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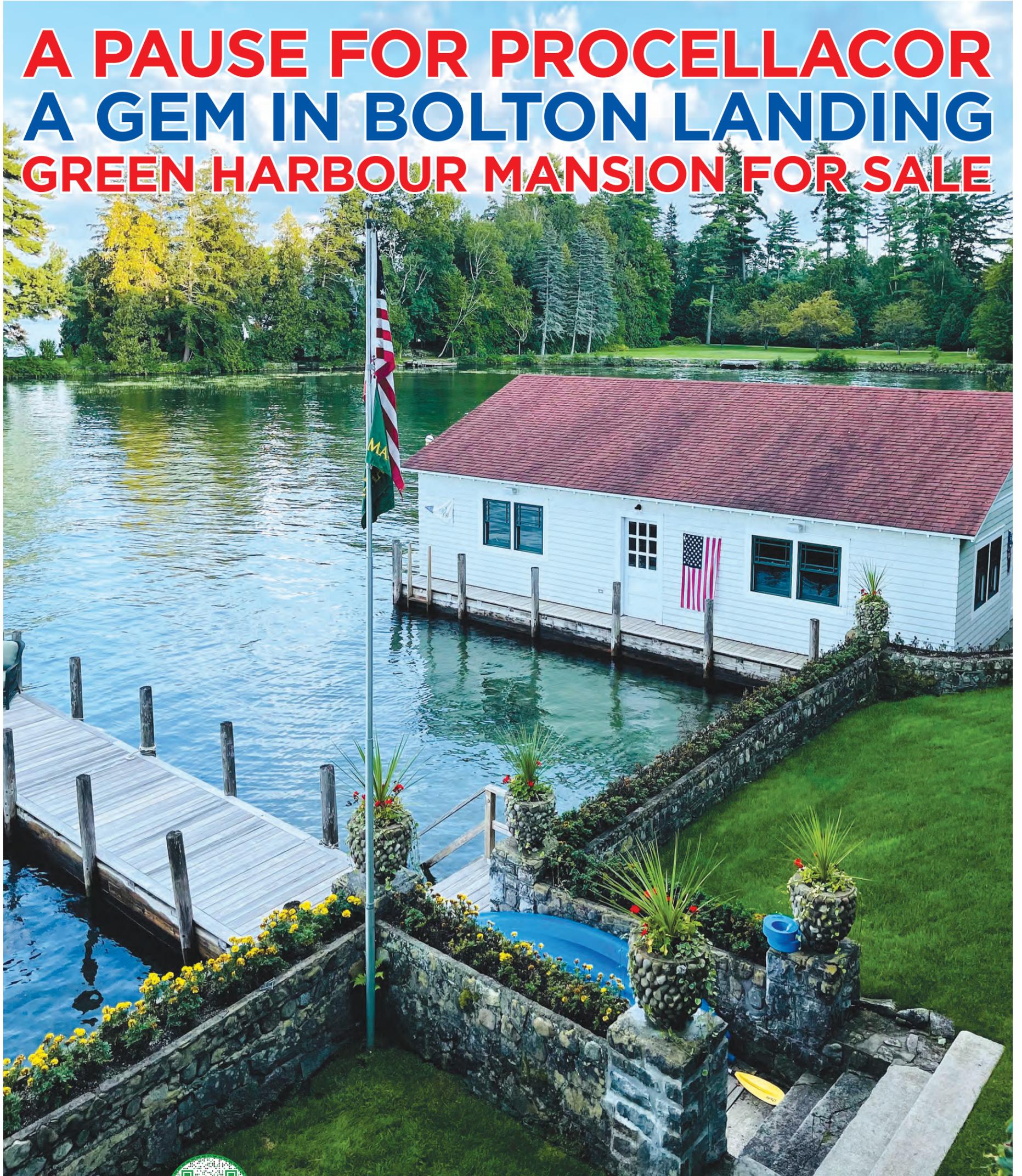
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Motorcyclist Kills Two Pedestrians in Lake George LG Ex. Park Hosting June 22 Fundraiser for Family

By Mirror Staff

Two Lake George residents were killed, and another was injured on Sunday, June 12 when a speeding motorcyclist lost control of his bike and slammed into a group of pedestrians on the Warren County Bike Way.

According to the New York State Police, Anthony J. Futia, a 33-year-old man from Albany, NY, was heading north on Route 9 at a high rate of speed when his motorcycle went off the east shoulder of the road and onto the paved bike path near the Lake George Expedition Park, striking a group of six pedestrians.

James A. Persons, aged 38 and Quinton P. Delgadillo, aged 8, were killed. Another pedestrian, Jasmine Luellen, aged 30, also of Lake George, was transported to Albany Medical Center and is in stable condition. Three other children with the group of pedestrians were not injured.

Futia suffered life-threatening injuries and is in critical condition at Albany Medical Center.

According to Don Lehman, Warren County's Director of Public Affairs, the Warren County Department of Public Works will review safety measures in place in the area of the Warren County Bikeway where the incident occurred.

Lehman said the Department conducts reviews of that kind

whenever a serious incident occurs on county-owned infrastructure.

On June 22, the owners of the Lake George Expedition Park, Danna and Ruben Ellsworth, will open the park as a fundraiser for the family of the deceased.

Admission from 2 pm to 7 pm will be by donation only. Gift baskets and silent auction items will be available.

A portion of all proceeds from the July 17 "Fridays at the Lake" concert in Shepard Park will be donated to the fundraiser, Lake George Village Mayor Bob Blais has announced.

The Warren County Board of Supervisors issued the following statement on June 13: "The Warren County Board of Supervisors offers its deepest condolences to those involved in Sunday's terrible tragedy in Lake George and their families. We thank our first responders and law enforcement agencies for their efforts to assist the victims at the scene."

The Lake George Regional Chamber of Commerce has issued a similar statement on behalf of the business community.

The NYS State Police were assisted at the scene of the incident by the Warren County Sheriff's Office, Warrensburg EMS, West Glens Falls EMS, Bay Ridge EMS, North Queensbury EMS, Lake George EMS, Lake George Fire, Life Net, and the New York State Department of Transportation.



Opponents of the Lake George Park Commission's plan to treat milfoil beds with the herbicide ProcellaCOR gathered outside the Warren County Court House on June 8.

Court Puts Chemical Control of Eurasian Milfoil on Pause

By Anthony F. Hall

New York Supreme Court Justice Robert J. Muller has enjoined the Lake George Park Commission from treating Eurasian milfoil with chemicals within the next two weeks as it originally planned, effectually preventing the agency from using the aquatic herbicide ProcellaCOR in Lake George this year.

Muller granted the motion for a preliminary injunction at the request of the Lake George Association in Warren County Court on June 13.

"We are very pleased with the Court's decision, as it will enable us to do the right thing for Lake George," said Jeff Killeen, Board Chair of the Lake George Association. "With this decision, the many still unanswered questions and risks to long term Lake George water quality can be addressed before any irreversible consequences occur."

The Lake George Park Commission will not appeal Justice Muller's decision, said Dave Wick, the executive director of the Lake George Park Commission.

The agency had selected two bays on northern Lake George for chemical treatment – one in Glenburnie, the other in Huletts Landing - as a pilot project.

"We respect Justice Muller's decision," said Dave Wick. "Through an abundance of caution, he concluded that more information was necessary before treatments could begin. We look forward to presenting that information."

Rushed, Arbitrary and Capricious?

The LGA alleges that the Adirondack Park Agency failed to comply with several of its own procedural requirements when it approved the use of an aquatic herbicide for Lake George at its April 14 meeting and argues that the permit should be annulled.

The preliminary injunction was granted "pending the conclusion of (that) proceeding," Muller wrote in his lengthy decision.

The pause allows Muller to thoroughly consider the organization's suit against the Adirondack Park Agency and the regulatory procedures it followed before issuing the herbicide permit.

"The Court can find no discernible reason why the petitioners (the LGA, Waterkeeper Chris Navitsky, the Town of Hague and Huletts Landing resident Helena G. Rice) should not have their day in court," Muller wrote.

Causes of Action

According to the LGA, the APA's approval of the permit ought to be deemed "procedurally flawed and arbitrary and capricious" for at least eight reasons. Muller ruled that of those eight reasons, at least five stood a chance of being found to have been based in fact over the course of a judicial review, a customary reason for granting a preliminary injunction.

"The importance of this case to the residents and profound numbers of visitors who enjoy the waters of Lake George and its attendant economic benefits year-round – and to the flora and fauna who call these waters home – is not lost on this court," wrote Muller. "The Court will thus address each cause of action."

Public and Expert Scientific Participation

Muller appears to have accepted many of the arguments made by the LGA's attorney, Michael Crowe, during oral arguments on June 8.

Crowe said, for instance, that the record of the APA's April meeting was incomplete because members of the APA board seem to have been denied access to the comments of roughly one hundred members of the public, as well as those of experts such as Dr. Carol Collins and Lake George Waterkeeper Chris Navitsky, who is a party to the suit against the APA.

"If a determination by an agency is not supported by the record,

that determination is necessarily arbitrary and capricious," said Crowe.

In its suit, the LGA alleged that the APA "orchestrated a rushed process to approve the use of an herbicide in Lake George despite an outpouring of technical and scientific opposition" – another argument that Muller concluded "had a likelihood of success on the merits."

