

## OFFICERS

Ed Griesmer, President  
Roy Layton, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President  
John Nick, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President  
Beth Cole, Secretary  
Mary Flynn, Treasurer

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Michael Baumis  
Jim Fregoe  
Rob Freligh  
George Greenwood  
Susan Jensen  
Howard Kennedy  
Eric Lauritzen  
Rich McCrum  
Doug O'Brien  
Glen E. Vogel

## COMMITTEE CHAIR(S)

### ADOPT A HIGHWAY

Roxy Griesmer

### BEAUTIFICATION

Jo Ann Nick & Dawn Freligh

### BOAT PARADE

Vogel Family

### BOATING SAFETY COURSE

Barbara VanVoorhis

### BUOYS/FACILITIES/H2O LEVEL

John Nick

### FAMILY DAY HIKE

Roxy Griesmer  
& Marti Townley

### FISHING DERBY

John MacMillen

### GOLF TOURNAMENT

Arnold Jensen & Ralph Smith

### LAUNCH/INSPECTION STATION

Nick Bonavita, Lynn Douglas  
& Steve Smith

### SAILBOAT FEST

Bill Rech

### SUMMER SOCIAL EVENT

Vogel & Greenwood Families

### WATER TESTING

Jim & Nancy Fregoe

### WATER CARNIVAL

Doris Gargan

### WATERSHED ISSUES

Doug O'Brien

### WEB MASTER

Michael Baumis



# LOON LAKE PARK DISTRICT ASSOCIATION, INC. CHESTERTOWN, NY 12817

Summer 2016 *75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Edition* PHONE: 518-494-2210

## *President's Message*

Happy 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, Loon Lake Park District Association. Founded in 1941 in support of the Loon Lake Park District, a special taxing district was created by the state legislature, our association with our many dedicated volunteers continues to emphasize the importance of lake stewardship in protecting and preserving our lake for all to use and enjoy.

Our stewardship activities will be visible throughout the summer as we continue to monitor and treat water quality issues. Our lake management company began working in mid May and we expect that they will be busy hand harvesting our milfoil invasive for seven weeks. Nancy and Jim Fregoe will be seen at several times over the summer taking water samples as part of our participation in the Adirondack Lake Assessment Program (ALAP) sponsored by the Adirondack Watershed Institute at Paul Smith's College, helping to give us a better understanding of the unique water qualities of Loon Lake as well as providing us with a comparison with other lakes within the Adirondack region. Our boat inspection program is especially important to curbing the introduction and spread of invasive species to our lake as well as to other lakes within the Adirondacks and we appreciate the cooperation of our lake community. Individual responsibility for a healthy lake falls upon all of us. Our efforts at controlling road run off and mitigating pollutants from entering the lake are important steps we can all take.

As can be seen in the enclosed summer calendar, our committees have been busy putting together a number of activities available to children, adults, and families all of which help to support the sense of community on our lake. Two highlighted events to note early because of space limitations and registration requirements are the Annual Marv Cole Golf Tournament and 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala, details enclosed.

As I write this column for the last time, I want to express my appreciation to our officers and board of directors and to our many volunteers who have contributed so much in helping to make Loon Lake a very special place for all of us. It has been my privilege and honor to have served on the board and to have been your president, an experience I will always cherish.

I look forward to seeing you all at the Annual Meeting on July 10<sup>th</sup>.

Best Wishes and have an enjoyable summer,  
Ed



## 2016 ANNUAL MEETING NOTIFICATION - JULY 10<sup>TH</sup>

The Board of Directors encourages all members to attend the 2016 Annual Meeting on Sunday Morning, July 10<sup>th</sup> in the Auditorium at the Town Municipal Center. You are also invited to an informal social with refreshments starting at 9:30 am, just prior to the meeting. The meeting will start promptly at 10:00 am. Business to be transacted will include the President and Treasurers reports, update on the progress in preventing and removing invasive species, committee reports and other lake matters. There will also be an election for several officers and board members. Please let us know if you have an interest in serving on the board. A more comprehensive agenda will be available on the website prior to the meeting.

