



SYLVIA LAKE BREEZE

SYLVIA LAKE ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER ~ SPRING, 2013

SHOOTING THE BREEZE — Barb Maloy Kane _____ Sylvia Lake Association President

This time of year always gives rise to Spring fever. Spring can't be rushed as it will tease and torment until finally, the ice is out, the crocus sprout and yes, you can flush out, the antifreeze. It doesn't matter how long or mild the winter, the anticipation of Spring, carries with it a renewed sense of energy and optimism. Spring was my father's favorite time of year. His many comments about springtime echo in my memories of him each spring.

First of all, this will be the only newsletter for 2013. For any updates, please refer to the website and postings on your road. We strive very hard to get those postings up and keep them current.

We have many activities planned throughout the summer for which there may be last minute

changes depending on the weather. If anyone has any questions, concerns or needs to report something, don't hesitate to call or email anyone of the board members. Contact information is on the website. Before I go any further, I would like to thank Shari Barnhart for doing such a wonderful job on the website.

On behalf of the Sylvia Lake Association Board, I would like to invite everyone to the 7th Summer Season Kick-Off at the Gouverneur Country Club on Friday, June 28th at 6pm. There will be free Hors D'oeuvres, raffles and cash bar. This is a great opportunity to catch up with your lake neighbors. Summer events will be outlined, including the return of the boat parade.

I would like to wish all of you a safe and happy summer!



2013 SLA Board

(Standing) Wayne Jones, Ralph Undercoffler, Jim Jackson, Dave Syrek, Sandy Kraker, (Seated) Barb Maloy Kane, Robyn Estey, (missing) Bill deLorraine and Michele Lallier

ICE OUT 2013 _____

Congratulations to Shirley Putnam and Lora Hatch. Shirley lives on Sylvia's shore while Lora could hardly live farther away — Oregon.



Thank you, again Gary Jones (our judge), Judy Butz and everyone who participated. Fifty-five people sent in Ice Out guesses.

For a list of Ice Out dates from 1938 to the present, visit the website : www.sylvialake.org/IceOutDates.pdf

LOTS OF OPPORTUNITIES TO GIVE BACK TO SYLVIA LAKE

A big thank you from the SLA to all those who serve on the committees or volunteer to help the work of our committees. We are always looking for a few extra people to volunteer at summer events to either help set up or tear down. "Many hands make light work."

There are five "standing committees" specified in the Sylvia Lake Association constitution. If you are interested in getting involved in the work being done by any of the Association committees, contact a committee member. They will receive you joyfully!

For example, if you would be interested in being trained to do water testing? Or volunteer some time keeping our boat launch area clean? Or help fight the milfoil weed? Did you know our milfoil was being controlled without weevils or chemicals? We are using benthic barrier mats.

There are many fun and interesting activities being done by the Association. We need help in setting up the tent, transporting tables and chairs, and cleaning up after the Summer Picnic. Please contact Barb or Wayne. For board member's contact information, consult the website's Association page: www.sylvialake.org/association.html

<p>Sanitation/ Water Testing Lea Dickson David Syrek Linda Syrek</p> <p>Fish & Game Gale Ferguson Gary Scott <i>Pumphouse:</i> Dave McGrath</p>	<p>Navigation Gail Ferguson Sandy Kraker</p> <p><i>Safe Boating Course:</i> Ralph Undercoffler</p> <p>Social Committee <i>Spring Meeting:</i> Linda Syrek Faye Lockwood</p>	<p><i>Picnic:</i> Wayne Jones Barbara Kane</p> <p><i>Concert:</i> Gale Ferguson Sandy Kraker</p> <p><i>Boat Parade:</i> Robyn Esty Barb Kane</p>	<p><i>Communications:</i> Shari Barnhart</p> <p>Nominating & Constitution Olive Horning Linda Syrek Lea Dickson</p>
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To get this event back on its feet, we will need volunteers to help line up boats and someone from each shore to judge.



2013 ASSOCIATION DUES

Special thanks for those that have generously donated to the Sylvania Lake Association and/or who have paid their dues. Dues cover the calendar year. (Jan 1-Dec 31) Dues help fund standing and special committees, mailings, water testing, the annual picnic, 911 road signs, concerts, milfoil abatement, navigation aids, the Sylvania Lake website, and other miscellaneous projects and activities.

1. Mail your dues directly to: Michele Lallier, SLA Treasurer
13 Rosebriar Avenue, Massena, NY 13662
2. Pay with a credit card online via the secure Sylvania Lake website www.sylvialake.org
3. Use the enclosed self addressed, stamped envelope.
4. Attend the Summer Kick-Off and pay your dues then.

Reminder: Please don't forget to pay your Road Dues to your designated person.

Sylvia Lake Association : OFFICERS & BOARD MEMBERS

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SYLVIA LAKE ONLINE ~ 10 — www.sylvialake.org

Be sure to visit the Sylvania Lake website. Updated regularly year round, it has been serving the Sylvania Lake community since 2003. This summer marks the 10th Anniversary. Visit the archived featured stories!!

The Classified Ads are interesting and open to all Sylvania Lakers. There are always items for sale or lost and found. The General Store offers hats, mugs, and other Sylvania Lake merchandise, sold through our Cafe Press online store.



