



CLCS News

SPRING/SUMMER 2021

The Copake Lake Conservation Society endeavors to protect the quality of the Copake Lake watershed, preserve the ecological balance, and promote safe recreational use of the lake.

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President's Message

We are all looking forward to the 2021 spring and summer seasons at our majestic Copake Lake. Today, in 2021, the “present” timeframe provides us with glistening lake waters, we need to stay focused on the “future” of our lake’s preservation so that our water does not revert back to the muck and weeds of the “past”. It takes each of us to contribute to the conservation of our lake water and water shed. We cannot take the lake for granted. We are blessed to be able to share our glorious gift from Mother Nature, but it comes at a price. Collectively sharing the love of our beautiful water and all its surroundings makes us a devoted lake community. Respect and safety unites us as we share our water, roads, and landscape. Being an ongoing member of the Copake Lake Conservation Society (CLCS) provides the building blocks for sustainability of our lake. All of this combined are the key ingredients in the conservation of our lake for generations to come. The CLCS places direct emphasis on keeping costs down for services provided for the maintenance in the preservation of our lake waters. However, each year the cost of maintaining the lake fluctuates. This inevitability is driven by what Mother Nature brings our way each year. This then dictates the treatments needed in keeping our waters sparkling. Your ongoing support is vital in the preservation of the lake and extremely appreciated by CLCS. Take a complete look around at your properties and the marvelous body of water that brings us all together and ask yourself—**where else would you rather be?**

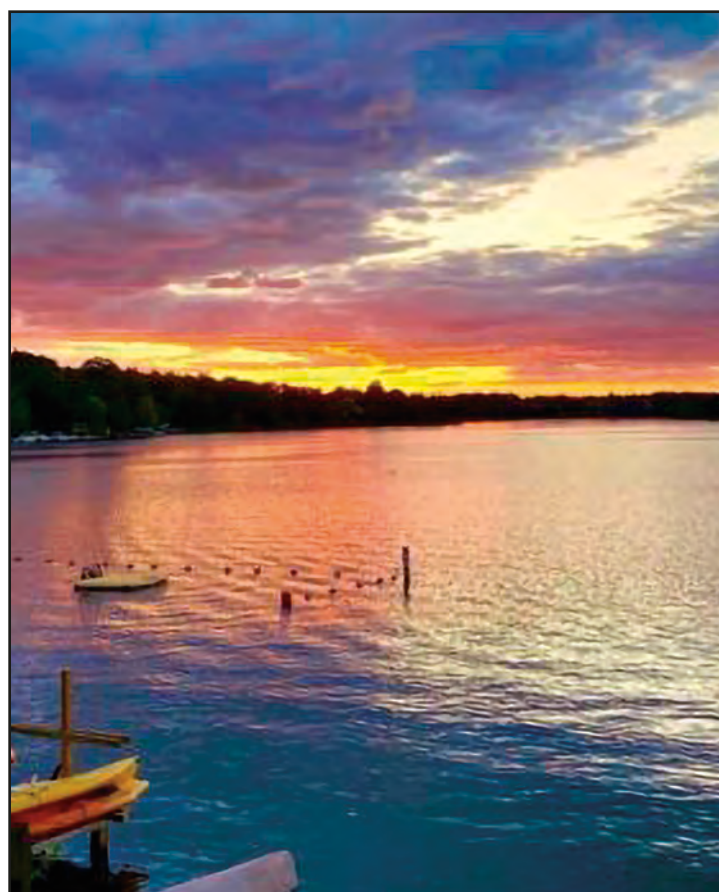
We all look to our time spent at the lake to bring each of us great memories, an abundance of joy, and a sense of peace. Let us all continue to ensure that safety is priority around the lake. Adhering to the NYS Boating regulations and rules will assist in mitigating possible issues from occurring. If you see unsafe acts please notify the proper authority, Columbia County Sheriff, phone#: 518.828.3344. As stated by the Sheriff’s Department “do not try to take matters into your own hands”, report the unsafe act to them for review. Keeping in mind reporting unsafe acts also applies off the water as well. It is just as important when riding bicycles, walking/jogging, and driving on our public lake roads that each of us are following NYS Vehicle and Traffic Laws. In addition please be alert and use extreme caution when traveling on the private roads around the lake. Most associations have their rules posted. A continuation in being cognizant of the CDC guidelines surrounding the pandemic will only help each of us to remain informative in the choices we make in our lake community and beyond. Be kind ~ Be smart ~ Be safe

I personally am very grateful for being able to spend my days and nights at such a magical place ~ Copake Lake ~

May we all have a spectacular healthy 2021.

Hope to see you around the lake! Blessings to all.

Debra Ruggieri



*One of the many splendors of Copake Lake
Photo by Rachel Stein*

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CLCS 2021 Board Of Trustees

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Debra Ruggieri <i>President (2022)</i>	Jackie Bernstein <i>Recording Secretary (2022)</i>
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Jennifer Oliveira <i>Treasurer (2021)</i>	

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Muriel Muldorf <i>(Historian)</i>	Keith Schaefer
Jeffrey Judd	Jon Urban

TRUSTEES (TERM EXPIRES)

Cherie Berk (2022)	Janna Meyerowitz Turner (2021)
Jackie Bernstein (2022)	Liz Nealon (2021)
Fred Burger (2022)	Jennifer Oliveira (2022)
Colleen Closson (2021)	Maria Powers (2022)
David Craw (2022)	Barbara Rindler (2021)
Joyce Craw (2021)	Debra Ruggieri (2021)
Lynn Gelman (2022)	Deborah Sprague (2022)
Trudi Haberman (2021)	Russ Stein (2021)
Julie Hochheiser Ilkovich (2021)	Stu Troyetsky (2022)
Lindsay LeBrecht (2022)	Edward Werfelman (2021)
Jed Luchow (2021)	Ilise Zimmerman-Posen (2022)

CLCS 2021 Committees

Communications

The Communications Committee serves to design, publish, and monitor various media communications, such as the newsletter, website, email correspondence, and road signs.

