

Cossayuna Lake

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Pavilion Rental information can be obtained from Eileen LeBlanc 692-3360

Letter from The President

Albina Grignon

Happy spring! We are all looking forward to a wonderful, warm, spring and summer. However, in looking out the window we see that the lake is still frozen. What a winter we had! Many thanks to Nancy Hieber and the Schultz Family for working the Ice Fishing Tourney and ensuring the raffle was such a success. Congratulations to Joe Bravata, the lucky winner of the raffle!

As you know we are reaching out to the lake community and encouraging more families to be involved in the Association. To this end we are sponsoring a

family ice cream social on Sunday, May 29 at the Association. Keep your eyes focused on the signs around the lake for more details. We plan to offer the Friday night dinners in July and August as well as several dances this year. If anyone has suggestions for additional activities, please let us know. My email address is: albina.grignon@gmail.com

The Citizens Statewide Lake Assessment Program (CSLAP) has made several changes to the 2011 program. The most significant is the implementation of a rotational schedule. Some lakes will rotate out of the

program for a single year so new lakes can be brought in. Cossayuna Lake was identified as 'rotated out' for one year. Cossayuna Lake will resume the water sample testing program in 2012.

The annual cleanup of the Association building and grounds is scheduled for May 21 at 9:00 a.m. We hope many of you can help out. Many hands make light work. Thank you.

I wish all of you a fun filled lake season. I look forward to seeing you at the Association events.

Membership Report

Nancy Hieber

We would like to thank all of you who have already sent in your membership application for this year. We hope to see all of last year's members join again this year and to bring in new members as well.

Current membership is a requirement for these benefits: Access to Harvesting services which begin in May – Voting privileges at the June General and August Election meetings – Opportunity

to serve on the CLIA Board of Directors and committees – Reduced pavilion rental rate – Access to the CLIA dock and beach area – Satisfaction of being a Cossayuna Lake caretaker.

Your membership contribution and donations to the CLIA are tax deductible to the extent of the law.

I look forward to hearing from each of you who haven't joined yet this year and to see you at the General and

Election meetings.

If you have any questions about the status of your membership or harvesting applications, you can email me at whiebersr@aol.com or call me at 518-692-9206.

A copy of both applications are here in this newsletter and available online at our website.

Social Committee **Nora Jepson**

This season promises to be filled with good times, good weather and good food!

We have put our Doo-Wop Friday meals to rest. Beginning Friday, July 8th and continuing through Friday, August 26th there will be a new venue, with changes to the menu and music. The venue will be one of "going to the islands". The menu will be Caribbean and the music will be Reggae. The hours will be different, starting at 5:00PM, serving food until 9:00PM and remaining open until 11:00PM. You can expect lots of music and a Tiki Lounge like atmosphere, both inside and out, accompanied by torches, lounge chairs, and a tiki bar (BYOB) featuring our weekly Tahitian Punch.

Our weekly meal will be self serve, along with burgers and dogs. Dwight will be cooking outside on the grill just incase what's on the menu does not interest you.

Burgers \$2, Hot Dogs \$1, Meal of the Evening \$6. The ticket for your meal will be purchased at the door and surrendered at the food bar.

I hope this works for everyone. We tried to eliminate the need for fryers, grillers, RB Float makers, order takers, waitresses and waiting in line... freeing us all up for fun!

Last year's teams were difficult to come by. This year we will still need volunteers, only in different positions:

- A door greeter, taking payment for food tickets
- A grill assistant, providing assistance to Dwight
- A bartender, manning the outside Tiki Bar, punch bowl, ice, cups, etc.
- An assistant chef, to assist Nora in the kitchen
- A clean up crew, to put away the food and wash up

Also, we plan on more outside activities for our lake youth. It would be much appreciated if anyone wants to donate games such as sinkers, ladder golf, etc. We will have two youth directors each Friday evening to supervise children activities.

Additional events, some back by popular demand and some new to our schedule will be; an Italian Night, The Boat Parade, Open Mic Nite and a Buffet Breakfast.

