

Cossayuna Lake

SUMMER NEWSLETTER

2021

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Photo courtesy of Kristan Pelletier

CLIA in Action!

On June 4th the “Band Wives” put on Cossayuna’s first Friday Night Dinner of the summer season. Hamburgers and hotdogs from Locust Grove were served, as well as baked beans, delicious salads and dessert made and donated by these ladies. The Lakesiders Band took the stage later to a full house... and for the first time in over a year, we danced!



We have such a great community here. Friday night dinners have been a tradition of fun and fund-raising for our lake! Do you have a group of friends or neighbors that would like to volunteer to host a Friday Night Dinner this summer? There are lots of Friday nights left! It’s a fun way to get together and show some love for our lake! Please call Lynn LeCours 518-253-9377 for info on hosting a Friday Night Dinner or to volunteer at any events.

On June 6th resident “birders” David and Cheryl Smith conducted a well attended and entertaining seminar on birding, complete with a slide show and recordings of many of the feathered inhabitants of the lake area. Many thanks to Marie Dumas for coordinating the event.



2021 Event Calendar: June - July (be sure to check cossayunalake.com for updates!)

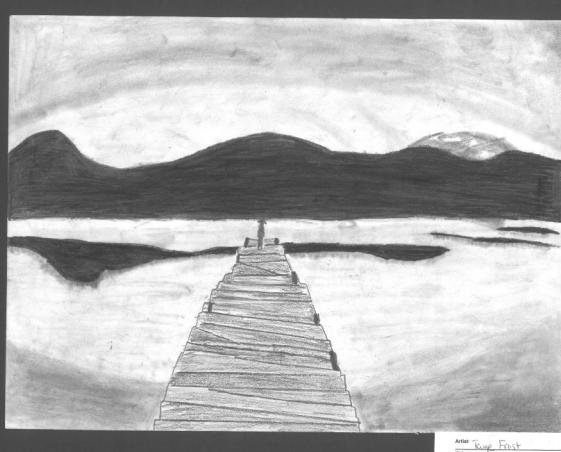


June 2021

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
14 Hula Hoop Fitness Class w/ L Jackson! 9-9:40 am. \$3 + a canned good.	15	16	17	18	19 <i>Private Rental Time TBA</i>	20
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July 2021

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
			1	2	3 Boat Parade! CLIA dock @ 2pm Clubhouse - Private Rental 	4 Boat parade - rain date if necessary
5	6	7	8	9	10 <i>Private Rental Time TBA</i>	11  Ice Cream Social 1 - 3 pm
12	13  Water Chestnut Picking! 10 am Baldwin's Cove	14	15	16 Music with Jeff Williams! 7-10pm \$6 + a canned food item for the Cossayuna Food Pantry	17 <i>Private Rental Time TBA</i>	18
19	20	21	22	23	24 <i>Christmas in July!</i> 6-9 pm Board Meeting 9:30 am	25
26  Water Chestnut Picking! 10 am Baldwin's Cove	27	28	29	30 <i>Wine Tasting!</i> 4 - 6 pm \$12 pp 	31	



Drawing courtesy of Taye Frost

2021 Event Calendar: August - Sept (be sure to check cossayunlake.com for updates!)



August 2021

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
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2	3	4	5	6 <i>Pizza Night</i> w/ Joe's Dough 2 Go!	7	8
				13 5 – 8 pm Family fun! Food + Prizes!	14 <i>Board Meeting</i> 9:30 am	15
16	17	18	19	20	21 <i>Annual Election Meeting!</i> 10:00 am	22
23	24	25	26	27	28 Our Lake Chicken BBQ	29
30	31					

September 2021

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
		1	2 <i>Country Line Dancing with Jackie Flemming!</i>	3	4	5
6	7	8	9 <i>Country Line Dancing with Jackie Flemming!</i>	10	11 Joe Bravada's 90 th Birthday Bash!	12
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20	21	22	23 <i>Country Line Dancing with Jackie Flemming!</i>	24	25 Monster Bash Costume Party! 6 pm Details TBA	26
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President's Message

by Evelyn Costello, CLIA President

Greetings,

It was wonderful to see so many of you at our General Membership Meeting. The best part for me were the smiles, not hiding behind the masks! It was a productive meeting and the minutes will be posted on our website shortly. We have lots of fun special events coming up for all ages! Please take time to look at the calendar and join us! We look forward to a wonderful summer season with you all!

Evelyn

2021 Herbicide Treatment Update

by Sheila Rappazzo, Herbicide Chair

The herbicide treatment of the Lake took place on Thursday May 20th. Weather conditions were good for the treatment. The air boat, which has been used in prior years and is loud and very noticeable, was **not** used by Solitude to do the application this year. The boat they used for the herbicide application for the Curlyleaf Pondweed was just a regular boat; it looked like a fishing boat, definitely not as noticeable as the air boat. Aquathol is a liquid which they put into the water with a hose from the boat.