ELECTRONIC

Lindsay LeBrecht	Barbara Rindler
Liz Nealon*	Deborah Sprague

NEWSLETTER

Joyce Craw	Barbara Rindler
Jed Luchow <i>(editor)</i>	Debra Ruggieri
Sharon Luchow**	Marcia Untracht**

PUBLICITY

Cherie Berk	Edward Werfelman
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Education

The Education Committee is responsible for the design, writing, and dissemination of educational materials, and the presentation of educational programs for the membership.

Cherie Berk	Maria Powers*
Liz Nealon	Debra Ruggieri

Finance

The Finance Committee supports the functions of the treasurer, including the creation of an annual budget, the purchase and review of insurance policies, year end audit, bookkeeping, and filing of tax returns.

Jennifer Oliveira	Debra Ruggieri
Barbara Rindler	Edward Werfelman*

Fundraising

The Fundraising Committee serves to design, propose and organize activities for the purpose of raising funds for the organization.

Jackie Bernstein	Annabel Nau**
Colleen Closson	Liz Nealon
Lynn Gelman	Lois Nipon**
Debra Gold**	Debra Ruggieri
Tamela Greene**	Michelle Spiezia**
Trudi Haberman	Deborah Sprague
Julie Hochheiser	Janna Meyerowitz
Ilkovich*	Turner
Lindsay LeBrecht	Ilise Zimmerman-Posen

Nominating

The Nominating Committee is responsible for producing a slate of candidates for the election of trustees, and a slate of candidates for the Officers of the Corporation.

Joyce Craw*	Barbara Rindler
Jed Luchow	

Lake Management

The Lake Management Committee is responsible for the collection, analysis, and dissemination of information regarding the vitality and maintenance of the waters, shoreline, and watershed of Copake Lake. Grants Committee (GC) is a sub-committee of Lake Management Committee.

Barbara Burger**	Buddy Sinisi**
Fred Burger*	Russ Stein* GC
David Craw GC	Stu Troyetsky
Brad Dubler**	Jon Urban**
Russ Funk**	Ed Werfelman
Lindsay LeBrecht	Mike Whitcomb**
Jed Luchow	Ilise Zimmerman-Posen
Debra Ruggieri	
Keith Schaefer**	

Membership

The Membership Committee maintains a list of membership, addresses, and contribution history; and generates materials that assist in maintaining membership roles.

Cherie Berk	Debra Ruggieri*
Jackie Bernstein	Janna Meyerowitz
Julie Hochheiser	Turner
Ilkovich	Ilise Zimmerman-Posen
Lindsay LeBrecht	
Liz Nealon	

*Chairperson **Volunteer

Join any of the committees listed above or consider applying to join the Board of Trustees. It's a great way to meet new people and help your lake community. Go to info@copakelakecs.org to let us know of your interest.

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Lake Angel - \$1000 Plus

Michael & Sophie Bienstock
Pam & Rick Brown
Paul Casey & Marika Pritchett- Casey
Steven & Denise Chickery
Joyce & David Craw
Chase Booth / Gray Davis
Janet Fried
Terence & Tamela Greene
Daniel/ Dana Rathkopf Hunter
Andrea & Mark Kaplan
Doug & Anne Kleeschulte
Kim Barton/Mitchell Konsker
Jed & Sharon Luchow
Javier Vargas/Monica Machado
Barbara & Ross Mauri
Brian & Carol Powers
Jonathan & Shanda Scibilia
Jim, Christine & Emma Shoaf
Barbara & Richard Strauss
William G. Sweeney
Thomas / Krista Goodacre Taylor
Alan Haber/Maria Theodoulou
Stuart & Marcia Troyetsky
John & Joyce Varvatos
Dennis Posen & Ilise Zimmerman

Lake Fanatic - \$500-999

Ralph & Cherie Data
Craig / Judith Weinstock Bitman
Stacey & Miles Braffett
Barbara Braunstein & William Rabin
Barbara & Fred Bunger
Richard & Joana Chiappa
Karen Lau/Peter Chudy
Ellyn & Daniel Cohen
Monica & Jeff /Roger & Joanne Kaplan/
Isabelle & Henry Hale Cohen
Renee & Blaise D'Ambrosio
Emilia Estrella & Paul Denu
Robert & Marilyn Derector
Harry Ehrlich & Heather
Barbara & Tony Falanga
James Frank
Belle And Jim Frank
Beth Feeney/Kathy Gleeson
John & Peggy Guttilla
Larry & Katie House
Roger Kaplan
John & Robin Schwartz Kennedy
David Libertonson
Bari & Lex Malas
James & Jennifer McHale
Steve & Liz Meszaros

Fred & Julie Moran
Muriel & Raymond Muldorf
Steven & Joyce Rosenthal
Steven / Nancy Pratt Sabatini
Liz Nealon/Seymour Simon
Wayne & Deborah Sprague
Elissa & Jeffrey Steiner
Ethan & Janna Meyrowitz Turner
Matthew & Meera Wagman
Dr. Steven & Anne Weisholtz