Please join us at Calypso's at Cossayuna. Island Grillin' & Summer Chillin' ! Fridays July 8th thru August 26th
Lots of great events make up a super fun summer schedule.

C.L.I.A. 2011 Summer Event Schedule

Saturday	May 21	Spring Clean Up
Sunday	May 22	Spring Clean Up Rain Date
Sunday	May 29	Ice Cream Social
Saturday	June 11	General Meeting 10 AM
Saturday	June 11	Pig Roast
Saturday	June 25	Boaters Safety Course
Sunday	July 3	Boat Parade
Monday	July 4	Boat Parade Rain Date
Saturday	July 16	LaBoom
Saturday	July 23	Jerry Simon Junior Mem Fishing Tournament
Saturday	August 13	D.J. Dance – Mobil Sound
Saturday	August 20	Election Mtg & Bake Sale
Saturday	August 20	Open Mic Nite
Saturday	August 27	Chicken Barbeque

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April 2011

Dear Members and Friends,

The CLIA board has chosen to hold the line on the cost of member participation in the harvesting program at \$125. For this you are entitled to have your shoreline harvested each time the crew circles the lake. The crew usually provides 3 cycles per season. In 2010 we were able to complete 4 cycles, but that's not the norm. The 3 cycles, in addition to meeting our contracts with both towns, typically takes the full season.

If you would like to participate in the program, complete this form and return it to the letterhead address with a check for \$125.00 by May 27, 2011. You must be a member of the CLIA to participate in the program, and you may include your dues if you have not yet joined. If you do not have a weed problem where you are located, or you choose not to be a member of the Association but would like to make an "unrestricted" donation to the program, it would be most welcome and your gift will be used in overall lake improvement.

Name _____

Home Address _____

City, State, Zip _____ Telephone # _____

Address of Lake Property _____

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Address of Lake Property _____

Primary mailing address _____

Seasonal mailing address _____

Summer phone # _____ Winter # _____

E-mail address _____
(for messages relating to CLIA purposes only)

Please indicate your membership choice and send your payment to CLIA, PO Box 81, Cossayuna, NY 12823

Please circle your choice.

\$75 Single	1 Vote	1 membership	1 name
\$75 Dual	1 Vote	1 membership	2 names
\$95 Joint	2 Votes	2 memberships	2 names

Check Amount \$ _____

Check Number # _____

Please indicate how the membership card should read:

Examples: Single: John Doe

Dual: John/Jane Doe

Joint: John Doe & Jane Doe

Cossayuna Lake Improvement Association Minutes of the Election Meeting - August 28, 2010

Present: A. Grignon, S. Harwood, N. Hieber, R. Hutchinson, N. Jepson, L. Lant, E. LeBlanc, P. Moore, K. Pauley, D. Rokjer, M. Rokjer

Acting President P. Moore called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. and established a quorum.

Minutes: The minutes of the July 24, 2010 meeting were reviewed. R. Baldwin made the motion to approve. L. Wilbur seconded. They were unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report: R. Hutchinson stated that we currently have a general account which is the operational account and includes the income from membership dues. The Harvesting account includes the Harvesting Equipment Replacement Fund and the Harvesting account. The balances in both of these accounts are listed below.

General fund balance:	\$51,178.25
Harvesting Account	\$42,404.06

R. Hutchinson stated that the association is financially sound because of the participation of the lake community. W. Kostuk made the motion to approve the Treasurer's report. M. Lettus seconded. It was unanimously approved.

Insurance: R. Hutchinson indicated that the association has insurance for the harvesting equipment, the truck, and worker's compensation. He also stated that the Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer are bonded.

Rentals: E. LeBlanc indicated that there are seven rentals for the 2010 season.

Membership: N. Hieber indicated that there are 221 members to date and there were 239 members last year.

Education: P. Moore stated that 18 people participated in the boater's safety course in June. There will be another boater's safety course next year. He stated that everyone who operates a boat must pass the safety course.

Newsletter: L. Lant indicated that the newsletter is sent to 419 homes four times a year.