Whether the public has had sufficient time and opportunity to weigh in on the Park Commission's proposal to treat invasive aquatic weeds with chemicals was among the questions posed by Justice Muller himself during oral arguments.

"A lot of attention has been paid to this issue," said Muller.

"Given the level of public interest, why were there no public hearings? Wouldn't it have been of benefit to have the comments of the public articulated?"

Joshua Tallent, an Assistant Attorney General within the AG's Environmental Protection Bureau charged with defending the APA, said the public was given ample opportunity to comment upon the proposal.

Tallent added that he saw no reason for holding public hearings since several New York State agencies and divisions within agencies reviewed the impacts of ProcellaCOR on drinking water and aquatic organisms before the Department of Environmental Conservation's Bureau of Pesticide Management approved the use of the herbicide in New York in 2019.

"There were no issues or gaps in the data presented to the Adirondack Park Agency," Tallent said.

A High Degree of Public Interest

When recommending that the permit authorizing the Lake George Park Commission to use ProcellaCOR be approved, APA staff concluded that no public hearings were necessary, or that none were required.

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Republican Dan Stec campaigning with US Rep. Elise Stefanik in 2020. Photo courtesy of North Country Public Radio.

Stec Likely to Face Democratic Opponent

By Mirror Staff

Jean Lapper, a Glens Falls CPA and a community activist, is a candidate for the Democratic Party's nomination to challenge Republican incumbent Dan Stec in a State Senate race.

Lapper announced on June 10 that she filed petitions with the state Board of Elections to enter the race in the newly formed 45th State Senate District.

"The petitioning process is the first step in running for elected office, where you're one-on-one

with voters and hear their thoughts and concerns. I was well received, and voters were happy to hear they will have a choice. I am grateful for the hard work of the many volunteers that, in just one week, were able to obtain substantially more than the 850 signatures required to be on the ballot," said Lapper.

A formal announcement and launch of the campaign is expected in the coming weeks.

Lapper is a resident of Queensbury and the mother of two daughters. She owns Anderson Advisory Certified Public Accounting in Glens Falls.



Left: Michael Crowe, an attorney with the Glens Falls firm of Fitzgerald Morris Baker Firth, represented the LGA in New York State Supreme Court, Warren County, on June 8. Right: New York State Supreme Court Justice Robert Muller.

Court Puts Chemical Control of Milfoil on Pause

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According to Muller, the degree of public interest in a proposed project is among the criteria used to determine if a public hearing ought to be held.

In his decision, he wrote, "There were 300 letters submitted by members of the public in opposition to the project, as well as a resolution passed by the Town of Hague. It is evident that there exists a high degree of public interest. Indeed,

while not part of the record it bears noting that the courtroom was nearly full during oral argument on June 8."

Is Time Truly of the Essence?

Justice Muller also questioned the urgency of applying the herbicide to milfoil this year.

"Lake George has been here for 12,000 years. Milfoil has been here for 34 years. What is the urgency in applying the herbicide within the next few days rather than a year

from now? Where is the harm in a pause?" Muller asked.

According to Tallent, the harm would inure to the environment, as Eurasian milfoil threatens the lake's ecology, and to the taxpayers of New York, who have spent more than seven million dollars over the course of thirty four years attempting to manage Eurasian milfoil with such methods as benthic barriers, hand harvesting, and diver-assisted suction harvesting.

"Lake George is Not a Petri Dish"

"Lake George is not a petri dish," Michael Crowe told Justice Robert J. Muller on June 8. "Before we dump a chemical into Lake George, where no chemical herbicide has ever been used to control Eurasian watermilfoil, a chemical that no court order can suction up if it damages the ecosystem, let's take our time and thoroughly study this."

The benefits to be gained by continuing to treat milfoil with time-

tested methods, "without adding a toxic chemical to the lake" outweigh the risks of applying ProcellaCOR without further study, Crowe said.

Muller concluded, "While the court is not entirely convinced that the application of ProcellaCOR will result in injury to Lake George, the petitioners have succeeded in raising questions in this regard – and it is indisputable that if ProcellaCOR does result in injury, that injury will be irreparable."

No Harm in Further Study

Crowe said the LGA has offered to study the chemical and its potential impacts on Lake George's ecosystem without depositing it in the lake itself.

Muller asked what, if any, consequences were to be suffered if the LGA was allowed to conduct an independent study of ProcellaCOR.

Tallent said the LGA has not shown why such a study is necessary, since the chemical has already been studied by the EPA

and reviewed by several New York State agencies and divisions within those agencies.

"We do not need new studies," said Tallent. "The DEC determined that ProcellaCOR is 'practically non-toxic,' the safest category possible for a chemical, and concluded that its use was appropriate for Lake George."

LGA Commits to Working with LGPC

"With Justice Muller's decision, the LGA, the Lake George Waterkeeper and our partners in The Jefferson Project will move forward in putting all of our scientific and technological expertise to work conducting the Lake George-specific research necessary to answer the serious questions regarding the use of this herbicide in our lake," said Jeff Killeen.

Muller's decision also sets the stage for a new level of cooperation with the Lake George Park Commission in the control of invasive species, said Killeen.

"I want us to work together on ProcellaCOR and 'get it right' to determine its long-term safety and create a sustainable next-gen invasives strategy that can be a model for all of New York's freshwaters," said Killeen.

Killeen said "I will be reaching out to the Lake George Park Commission in a bid to work together and with New York State to develop a long-term strategy for the pre-emption and management of invasive species. We can come up with something that's progressive and impactful with no negative consequences."

Killeen also confirmed that the LGA will post the \$100,000 bond required by Justice Muller to protect the Lake George Park Commission from any damages it may suffer by delaying treatment in the event that the LGA's suit against the APA is found to be without merit.

A schedule to hear the suit will be set on June 29.

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The Gem, Bolton Landing's Newest Restaurant, Set to Open June 21

By Buzz Lamb

It's no secret that the past two years have been trying for the global hospitality industry, but there are signs of recovery underfoot, and the arrival of 2022 brings the promise of new restaurant openings including the much anticipated The Gem in Bolton Landing on June 21st. "People have been stopping in every day for the past few weeks asking when we will open," Paty Bocato said. "Some have driven over an hour-and-a-half to get here."

Paty Bocato is one of the owners along with her world-famous mixologist husband Richard Bocato and the husband/wife team of Kirby and Kristan Farmer.

"We'll open the doors on June 21 with an abbreviated menu and will offer our full menu the following week," Paty said.

The two couples are equally renowned in the hospitality industry and have been frequently profiled in food, design and lifestyle magazines. Needless to say, they are no strangers to owning and operating restaurants. Between the two partner families they currently have five other hospitality businesses.

In 2013 the Farmers bought and renovated an historic building in Hudson, NY. In 2009 Richard Bocato and partner Sasha Petraske staked their cocktail fame in the comparatively uncharted terrain of Long Island City with Dutch Kills. The 1890s style saloon and cocktail bar became a magnet for New York's dedicated imbibers.

The two couples purchased the Sagamore Pub back in September of 2020. "We took our time getting this place just the way we wanted it," Paty said. "Jeff Greco is our contractor and he pretty much rebuilt everything from the ground



A: Co-owner Richard Bocato with bar tender- in-training Chip Tyndale. B: An interior shot of the new Gem. C: Owners Kristan Keck Farmer, Kirby Farmer, Paty Bocato, Richard Bocato. D: The exterior of The Gem, before opening week. E: In-house block ice production is a key to the secret of great cocktails.

up," she said. "He tore it down to the bare bones. The only thing original is the front of the bar and the pine planking on the walls. We wanted to give the place a new identity ... make it represent who we are," she said.

Kirby Farmer grew up experiencing the culinary landscape in the Blue Ridge Mountain area of North Carolina. After graduation from the Culinary Institute of America in Hyde Park, N.Y. he moved his talents to Hudson, N. Y.

"Local Chef Gavin Metcalfe has joined the team and will be working with Kirby to combine slow-smoked meats with mouthwatering sides. Chef Metcalfe is from South Carolina so there is a strong Southern influence in our kitchen," Paty said.

Two giant smokers will be utilized to slow-cook southern-style barbecue.

"Richard Mitts, aka "Boomer,"

is a 3rd generation Pitmaster from Oklahoma who relocated to Bolton. He has been smoking meats across the South from Arizona to Texas and now in the Northeast" she said. "His talent and experience in smoking utilizes a slow process of cooking that adds flavor and tenderizes the meats. It's an art and a favorite technique for barbecue aficionados."

Paty said the bartenders have been training for four weeks. "One of our bartenders from New York City came up to train our local people. All summer long we will have a residency program where our bartenders from Dutch Kills or William Farmer & Sons will come here for a week and work with the local staff. Richard will be behind the bar occasionally as well," she said with a smile.

Paty said the cocktail menu is based on the food menu. "We'll have specialty cocktails, but our focus will be on cocktails that people are familiar with. The difference being ours will be made the proper way. For example, if you like an Old Fashioned you will never taste another one as good as ours," she said. "That's us: we do it right."

Paty said the staff will be composed of 25 -35 highly-trained personnel.