Lake Lover - \$300-499

Linda Senk/Dr. Scott/Susan Senk Altman
Carolyn & Paul Aversano
Jackie & Stanley Bernstein
Colleen Closson
Irene & James Connors
Arthur & Joanie Cooper
Caroline & Patrick Corcoran
Michael L. Crowley
Omaida DeJesus
Adrian Pollack/Matt Eastwood
Nancy & Kenneth Hammervik
John Hauseman
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James Lalime/Jane Landers
Patricia & Stephen Latzman
Paul & Joan Layer
Dave & Allison Mateer
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Michael & Joyce McGovern
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Brett & Kim Merker
Michael & Anna Messing
Cheryl & Hannah Moch
Ed Ellien & Gayle Morgan
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Stuart Shillibeer/Shebna Olsen
Richard & Margaret Pawlikowski
Gary, Debbie, Adam, Brian Peck
Jason Turner & Ruth Pelham
Ann & Jack Peluso
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Richard & Elise Resnik
James Ryan
Thoimas/ Dana Weissman-Scali Scali
Edward & Karen Scharf
Jessica Wang/James Spencer
Russell & Rachel Stein
Bill & Randee Stypulkowski
Justin Sussman
Marcia & Robert Untracht

Maria Pfeiffer & Jason Vogel
Paige Wentworth
Michael & Jean Whitcomb
Michael & Diane Yanniello

Lake Friends - \$150-299

Ilana Reich & Bob Agnes
Kevin & Gloria Anderson
Anonymous
Philip & Josephine Antico
Rose & Ehud Arbit
Jay & Mona Aronstam
Ron & Kristen Axelrad
Frank & Nancy Bader
Ryan Walsh/John Barbato
Carl & Kathy Bergquist
Nathan & Helen Bernstein
Janet Moy & Pat Bishow
A. Paul & Joan Bogaty
Bogucki Family
Curt & Kathleen Noreau Bouril
Enid & Marc Bruck
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Richard & Arleen Carroll
Jason & Susan Chadkin
Anthony & Patricia Chibbaro
Laura & Mary Christianson-Coyle
Heather Cohen
Randy & Susan Cohen-Byrne
Tom & Cindy Connors Family
Christine & John Corcoran-Wiswell
Alan P. Crowley
Michelle Cushner
Susan & Walter Daum
Peter & Marie Dell'Aera
Jan & Steven Dewey
Kevin & Hildy Dier
Maria DiSalvo
Jodi/George Disch
Erin Dougherty
Brad & Marla Dubler
Dorothy & John Evangelista
Albert & Noel Fair
Jesse & Veronica Farber
John & Grace Feighery
Alan Feltman
Karen & Tony Ferrari
Robert & Debra Fischgrund
Leona / Shaha Porco Fitzgerald
Annelise Fortier Atamian
Eric / Doris Varlese Freed
Jonathan & Sandra Freiman
Lynn & Mitchell Gelman
Jonah Pesner/Dana Gershon

Barbara Gips
Marilyn Goldman
Mark / Michele Masliah Goldstein
Carl Ritchie/Christopher Grant
Alicia Gursky
Jay & Evelyn Gutkin
Trudi Haberman
Suzanne & John Hallenbeck
Loren Hawley
Jim & Susan Hollister
Gene & Kelly Hood
Dale & Wendy Huber
Michelle & Matthew Ingber
Peter & Susan Jacobson
Todd & Jean Jicha
Mark & Suzanne Johnson
Mark & Deidre Karn
Ruth & Nick Karush
Geraldine & John Keelyn
Nancy, Gregg Hoiser & Kiley Killawee
Edwin & Joyce Kuester
Natasha Larson/Asia Labrie Larson
Donna & Bob Lawrence
Lindsay LeBrecht
Eric Mullen/Nicole Lefton
Shelley Huttner/Mark Leshner
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Barbara & Brett Lewis
Sonia Pilcer & Morton Makler
Peter & Monique Marano
Paul & Gail Marano
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Barry McCarthy
Cyd & Tim McDowell
Erin & James McMurray
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Douglas Miller
Bruce & Lorrie Millman
John Joe Minella
Jo-Anne Minoff
Sheila Moss
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Patricia & Barry Nelson
William / Stephen Kaplan Nolan
Adam & Elizabeth Olejniczak
Jennifer & William Oliveira
Matthew & Maryann Paliwoda
Daniel & Cynthia Panarella
Tom Feeney/Paul Parzuchowski
King & Annabel Nau Phojanakong
Sam & Maura Pittelli
Suzanne & Mike Porter

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Maria & Donald Powers	Michael & Grace Sole	Shelly & Leonard Barham	Linda Mcmeekin
Larrison & Fran Pross	Stolle Family	Marion Baty	Gerald & Linda Melody
Barbara Kaese Rindler	Robert Strohmeier	Birches Homeowners,c/o Steve Weisholtz	Joel & Sari Kaplan Mittler
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Geralyn Carl/Ron Rock	Madeleine Miller/Carl Sumliner	Olivia Burten	Eric Ost
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Eric & Carol Sokol			Pfizer Corporation