Building and Grounds: The fall cleanup is schedule for October 9 at 10:00 a.m. with a rain date of October 10. Many hands make light work.

Social: A. Grignon apologized for running out of hamburgers at the last doo wop. There will be a new theme next year with a new menu. Watch the newsletter and the signs for more information. She stated that the free ice cream social is scheduled for Friday, September 3, 2010 at 5:30 p.m. The last dance of the season with a D.J. is scheduled for September 4 at 7:00 p.m.

Harvesting: D. Rokjer stated that there were four harvesting cycles completed this year and five cycles on the south end. Listed below is the summary of the harvesting program.

Income:	\$38,335.00
Expenses:	\$32,301.25
Balance:	\$ 6,033.75 to be carried over for equipment replacement.

He also stated that the association needs to put money away for a new harvester. The current harvester is 5 years old and it only has a 15 year life expectancy. He stated that there were 511 hours recorded on the machine this year. He also said that the harvesting program started a week earlier this year.

Spillway: D. Rokjer reported that the spillway is deteriorating somewhat with water running underneath it. He contacted DEC to see if we can make minor repairs to the spillway. He has not yet heard from them. R. Hutchinson stated that our liability insurance covers the spillway. D. Rokjer indicated that he starts to draw down the lake after Columbus Day weekend.

By Laws: K. Pauley indicated that the changes to the by laws were included in the last newsletter sent to the residents. She indicated that most of the changes were grammatical mistakes. She indicated that in Article III that there are additions to this article which include that the Treasurer **and** the Assistant Treasurer are responsible for the financial affairs of the corporation. In Article III the paragraph about a separate spillway account will be deleted. Article III will change to the past president **may** serve as ex officio on the board ...**at the request of the Board of Directors.** She also recommended deleting Article XI

because it is duplicated within Article XVIII. She recommended that Article XIV read -the corporation **may** maintain separate accounting books.....**following recommendations** of its Certified Public Accountant **and the Finance Committee, upon approval of the Board of Directors.** The by-laws were unanimously approved.

Lake Management Plan: K. Pauley indicated that the Lake Management Plan was included in the last newsletter. As in last year's plan, the following statement appeared: *Suspend the chemical program during the year 2011 after which time the board of directors will evaluate the results of this action.*

R. Garms stated that there was a recent article in the *Post Star* stating that there was an experimental program using Triclopyr herbicide to kill milfoil in the south cove of Lake Luzerne on May 17, 2010. The chemical application was the first of its kind within the Adirondack Park and officials hope the application will get an 85-percent kill on the existing milfoil. The south cove was partitioned off with a barrier to contain the test. R. Baldwin recommended that the 2011 lake management plan include this review. M. Lettus stated that is should be placed in the lake management plan.

The following amendment was added to the Lake Management Plan: The board will research and report on the usage of an alternative chemical treatment plan. Specifically, the use of triclopyr will be researched and reported on.

R. Baldwin made the motion to add the amendment. R. Garms seconded the motion. It was approved.

New Business: R. Baldwin indicated that he thought that the DEC took the docks out of the boat launch too early last year. He asked if we could get the DEC to keep the docks in until after Columbus Day. A. Grignon stated that she will call DEC on behalf of the Association to see if they will extend the time they take out the docks.

L. Ebinger asked if the board could have a few dinners on Saturday night next year since many people don't get to the lake on Friday until after the dinner has ended.

Nominations: The nominated officers and board members were introduced. Pres. Moore appointed Alan Lant and Ellie Tokarz to act as tellers. The official ballot was distributed and the membership was asked to vote for the candidates. The list below reflects the newly elected officers and directors.