"The hiring process took some effort. We adopted an outreach approach to find people who had special skills. We have staffed The Gem with local talent and also

brought in people from all over the world. We also have a rotating staff of bartenders and servers from our other businesses in Hudson and New York City, many of whom we have worked with for years. We have a full staff and we'll be ready to go on opening day."

According to Paty, The Gem aims to serve the finest product imaginable in an environment that captures all of the fun and relaxation of the Adirondack lifestyle.

"We want people to walk in the door and feel that the adventure of their day in the mountains will continue as they enjoy exemplary food & drink with impeccable hospitality."

Paty said she wants their

customer's first impression to be a lasting impression.

"We want them to feel that everything has been done right. We all grew up in this business. Our dynamic is how we built our brand. Most important is the quality of our product: 100 percent across the bar or on the table. Everything we do has been tested and tried. Hospitality is a big factor for us. We want people to feel like they have arrived at a place that is complete, and everything done has been done intentionally," she said.

"When everything is done right people can feel it, yet often they don't know the reason why it feels right. It's the quality of the environment and the level of service which makes

them feel comfortable. We are not luxurious. Our establishment meets the standard of pleasantry," she said. "We strive for a balance between service and food. We want people to feel like we hit the nail on the head."

The restaurant, located at the intersection of Lake Shore Drive and Sagamore Road in Bolton Landing, has seating for 50 indoors and 40 covered outside in the rear of the building along with 3 - 4 tables on the front porch for alfresco dining. Reservations will be accepted via Open Table. During the summer the kitchen will be open from 11 am to 9 pm (10pm on weekends). The bar will remain open later on weekends. Call (518)544-5451 (after June 21) for more information.

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EDITORIAL.

Court Expected to Overturn New York's 108-Year-Old Gun Law

The right of women to retain control over their own bodies is not the only right that appears to be jeopardized by the current composition of the Supreme Court, one shaped by Donald Trump and a compliant Senate majority. So, too, is the right of states such as New York to place limits on the carrying of handguns.

New York State's 108-year-old law requires anyone who wants to purchase a handgun to apply for a license. But there is an additional level of scrutiny for people who want a license that allows them to carry their gun outside their home. They must demonstrate they have legitimate reasons for carrying firearms in public. Should individuals be required to provide reasons – specious or otherwise – when applying for handgun licenses? That's the issue at stake in *New York State Rifle & Pistol Association (NYSRPA) v. Bruen*, which the Supreme Court is expected to decide as early as this week.

When the Court heard arguments last November, a number of justices appeared to object to the New York law, leading many experts to believe that they will, in all likelihood, strike it down.

The case is attracting attention from every position along the spectrum of opinion about the U.S. Constitution's Second Amendment because the court is expected to clarify ambiguities in Justice Antonin Scalia's 2008 opinion in *District of Columbia v. Heller*.

In that case, the court held that the right to bear arms is not limited to an organized militia (as most constitutional historians believed) but, rather, inheres with individuals, at least when they are ensconced within their own homes. The court did not, however, state how far that individual right extended. It left unsettled the question of whether the individual carried a Second Amendment right with him when he left his home or property and entered the public square.

Overtaking New York's law could make it far easier to legally carry a handgun in the state, which officials say may have violent consequences for cities already struggling to tamp down a spike in gun crime that began two years ago.

It may signal the start of a new era in Second Amendment jurisprudence, in which the right to bear arms is treated as absolute and a state's interest in maintaining public safety is minimized, if not disregarded all together. The American Bar Association filed an amicus brief with the U.S. Supreme Court, arguing that a state's right to adopt gun control laws is "an essential tool States have used for centuries to stem gun violence."

While under our system of government every political controversy ultimately evolves into a legal or constitutional debate (as Alexis de Tocqueville observed), gun regulations are still, even at this point, political issues.

(Elise Stefanik, for instance, has been quick to associate the 108-year-old law with "President Biden, and Democrats across the country (who seek) to impose strict, unconstitutional gun control measures." Biden is old but not that old.)

But rather than making us safer – as the NRA and its New York affiliate, NYSRPA, argue – unrestricted access to guns would make the public sphere a more dangerous place than it is already. If that is the legacy of the Trump court, it is also the legacy of the Trump presidency.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

Save Lake George Village

To the Editor:

Re: "Petition Calls for Referendum to Abolish Lake George Village" LGM, May 27.

I have, below, expressed my thoughts on this issue. Specifically, I have four major concerns.

Financial Punishment to Village Taxpayers;

The three firms that the Village

asked to bid on the Village dissolution procedures all noted, in their interviews, the same problem, as dictated by New York State law, with respect to the ordained dissolution proceedings.

The Village residents would give all sources of income (principally parking meters) and all present assets to the Town.

But the Village taxpayers would themselves still be liable for the present debts of the Village. Principally the \$9+ million debt remaining on the new, state mandated sewage treatment plant. A vote for dissolution by a Village resident is, in effect, a vote to raise Village property taxes.

Representation

Presently when a Village resident goes to the Village Office, or attends a Village Board of Trustees meeting, your expressed thoughts will be heard. Are you ever heard at the County level? At the State level? At the National level? Of course not.

A Stealth Petition Drive

The petition to dissolve was circulated most quietly, a stealth petition. No one at the Village Office had heard of it prior to its presentation. No one in my family, all of whom are Village residents, and no one at our Lake George Steamboat Company, was ever approached. The Town Office never knew this petition was coming. The signatories were carefully selected.

Proud to be a Resident of Lake George Village

On an emotional level, I, now 86, have been coming to Lake George Village since I was 6 years old. In 1964, out of the Navy, I came to the Village to reside. I am tremendously proud to be a Village resident. Our Village is known throughout our Country for offering wonderful family vacations. Do I wish Lake George Village to disappear from the maps of America? Of course not.

William P. Dow
Lake George, NY

Adk Council Commends State, Park and Local Officials for Supporting New Boat Inspection Law

By Mirror Staff

The board and staff Adirondack Council today took a moment at a June 9 meeting to thank state officials for protecting the waters of the Adirondack Park from the accidental introduction of non-native plant and animal species by requiring that any trailered boat be inspected and decontaminated prior to launch in any Adirondack lake or river.

Gov. Kathy Hochul signed legislation in December requiring boaters to inspect and clean their crafts prior to launch in the Adirondack Park. There is no charge for using a state inspection and decontamination station. The whole process takes just a few minutes.

"The inspection program officially began this week and the Adirondack Council offers its heartfelt thanks to all of the advocates and media outlets – including this one – that helped to educate the public about the dangers of invasive species and the need to prevent their introduction," said Adirondack Council Executive Director William C. Janeway. "It was a long and sometimes frustrating battle to get the inspection network created and working, but we are finally there."

Janeway predicted that the new law could save millions of dollars for local taxpayers, who would otherwise have to pay to limit the impacts of newly introduced invasive species.

The new boat inspection law also made permanent the New York State Aquatic Invasive Species Transport Act, which required all boaters to take precautions like cleaning, draining, and drying their watercraft before launching in any New York waters. That law had originally been temporary and was set to expire in 2019. It was extended twice by the Legislature so advocates could win support for this permanent measure.

In the Adirondacks, the new law establishes protocols for ensuring compliance either through a tamperproof tag issued by inspectors at the state's network of inspection stations around the Park, or via a state-designed self-certification. Regardless of the method, boaters must now verify that watercraft has been inspected and/or decontaminated to prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species.

Boat inspection stations include trained decontamination specialists with heated pressure washing gear designed to kill and remove destructive, non-native plants and aquatic animals. Stations are located along major highway entrances to the park and at key boat launches. Inspections and decontaminations are free.

The bill was sponsored by Senate Environmental Conservation Committee Chair Todd Kaminsky, D-Long Beach, and Assemblyman Billy Jones, D-Chateaugay.

The bill had broad support among state and local officials and

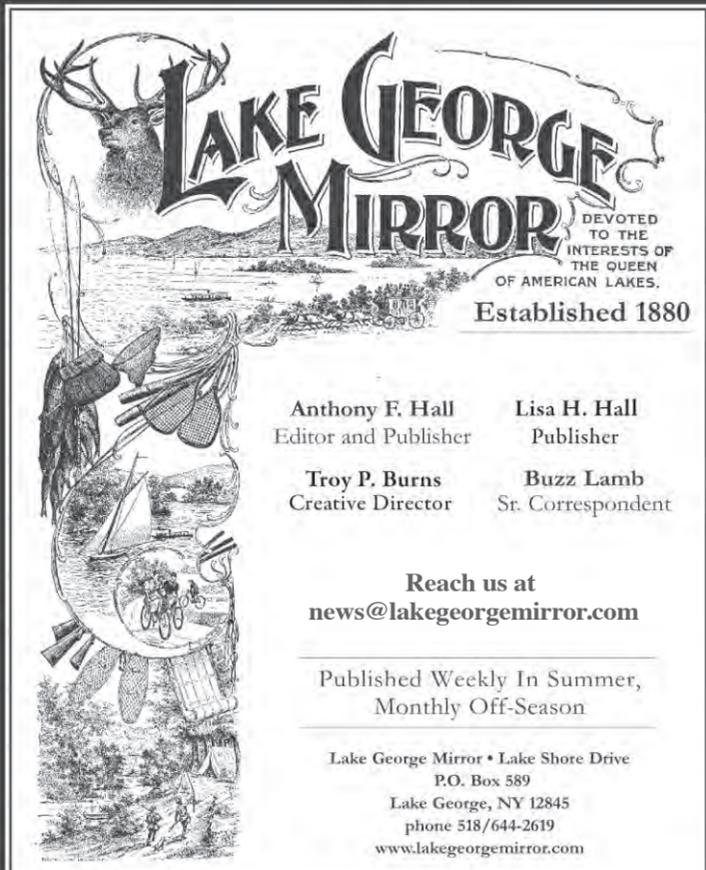
the Adirondack Common Ground Alliance.