In Honor and In Memory Contributors 2020

CONTRIBUTORS	IN HONOR
Ralph & Cherie Berk	In Honor of CLCS work on 'UnBash'
Olivia Burten	In Honor of Muriel Muldorf
Julia B. Newton/Michael M. Feibish	In Honor of Jed & Sharon Luchow
Linda Ketay	In Honor of Muriel Muldorf's Birthday 2020
Lindsay LeBrecht	In Honor of Liz Nealon making masks
Javier Vargas/Monica Machado	In Honor of Vargas Family
Linda Mcmeekin	In Honor of Lindsay LeBrecht
Joel & Sari Kaplan Mittler	In Honor of Jed & Sharon Luchow
Elayne Smith & Felicia Smith-Kleiner	In Honor of Sharon and Jed Luchow
Andrew & Deborah Stromberg	In Honor of Dr. Andrew Stromberg
Tami & Steve Sachs/Marty & Ben	In Honor of Sharon and Jed Luchow
CONTRIBUTORS	IN MEMORY
Pam & Rick Brown	In Memory of Kenny Freed
Steven & Denise Chickery	In Memory of David Carter Davis
Dorothy & John Evangelista	In Memory of Greg Evangelista
Philomena Jensen	In Memory of Pelida Schaefer
Charles & Debbie Kahil	In Memory of Donald & Jean Kahil
James Lalime/Jane Landers	In Memory of Lucille & Jack Landers
Sheila Moss	In Memory of Morris Ordoover
Jennifer & William Oliveira	In Memory of Greg Evangelista
Jason Turner & Ruth Pelham	In Memory of Dee Pelham Turner
Jody Shassol	In Memory of Rhoda Wiener
Arnold Vandeusen	In Memory of Ann VanDeusen
Douglas Ziegler	In Memory of Harriett

2021 Schedule of Meetings and Events

Note: This calendar reflects the traditional meetings and events at or around the Copake Lake community area. Please consult the CLCS website for up-to-date information (www.copakelakecs.org)

May 2021

*** Treatment for invasive weeds will be scheduled as needed but likely to be in mid-May. There will be advance notice of any treatment restrictions on lake use posted around the lake. Always check the CLCS website for latest information.**

Saturday, May 8, 2021
9 a.m.

CLCS Board of Trustees Meeting
by Zoom

Saturday, May 15, 2021
9 a.m. - 12 noon

Town of Copake Clean-up Day
Town Garage, 47 School Road. No construction or demolition waste.** Four (4) tire limit.
Call Town Hall 518 329-1234 Ext 2 for more info

Saturday, June 5, 2021
9 a.m. - 12 noon

Copake Lake Annual Shoreline Clean Up Day
Corner County Route 7 and Lakeview Road. No household trash.
Rain date Sunday, June 6.

Saturday, June 12, 2021
9 a.m.

CLCS Board of Trustees Meeting
TBD: Zoom or The Greens

July 2021

*** Algae treatments will be scheduled only as needed. There will be advance notice of treatment restrictions or lake use posted around the lake and on CLCS website.**

Sunday, July 4, 2021
1 p.m.

Annual 4th of July Boat Parade
Begins at Southwest Colony

Saturday, July 10, 2021
10 a.m.

CLCS Annual Meeting
Format for meeting to be determined

Saturday, July 17, 2021

Annual Summer Bash
The Greens Restaurant. Format to be determined.

Saturday, August 7, 2021
9 p.m.

Annual Fireworks at Copake Country Club
Organized by Denise and Steven Chickery and supported by community donations.

Saturday, August 14, 2021
9 a.m.

CLCS Board of Trustees Meeting
TBD: Zoom or The Greens

Saturday, August 21, 2021

Copake Falls Day
Check website for details. www.copakefallsday.org or call 518-329-3251

Saturday, September 11, 2021
9 a.m.

CLCS Board of Trustees Meeting
TBD: Zoom or The Greens

Saturday, September 18, 2021

8th Annual Roe-Jan Ramble Bike Tour
8 a.m. Copake Memorial Park
This ride will go through Copake, Hillsdale and Ancram. For more information go to: roejanramble.org or call Tom Goldsworthy 347-952-5764. Registration is free online.

**Lake treatments will be scheduled as needed. Treatment dates will be made firm based on lake testing results. Notices will be posted around lake prior to treatments. Check our website for dates and more information. www.copakelakecs.org*

*** Columbia County Hazardous Household Waste Collection. Check website for date: www.colombiacountyny.com*



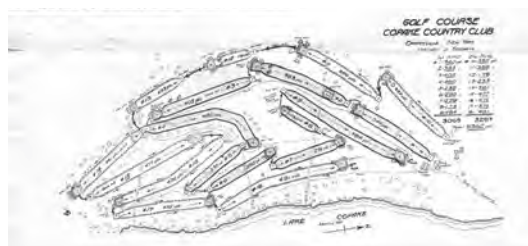
In Celebration of Copake Country Club's 100-Year Anniversary



*The Copake Lake
Conservation Society
Wishes to Thank
Copake Country Club
for all they do for
the CLCS and our
Lake Community*



*You are Truly Our Anchor
Congratulations on your
100-Year Milestone
And
Cheers to Another
100 Years!*





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For our Copake Lake Community
IN MEMORIAM

Bob Agnes
 Leonard "Lenny" Allen Albright
 Alfred Conti
 Dr. Michele (Ahearn) Halstead
 Arthur Koweeek
 John Fay Lindsay
 Bonnie Millar
 Lucia Scarlato
 Morty Zimmerman



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Treasurer's Report

PROFIT & LOSS

January - December 2020

Income

Ads	1,155.00
CONTRIBUTIONS Income	90,908.31
Donations	457.95
Total CONTRIBUTIONS Income	91,366.26

FUNDRAISING

FUNDRAISING Giving Tuesday	6,925.00
Green's Give a sip & food %	938.70
Masks	600.49

Merchandise

T-Shirts	2,424.31
T-Shirts Exp.	-1,096.58

Total T-Shirts

1,327.73

Total Merchandise

1,327.73

Raffle

Raffle exp	-237.17
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Total Raffle

-237.17

Total FUNDRAISING

9,554.75

Interest Income

708.32

Non Profit Income

8,650.61

Total Income

\$111,434.94

GROSS PROFIT

\$111,434.94

Expenses

ADMINISTRATION

Corporate Tax	83.14
Dues and Subscriptions	981.60
Gift	41.88
Insurance	1,348.00
Office Supplies	522.81
PayPal and Bank Fees	926.30
Postcard	650.11
Shed	100.00

Total ADMINISTRATION

4,653.84

COMMUNICATIONS

394.00

Newsletter

8,691.33

Website/Email

879.39

Total COMMUNICATIONS

9,964.72

LAKE MANAGEMENT

50.00

Consultant (NEAR)

24,720.00

Survey (NEAR)

1,935.00

Total Consultant (NEAR)

26,655.00

Lab (LMC water testing)

3,120.00

Other

423.25

SOLITUDE

31,592.00

Total LAKE MANAGEMENT

61,840.25

Total Expenses

\$76,458.81

NET OPERATING INCOME

\$34,976.13

NET INCOME

\$34,976.13

CLCS Fundraising 2021: Join Us in Supporting Copake Lake!

