien Rd.

Under the pavilion.

Carol Setter and Carol Benn have already stoked the fire for a Thanksgiving feast fit for a cast of thousands,...however they need your help. A covered dish dinner with turkey, gravy, dressing, potatoes, vegetables, salad, rolls, desserts, and appetizers, is the menu. Here's how it will work. The association supplies the turkey & gravy, coffee, soda, plates, cups, napkins, and eating utensils. You supply the potatoes(mashed, sweet, yams, etc.), salads, rolls, desserts, appetizers(i.e. stuffed crab ala 'grange with a hint of mint, or stuffed mushrooms in a delicate wine sauce). How do you know what to bring? Follow this: First letter of last name;

A - G Potatoes or Dressing

H - P Vegetables or Salad or Rolls

Q - Z Dessert or Appetizer

Please RSVP by JULY 5, to either; Carol Setter 831-5458
Carol Benn 831-5061

Our Carols will take reservations and coordinate what you plan to bring so we can balance out the feast. Hot plates and crocks would be helpful.

There will be a minimum charge of \$2.00 per head to help defray the cost of rent and supplies. You may elect to BYOB.

What a great idea, and our many thanks to some very special ladies for taking on the task. They probably could use some help, so if you plan on going, it may be the neighborly thing to volunteer your assistance.

We'll have a few chuckles during the balloon- toss, closest-to-pin golf shot, and more. To get to the pavilion, stay on the main park entrance drive past the campsites and follow the road to the left into the pavilion field. There is plenty of parking. There is limited space for boat parking as that is reserved for the campers.

Membership must be current.

Pickrel Fishing Derby

Tom Catterson 392-5557/853-1537

This years derby will be held on August 11th...8:00am to 4:30pm...rain or shine!

Kids and Adults contests

Prizes awarded at weigh-in.

Sign-In at Lawless Real Estate at Dustin Bridge

We're looking for that monster that always seems to get away.

Pickrel only...all others, catch and release please.

Care to assist Tom?...bring hot coffee and donuts in AM, cheese 'n crackers in the PM, and maybe a little bit a something to wash it down.

2nd Annual Boat Parade

Peter Bolos 831-2187

Saturday...July 21st...6:30pm

Rain date, Sunday 5pm

Last years parade was a tremendous success. Participants were very creative. A 'spirited pirate theme' took top honors. Will the Corrigan's be back to defend their title?...or will a new champion surface from the gallows of Kayuta?

Participants will mass in Brown Track Bay(third pond, first bay to the right heading toward the river beyond the trestle), loop there heading to Buckhorn Bay, proceeding under trestle along shoreline to Dustin Road causeway looping the second pond on the western shore and again returning along the Deer Spring shoreline again past the Dustin Road causeway for judging. The judging stand will be at Lawless' where 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place prizes will be awarded.

1st Prize compliments of Ed & Carol Benn of Benn Realty. 2nd prize compliments of Peter and Sandra Bolos, & 3rd prize compliments of KLIA.

Get your creative juices flowing, this year the prizes are well worth the effort. You can view the parade from the water, anchoring along the causeway or shoreline, from the road(we'll place cones for people to slow down on both sides of the causeway entrances), or park at Lawless' and bring a chair to enjoy the view.

Music on the Islands
Bill Yetman 831-5134

Saturday...July 7...2:00pm until ?
Music compliments of Travelin' Rose
an area DJ who has donated her time for your enjoyment.
We hope to have a volunteer(s) to grille up some hot dogs
and have some soda on ice for a small donation to the association.

We invite any others who might care to donate their musical talents to provide entertainment on the Islands to contact Bill. It just makes those summer weekends that much more enjoyable. If you have no provisions to get to the islands and would like to spend some time listening to the music and join the social gathering, give Bill a call in advance and volunteers will boat you over to the islands from Dustin Bridge. Park at Lawless'. You will be shuttled back and forth.

Neighborhood Representatives
Chris Lester 831-8504

Those of you that are interested in serving as neighborhood reps can contact Chris. Reps are those volunteers who spend a few minutes of their time during the course of summer to contact any new property owners, lake users, etc., to become a member of the association. Great way to meet new folks and renew acquaintances from years previous. A recent membership list will be provided along with newsletter, directory, tag, and applications.