Invasive aquatic plants and animals are among the leading causes of biodiversity loss in freshwater ecosystems. Non-native organisms also negatively impact recreational opportunities for swimming, fishing, and boating, which reduce property values, local tax rolls, and tourism dollars.

Once an invasive species establishes itself in new waters, it is very difficult to manage and eradicate. Some communities have spent millions of dollars combatting invasive species.

The Adirondack Park is the largest park in the contiguous United States. Its lakes are the source waters for most of the state's major rivers. It contains more than 3,000 lakes greater than 10 acres in size, most of which are open to motorboat use. Of the 100 largest Adirondack lakes, only two are off-limits to motorboats (because they are surrounded by wilderness and are therefore inaccessible to automobiles).

"This law doesn't impose new penalties or create burdensome requirements for boaters," said Willie Janeway, executive director of the Adirondack Council. "It establishes a user-friendly system to verify compliance with the clean, drain, dry requirements already established in law. It supports the existing boat wash and inspection stations, to which the public has grown accustomed."



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Above: View of Clark Hollow Bay Preserve, courtesy LGLC. Right, Jim Beaty, courtesy LGLC.

Donations to Lake George Land Conservancy's Clark Hollow Bay Preserve Will Honor Memory of Jim Beaty

By Mirror Staff

Jim Beaty, who died at his home in Hague on September 23, is to be honored as any third-generation resident of Lake George would wish to be: with an even cleaner, more pristine Lake George.

The Lake George Land Conservancy has announced the launch of the Beaty Family Challenge, an initiative created by Jim's wife Seddon, son James, brothers Terry and Jeffrey and a cousin that will match contributions to the acquisition of the Clark Hollow Bay Preserve up to an amount of \$325,000.

"We are proud to partner with the Beaty family in honoring Jim Beaty through the lasting impact of permanent land protection. Meeting the incredibly generous Beaty Family Challenge will complete our fundraising for the Clark Hollow Bay project, a perfect example of protecting land that protects the Lake," said Mike Horn, the Lake George Land Conservancy's executive director.

The preserve, which consists of nearly 60 acres and 2,530 feet of shoreline bordering the Margaret Boyd Rowan Preserve opposite Silver Bay, carries a roughly \$5 million price tag.

The acquisition, negotiated with the property's longtime owners, will save the tract from development and help protect water quality in

the lake's north basin, said Mike O'Reilly, the president of the conservancy's Board of Directors.

"The Adirondack Park Agency approved a seven-lot-subdivision for this site, which would have resulted in seven houses, seven septic systems and three boat houses," said O'Reilly. "Now, these sixty acres of woods, streams and lake front will be protected forever."

A \$3,762,800 grant, announced in January, 2022, provided the Lake George Land Conservancy with the momentum to raise the remaining sum and close on the property this month, said LGLC officials.

According to O'Reilly, the Lake George Land Conservancy intends to retain ownership of the Clark Hollow Bay Preserve rather than add it to the Adirondack Forest Preserve.

Among the land's features are: Hemlock forests, timber rattlesnake habitat and 1,300 feet of stream channels.

"Those who live in Silver Bay or Hague look at this property lying across the lake all the time," said O'Reilly.

With the protection of the Clark Hollow Preserve, the Lake George Land Conservancy has created a contiguous block of forested land that supports a wide range of wildlife, said Monica Dire, the organization's Conservation Manager.

The lands are, for instance, summer habitat of the timber rattlesnake, which is a protected species in New York State.

According to the Lake George Land Conservancy, the Beaty family has supported the organization since its inception in 1988.

In 2011, for instance, the family underwrote the installation of an entry gate to Peggy's Point in Hague in memory of Jim's mother, Julia Corscaden Beaty.

The LGLC said the Beaty family's love of Lake George began generations ago, when Jim's grandfather, Dr. Albert Corscaden, bought a piece of land in Hague and built a house there in 1914.

"The Challenge now offered in memory of Jim Beaty is another testament to the family's dedication to Lake George and is an investment in its future," said Sarah Hoffman.

According to his obituary, Jim Beaty spent summers at the family camp in Hague Bay.

A graduate of Choate and Cornell University, his passions included sports (he played lacrosse for both Choate and Cornell) music and sailing. As a competitive sailor from youth, he was an active, life-long member of the Northern Lake George Yacht Club, serving as Commodore and chairing its buildings and grounds committee.

As a teen, Beaty discovered a love for mechanics while working at Lou

Brock's Boatyard in Ticonderoga. He honed his engineering skills at Cornell University, where he received his Bachelor's and Master of Civil Engineering degrees.

He went on to serve as a First Lieutenant in the U.S. Army, in Vietnam and to enjoy a distinguished career as an engineer.

Upon retiring, Jim devoted

himself to community service, supporting the arts, protecting Lake George and assisting local businesses.

Donations can be made to the Lake George Association, the Lake George Land Conservancy, the Hague Volunteer Fire and EMS departments or a charity of one's choice.



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Boats will be on display from 9 am to 4 pm at Riverside Park.

Anyone who wishes to display a boat should visit spencerboatworks.com for registration information.

"The history of boating in the Adirondacks isn't set in the past," said Spencer Boatworks owner Jay Annis. "This is a celebration that connects generations."

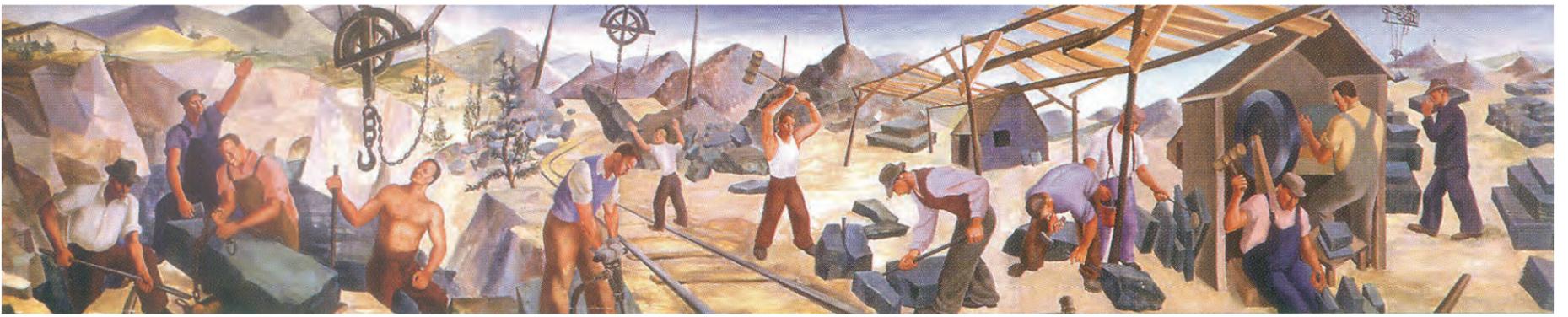


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Art for the People: "Men Working in Slate Quarry" in Context

Exhibition at the Slate Valley Museum examines the making of Granville's WPA Mural

By Mirror Staff

"Men Working in Slate Quarry," the 1939 mural displayed at the Slate Valley Museum in Granville, is as good an example as you will find of "Art for the People," the subject of the museum's current exhibition "One Painting, Many Stories," which explores many of the artistic, cultural and political contexts within which the mural was created.

Martha Levy, the painter of "Men Working in Slate Quarry" was typical of the artists employed by the Works Progress Administration Federal Art Project (WPA/FAP), joining the program to financially support herself.

According to Jody Patterson, author of "Modernism for the Masses: Painters, Politics and Public Murals in 1930s New York," the FAP was a means-tested relief program, providing paid work for as many as 10,000 artists regardless of

artistic stature or reputation.

Other New Deal arts programs, such as the Treasury Relief Art Project or the program that dedicated 1% of the costs of a new post office's construction to acquiring art, were competitive.

According to the Smithsonian American Art Museum, whose 2009 exhibition, "1934: A New Deal for Artists" included works by Martha Levy, the artist studied in Europe and trained at the Art Student's League in New York from 1926 to 1932. She also attended its summer school in Woodstock in the company of artists many of us now associate with the Adirondacks – Rockwell Kent, David Smith, Frank Chase Swift (who painted Lake George from Abenia, the estate of Adolph Ochs) and even Judson Smith, the creator of the mural in the Lake George Post Office.

A Pittsburgh native, Levy created "Men Working in Slate Quarry," for the Granville High School. It hung



Top: Detail, "Men Working in Slate Quarry." Above: "Men Working in Slate Quarry" as exhibited in the Slate Valley Museum.

in the Town Hall from 1976 until 1995, when it was moved to the Slate Valley Museum.