President Albina Grignon
Vice President Kelly Pauley
Secretary Marie Rokjer
Treasurer Richard Hutchinson

Directors	Leslie Lant	3 year term
	Stephanie Harwood	3 year term
	Dan Rokjer	3 year term
	Lawrence Varney	3 year term
	Michael Mound	2 year term
	Cheryl Smith	2 year term

C. Smith made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:32 a.m. H. Emmert seconded.

Respectfully submitted,

Albina Grignon
Secretary

2010 Cash Flow Statement			
Income Stmt	General	Harvesting	Total
Advertising	855.00		855.00
Building Rental	1360.00		1360.00
Dues	16863.00		16863.00
Fundraising	3915.66		3915.66
Social Events	4344.55		4344.55
Miscellaneous	30.00	25.00	55.00
Harvesting			
Fees		23733.36	23733.36
Argyle Grant		7350.00	7350.00
Greenwich Grant		2675.00	2675.00
Insurance			
Refund Interest		261.00	261.00
Income	296.56	242.30	538.86
Total	\$ 27,664.77	\$ 34,286.66	\$ 61,951.43
Expense Stmt	General	Harvesting	Total
Office	2541.55		2541.55
Building	2331.73		2331.73
Insurance	4337.72	1658.18	5995.90
Rental Refund	350.00		350.00
Dues Refund	347.00		347.00
Social	2667.08		2667.08
Fundraising	2400.49		2400.49
Payroll		12998.31	12998.31
Payroll Taxes		2386.47	2386.47
Harvesting			
Supplies		7793.57	7793.57
Harvesting			
Fuel		1986.81	1986.81
Harvesting Mtg		6373.20	6373.20
Membership			
Costs	800.00		800.00
Vehicle			
Purchase		12970.00	12970.00
Total	\$ 15,775.57	\$ 46,166.54	\$ 61,942.11

Submit Your Best Cossayuna Lake Photo

Once again we will be holding the annual "Our Beautiful Lake Picture Contest". As spring approaches and we see signs of life all around us, we'll also begin to see more signs of life on the Lake. But you don't have to wait until summer to get your camera out to take that winning picture. No

matter what time of year it is, it's always a good season for a memorable picture of our Lake.

Hopefully, you took some great fall and winter pictures.

Also, please try to get pictures with as high of a resolution as possible. As you know, the winning picture is featured on the

following year's Cossayuna Lake promotional items (t-shirts, mugs, etc.).

The companies who create these items for us ask that the picture resolution be a minimum of 600 KB to ensure top quality promotional items.

Voting for the winning picture will take place

during the month of July and the winner announced in August. We have had some really spectacular pictures submitted in our first three annual contests. We can't wait to see what will be submitted this year. Good Luck!

There are just a few picture contest rules.

1. Cossayuna Lake "must" be in the picture somewhere.
2. It must be a "digital" picture.
3. Send a copy of the picture(s) via email to Steve Frenchak at:
SFrenchak@aol.com
4. We will allow "each person" to enter a maximum of 7 (seven) pictures.
5. All entries must be submitted to Steve Frenchak by June 30, 2010.

Spring Cleaning

Earth Day is approaching (April 22nd) as is the inevitable spring clean up that we all have ahead of us. Even if it does not occur on Earth Day, it is still important to the community. Included are some simple steps for us all to follow that will improve the visual and environmental status of our lake.

1. Cleaning garbage from the road side around the lake.
2. Remembering that we should not rake our leaves into the lake.
3. Spreading the word to lake front residents that raking aquatic weeds, without removing them from the lake, is similar to 're-gifting' that unwanted package ☺

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Harvesting Marie Rokjer

We're including a harvesting application form with this newsletter for all those members who wish to be harvested in the 2011 season but have not yet sent in their harvesting payment. To date, we have received application forms from 52 members with \$1280.00 collected in additional donations to the program. In 2010 the harvesting program had 126 participants and \$1860.00 was received in donation money which was greatly appreciated.

Both townships are participating again this year in the harvesting program to maintain the open waters of Cossayuna Lake. Argyle

is contributing \$7350.00 to the program and Greenwich is contributing \$2675.00. Town contracts will be started before individual customers will be harvested.

We hope to get the program started by mid-

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May opening the outlet at the south end of the lake. Please call Dan Rokjer @ 518-692-9270 or Joe Bravata @ 518-692-9339 if you have any questions on the harvesting program.

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