Looking for more ways to show your love for Copake Lake in 2021? The CLCS Fundraising Committee is kicking off an exciting summer full of (safe) ways to celebrate and donate to the lake!

CLCS Bash 2021

Save the Date: CLCS is continuing our tradition of partnering with The Greens to safely celebrate our Annual Bash. The tentative date for the event is Saturday, July 17th, but this may shift as Covid restrictions change. Make sure to keep your eyes on copakelakecs.org for ongoing updates and ticket sales.

Merchandise

This summer we will be creating a variety of new merchandise featuring designs from members of our community! New merchandise will be available online and at in-person locations in the area. For more information, visit copakelakecs.org and sign up for our email mailing list to be the first to know when this year's merchandise is available!

Charity Dining Partners

We're looking to partner with local restaurants for charity dining events throughout the summer -- and year! We'd love to help promote your business while also having patrons support our beautiful lake. If you are a local restaurant (or other local business) interested in more information or someone who wants to know how they can help with this initiative, please email the chair of the fundraising committee, Julie Hochheiser Ilkovich, at julie.h.ilkovich@gmail.com.

Giving Tuesday 2021

Our generous community always makes Giving Tuesday (November 30th, 2021) a special day for Copake Lake. For more information on how to donate to CLCS go to <https://copakelakecs.org/donate/>.

Julie Hochheiser Ilkovich

Chairperson

Fundraising Committee

Membership 2021 Copake Lake Conservation Society

Copake Lake Conservation Society (CLCS) is looking forward to your ongoing membership support for 2021 (January 1-December 31). We strive to grow our membership each year. All contributions make a difference! We urge those families who are not currently members to please consider joining the CLCS this year. CLCS needs each of our lake families to become contributors. Without your membership dues, we would not be able to sustain the lake with the beautiful waters to which we have all grown accustomed. Our homes are valuable investments. That investment would not be what it is today if the waters of the lake did not remain glistening and went back to being riddled with invasive weeds, algae, bacteria, and debris (aka swamp water). Our lake is a gem for each of us to enjoy. We all value the lake's grandeur, the serenity it brings, and our memories that we each hold dearly. The conservation of Copake Lake and the legacy it will have for generations to come is immeasurable. We need each of you, our lake families, onboard to assist with offsetting the ongoing increase costs pertaining to the preservation of our beautiful lake water.

Our hope is that one day our entire lake community will be members of the Copake Lake Conservation Society. Currently, out of the 600 lake families on our mailing list, only 260 are CLCS members. Our connection as a lake community is beneficial to all. Collectively we can make an impact.

You can donate your tax-deductible contribution through our website www.copakelakecs.org via Pay Pal, or for your convenience, mail your check in the enclosed CLCS envelope. Copake Lake Conservation Society's mailing address is P.O. Box 37, Craryville, NY 12521. Our membership year runs from January 1 to December 31. Join us. Every effort is made to keep our membership list up to date. If you have changes in your address or believe there is an error in our postings, please contact us at info@copakelakecs.org. We will review and respond as quickly as possible.

Your support is greatly needed and very much appreciated.

Debra Ruggieri

Chairperson

Membership Committee

Copake Lake Shoreline Clean-Up Day (June 5, 2021)*

*Please take note that this is a new date. This is NOT the Saturday of Memorial Day Weekend. This is the Saturday, one week following Memorial Day Weekend

Copake Lake Conservation Society (CLCS) Shoreline Clean-Up Day is scheduled for **June 5, 2021** (Saturday following Memorial Day Weekend), with rain date of Sunday, **June 6, 2021** from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. This event is sponsored by the Copake Lake Conservation Society for the express purpose of removing debris that has accumulated over the winter from Copake Lake and from its shoreline. Copake Lake neighbors are asked to remove debris from the lake and shoreline and place it along Golf Course Road, Lakeview Road, and County Rte. 7 up to Juliana/Jefferson Drives. Jon Urban of The Greens/Copake Country Club will donate the services of a pick-up truck and maintenance workers, who will drive along the shoreline beginning at 10:00 a.m., pick up the debris, and dispose of it in the dumpster at the triangle at County Route 7 and Lakeview Road (where we also have the CLCS Information/Merchandise Booth and the Community bulletin board). This truck will make ONE (1) trip, starting at 10:00 a.m., from Golf Course Road to Lakeview Road to County Route 7 ending at Juliana/Jefferson Drives. We encourage residents to bring your own lake debris directly to the dumpster, if

possible. The Town of Copake contributes the tipping fee for the dumpster. Please respect this donation and do not bring any household rubbish to this dumpster. CLCS Board of Trustees members will monitor the dumpster from 9:00 am-12:00 noon.

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Come rain or come shine, your vessel can display one flag or multiple flags; you may have one person or many people on your vessel; you may dress in costumes or come as you are; and, you may cheer from your deck or your dock or simply along the shoreline. The July 4th boat parade is a Copake Lake tradition that everyone enjoys! Don't miss out as our community celebrates America's 245th birthday. Last year's trophy winners' boat, with its theme "We survived the 2020 Toilet Paper Crisis at Copake Lake," included Jack and Ann Peluso and their children and grandchildren, Aislinn Burns, Amy Burns, David, Burns, Kieran Burns, Maeve Burns, and Nora Burns.