Anniversary Edition Membership Directory & Apparel

We have a limited number of directories available for a donation of \$5.00. In addition, there is some apparel still available, sweatshirts for a donation of \$23.00. They are available at Benn Reality, Lake Shore Drive, Deer Spring Park off Dustin Road. 831-5061.

Golf Outing

Alan Pickard 831-5542

We're heading back to Woodgate Pines!!! The vast majority requested we return to the site where they claim to do their best!...time will tell. Al has put together a great outing, for guys and gals. There will be on course refreshments as well as for a luncheon afterwards. Reserve your spot now. Want to play but don't know anyone, or don't have a twosome or foursome...not to worry, Al will team you up where there are openings. We're not pros by any stretch, so come on out to have a fun time, no matter level you are at. 'Chi Chi' Pickard says "we all have the same score...until we tee off." You can bet that quote will go down in history.

August 5, Sunday

Woodgate Pines Golf Course, Boonville

Cost \$15pp includes golf and lunch.

Advanced registration required, call Al @ 831-5542 by 8/1

Sign-In 9 - 9:15, Tee off at 9:30am

Year End Meeting and Elections

The meeting will take place on Saturday, August 25, 9:30am at Lawless(Dustin Bridge) weather permitting. Back-up location, Forestport Town Hall.

We will have committee updates, complete any unfinished business, address new business, and hold elections for officers and board of directors. If there are any among you who have an interest in any of the positions, please give Sean a call, 831-7010.

High Water Problems

The most recent heavy rains caused some dangerous situations on the lake. Debris littered the surface and shallows. Members of the board of directors worked with the sheriff's department to secure the waterway from needless boat traffic due to the dangerous situation. The effects of high water will no doubt cause some immediate damage to buildings, docks, boats, and shoreline. As the water recedes, please be extremely careful as you navigate the waterway for those unseen obstacles and obstructions.

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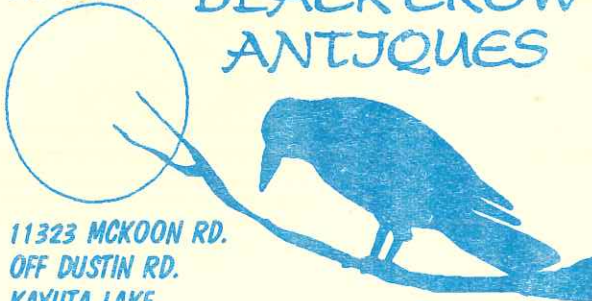
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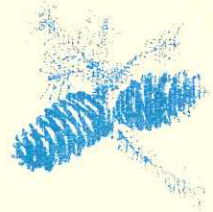
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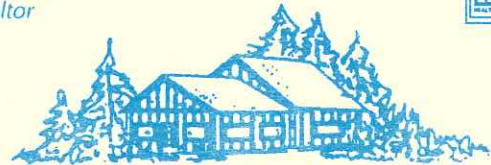
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Mosquito



No-See-Um



Black fly



Deer tick



Wood tick

Summer is biting season

- Plan your activities for midday when mosquitos are least active. Early morning and dusk are the worst times.
- Wear light-colored clothing. Mosquitos are attracted to dark clothing, and ticks can be more easily seen crawling on light clothing.
- Wear a good repellent, containing 30 to 50 percent DEET. More than 50 percent and the repellent will be greasy and sticky.
- Avoid areas where ticks are likely to be found — usually vegetation below waist level.
- Tuck your shirt into your pants and your pant legs into your socks to prevent ticks getting access to exposed skin.
- Remove ticks by grasping the skin with tweezers, pulling with gentle, steady pressure. Do not twist or rotate the tick. Be careful not to burn, crush or prick the tick.
- If the area bitten by a blackfly starts to swell and itch, splash on alcohol, Listerine, Witch Hazel or coat the bites with After-Bite.

Calendar of Events

- July 7 - Safe Boaters' Course (Part I)
- July 7 - Music on the Island
- July 14 - Safe Boaters' Course (Part II)
- July 14 - Annual Picnic
- July 21 - Boat Parade
- August 5 - Golf Outing
- August 11 - Pickerel Derby
- August 25 - Year End Meeting/Election

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