## The LLPDA Dinner Dance, July 15<sup>th</sup>

We will be celebrating the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Loon Lake Park District at Cronin's Golf Resort Patio on Friday evening at 6:00 pm, July 15th. Dance the night away with Bobby Dick and Suzie Q who will once again entertain us. The cost per person is \$40.00 for LLPDA Members and includes hot and cold hors d'oeuvres, filet of beef dinner, baked potato, mixed vegetables, tossed salad, dinner rolls, coffee, cake, unlimited wine, beer and soda. Reservations are required and will be made on a first come first served basis. Please make your reservation w/payment by July 8th and send to "LLPDA-Dinner Dance," 28 Sonoma Point Road, Chestertown, NY 12817. Also, please add your e-mail address and your phone number in case we need to reach you. Checks received after the event has reached capacity will be returned and your name will be noted in case of any cancellations. For additional details or questions, contact Glen/Pat Vogel 494-7604 or George/Kathy Greenwood 494-5725.



## New Lake Constable

Mr. Dave Cavanagh was appointed by the Town of Chester as the new lake constable. Dave, retired from the Warren County Sheriff's Department after 26 years, is currently a court officer and constable for the Town of Chester. His expanded role includes assuming the lake constable responsibilities. Should you have any questions or wish to discuss any non-emergency boating safety issues, please contact our Town Supervisor, Mr. Craig Leggett at 518-275-5484. **IF YOU ARE REPORTING A BOATING OR WATER ACCIDENT REQUIRING IMMEDIATE HELP... CALL 911.**

Remember to carry your boat registration and your boating license (if required). Note that the maximum speed limit on Loon Lake is 45 mph, however it is 5 mph for PWC's within 200' of the shoreline and 5 mph for all other watercraft within 100' of the shoreline.



*Boat Safety Class - 2015*

## Marina Minders

The Loon Lake Marina is open, 8AM to 5:30PM Monday thru Saturday and 9AM to 5PM Sundays. Please remember the launch is to be used only during business hours. "I would like to personally thank all those who over the years have spent tireless hours volunteering to maintain and improve the overall welfare of this lake and area," says Rich Stolen.



**STAY AWAY FROM  
DIVER DOWN FLAGS -  
DIVERS AT RISK**

Please protect the safety of our divers. Look out for the diver flags and divers as they work off the dive boats hand harvesting milfoil. **Boaters need to know that NYS Law requires boats to stay 100 feet away from any diver down flags.** The flags are RED with a WHITE diagonal banner. PLEASE stay out of the dive areas.





