



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

Summer 2018

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MEMBERSHIP LEVELS

This year the Loon Lake Park District Association is pleased to offer greater choice in membership options. We continue to offer our basic membership annual dues at \$20 but will offer additional choices for sponsors looking to help finance lake stewardship. We will be offering membership levels as follows:

Membership	\$ 20.00
Family Sponsor.....	\$ 30.00
Gold Sponsor.....	\$ 50.00
Platinum Sponsor.....	\$100.00

As of this writing, the LLPDA is a '501c3 pending' organization which means that we have applied for our tax exempt status. When that is approved (we are hoping this calendar year) any and all donations will become tax deductible. Until then and after, any donation for membership to the LLPDA will be used in our work toward invasive species management of the lake, protection of ecology of the lake and area as well as the promotion of safety efforts towards proper boating and swimming.

We have printed decals for all levels of membership to allow LLPDA members to showcase their pride in our lake. Members and Family level will continue to receive the logo decal we have used in the past. Donations at the Gold and Platinum sponsors level will be given special 2018 Gold or Platinum stickers. (pictured below) As always we appreciate everyone's support in protecting our lake for future generations.



President's Message



Spring is here, and we are all looking forward to another great summer on Loon Lake.

Family, friends and our neighbors will soon be returning to enjoy our lake.

I trust everyone will find our 2018 annual newsletter helpful.

The mission statement of the Loon Lake Park District Association is to promote safe vessel operation, protect the ecology and preserve the beauty and health of the lake. Last year various concerns were brought to the LLPDA Board by our members and Loon Lake guests. We presented the list to Town Supervisor Craig Leggett and members of the Town Board. I am pleased to let everyone know that the Town Board has decided to increase the number of hours that the Lake Safety Officer (LSO - formally the Constable) will be on our lake. The focus of the LSO will be to promote safety on our lake. We have once again inserted a copy of Town of Chester Boating Regulations in the Newsletter. Please take a few minutes to review the regulations with your family and friends. We are hoping for an enjoyable and safe summer on the lake.

We feel that we made considerable progress last summer controlling the various invasive species that we have in Loon Lake. Because of that progress we have decided to again contract with Aqualogic for 2018. Please keep in mind that Aqualogic's Divers are working underwater and keep a safe distance away.

Our boat inspection program will again continue at the boat launch with the same hours of operation as last year. The Boat Stewards are the first step of our invasives control program.

I look forward to seeing everyone at our Annual meeting July 8th at the Town Municipal Center and hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable summer.

John

THE LOON LAKE BATTLE WITH MILFOIL

Our ongoing battle with invasive species was a top priority for the LLPDA in 2017 and will continue to be our top priority in 2018. We used Aqualogic and the Diver Assisted Suction Harvesting (DASH) system last year and will do so again this year. Last year we contracted for 19 weeks of milfoil harvesting and this year we have contracted for 18 weeks. ***In 2017 Aqualogic used 561 diver hours and harvested 42,665 pounds of milfoil.*** We think we made good progress and hope to confirm that belief with 2018 survey results.

The following is a brief weekly recap of Aqualogic work on Loon Lake in 2017:

- **May 8-12:** Throughout most of the week we harvested near the public beach.
- **May 22-26:** We continued our work around the small rock island and completed a sweep of the north eastern shore.



- **May 15-19:** We cleared the area off of the point on the eastern shore of the southern channel and finished the week working around the small rock island near Blythewood Island.
- **May 30 - June 2:** We continued harvesting from where we left off in the southern channel.
- **June 6-8:** We continued working from where we left off in the southern channel.
- **June 12-16:** After sweeping through areas in the channel we had previously harvested.
- **June 20-23:** We completed harvesting in the southern channel, around the Rock Island and along the north western shore.
- **June 26-30:** We surveyed and harvested between the public beach and the high density bed of milfoil and then continued our harvesting in the high density bed of milfoil located in the southern channel.
- **July 5-7:** This week we continued hammering away at the high density bed of milfoil in the southern channel.
- **July 10-14:** At the beginning of the week we continued in harvesting in the southern channel.
- **July 17-20:** This week we harvested 2175 pounds in 22.5 dive hours. We surveyed and harvested in the south western (near the marina).
- **July 24-28:** We surveyed and harvested in the southernmost part of the southern channel. We also surveyed and harvested along the eastern shore, helped remove benthic barriers near the small rock island and harvested around the small rock island.
- **July 31 - August 4:** We harvested along the western shore, in the northern cove, along the eastern shore (near Stewart Lane), near the small rock island and in the high density bed in the southern channel.