According to Patterson, artists employed by the federal art

programs were encouraged to take some aspect of the contemporary American scene as their subject.

(Judson Smith's Lake George Post Office mural, for instance,

depicts a view of Lake George from a ridge above the hamlet of Bolton Landing. Smith sees Lake George as a settled community, civilized though sparsely populated. It calls to mind more famous Regionalist visions – the New England of Paul Sample or the Wisconsin of John Steuart Curry.)

While the majority of artworks were created in realist styles, the project also employed artists who experimented with Cubism, Surrealism, and variants of abstraction, such as Willem de Kooning, Stuart Davis, Arshile Gorky and Lee Krasner.

For more information email the museum at mail@slatevalleymuseum.org or call 518-642-1417.



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Law Enforcement Officers Weekend Set for June 17

The Law Enforcement Officers (LEO) Weekend returns June 17 with a 5 pm parade of vintage police vehicles and a free concert in Shepard Park. The kick-off event features live bands, speeches, raffles, and beer and food trucks. The concert, which features Stony Creek Band and Alex Torres and his Latin Orchestra, starts at 6 pm. The LEO will also conduct the weekend's opening ceremonies.

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Adirondack Watershed Stewards Wanted

By Mirror Staff

The new state law requiring every boat trailered boat to the Adirondacks be inspected and decontaminated prior to being launched took effect June 8.

Boat inspection stations are meant to be staffed by trained decontamination specialists with heated pressure washing gear designed to kill and remove destructive, non-native plants and aquatic animals. Stations are located along major highway entrances to the park and at key boat launches. Inspections and decontaminations are free.

"The next step is filling all of the inspector positions so we can ensure that there are people on the job when boaters arrive," said Adirondack Council executive director Willie Janeway said. "Last we heard, the Adirondack Watershed Institute was looking for paid staff at Cranberry Lake; the Fulton Chain Lakes, Inlet and Old Forge; Great Sacandaga Lake, both Broadalbin and Town of Day; Lake Luzerne; Long Lake; Raquette Lake; and Piseco Lake. It is also seeking a St Regis Mountain summit steward."

The new law establishes protocols for ensuring compliance either through a tamperproof tag issued by inspectors at the state's network of inspection stations around the Park, or via a state-designed self-certification. Regardless of the method, boaters must now verify that watercraft has been inspected and/or decontaminated to prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species.

Planning Now for the Future of Electric Boating

British company pitches fast marine recharging stations to Lake George marinas

By Anthony F. Hall

In the not-too-distant future, 600 hp electric boats capable of speeds of 35 knots will not be uncommon on Lake George.

Lake George may even have its own electric-only boat dealer.

If and when that day comes, those boaters must be immune to "range anxiety" – a syndrome common to owners of electric cars and boats.

Scott Canning, Vice President for US Operations of Aqua-Superpower, a British-based manufacturer of marine superchargers, envisions a "robust" network of eight superchargers extending from Ticonderoga to Lake George Village, ensuring that every electric boater is no more than ten miles from a fast charge.

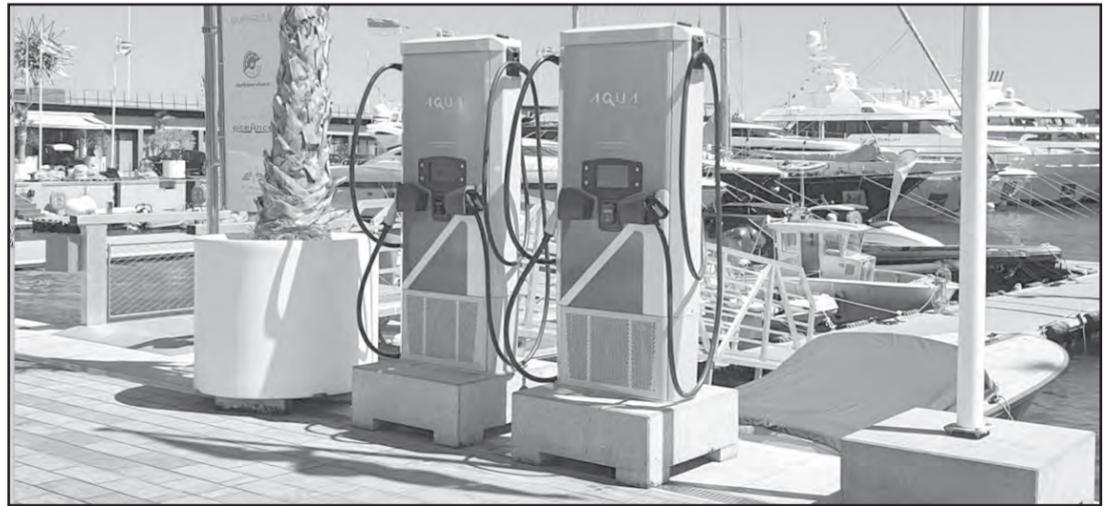
Canning was on Lake George last week gauging the interest of marina owners and municipal officials in his company's product.

"Aqua-Superpower sees the value in establishing an infrastructure of supercharging stations on Lake George, knowing that it may be ten years before it sees a return on its investment," said Matt O'Hara of Queen Boat Company, who hosted a meeting of Canning and marina owners at his Dunhams Bay facility.

"The company will fund the installation and maintenance of the charging stations and pay rent to the marinas for the use of the space," said O'Hara. "When the stations start generating revenues, Aqua-Superpower will split those revenues with the marinas."

In return, Aqua-Superpower requires the marinas to agree to exclusive, twenty-year leases.

"They're locking up the territory



Aqua-Supercharger station on the Mediterranean.

before anyone else does, because the company knows that if it doesn't, someone else will," said O'Hara.

"Twenty-year contracts are unusual," Canning concedes. "It scares people. I get that. That's why I'm here: to talk people through it. We're a very transparent company."

Although the founder of Aqua-Superpower, technology entrepreneur Stewart Wilkinson, also makes high speed electric boats, the superchargers are "brand agnostic," meaning that an electric boat of any size or make can plug in and recharge, explained Canning.

Canning predicts that the number of electric boats on the lake will grow steadily, slowly at first, and then in torrents.

"The first adopters of electric boating will show that these boats are not just a theoretical possibility: you can own one. Phase two will be an awareness that there are enough

superchargers in place to make electric boating feasible. Phase three will come when there are a certain number of electric boats with big batteries on the market, all requiring a decent amount of electrons. That's when we become profitable," said Canning. "That's the tipping point."

Last July, Canning told the Lake George Park Commission that he anticipated that twenty-two percent of the boating market will be electrified by 2027 and that by 2030, one million electric boats will have found their way to the market.

"People will need a fast-charging system so that they don't have to spend hours recharging the batteries," he told the Commissioners.

Canning told the Commissioners that as of 2021, the company had charging stations in Australia and on the Mediterranean.

"Our pilot market for inland

waterways and lakes in the US is Lake Tahoe. There are 12 marinas on that lake, and we plan to install our chargers in six of them in the near future," Canning told the Commissioners.

Canning said he asked to make a presentation to the Lake George Park Commission because he "wanted to make certain there were no objections to what Aqua Superpower hoped to achieve, and to learn what, if any, obstacles might exist to our business on Lake George."

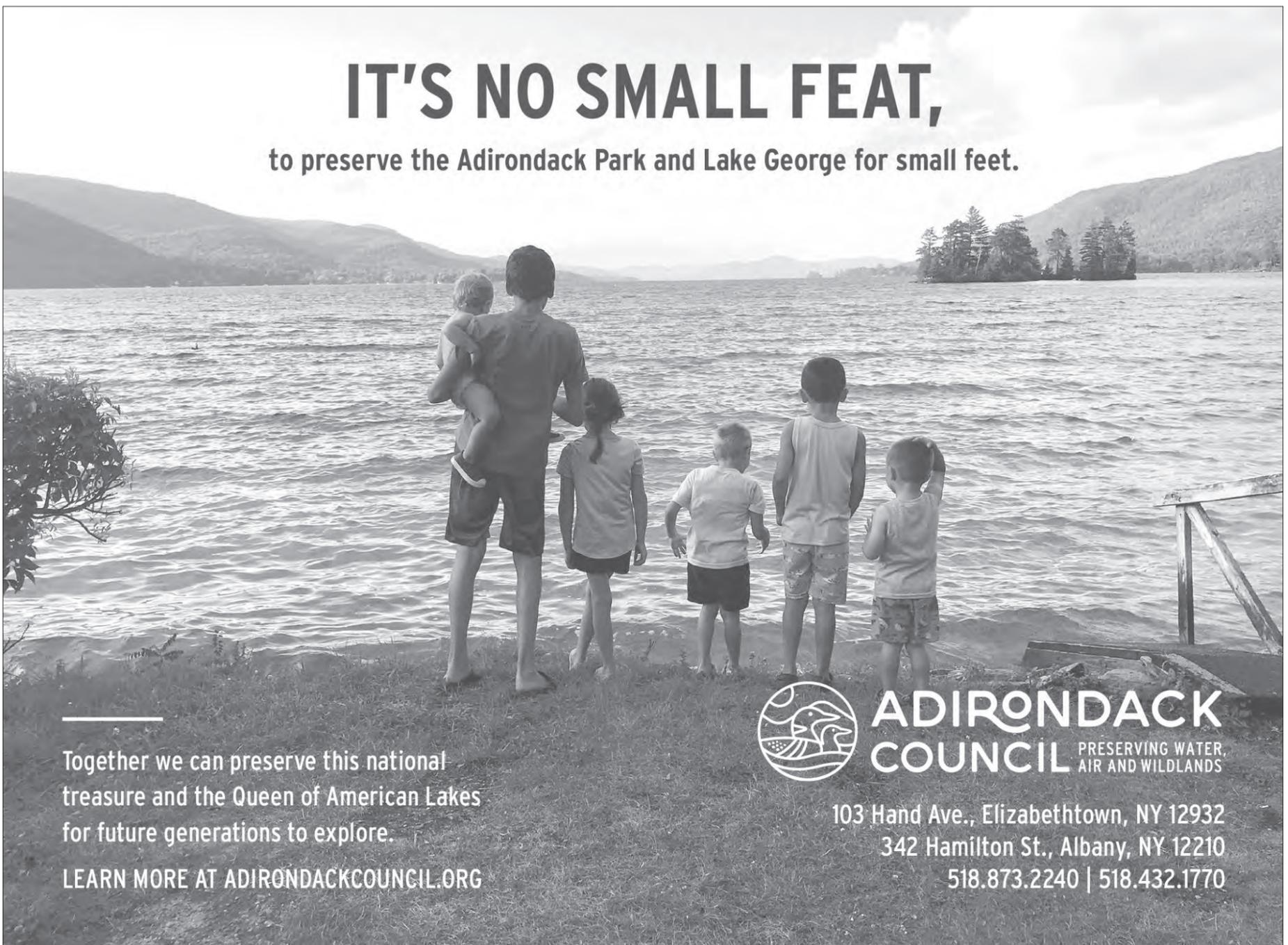
Lake George is another North American lake where Aqua-Superpower hopes to establish a beach head, he said.