# 2016 Calendar of Events

*Field Day/Water Carnival 2015*

- June 4**    **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING** - 9:00 am, Griesmer's, 85 Kingsley Lane
- June 30**    **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING** – 4:00 pm, Layton's, 61 Marina Rd.
- July 2**    **FISHING DERBY** (Children up to 16) 9:00 am, Loon Lake Park District Beach. Awards, hot dogs and soda at noon. (John MacMillen 518-932-3652)
- July 5-7**    **NYS BOATING SAFETY COURSE** (3 days) – 9:00 am to noon, North Warren Trailblazers Club at 142 Knapp Hill Rd., Chestertown. Register at the Marina (494-3410) and leave a contact phone # and e-mail address. Class limited to 20 children ages 11-17. Bring a pen and a snack.
- July 10**    **LLPDA ANNUAL MEETING** - 9:30 am at the Town Hall Auditorium. Social 9:30 am, Meeting begins at 10:00 am
- July 15**    **The 75th ANNIVERSARY GALA & DINNER DANCE** – 6:00 pm at Cronin's Golf Course Warrensburg. Music by Bobby Dick and Susie Q. See article for details. Reservations required and tends to sell out quickly. (Pat & Glen Vogel 494-7604 or George & Kathy Greenwood 494-5725)
- July 30**    **WATER CARNIVAL & FIELD DAY** – 9:00 am to noon, Loon Lake Park District Beach. Awards, Hot Dogs and Soda at Noon. Ages 3 -15 (Doris Gargan & Family 494-5927)
- July 30**    **BOAT PARADE** - 4:30 pm start at Loon Lake Marina, Counterclockwise around lake. (Vogel Family 494-7604)
- Aug 6**    **FAMILY DAY HIKE** - Ages 4 and up with family member. Meet at 9:00 am at the corner of Route 8 & White School House Road. Hike "Mead Mountain"... yet another great view of beautiful Loon Lake. Bring water, a snack and a camera. (Roxy Griesmer and Marti Townley 494-2210)
- Aug 12**    **MARV COLE LLPDA GOLF TOURNAMENT** - 8:00 am at Cronin's. Details & registration attached. (Arnold Jensen 494-3581 or Ralph Smith 494-2290)
- Aug 13**    **SAIL FEST** – 2:00 pm – All sail boats meet at "Rock Island"...middle of Lake. See attached article (Bill Rech 494-3964) Rain/No wind date August 20th.
- Aug 27**    **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING** 9:00 am, TBD

*If you wish to help with the events or have questions, please contact the event leader(s)*



# TRI-LAKE BUSINESS ALLIANCE

The “Tri-Lakes Business Alliance” is a group of local business owners and private citizens who work together to improve the quality of life and promote economic prosperity in our towns. More information is available on [www.trilakesalliance.com](http://www.trilakesalliance.com). They help sponsor and/or promote the following activities which you may be interested in:

**PERFORMANCES:** (1) Carol Theatre, 53 Riverside Drive, Chestertown, NY:

- June 30** ..... “Warren County Ramblers” Authentic Adirondack Blue Grass - 7:00 PM
- July 9** ..... “Across the Pond” Beatles Tribute with Jonathan Newell - 7:30 PM
- July 14** ..... “Charles Cornell Jazz Quartet” Tribute to Dave Brubeck - 7:00 PM
- July 23** ..... “Not Too Far From Home Comedy Tour” NWCS Benefit ’19 - 7:30 PM
- July 30** ..... “Professor Louie & The Crowmatix” Blues, RocknRoll, Gospel - 7:30 PM
- August 12** ..... “Led Zeppelin Tribute Band & Light Show” Johnathan Newell - 8:30 PM
- August 20** ..... “Adirondack Jazz Project Big Band” with Al Tolomeo - 7:30 PM
- August 27** ..... “Old Time Live Radio Show” – with The Lone Ranger & Commercials - 7:30 PM
- September 17** ..... “Georgie Wonders Big Band” Rum Runner’s Weekend Show - 3:30 PM

**EVENTS:**

- Every Wednesday** ..... **Chestertown Farmer’s Market** (Wednesday 10AM - 2PM)
- First Fridays** ..... **Car Hop & Cruise** (Panther Mt Inn - 7/1, 8/5, 9/2)
- Third Fridays** ..... **Car Hop & Cruise** (The Hub – 6/17, 7/15, 8/19, 9/16)
- June 18 & 19** ..... **Adirondack WOOF Stock** (peace, paws & music)
- July 9** ..... **Summer Fest in Chestertown**
- July 15 & 16** ..... **Priory Garage Sale** (518-494-3733)
- August 1** ..... **Horicon Day**
- September 15, 16, 17** ..... **Rum Runner Weekend**
- September 23, 24, 25** ..... **Out Doors Alive**
- November 29** ..... **Taste of the Tri-Lakes & Rotary Tree Lighting**

(1) Ticket Outlets for the Carol Theater Performances – Main St. Ice Cream, Panther Mt. Inn, Odd Duck, Rustic Charm (next to theater) For additional information: [www.trilakesalliance.com](http://www.trilakesalliance.com)