The Peluso Family crew will be the judges for the 2021 boat parade! Be on the look-out for the 2021 Official July 4th Boat Parade Judging Station near Lighthouse Boat & Beach

Club (formerly Buddy's Marina) along Lakeview Road. Come celebrate as a lake community!

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July 4th Boat Parade winners The Peluso Family with theme "We survived the Toilet Paper Crisis" Photo by Tami Luchow Sachs

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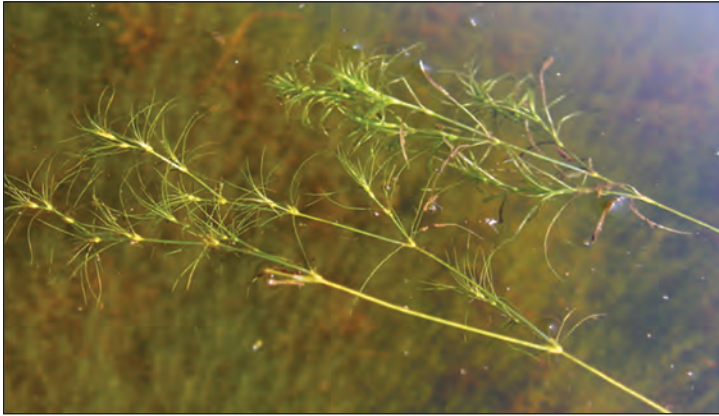


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Copake Lake Aquatic Plants

Native (desirable) Plants



Slender naiad *Najas flexilis*



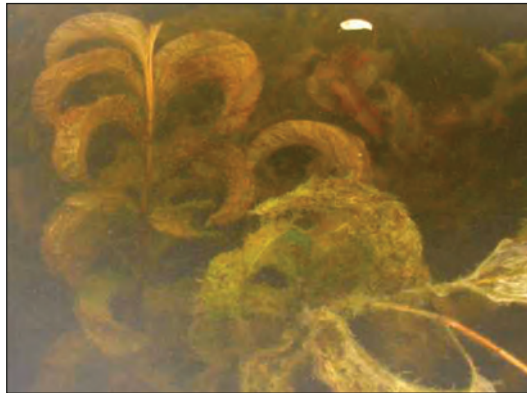
Water stargrass *Zosterella dubia*



Waterweed *Elodea nuttallii*



Large leaf pondweed (*Potamogeton amplifolius*)



Large leaf pondweed - underwater
(*Potamogeton amplifolius*)



Long-leaf Pondweed *Potamogeton nodosus*



Common elodea *Elodea canadensis*



Tape Grass *Vallisneria americana*

Copake Lake Aquatic Plants

Non-Native (invasive) Plants



Curly-leaf pondweed *Potamogeton crispus*



Eurasian water milfoil *Myriophyllum spicatum*

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lookout
for these
invasive
plants!**



Hydrilla *Hydrilla verticillata*



Brittle Naiad *Brittle water nymph najas minor*

2021 Copake Lake Boating Rules And Regulations

Source, New York State Office of Parks Recreation & Historical Preservation (www.nysparks.com/recreation/boating)

AGE: Motorized boat operators must be 18 or over. Or, between the ages of 10 and 18 must have completed certified boating safety (NYS Law).

AGE: As of May 1, 2014, operators born after May 1, 1996 must have a NYS approved Safe Boating Course and be at least 10 years of age in order to operate a motorboat in New York State.

BOATING HOURS: Watercraft must not exceed 6 mph between 8 p.m. and 9 a.m. (Town Ordinance).

NOISE: All watercraft must have effective mufflers (Town Ordinance). Watercraft noise must not exceed 75 decibels (NYS Law).

SPEED: All watercraft must slow down to 5 mph when less than 100 ft from shore, dock, or other vessel, or in “no wake” zones (NYS Law).

RIGHT OF WAY: Motorized watercraft must yield to swimmers and non-motorized watercraft (NYS Law).

SAFETY:

- Personal Flotation Devices (PFD): Children under the age of 12 must wear approved PFD while in a watercraft. Approved flotation devices are required for each person on board (NYS Law).
- Water Skiing: Water skiers must have a “look-out” over the age of 10 (NYS Law).
- BWI: Boating while impaired or intoxicated subject to fines or imprisonment (NYS Law).
- Fire extinguisher, distress signal and anchor are required on ALL motorized watercraft.

PERSONAL WATER CRAFT (NYS Law):

- Operators must wear an approved PFD.
- Operator must be attached with a cut-off device.
- Can only be operated between sunrise and sundown and the town ordinance speed limit on the lake is less than 6 mph between 8:00 p.m. and 9:00 a.m. for any motorized vessel.
- May not be operated within 500 ft of a designated swimming area.
- Reckless operation prohibited (wake jumping, weaving through traffic, or other maneuvers that jeopardize safety).

REGISTRATION: All motorized watercraft must be registered and display the registration numbers (NYS Law).

ENVIRONMENT:

- Help keep unwanted aquatic plants and zebra mussels out of the lake. Thoroughly wash your vessel and flush the cooling system at a location away from the shoreline.
- Avoid spilling gasoline or oil. Repair leaks immediately.
- Dispose of litter properly in bins on shore.
- Do not use soaps or cleansers in or near the lake.