"Lake George has always been on my radar as a place where it makes sense to get in early. It ticks all the boxes," said Canning.

Reporting contributed by Buzz Lamb

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Banner Year for Northeast Maple Syrup Makers

By Mirror Staff

The stock market may be down, but maple syrup production is up.

New York produced 845 thousand gallons of maple syrup in 2022, breaking the state's own 75-year-old record from 2019, when its maple industry produced 820,000 gallons of syrup.

The state's production this year was 31% above that of 2021, the USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) reported June 10.

New York accounts for roughly 20 percent of the nation's maple syrup retail sales and nearly 70 percent of the nation's bulk maple syrup sales, according to USDA statistics.

Its maple syrup production has increased approximately 50 percent over the last decade, according to the NYS Maple Producers Association.

According to NASS, the number of maple taps in New York in 2022 was estimated to be 2.90 million, unchanged from last year. Yield per tap increased to 0.291 gallon per

tap, up from 0.223 in 2021.

The earliest sap flow reported was on New Year's Day in both New York and Vermont. New York's season lasted on average 33 days, compared with 29 days in 2021.

New York's 2021 value of production totaled \$24.5 million, down 12% from 2020. The average retail price per gallon in 2021 was \$37.80, up from \$34.40 in 2020. The value of New York's 2022 maple syrup production will be published in the Crop Production Report, June 2023.

According to Vermont's Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets, that state's 2021 value of production totaled \$56 million, up from \$52.7 million in 2020. The average retail price per gallon was up .80 cents per gallon to \$46.30

New York State was second only to Vermont in US Maple Syrup production in 2022.

According to Vermont's Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets, Vermont maple syrup producers put out 6.65 million maple taps in 2022, an increase of 150K over the 2021



Maple syrup makers in Thurman, Warren County NY.

total. Yield per tap is estimated to be 0.383 gallon, significantly up from 0.269 gallon from the previous season.

Vermont has led the U.S. in the number of maple taps every year since 1916 and was only out-produced in 1926 and 1918. In 2003 Vermont had 2.12 million taps and has been steadily increasing to 6.65 million in 2022. Annual production prior to 1935 was typically between 1 million and 1.4 million gallons.

This dropped to around 200,000 to 300,000 gallons in the 1970s. Since 2003 Vermont's maple syrup production has increased from around 500,000 gallons to 2.55 million gallons in 2022.

According to the NYS Maple Producers Association, New York State is home to the largest resource of tappable maple trees within the United States.

Its producers are among the nation's most innovative, according

to the Cornell Maple Program.

According to a press release, the Maple Program recently collaborated with a graduate student in the Cornell Master of Food Science program, Christian Mercado, to develop a new liqueur, Mappleau, a diluted maple syrup fortified with maple brandy. It was inspired by Pommeau, the fresh apple cider fortified with apple brandy and aged.

Adirondack Trust Co. to Formally Open Lake George Office

By Mirror Staff

Adirondack Trust Company, the 120-year-old Saratoga-based bank, will host a ribbon-cutting ceremony at its new Lake George branch on Friday, June 24 at 9 am.

"We're very excited about the prospect of being a part of the Lake George community," Charles V. Wait, Jr, the bank's President and CEO told the Lake George Mirror earlier this year. "A bank is an engine of the economy, so it's a benefit for a community to have access to the banking services that Adirondack Trust Company can provide."

Adirondack Trust Company has expanded its reach into the Adirondacks and the North Country in recent years, and a branch office in Lake George Village will enable it to better serve existing and potential customers, said Wait.

The building at 350 Canada Street was previously occupied by TD Bank. Its Lake George Village office was one of 81 retail branches shuttered in 2021 by the New Jersey-based corporation, which attributed the closures to a widespread shift to



digital and online banking.

Lake George Mayor Bob Blais, who will be among the speakers at the June 24 grand opening, said Adirondack Trust Company's move to Lake George "is one of the great

events of my 52 years as mayor."

According to Blais, TD Bank's decision to close its Lake George office was "a very serious thing for us. Canada Street merchants who banked there appreciated its

convenient location. It was also the bank of record for Lake George Village. We sometimes made three deposits a day there."

Apart from the loss of a vital service to local business owners,

residents and visitors, the creation of a vacancy in "one of the nicest buildings on our main thoroughfare" was disturbing in itself, said Blais.

Blais said that after the TD branch closed, he was worried that the Georgian Revival building, whose architecture echoes that of the library and the high school, might be demolished.

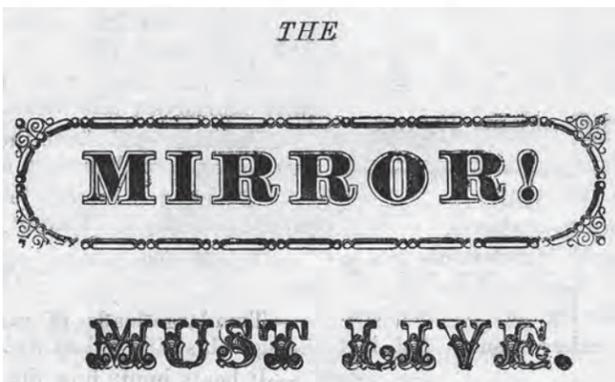
"That building is only useful as a bank, and is only useful to another bank, such as Adirondack Trust Company," said Blais.

According to Blais, Adirondack Trust Company's Lake George branch has been named the Village's "depository of record" or official bank.

"Moving our accounts from one bank to another is a complicated procedure, because we have so many accounts, but in the interests of convenience and security, we moved to Adirondack Trust Company," said Blais.

In addition to Blais, those attending the opening ceremonies will include Charles V. Wait, Jr, and other local officials. Members of the public are encouraged to attend.

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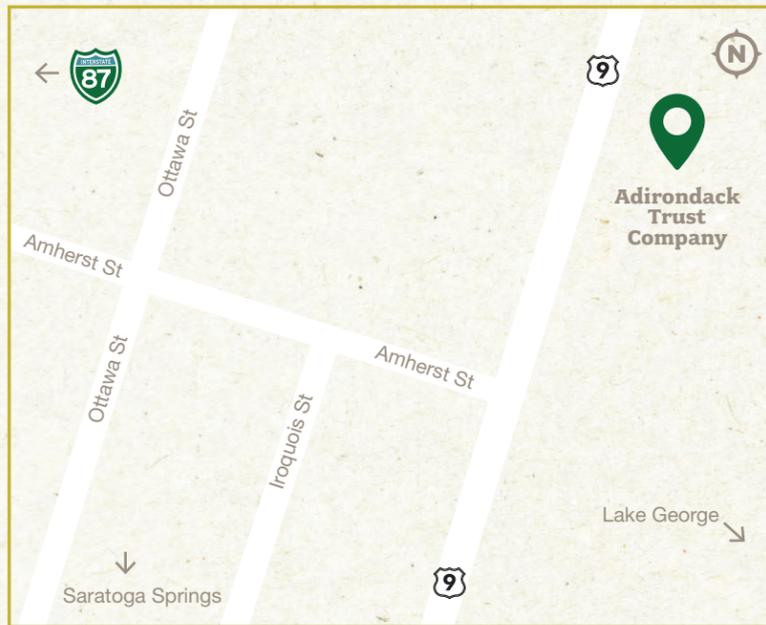
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By Paul Post

SPECIAL TO THE LAKE GEORGE MIRROR

Potential buyers, some flying in from around the country, are vying for a chance to own a sprawling three-story, 14-bedroom estate that's part of fabled Millionaires' Row on the west side of Lake George.