- **August 7-11:** We harvested along the northeastern shore (Along East Shore Drive), near the Loon Lake Club on the southeastern shore and in the high density bed of milfoil located in the southern channel.
- **August 14-18:** We harvested along the northeastern shore (along East Shore Drive), near the Loon Lake Club on the southeastern shore, around the small rock island, around Blythewood Island and in the northeastern bay.
- **August 21-25:** During a pre dive survey we found a mature bed of milfoil growing near the marina. We cleared this patch and surveyed/harvested throughout the south western cove. We also worked in the northern cove and by the Loon Lake Club.
- **August 28-September 1:** We harvested in the cove between Birchwood Drive and Chester Shores, around the small rock island, around Blythewood Island and along the western shore of the southern channel.
- **September 5-8:** We continued our harvesting in the southern channel. The high density milfoil bed has greatly diminished in size.
- **September 11-15:** We surveyed/harvested along the western shoreline of the southern channel (along Blue Bay road). We also continued our harvesting in the high density bed of milfoil in the southern channel.
- **September 18-22:** We surveyed and harvested near the Marina, around Blythewood Island and along the eastern shore. Milfoil growth was very scattered in all of these areas.
- **September 25-29:** We surveyed and harvested along the western shore along Rt. 9, along Marina Road in the south western cove, and in the southern channel.

- **October 2-12:** We surveyed and harvested around the Marina and in the southern channel. It was a pleasure working with you this season! We have made a significant impact on the milfoil growth. The channel should remain a priority in future harvesting efforts.





2018 Calendar of Events

LLPDA, CHAMBER OF COMMERSE AND TRI-LAKES

Family hike 2017.

MAY

- 9 Ticks and Lyme Presentation - Horicon Municipal Center
- 17 NWCC VIP Dinner - Brant Lake
- 19 LLPDA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING - 9:00 am Dynamite Hill Ski Hut**
- 19 Pedal to Plate - Panther Mountain Inn, Chestertown
- 19 Barney Barnhart Fishing Derby - Brant Lake
- 20 Friends of Chester Library Wine Tasting - Friends Lake Inn
- 28 Memorial Day Parade - Horicon

JUNE

- 1 Car Show Night - The Hub, Brant Lake
- 2 & 3..... Adirondack Woofstock - Municipal Center, Chestertown
- 2 National Trails Day Work or Hike - Chestertown
- 3 Woodstock Revisited Concert - The Hub
- 13, 20, 27..... Farmers' Market - Chestertown Municipal Center
- 15 Car Show Night - Panther Mountain Pub, Chestertown
- 16 Camp928.com Porsche Car Show - Chestertown
- 16 HHHN Ride for the Well of it - The Hub
- 30 Carol Theater - *A Battle of the Saxs* - Chestertown

JULY

- 4, 11, 18, 25 Farmers' Market - Chestertown Municipal Center
- 4, 11, 18, 25 Horicon Fire Dept Bingo - Brant Lake Firehouse
- 5-6..... LLPDA NYS BOATING SAFETY COURSE (2 days) - 9:00 am to 1:00pm, Dynamite Hill Ski Hut**
- 6 Car Show Night - The Hub, Brant Lake
- 7 LLPDA FISHING DERBY (Children up to 16) 9:00 am, Loon Lake Beach**
- 7 SummerFest & Fireworks - Municipal Center, Chestertown
- 8 LLPDA ANNUAL MEETING - 9:30 am at the Town Hall Auditorium. Social 9:30 am, Meeting begins at 10:00 am**
- 10 Bats Talk - Horicon Municipal Center - Brant Lake
- 12 Carol Theater - *Caroline Mother Judge & Co* - Chestertown

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- 13 & 14 Chester Library Booksale - Municipal Center, Chestertown
- 14 Rotary Garage Sale - Chestertown Municipal Center
- 18 Carol Theater - *Great American Songbook* - Chestertown
- 20 Car Show Night - Panther Mountain Inn, Chestertown
- 21 **LLPDA MAGICAL LOON LAKE BOAT PARADE - 4:00 pm Loon Lake**
- 21 Carol Theater - *Woodstock-The Band* - Chestertown
- 28 Seagle Colony Opera for Kids - Municipal Center, Chestertown
- 28 Carol Theater - *Chicago/Total Access* - Chestertown
- 29 HHHN Care for Kids 5k Race - Main Street, Chestertown