Common sense and respect for others are the way to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience for everyone using the lake. CLCS is not a law-enforcement agency and leaves such duties to the Columbia County Sheriff's Department. The CLCS has posted rules and regulations and distributes these excerpts to encourage lake users to know the rules and observe them.

**Concerns about speed, noise, or safe handling of any motorized watercraft on the lake should be directed to:
COLUMBIA COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT 518-828-3344.**



Photo by Debra Ruggieri

NYS Rules and Regulations for Non-Motorized Watercraft (Kayaks, Paddleboards, etc.)

Personal Flotation Devices (PFDs) must be worn year-round by all children under 12 years of age on any boat less than 65 feet in length, unless within a fully enclosed cabin; by anyone engaging in towed activities, such as water-skiers or wake-boarders; and while on board a personal watercraft. Otherwise, a wearable life jacket must be available for every passenger on board every vessel, including non-motorized watercraft such as canoes and kayaks.” New York State Boating Laws and Regulations, 2010, see www.nysparks.com/recreation/boating.

Along with rowboats, kayaks, canoes, and sailboats, paddle boards are considered boats and must have a U.S. Coast Guard approved, properly sized, serviceable, and readily accessible life jacket on board for each person, just like any other boat, mechanized or not. From May 2 through October 31 such persons are not required to wear a life jacket, though it is highly suggested (but they must have one on board and readily accessible).

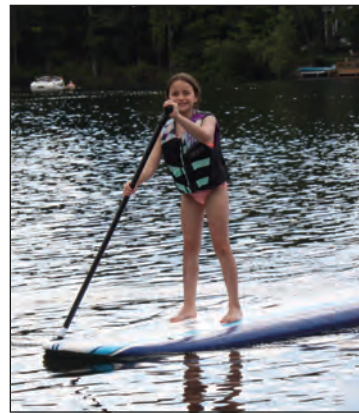
From November 1 to May 1, everyone on all pleasure vessels which include paddleboards, rowboats, kayaks, canoes, sailboats, and motorboats must be wearing a life jacket while underway, which means as long as the boat is not anchored

or tied to a dock. Drifting counts as underway.

Life jackets are the most important piece of equipment on a boat and can save your life; we recommend that they be worn at all times.

Thank you to Ro Woodard, Education Specialist, NYS Parks, Marine Service Bureau for helping to gather this information.

Education Committee



Sofia Powers



Sean Powers

*PFD must be worn (depending on age) or carried on paddleboards
Photos by Jodi Disch*

ARE YOU AWARE OF THE NEW NYS BOATING LAW AS OF JANUARY 1, 2020?

A new boating law, known as Brianna's Law, went into effect on January 1, 2020. By January 1, 2025, the new law requires ALL operators of ALL power boats, including electric motors, to take an approved NYS boating safety course. A 5-year phase-in period applies to all operators of all motorized watercraft, including electric motors.

Under this new law, the phase-in period for all motor boat operators will be as follows:

- Born on or after Jan. 1, 1993 will need a boating safety certificate beginning in 2020.
- Born on or after Jan. 1, 1988 will need a boating safety certificate beginning in 2022.
- Born on or after Jan. 1, 1983 will need a boating safety certificate beginning in 2023.
- Born on or after Jan. 1, 1978 will need a boating safety certificate beginning in 2024.
- All motor boat operators regardless of age will need a boating safety certificate beginning on January 1, 2025.

Fines of between \$100 and \$250 will be imposed for failure to comply under the new law that took effect as of Jan. 1, 2020. The New York

State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, which administers the law, estimates that there are nearly one million boaters who will have to take the boating safety course before the completion of the phasing in on Jan. 1, 2025. Further information on this law and classes can be found on the following website: <https://parks.ny.gov/recreation/boating/education.aspx>.

As a reminder, Personal Flotation Devices (PFD's) are required to be worn by, and securely fastened to, any youth under the age of 12 on boats 65 feet or less in length (NYS Nav. Law Section 40.1(d)). PFD's are also required on every pleasure vessel including canoes, kayaks, paddle boards, and rowboats operated upon the waters of NYS. You must have on board one U.S. Coast Guard approved wearable PFD for each person on the watercraft. In addition, vessels 16 feet and greater in length must also carry a type IV throwable PFD.

Additional information on the use of PFD's can be found at <https://parks.ny.gov/recreation/boating/documents/PFDLawsofNewYork.pdf>.

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Copake Lake Management Committee Meeting 11/19/2020

2020 Summary & 2021 Action Plans

The annual CLCS Lake Management 2021 planning meeting was held remotely via ZOOM at 3:30 PM, Thursday, November 19, 2020.

Attendees: Barb and Fred Bunger, Lindsay LeBrecht, Jed Luchow, Debra Ruggieri, AJ Reyes of NEAR, Keith Schaefer, Kara Sliwoski/Ben Casseles of Solitude Lake Management. Regrets: Dave Craw, Buddy Sinisi, Russ Stein, Stu Troyetsky. No contact: Brad Dubler, Jon Urban, Ed Werfelman, Mike Whitcomb, Ilise Zimmerman,

1. Invasive Weed Control:

2020: (See report from AJ Reyes of NEAR). Completed 3rd year of contract with Solitude. Treated spot areas with Flumioxacin May 19. Curly leaf pondweed control was minimal and growth continued through the season. Early season small spot of milfoil near Marina spread to most of lake by the end of the season. Native weeds were abundant from July through end of season.

2021 Action: Plan on May Sonar® (fluridone) treatment of the entire lake to control both milfoil and curly leaf pondweed. This expensive whole lake treatment should knock back the milfoil and pondweed so that succeeding years will need less expensive area treatments.

Solitude will encourage NYSDEC to remove the 14 day restriction on Diquat, to simplify area weed treatment in 2022 and beyond.