We were planning to treat for both Curlyleaf Pondweed and Milfoil. While the pre-treatment survey found very little Milfoil in the areas identified in our application to DEC in the northern 2/3rds of the lake, there were areas identified in the south end of lake. However, due to a number of missteps by Solitude, the herbicide used for Milfoil was not available when treatment needed to be done for the Curlyleaf. This is a significant concern for us, and we will be following up with Solitude.

Thanks to the donations of many we were able to proceed with the treatment, though at a scaled back level from what had been anticipated. 35 acres were treated. Keeping Milfoil and Curlyleaf Pondweed in check is a daunting task. Both are very resilient, aggressive, invasive weeds.

If you have questions (including what kinds of weeds you have by your dock), please contact Sheila Rappazzo at sarappazzo@yahoo.com or 518-429-8312 (call or text).

Water Chestnut Pull

by Gene Henry, Water Chestnut Removal Chair

Mark your calendar! This season's pulls are scheduled for Monday, June 28th, Tuesday, July 13th and Monday, July 26th. All sessions start at 10:00 am. For the June 28th session, we will

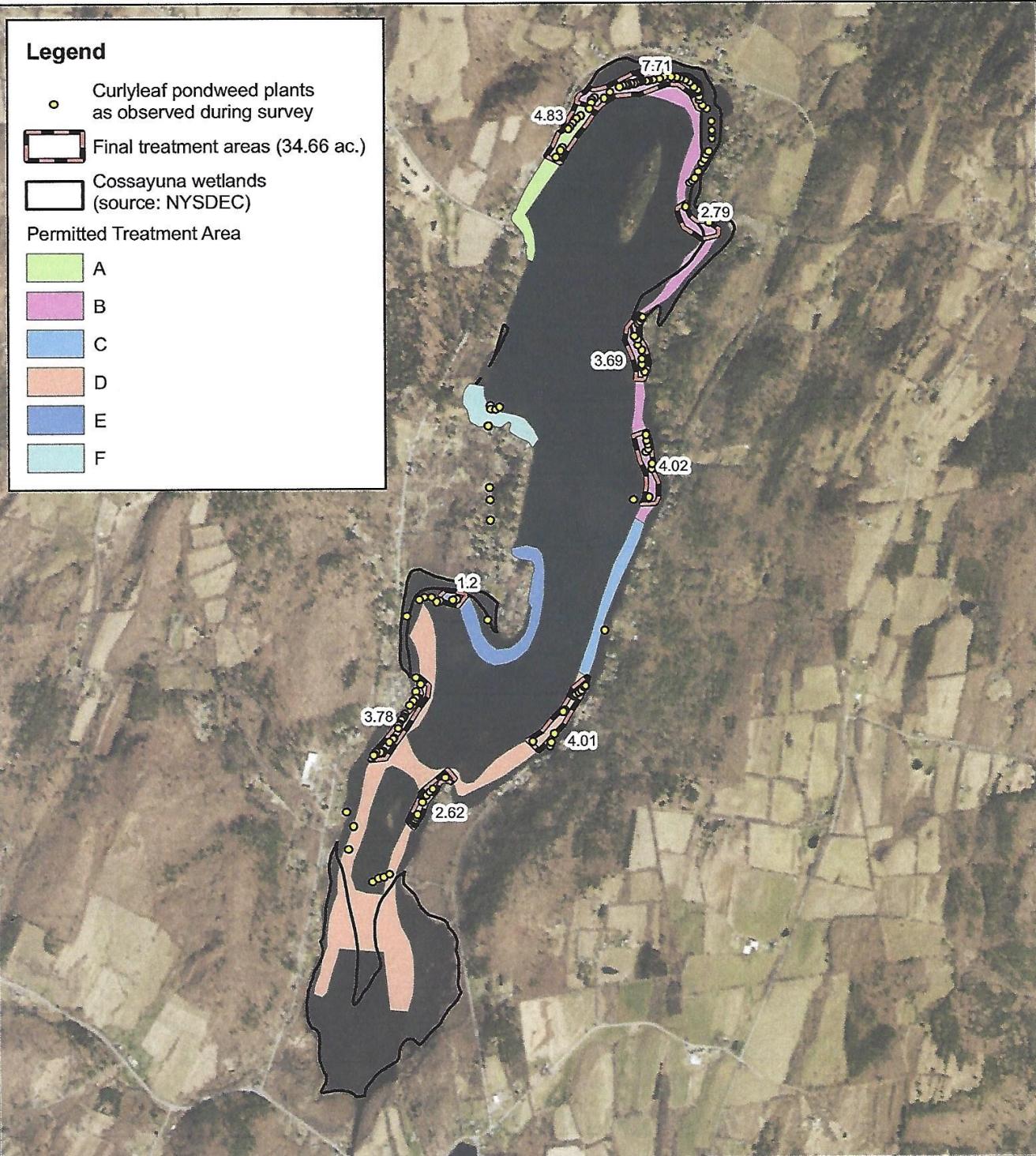
convene in **Baldwin's Cove**. Water chestnuts are an invasive species, and if you've ever stepped on one, you know the importance of eradicating this aquatic pest. Through the efforts of many cheerful volunteers, we have been able to keep the water chestnuts at bay. However, we must remain ever vigilant! Come join us for some good filthy fun and fellowship, and help keep your lake healthy!