## SAIL FEST

Calling on all sailors!!! To celebrate our 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, open your colorful sails and bring your sailboat to Rock Island at 2 pm on Saturday, August 13th. Not a race, just come out, meet new people and show the rest of the lake a quieter, energy efficient and simpler way of life. This could make for some great pictures. Note that we have a “rain/no wind date” of August 20<sup>th</sup>. Commodore Bill Rech 494-3964



## Boat Parade

Access your wacky side, decorate your boat and join the fun. On Saturday, July 30th at 4:30 pm, we will meet near the Marina buoy and motor, sail or paddle (very tiring) around the lake (counter clockwise). Join us on the water or on your docks to cheer the boaters on. A summer highlight for kids of every age and a great way to celebrate our 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!



Boat Parade - 2015

## A HEALTHY LAKE

For years we have tested our water quality, measuring the impact of storm water that runs off of roofs, lawns, driveways, sidewalks and roads, all the while picking up pollutants such as gas, oil, litter, fertilizers and pet waste. Under the direction of Jim and Nancy Fregoe, multiple samplings are taken during the summer and sent to a testing laboratory where transparency, phosphorus, chlorophyll, color, nitrates, chloride, calcium and sodium are measured. Fortunately, to date we have been in safe territory in all counts but there is increasing worry about the impact of road salt, particularly along the Route 8/Route 9 corridor that abuts our Lake. The NY D.O.T. uses 100% sodium chloride in the name of “public safety” but many Adirondack lakes are concerned about increasing alkalinity and its effect on the aquatic ecosystem. Therefore, we will be paying more attention to this threat this year. In the future, it is increasingly important also to prevent contaminants that flow from properties surrounding Loon Lake. By creating plant buffers, using native plants, by not removing trees and vegetation from shore areas, by proper septic maintenance and the moderate use of non-phosphorus fertilizers and weed killers, we take critical steps in maintaining a healthy water system.

## HIKE the CHESTER CHALLENGE

To enjoy the Town of Chester’s surrounding peaks, waterways and nature, visit the ten trails of various levels of difficulty and variety of terrain comprising the Chester Challenge. There are eight different locations: Green Hill and Catamount Mountain; Chester Creek Trails; Dynamite Hill and Caroline M. Fish Memorial Trails; Meade Mountain and Beckman Mountain; Kipp Mountain; Palmer Pond Trail; Cougar Nature Trails and Stewart Mountain.

This wonderful initiative was made possible by outside funding and the efforts of Chester’s Parks and Recreation Dept., Chester’s Highway Dept., Warren County’s Employment and Training staff, Trail Coordinator Dan Smith, some land owners (namely Kurt Austin) and volunteers. New trails were cleared, older ones refreshed and new signs and rest spots provided. All of these short trails, ranging from 0.84 to 4.5 miles, are family friendly and offer a wonderful hiking experience, most all with majestic views and the possibility of wild life sightings. Parking is provided at all locations.

Going forward, there is a real need for Trail Stewards and occasional volunteers to maintain the trails as needed and report any damage or vandalism beyond their capacity to repair. Anyone interested is asked to call Dan Smith at 494-2129 or email him at <dan4eternity1958@yahoo.com>.

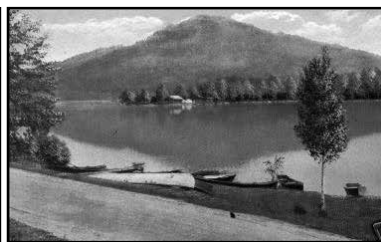
Upon the completion of six trails, a certificate and attractive pin are awarded. Go on-line to The Chester Challenge for more detailed information and brochures are available at the North Warren Chamber of Commerce. Have fun!



Family Day Hike - 2015







FISH HOUSE, CHESTERTOWN, N.Y. 37.



STATE ROAD BETWEEN CHESTERTOWN AND BRANDY LAKE.

ADIRONDACK MTS., N. Y.



THE HAMBLEWOOD, CHESTERTOWN, N.Y. 30.