Saturday, July 6 ~ 6:00 PM — SUMMER CONCERT ON THE WATER

The band will play from Turner’s deck - on the West Shore - Featuring: Mike Welch, Robert Reynolds, Don Cannamela and Stewart Foster. Thanks to Betsy and Alan Turner for the use of their “stage.” Fishing Derby prizes will be awarded at this event.

Saturday July 20 ~ 11:00 AM — THE BOAT PARADE RETURNS!



Boats should be “dressed” for the parade in your choice of theme: Wild-Wild West, Happy Days, Mardi Gras, Hee Haw-Yee Haw, '70's/80's TV, movies, Broadway Musicals, Disney, Sports, you-name-it. The parade will start at Indian Head at 11:00 AM. We are looking for volunteers to help that morning, lining up the boats and general assistance. Please contact Barb Maloy Kane or Robyn Esty.

1. The Most Spirited and Enthusiastic Float
2. Creative Children’s Award (50% of float needs to have been done by children)
3. Best Theme

Judges: We will need one from each shore (yet to be selected, volunteers accepted!)

Prizes: will be awarded at the Sylvia Lake Association picnic that same day.

More information on the boat parade will be posted on the website and road postings.

Saturday July 20 ~ 1:00 PM — SYLVIA LAKE ASSOCIATION PICNIC

The picnic is free to association members. Thank you, again to Dick and Mary Jane Jones, who generously host the event at their camp on the West Shore. We ask that you bring a dish to pass. Soda, hamburgers, hotdogs, sausages, rolls, plates, napkins and utensils will be provided.

Calling all Volunteers! There is always a need for volunteers to help set up for the picnic and to tear down. Donations are appreciated. Contact Wayne Jones or Barb Kane.



CHARLIE FERGUSON MEMORIAL

2012 FISHING DERBY

Largest Largemouth Bass
Louden Porter

Largest Rock Bass
The McKelvey Boys
(no photo)

Largest Smallmouth Bass
Cody Syrek

Youngest Fisherman
Tyler Cormier
Harter Camp

Most Rock Bass
Faye Hopper Camp
Hayden & Nara Roberts

Most Dedicated Fishermen
Avery Hayden
(contributed a derby winner last week to SLU study)
Rory Hayden
(1/2" short of largest bass)

ZZZZZ FISHING IS HARD WORK!

The 31st Annual Charlie Ferguson Memorial Fishing Derby will be held Fri., July 5 and Sat., July 6. Weigh-in from 1-4 pm each day. Awards will be given out at the summer concert the evening of July 6th.



The NYS Safe Boating Certification course, taught right here at Sylvia Lake by Ralph Undercoffler, will be held Wednesday, July 24 to Friday, July 26 in Shari Barnhart and Lea Dickson's garage at 16 Hotel Road, 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM.

Nine hours are required for certification: 3 hours instruction on days 1 and 2 and 3 hours on day 3 for review, test, paperwork, and licensing.

Water Quality Committee Report by Dave Syrek , Sanitation and Water Committee

The committee is presently involved with Bacteriological testing, waste water and septic management, a St Lawrence University Grant to assess our lake's overall health, and the Adirondack Lakes Assessment Program [ALAP] <www.protectadks.org>. You can download a copy of Sylvia's 2012 ALAP Report on our website. It was published in January, 2013 with data collected by volunteers over the summer of 2012. www.sylvialake.org/2013/ALAP2012.pdf

Bacteriological Testing Report; This year we only tested for e-coli bacteria in our lake. E-Coli does not naturally occur and is the State's marker for contamination from septic systems. In the 12 different locations that were tested, the e-coli levels were less than 1 unit /100ml., which is very good for our lake. Keep up the good work.

SYLVIA LAKE SUMMER FUN 2013



- **Spring SLA Board Meeting** : June 8 – 3:00 PM – Maloy Camp.
- **Summer Kick Off** : June 28 – 6:00 PM – Gouverneur Country Club - appetizers, overview of summer activities, some raffles and a drawing.
- **Charlie Ferguson Memorial Fishing Derby** : Friday, July 5 – Saturday, July 6
Weigh-in from 1:00-4:00 PM each day. Awards will be presented at the concert.
- **Summer Concert on the Water** : July 6 – 6:00 PM – Band plays from Turner's Deck - West Shore. Featuring: Mike Welch, Robert Reynolds, Don Cannamela and Stewart Foster.
- **Sylvia Lake Boat Parade** : Saturday, July 20 – 11:00 AM – line up at Indian Head.
- **Sylvia Lake Picnic** : Saturday, July 20 – 1:00-3:00 PM – Dick and Mary Jane Jones' Camp.
- **Safe Boating Course** : 9:30 AM-12:30 PM, July 26, 27 & 28. The course will be held at Sylvia Lake. If interested, contact Ralph Undercoffler at rundercoffler@gmail.com
- **Fall General Meeting** : Friday, Aug. 9 – 7:00 PM – Fowler Town Hall.
- **Fall SLA Board Meeting** : Saturday, Aug. 17 – 3:00 PM - Maloy Camp.

Sylvia Lake Association
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clearly posted on your property.**

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www.sylvialake.org