2021 Herbicide Treatment Map

2021 Potential Treatment Areas

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Map Date: 02/08/21
Prepared by: KS
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Nominations for the August Election

Joanne Bonacker, Nominating Chair

The Board of Directors for the Cossayuna Lake Improvement Association (CLIA) consists of 4 Officers and 12 Directors. Officers serve 1-year terms and Directors serve 3-year terms. Each year, all Officer positions and 4 Director positions are up for election.

Officer Positions

This year, all CLIA Officers are seeking re-election:

Evelyn Costello for President
Lynn LeCours for Vice President
Rick Ryan for Treasurer
Anne Marie Marrone Caliendo for Secretary

Director Positions

With regard to the 4 open Director positions, Gene Henry and Peggy Pahoulis wish to continue and will stand for re-election. Charlie Cook and Lynn Pollock have decided not to run again. During the June Membership Meeting, nominations to fill the 2 open Director positions were accepted from the floor.

The candidates who were nominated at the meeting to fill the open Director positions are:

Marie Dumas
Lynn Jackson
Karen Ryan

Since there are more candidates than open positions, we will hold a contested election. Brief bios of the candidates will be distributed to the membership prior to the August Election Meeting.

Thank you to all officers and directors who donated so much of their time to care for the lake we all share. Please contact JoAnne Bonacker at (518) 369-9889 or at ibona5@aol.com if you have questions with regard to the upcoming elections.

Membership Update

Peg Pahoulis, Membership Chair

Welcome to Summer 2021! Quite a few properties have changed hands in recent months so if you have a new neighbor, bring them to a social event, introduce them to other folks, and encourage them to join the CLIA. As of June 16th, we have 283 members representing 222 households.

By the time you're reading this, the first issue of the 2021 Membership Contact Directory will have been distributed. Be sure to let me know if there's an error or if your information changes. And remember, being in this directory is entirely voluntary. If you have any questions about your membership, I'm always available at PegP413@gmail.com or 518-692-9328. Have a great summer!

Social Chair Opening

The CLIA is in need of a new Social Chair for the 2022 season. Anyone interested should contact Lynn LeCours for details. 518.253.9377

DID YOU KNOW?



July 2nd is World UFO Day!



The month of June is believed to be named for the Roman goddess Juno. Juno is known as the goddess of love and marriage.

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As of January 1, 2020, New York State law requires boat operators (including motorized boats and jet skis) to pass a boater safety course and to carry a New York State boater card?

This law is being phased in over six years. In Phase 1, all motorized boat operators born on or after January 1, 1993 will be required to carry the New York State boater card as of January 1, 2020.

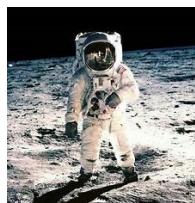
The state offers a convenient way to complete the required safety course online. Please check the attached link for more information. If you are a boater or a jet skier, please do your part to make our lake a safe and enjoyable place for everyone.

<https://www.boat-ed.com/newyork/?kme=boat+fresh&campaign=ny+reviewsV1>

Second... If you are out on a boat or jet ski, please remember to be safe, responsible and courteous while operating your watercraft. Check out the attached link to the NYS Boater's Guide, which has all the rules, regulations and resources you need to know in order to boat safely and legally.

<https://parks.ny.gov/recreation/boating/resources.aspx>

On July 20, 1969, Neil Armstrong made history by taking the first step on the moon.



Robert Sitser won CLIA's first online 50/50 raffle, taking home \$665 - congratulations!



The June bug is normally found only during the months of May and June in the United States.

This fine specimen was caught by Christopher Wills 5' off his dock on the east side of the lake. It was 21" long and weighed 4.06 lbs. It was released back into the lake.



Comfort Food Community Update *Haley Graves, CFC Community Engagement Coordinator*

Comfort Food Community's (CFC) mission is to contribute to the health of our community through the inspirational power of good food. Founded in 2014 in Greenwich, NY, CFC is a non-profit organization providing food access, food recovery, and food as health services throughout Washington, Warren, and Saratoga counties. Their dynamic offering of regional programming works to end hunger, support local farms, and build healthy communities.