2021 Budget: \$80,000

2. Algae and Clarity:

2020: Lake clarity exceeded 14 feet all season. Treated for filamentous algae with copper sulfate June 19. Also treated August 17, but filamentous algae had almost disappeared by treatment time. No blue-green algae was seen in high concentration in 2020.

2021 Action: Secure permits for SeClear and/or copper sulfate for filamentous algae treatment the week before July 4. Second or third treatments scheduled as needed to control filamentous or blue-green algae.

2021 Budget: \$4500 per treatment = \$13,500.

3. Health Monitoring:

2020: all samples well under the level of concern. Swimmer's Itch reported in May, but there were no reports after early June.

2021 Action: Stu Troyetsky will continue to sample the Lake for coliform bacteria week before July 4, mid-July and week before Labor Day.

2021 Budget \$1,500

4. Shoreline Erosion:

2020: Stone added to Bunger shoreline February 2019 holding up well and providing excellent protection. Erosion was less in 2020 due to lake level being below average.

2021 Action: Encourage shoreline owners to take preventive action and encourage plantings to hold shoreline soil.

2021 Budget: \$1000 for education & studies.

5. Invasive Species Control:

2020: One visit by Captain Bob got several large carp.

2021 Action: AJ to contact NYS Fisheries to include carp in any fish survey of Copake Lake. Lindsay to continue Captain Bob contact.

2020 Budget: \$100

6. Lake Level and Dam:

2020: Lake level was satisfactory for all lake users even though it was down about a foot by the end of the very dry season. Engineering to meet NYSDEC requirements for repair completed by WSP Engineering. Repairs will be deferred until CLCS finances are in better shape.

2021 Action: Drawdown in November, refill to start as danger of ice on shoreline is past.

2020 Budget: \$10,000 if needed to complete dam repair.

7. Stormwater and Sediment Control:

2020: normal Town maintenance.

2021 Action: CLCS will set aside \$5,000 to provide material for the Town of Copake if needed to work on drainage.

2021 Budget: \$5,000

8. Shoreline Cleanup:

2021 Budget: \$600

9. NEAR:

Seven months (April through October) Lake Monitoring/Testing and Reporting.

2021 Budget: \$31,000

Summary LMC 2021 Budget

Solitude	weeds	\$80,000
	algae	\$13,500
Health Monitoring		\$1,500
Shoreline Protection		\$1,000
Invasive Species		\$100
Lake Level and Dam		\$10,000
Stormwater & sediment		\$5,000
Shoreline cleanup		\$600
NEAR monitoring & reporting		\$31,000

Total \$142,700

Fred Burger

Chairperson

Lake Management Committee

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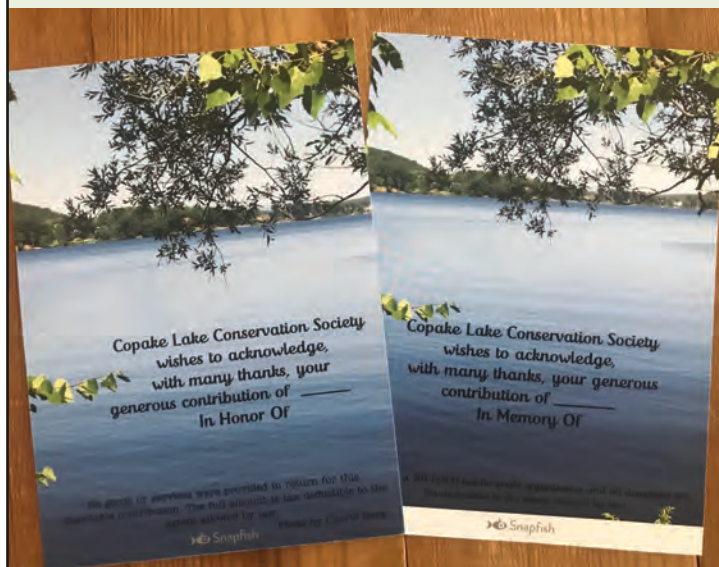
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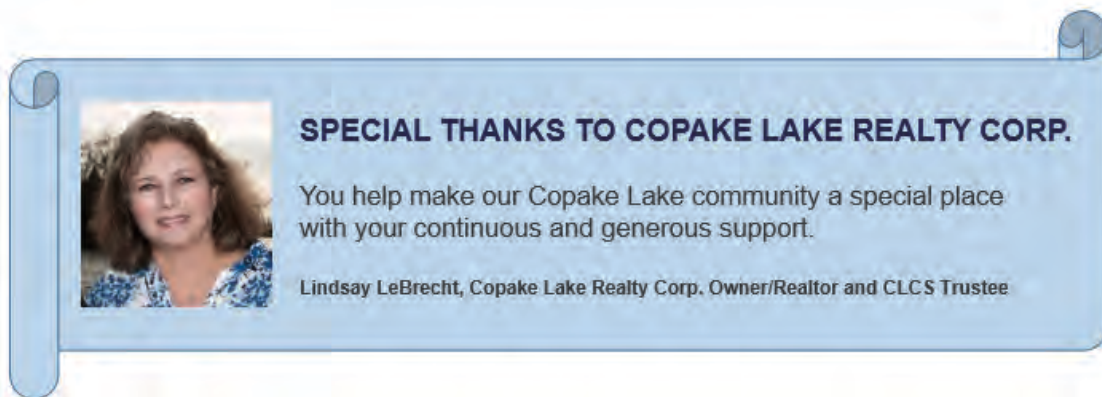
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We exceeded our **#GivingTuesday** donation goal of \$4,000. Total community **donations were \$5,990.00** and our **business supporter added \$1,000** for a **grand total of \$6,990.00**.



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