AUGUST

- 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Farmers' Market - Chestertown Municipal Center
- 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Horicon Fire Dept Bingo - Brant Lake Firehouse
- 3 Car Show Night - The Hub, Brant Lake
- 3 Carol Theater - *Feast of Friends/Doors Tribute* - Chestertown
- 4 **LLPDA FAMILY WATER CARNIVAL FIELD DAY - 9:00 am Loon Lake Beach**
- 5 **LLPDA FAMILY DAY HIKE - Meet at 9:30 at the bottom of DYNAMITE Hill**
- 7 Fire Towers Talk - Horicon Community Center, Brant Lake
- 10 **LLPDA MARV COLE GOLF TOURNAMENT - 8:00 am at Cronin's**
- 11 Carol Theater - *Across the Pond/Beatles Tribute* - Chestertown
- 11 Hamlet of Adirondack Shindig - Adirondack
- 11 North Country Arts Studio Tour - BL/Chestertown/LG
- 17 **LLPDA GALA DINNER DANCE - 6:00 pm at Cronin's Golf Course**
- 17 Carol Theater - *North Country Jazz Project Benefit* - Chestertown
- 17 Car Show Night - Panther Mountain Inn, Chestertown
- 18 Horicon Day - Horicon Municipal Center
- 18 Chestertown Rotary Golf Tournament - Cronin's Golf Course
- 25 **LLPDA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING - 9:00 am Dynamite Hill Ski Hut**
- 25 Carol Theater - *The Oldies Show* - Chestertown

SEPTEMBER

- 5, 12, 19 Farmers' Market - Chestertown Municipal Center
- 7 Car Show Night - The Hub
- 14-15 Rum Runner Weekend - Various locations, Chestertown
- 16 Helper's Fund 5k & 10K - Main Street, Chestertown
- 21 Car Show Night - Panther Mountain Inn, Chestertown
- 29 Townwide Garage Sale - Various, Brant Lake, Chestertown

OCTOBER

- 6 Great Brant Lake Duck Race – Mill Pond, Brant Lake
- TBD Trunk or Treat – Various Towns and Locations
- TBD Halloween Parade

NOVEMBER

- 27 Taste of the Tri-Lakes - Panther Mountain Inn, Chestertown
- 27 Rotary Memory Tree Lighting - Main Street, Chestertown
- TBD Town of Horicon Tree Lighting - Mill Pond, Brant Lake

DECEMBER

- 9 **LLPDA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING - 9:00 am Dynamite Hill Ski Hut**

2019 - Save the Date

- Jan 26 Brant Lake Ice Fishing Derby
- Feb 16 Brant Lake Winter Carnival - Jimbo's
- Feb 23 Crazy Downhill Derby - Dynamite Hill



The LLPDA Dinner Dance, August 17th

We will be celebrating at Cronin's Golf Resort Patio on Friday evening at 6:00 pm, August 17th. Dance the night away with the **popular live band**, Finger Diddle. The cost per person is \$45.00 and includes hot and cold appetizers, 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 August 10th and send to "LLPDA-Dinner Dance," PO Box 301 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 Ellen Bosan 914-494-2581 or George/Kathy Greenwood 518-494-5725.



GOLF, CHARITY AND VOLUNTEERS

The 25th Annual LLPDA Marv Cole Golf Tournament will be held Friday, August 10th at Cronin's Golf Resort. For this major anniversary, the Golf Committee is planning some special things to make this event the absolute best ever!

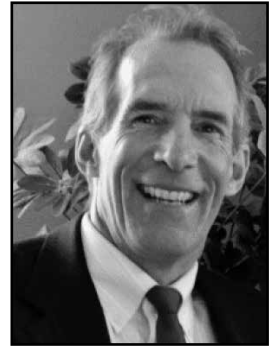
The best ball tournament is entirely funded by the golfers, our local businesses and friends who provide items for the raffle and auction. In the first 25 years we raised and donated nearly \$75,000 (over \$5000 last year) to local Town of Chester charities including the Library, Helpers Fund, Emergency Squad, Fire Department, North Country Ministries, Seventeen Candles, Chester Youth Commission, Community Share Program and others, as well as two College Scholarships annually awarded to North Warren Graduates.