Green Harbour Mansion was built in 1915 by one of America's most successful businessmen, Vermont native Frederick F. Peabody (1859-1927), often described as a self-made man who entered the business world at 17 with minimal formal education and rose to become president of Troy-based Cluett, Peabody and Co. where he was instrumental in marketing the famous brand of Arrow shirts and collars.

The beautiful home, situated on 3.3 acres including 33 income-generating boat slips (\$164,360 in 2021), occupies the tip of Cooper Point about midway between Lake George Village and Diamond Point.

"The 1,585 feet of lakefront wraps all the way around," said



Gilded Age Mansion on Market for \$8.4 Million



Nicholas Ketter, of Glens Falls-based Realize Brokers. "When you get out there on the tip you can look north or south down the lake, and there's a really nice deck off the kitchen that faces east. All the views are incredible."

Peabody owned the house until 1923 and lived for many years in Santa Barbara, California, as one of its most prominent citizens, chairing the school board and overseeing construction of Santa Barbara High School. He also donated Peabody Stadium to the school and land for Peabody Charter School.

As a philanthropist, he contributed generously to rebuilding the city following a devastating 1925 earthquake, and gave to many causes that helped the less fortunate. Peabody's affiliations included Bankers Club of New York City, Bohemian Club of San Francisco, University Club of Santa Barbara, La Cumbre Country Club and Montecito Country Club.

Cooper Point is actually an island, connected to the Town of Lake George mainland by a bridge and narrow road called Green Harbour Lane.

The property's most recent owner was the late Kenneth Ermiger, developer of nearby Depe Dene Resort, who passed away last year. About 20 years ago, he had the Green Harbour Mansion site subdivided and sold off two lots for more than \$1 million each.

One is owned by Peter Deutsch, CEO of Deutsch Family Wines, a prestigious international company

founded by his father, Bill, in 1981. Peter has been credited for turning France's Georges Duboeuf into the top-selling Beaujolais in the country, making yellow tail wines from Australia the number one imported brand in the U.S., and building Josh Cellars into the largest premium wine brand in the world

The other lot was purchased by Hacker Boat Company owner and CEO George Badcock who built a new home there in 2006-07. It shares a driveway with Green Harbour Mansion, about 500 feet away. "It's a fabulous spot on the lake," he said. "It's really unique being out there on the point. The location is terrific with tremendous views."

Green Harbour Mansion occupies the point's most prominent spot, high up on a rise atop a long rocky slope leading down to the water's edge. Features of the landscaped grounds include a rock waterfall, rope swing and gathering area for outdoor parties.

"It really is an old Lake George mansion," Badcock said. "It looks the way it did in the 1920s and 30s. You can't tell the difference from the outside. I was inside a couple months ago. Some rooms have been restored to their original condition. Others aren't, but it's an unbelievable facility."

The basement has been converted into two separate two-bedroom, one-bathroom seasonal rental units. There's also a four-bedroom, two-bathroom waterfront cottage.

The property was listed for \$15 million when first put on the market

with a different realtor in 2019.

"It could be worth that someday if it was 100 percent tuned up," Ketter said. "The place is absolutely magnificent. Architectural detail within the home is incredible. It's one of the best spots on the lake, but that said, with the work that needs to be done the \$8.4 million range is much more justifiable. Some people believe you could easily spend a couple million dollars fully renovating it. There's little things all over the place, quite a bit of detail work ... repainting, carpeting, light fixtures, some electrical work; deferred maintenance in general. It's livable, but it certainly needs some updating and love."

Inside the main entrance, visitors are greeted by a spacious living area. The first floor also has a study/office and two sunrooms, one of which has a hot tub. The other is off the dining room.

There's also several "Jack and Jill" connecting bedroom-bathroom-bedrooms.

Master suites are on the second floor, highlighted by two balconies overlooking the lake. This part of the house is also where early 20th century housekeepers stayed. A unique communications system, which would light up to signal workers if service was needed in a

given room, is still present.

The property is zoned for residential use so it's highly unlikely that it will ever become a bed-and-breakfast or AirBNB. "A handful of people have looked at it as a family

compound," Ketter said. "That's probably the highest and best use."

"There's considerable interest and we're just entering the busy time of year," he said.

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LGA Sponsors Bay-by-Bay Lake Protection Events

By Mirror Staff

The LGA's 2022 Bay-by-Bay program, a series of educational programs to help property owners understand what's ailing the water quality in their neighborhood, kicked off earlier this week at Warner Bay in the town of Queensbury.

"With the water quality threats facing Lake George varying in type and intensity at different points

along its 32-mile length, the Lake George Association is educating residents about the greatest threats facing their bays and providing specific guidance to residential and commercial property owners about the actions they can take on their properties as Lake Protectors to safeguard water quality," the LGA stated in a press release.

Events are currently scheduled for four more bays.



Aerial view of east side bays.

In June, Virginia Rowan Smith and Stephanie Wagoner will host walking tours and a community presentation for residents of Oneida (Van Buren) Bay. The walking tour will be held Monday, June 27 at 4

pm and the community meeting on Tuesday, June 28 at 4 pm.

Charlie Crew will host events at Harris Bay on July 13 and 19. Walking tours are scheduled for 9 am and 10:30 am on July 13. The

community meeting will be held that same day at 4 pm. Boat tours are scheduled for 11 am and 12:30 pm on July 19.

On July 26, Bill and Dale Creighton will host a walking tour and community meeting in Pilot Knob, at 10 am and 7 pm, respectively.

Dunhams Bay residents will be offered a walking tour on August 23 at 10 am and a community meeting on August 24 at 4 pm. Both events are hosted by Dan Davies.

For complete details and to register, visit lakegeorgeassociation.org. Starting locations for any of the walking tours will be provided upon registration. Anyone interested in signing up to become a Lake Protector should visit lakegeorgeassociation.org.

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Sheriffs Report: Motorcycle Accident

A 65-year old upstate motorcyclist was injured in an accident in front of the Mohican Motel on Route 9 on June 11, the Warren County Sheriff's Office reports.

Ralph H. Shamblen Jr, 65, was traveling southbound when he veered into oncoming northbound traffic to avoid striking a vehicle that had turned in front of him. Shamblen struck a vehicle and then struck the guardrail. He was flown to Albany Medical Center. The Warren County Sheriff's Office was assisted at the scene by West Glens Falls EMS and Lake George EMS.

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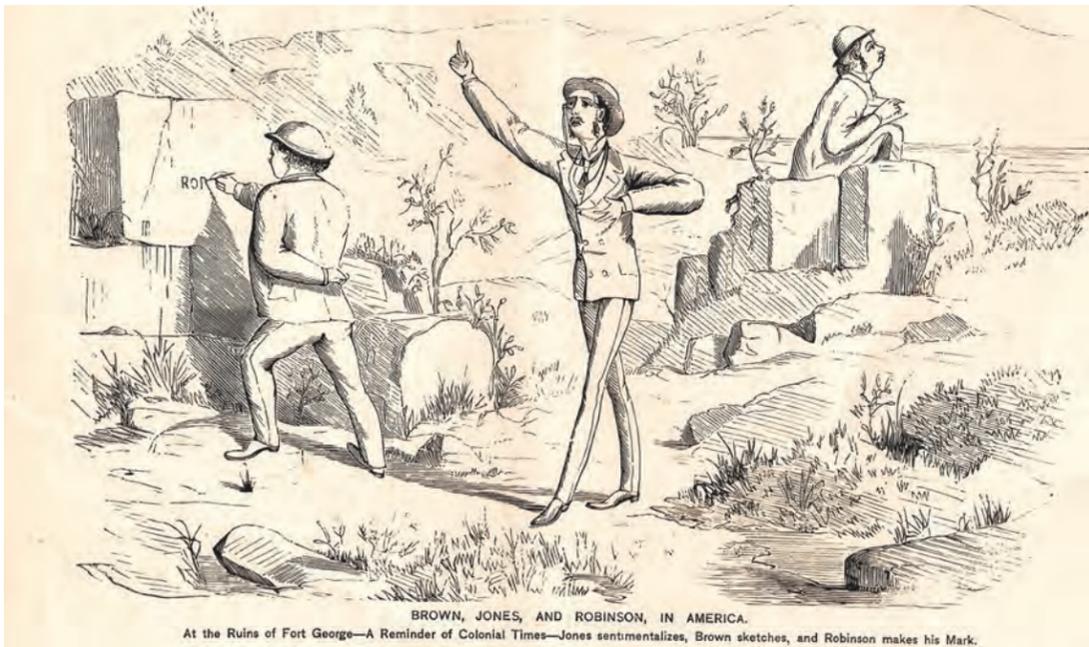
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A staple of Punch magazine in the Victorian era was a lampoon of the typical Englishman at home and abroad, represented as Brown, Jones and Robinson. Once they had exhausted the British Isles and the European tour, their creator, Richard Doyle, sent them to America and Lake George. Here we see them at the ruins of Fort George. The caption reads: “At the Ruins – A reminder of Colonial Times – Jones sentimentalizes – Brown sketches – Robinson makes his mark.”