BlytheWood Inn, BlytheWood Island, Chestertown, NY



Loon Lake Trading Post, Chestertown, NY C. McGeer, Prop.



MAH HOUSE - FLYING L. RANCH - CHESTERTOWN, N. Y.



ADIRONDACK MOUNTAINS ON THE STATE HIGHWAY. 100



PIERSON'S ON LOON LAKE, CHESTERTOWN, N. Y. ADIRONDACK MTS. 60



ADIRONDACK MOUNTAINS IN THE DISTANCE, N. Y.



SONNY BELLE FARM ADIRONDACKS





# 2016 MEMBERSHIP to the LOON LAKE PARK DISTRICT ASSOCIATION, INC.

To join or renew your membership, please return this form with a check for \$20.00 payable to "LLPDA, Inc.". Please add or update us on your contact information including your e-mail address.

**A SPECIAL REMINDER!!!** ... and thanks to the residents of Chester Shores, Loon Lake Club, Loon Lake Heights, Forest Shores and Pine Ridge Associations. Your 2016 LLPDA Dues are included in your Home Owners Association Fees and will be paid by your HMO, so please **do not pay** the LLPDA directly.

NAME:

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EMAIL:

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HOME/MAILING ADDRESS:

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SUMMER ADDRESS (include house number and street):

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PHONE (LOCAL) \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE (HOME) \_\_\_\_\_

CELL \_\_\_\_\_

**Loon Lake Park District Association, Inc.**

**P.O. Box 301, Chestertown, New York 12817**

*(please send Golf and Dinner Dance checks separately)*



# MARV COLE LLPDA GOLF TOURNAMENT

Our "best ball" tournament is always a huge success with a full complement of 144 golfers. Not only do we have fun, but we raise several thousand dollars each year for local Town of Chester scholarships and charities. As in prior years only the first 144 **PAID** golfers will be included. **PLEASE SEND YOUR REGISTRATION AND CHECK AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.**

**DETAILS:** The tournament is Friday, August 12, 2016 at Cronin's Golf Resort. **PLAYERS MUST ARRIVE BY 8.00 AM for check in and an 8:30 AM shotgun start.** Cost is **\$75.00 PER PERSON (\$70.00 IF PAID BEFORE AUGUST 1<sup>st</sup>).** Cronin's members can deduct \$15.00, Cart Members deduct \$25.00. Fee includes green fees, cart, beverages on the course, lunch, golf give away and prizes.



## REGISTRATION FORM

Send a separate check payable to "LLPDA-GOLF TOURNAMENT" and send it to LLPDA, Inc., PO Box #301, Chestertown, NY 12817.

LLPDA Member's Name

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Number # in group: Men \_\_\_\_\_ Women \_\_\_\_\_

List Team Members:

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Phone: Local \_\_\_\_\_

Home \_\_\_\_\_

Cell \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_



## Japanese Knotweed – Invasive Shoreline plant

Japanese Knotweed is a non-native plant invasive in the Adirondacks and has recently been found growing on various properties around Loon Lake. If you see this plant growing, please report the locations to Jan McCann at 518-494-5908. Jan works with APIPP and RIIPP in efforts to control the spread of this invasive plant.



Japanese Knotweed is a fast-growing, herbaceous perennial with jointed, hollow stems and alternate, leathery leaves that are broadly ovate. White flowers bloom in August, and dormant reddish stems are visible in winter. Its early spring emergence and dense growth enables it to take over large areas with roots that can extend through soils 60 feet or more. Knotweed is very difficult to control and it is recommended that a licensed applicator assist in removing it. Digging and pulling does not solve the problem.



*Fishing Derby - 2015*

## Free Fishing Weekend, June 25-26

**REMINDER:** During the last weekend in June, ANYONE can fish in NYS waters and NO license is required. Try fishing for the first time, invite friends to the lake to fish, take a spouse, a child or grandchild... and have some fun!