A special thanks to all the past and present members of our golf committee, our supporting businesses, and golfers, for making this event a huge success every year. Please join us as we celebrate our 25th Anniversary...
"Having fun while helping others."



TOWN SUPERVISOR

The Town Board and I hope your winter went well and we look forward to having you spend a wonderful summer with us. Our businesses and community groups are putting on great events and opportunities for all to enjoy.



The Town of Chester was able to stay under the NYS Tax Cap, again, while maintaining the budget for LLPD priority projects. These include dam safety, water quality, and boating safety. A breakdown of the budget is available on the homepage of www.townofchesterny.org

An engineer is being engaged to develop dam spillway reconstruction plans this year. We will plan for work to be done in 2019. We continue to monitor the dam for safety and, although showing signs of wear, there is no immediate need to do dam reconstruction.

Water quality is a primary concern. The LLPDA has helped immensely to oversee the aquatic invasive plant control and we were able to fund another year of intense Eurasian milfoil harvesting with the objective of achieving maintenance levels within 4 years. Our boatwash station and public boat launch continues to do its duty in making sure boats are clean before entering or existing the lake.

Our Loon Lake Constable has retired and after much discussion with residents, the Town Board will be hiring a Lake Safety Officer to take his place. There will be more hours of patrol than in previous years with emphasis on education and safety awareness so all may enjoy the use of the lake, safely.

The Town began an Economic Development Initiative last year and has been gathering data and input. We will be synthesizing the information this summer and prioritizing project areas. Your input would be appreciated. If there are any ideas you would like to share with us, please contact me at supervisor@townofchesterny.org, call 518 494 2711, or stop by the office and see me.

PAYPAL

This year, for your convenience, the LLPDA is adding an "on-line pay option" using PayPal online payment systems. On the LLPDA website, click on the following link: <http://loonlakeassociation.com/new-application.html>. No need to download the application, write a check and mail the letter. Your online payment information is safe and secure as it is against our policy to share any information about our members to other organizations. Of course you can still pay by mail and check. The Loon Lake Park District Association appreciates your support and membership.



Magical Loon Lake Boat Parade



Do you want to be the STAR of your show? Our boat parade is the summer highlight for Loon Lake. Participating is fun, easy and whimsical. You and the kids will have a ball. Let your imaginations run wild! Decorate your boat or just join the fun, show up in your boat on 21 July 2018, 4PM at the Loon Lake Marina. We will motor counterclockwise around the lake. Participate either in the parade or on shore cheering wildly to this precession of friends, family and neighbors. A special thanks to the Vogel Family for organizing this magical event.

LOON LAKE FISHING DERBY

“Hear Yee, Hear Yee all Anglers”...

On July 7th, John MacMillen and Howard Kennedy host at the public beach, the annual world famous LOON LAKE FISHING DERBY. Sign-up is at 9 a.m. and the event is open to all children up to 16 years of age. Our outstanding Chefs, Nancy and Jim Fregoe, are providing free hot dogs, soda and chips for all attendees. The competition ends at noon with prizes awarded in various categories.



MARINA BOAT LAUNCH CLOSED

The Loon Lake Marina boat launch is closed to the general public. Rich Stolen states that the marina’s launch should not be considered a public launch and recommends that the general public use the Town of Chester boat launch. The Town launch enables boaters to be inspected for invasives, cleaned if needed and launched all free of charge.



Remember 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 or any object.** When you leave the

dock or shore maintain 5 MPH until well away and stay slow when near other docks, boats or when in narrow parts of the lake.

IF YOU ARE REPORTING A BOATING OR WATER ACCIDENT REQUIRING IMMEDIATE HELP... CALL 911

2018 ANNUAL MEETING NOTIFICATION - JULY 8TH

The Board of Directors encourages all members to attend the 2018 Annual Meeting on Sunday morning, July 8th in the Auditorium at the Town Municipal Center. Prior to the meeting at 9:30, you are invited to an informal social with refreshments. 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.