At Comfort Food Community, food remains at the core of their mission and vision for the future. CFC's Greenwich and Cossayuna Food Pantries alone serve over 14,000 individuals, annually. However, not only does CFC provide food access, they strive to provide access to **real, healthy** food. Their work also supports our local food economy through partnerships with local farms and vendors. In 2020, Comfort Food Community's 'Fresh Food Collective' recovered over 100,000 lbs. of excess fruits and vegetables for use among their Food Pantries and other programs. This abundance of produce would likely have gone to waste, but instead was distributed to local individuals who lack access to real, fresh food. Additionally, CFC's work focuses on 'food as health' offering Community Health Programs including Fresh Food Farmacy in partnership with Hudson Headwaters Health Network and a Produce Prescription Program at the Glens Falls Farmers Market with CDPHP. Comfort Food Community goes beyond putting food on the table of those in need. They recognize the power that food holds and the impact it has on sustaining healthy lives and building strong communities.

Additional programs at Comfort Food Community include: Supplemental Student Nutrition- providing weekend and summer meals to local students, Edible Education- offering virtual and in-person community cooking classes, and the Greenwich Community Garden- providing space for community members to grow their own produce. As we look ahead to the future, Comfort Food Community is committed to continuously strengthening their current programming, as well as expanding upon the foundation they have created by tapping into the immense potential our community holds.

The work at Comfort Food Community would not be made possible without the support of their volunteers, donors, and community partners. To learn more, get involved, or make a donation to CFC visit: www.comfortfoodcommunity.org. Be sure to follow along on Facebook and Instagram @comfortfoodcommunity.org.

Together, we will nourish our community through the inspirational power of good food.



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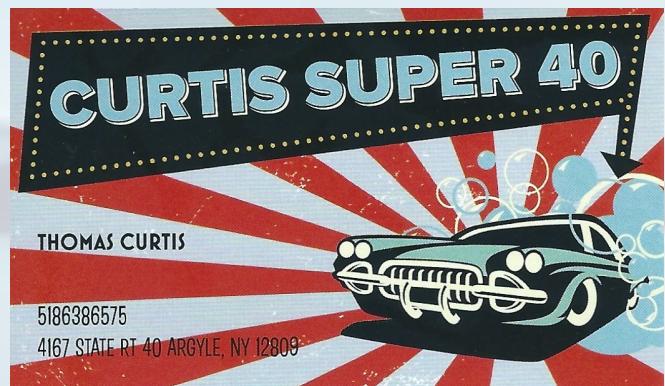
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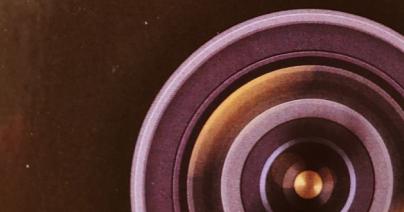
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Participation Form for the period January 1 – December 31, 2021

In order to receive harvesting and pavilion rental options, membership is required.

Name _____

Address of lake property _____

Primary mailing address _____

Seasonal mailing address _____

Email address _____

Email addresses will only be used for CLIA news and alerts.

Contact phone # _____ Alternate contact # _____

Membership Level

Members must own property within one mile of the lake.

\$80 SINGLE – 1 vote / membership – 1 or 2 names

\$100 JOINT – 2 votes / memberships – 2 names _____

Enclosed are my membership dues \$ _____

Harvesting Participant

\$125 per lot

I would like to be harvested each time the crew circles the lake. Enclosed are my harvesting dues \$ _____

I would like additional harvesting @ \$75 an hour. Enclosed is my additional hours fee \$ _____

I would like to make an unrestricted harvesting donation. Enclosed is my harvesting donation \$ _____

Whole Lake Management Herbicide treatment of invasive weed beds wherever they are found.

Donation of \$100, \$250, \$500 or more Enclosed is my Lake donation \$ _____

All money can be submitted with ONE check GRAND TOTAL Check # _____ TOTAL \$ _____

Mail form with payment to CLIA PO Box 81 Cossayuna, NY 12823-0081

Would you like your name and contact information to appear in an upcoming Contact Directory listing? YES NO

Please use last year's information Please use my/our revised or new contact information

Please indicate how you would like to receive the CLIA Newsletter:

Online – posted on website Online – sent to me via email Paper – mailed to me

Questions can be directed to the following:

Membership – contact Peggy Pahoulis – 757.635.9891 / pegP413@gmail.com

Lake Management – contact Sheila Rappazzo – 518.429.8312 / sarappazzo@yahoo.com

Harvesting – contact Tim Hopkins – 518.466.8653 / thop920@gmail.com

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