NEW YORK STATE BOATING SAFETY COURSE

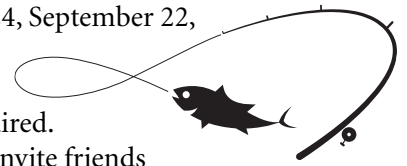
ATTENTION young boaters, ages 11 to 17. Want/need a boating license? The LLPDA is conducting the NEW YORK STATE BOATING SAFETY COURSE, July 5 & 6th (2 days) 9:00 a.m. to 1:00p.m. at the Dynamite Hill Recreation Center (Ski Hut), 3 Dynamite Hill, Chestertown. Class size is limited so sign up early. Register at the Marina (494-3410) and leave a contact phone # and e-mail address. Bring a pen and a snack.

FREE FISHING WEEKEND

REMINDER on June 23-24, September 22, and November 11, 2018 -

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!



FAMILY DAY HIKE

Remember all the fun we had last year. Our famous family day hike, this year will be Sunday, August 5th.

Ages 4 and up are welcome with family members. We will hike up the mountain behind the Hub in Brant Lake. The Hub is a bike shop and restaurant that serves ICE CREAM! The outing is about a 2.5 mile round trip hike with a gradual ascent and spectacular views of Brant Lake. Bring water and snacks. We will meet for the outing at 9:30 at the bottom of DYNAMITE Hill.

Our intrepid leaders are Marti Townley and Roxy Griesmer. Call Marti 518-301-3712 or email mdksshea@aol.com with any questions. Look forward to seeing everyone!





2018 MEMBERSHIP to the LOON LAKE PARK DISTRICT ASSOCIATION, INC.

To join or renew your membership, please visit the Loon Lake Park District website at <http://www.loonlakeassociation.com> and use PayPal or return this form with your check payable to "LLPDA, Inc." . Remember, membership levels are: Membership - \$20.00, Family Sponsor - \$30.00, Gold Sponsor - \$50.00, Platinum Sponsor - \$100.00. Please add or update us on your contact information including your e-mail address. We have applied for 501C3 status and hope that all dues amounts will be tax deductible. A SPECIAL REMINDER!!! . . . and thanks to the residents of Chester Shores, Loon Lake Club, Loon Lake Heights, Forest Shores and Pine Ridge Associations. Your basic 2018 LLPDA Membership Dues are included in your Home Owners Association Fees and will be paid by your HMO. Should you wish to become a higher level sponsor, simply send in the amount for that level minus the \$20.00 which has been provided by your HMO.

- MEMBERSHIP\$ 20.00
- FAMILY SPONSOR.....\$ 30.00
- GOLD SPONSOR.....\$ 50.00
- PLATINUM SPONSOR..... \$100.00

NAME: _____

EMAIL: _____

HOME/MAILING ADDRESS: _____

SUMMER ADDRESS (include house number and street): _____

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)



25TH ANNUAL LLPDA MARV COLE GOLF TOURNAMENT

This tournament is always a huge success with a full complement of 144 golfers. This special Anniversary tournament will likely be even more popular than before. 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 10, 2018 at Cronin's Golf Resort. **PLAYERS MUST ARRIVE BY 8:00 AM** for check in and an 8:30 AM shotgun start. Cost is **\$80 PER PERSON**. 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 293, Chestertown, NY 12817.

LLPDA Member's Name _____

Total # in group: Men _____ Women _____

List Team Members:

Phone: Local _____

Home _____

Cell _____

E-mail: _____



FAMILY WATER CARNIVAL & FIELD DAY

Fun and festivities for children ages 3-15 on August 4th at the Loon Lake Park District Beach. Thank you to Doris Gargan and her Family for organizing the Family Water Carnival. Games start at 9AM with Prizes, Soda and Hot Dogs at noon, to conclude the event.



ADIRONDACK LAKES ALLIANCE

We now are in the beginning discussion stages with Adirondack Lakes Alliance, the technical staff at the Adirondack Park Agency and the Adirondack Park Invasive Plant Program to explore a methodology for evaluating and assessing the work being done on our lake which will help in our future planning endeavors. We believe this process will not only be of help to LLPDA but may serve as an effective planning tool and model for many of the other lakes within the Adirondack region.



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Three circular logos for the Loon Lake Park District Association 2018 sponsors: Platinum Sponsor, Gold Sponsor, and a third logo with a loon illustration.

A Special Thank You to my editors - Noelle and Jo Anne