“Path Through History” Winds Through LG This Weekend

By Mirror Staff

As part of New York State’s “Path Through History Weekend” on June 18-19, the Lake George Battlefield Park Alliance will conduct free guided tours through the Fort George/ Battlefield Parks on Saturday at 11 am and Sunday at 1 pm.

According to Dr. Lyn Karig Hohmann, the Alliance Trustee who organized the tours, “New Yorkers often do not have a deep appreciation for the pivotal role Lake George and the surrounding region played in our early history. Path Through History Weekend allows us to showcase that history.”

After having been the site of battles in 1755 and 1757, Fort George became the headquarters of the British as they prepared to launch attacks on the French at Ticonderoga, Crown Point and Montreal. In 1759, General Jeffery Amherst ordered a stone fort to be constructed, replacing a stockaded fort. During the War of Independence, the fort was the largest military hospital in North America.

According to the Lake George Battlefield Park Alliance, tour guides will point out the stone ruins of Fort George, the burial place of four unknown soldiers who were killed in the 1755 Battle of Lake George, the Park’s historic statues and the events and historical figures they commemorate, and the remnants of hospitals and kilns that served soldiers during the two 18th century conflicts.

The Lake George Battlefield Park Visitors Center, which includes a wide array of artifacts uncovered by archaeological digs in the Park, is open from 10 am to 4 pm, Friday through Sunday through the end of June, when hours of operation will expand.

According to John DiNuzzo, the president of the Battlefield Alliance, the center also features newly created models that illustrate the forts and ships that were utilized by British and American soldiers, and related materials.

The Battlefield Alliance will resume its regularly scheduled, one hour guided tours of the Park’s most important historic sites on Saturday, June 25 at 11 am. Tours start at the Visitor Center.



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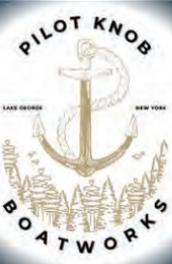
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1959: "Girl Scout Day" at Fort William Henry

By Joseph W. Zarzynski
SPECIAL TO THE LAKE GEORGE MIRROR

For New York state residents, the year 1959 was designated as the "Year of History." It was a statewide celebration of the state's history to mark the 350th anniversary (1609-1959) of the Hudson-Champlain voyages of discovery. There were lectures, festivals, pageants, sporting events, workshops for teachers, and other programs that featured historical places and events of the Empire State. In that spirit of saluting the state's heritage, on Saturday, May 23, 1959, Fort William Henry

hosted "Girl Scout Day." On that day, regional girl scouts and their leaders were allowed free entry into the replica fortification so they could learn more about the French & Indian War (1755-1763) site.

To prepare for such an extravaganza, in the spring of 1959, the staff at Fort William Henry Museum mailed out letters of invitation to Girl Scout councils in Lake George, Glens Falls, Ticonderoga, Northville, Plattsburgh, Amsterdam, and Schenectady. Moreover, Girl Scout councils in Albany and Fulton counties as well as from the Hudson River region were notified.

The "Girl Scout Day" at the museum over Memorial Day weekend in 1959 was part of the statewide recognition of two famous explorers from 1609, Henry Hudson and Samuel de Champlain. Hudson worked for the Dutch East India Company searching for a westerly passage to Asia. He took his vessel,



Girl Scouts and others enjoy a musket demonstration at Fort William Henry. Photo courtesy of Fort William Henry Museum.

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de Halve Maen (aka Half Moon), and sailed up the Hudson River to the Albany area. Champlain, a Frenchman, explored Lake Champlain, departing New France (Canada) to the southern part of the waterway that would be named after him.

At that time of the 1959 Hudson-Champlain 350th anniversary festivities, the Girl Scouts program was less than half-a-century old. The Girl Scouts started in 1912 in Savannah, Georgia. The original troop had 19 girls and their founder

was Juliette Gordon Low. In the years before women even had the right to vote, the Girl Scouts promoted girls' unique abilities and supported their compassion, leadership, and sense of curiosity.

Now, 110 years later, the Girl Scouts of the USA has about 2.5 million girl and adult members. Some former notable girl scouts are tennis stars Venus and Serena Williams, movie actresses Gwyneth Paltrow and Dakota Fanning, singers Dolly Parton, Mariah Carey, and Taylor Swift, and ex-

governmental leaders Hillary Clinton and Condoleezza Rice.

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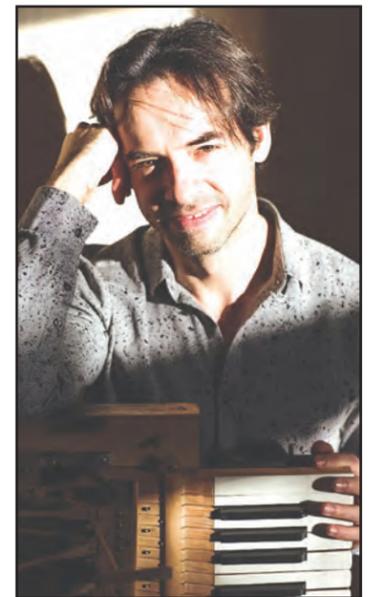
From all accounts, "Girl Scout Day" at Fort William Henry on May 23, 1959, was a grand success during the "Year of History."

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Ukraine Benefit at Park Theater

By Mirror Staff

Jazz Pianist Vadim Neselovskyi, heralded by such greats as Gary Burton, Fred Hersch and John Zorn as one of the great improvisationists of his generation, will present a benefit for Ukraine at the Park Theater in Glens Falls on June 23.

Neselovskyi's new project tells a personal story about his hometown of Odesa, Ukraine. Inspired by Modest Mussorgsky's classical masterpiece "Pictures at an Exhibition," "Odesa" takes the listener on an imaginary tour around the port city on the Black Sea, filled with memories, historical references, flashbacks and dreams.

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The Grants Make a Splash on Lake George

By Maury Thompson

SPECIAL TO THE LAKE GEORGE MIRROR

Trivia clue: He was a Lake George visitor in 1888 who, earlier that summer, received one vote for President from the Georgia delegation on the sixth ballot of the Republican National Convention, and who, like his father, who died at a cottage at Mount McGregor three years previous, was an Army officer and politician.

Correct response: Who is Frederick Grant?

"Mrs. U.S. Grant, Fred Grant, wife and children, arrived at the Lake House yesterday afternoon and are guests of Landlord Tucker," *The Morning Star* of Glens Falls reported on Aug. 22.

Before Lake George, the party had spent about two weeks at J.K. Baley's resort hotel at Lake Mohonk in Ulster County.

It is likely, but not definite, that the two French maids that accompanied the party at Lake Mohonk also traveled with them to Lake George.

It was not the first time, and would not be the last, that Julia Dent Grant, mother of Frederick, visited Lake George.

On Aug. 8, 1872, President Ulysses Grant and the First Lady stayed over night at a cottage at the Fort William Henry Hotel the night before the President gave a speech at the Rockwell House hotel at Glens Falls.

Julia Dent Grant and other family members vacationed in July and August of 1896 at Lake George.

The visit of the Grant family in 1888 made quite a splash on the Lake George social scene.

"On Wednesday, Lake George enjoyed the proud distinction of being home to a batch of very prominent sojourners on the shore — the Grant and Gould families and Bob Ingers II."

Frederick Grant and his wife seemed to have celebrity status wherever they traveled, as evidenced by an 1887 news report from Chicago, republished locally.

"Few, if any, visitors to Chicago during the past six months have been overwhelmed with more social invitations than Col. and Mrs. Fred Grant, who arrived here on Tuesday. ... They have been literally inundated with invitations to teas, parties and social gatherings."

The family's visit to Lake George was somewhat of a working vacation for Frederick, who traveled to political events in the area.

On Aug. 27, Grant traveled from Lake George to Saratoga Springs to attend a portion of the State Republican Convention that was underway.

"What was especially noticeable about the gathering was the good humor of every Republican and the confidence that the state and national ticket will sweep the state," the *New York Tribune* reported. "Party dissension, the cause largely of party defeat in recent years, it was reported, has dissipated."

At a reception, Grant urged Republican gubernatorial candidate Warner Miller to emphasize temperance in his campaign.

"I was glad to read today what you said yesterday in favor of our adopting a High License plank. You will have the temperance sentiment of the state supporting you on that plank," Grant said.

High license, an alternative to strict Prohibition, was a system that required saloon keepers to pay high fees for a license to sell liquor.

The fees discouraged establishments from selling alcohol.

"It is important that we should have a state issue and this one of High License seems an excellent one," Grant commented to a friend. "I hope it will be made."

Miller lost the governor's race to incumbent Democrat David Hill.

Also, that week, Grant participated in a Republican political rally at Lake George.

Howard Conkling, of New York City, had donated a Benjamin Harrison/Levi Morton campaign



Frederick Dent Grant and his wife, Ida Grant.

banner to the local GOP to display.

"Judge Bachelor, of Saratoga, delivered an eloquent address, after which Colonel Grant received the banner for the town of Lake Luzerne," *The Morning Star* reported. "The meeting then adjourned to the town hall, where a Republican Club was formed. At the banner-raising, the Luzerne Cornet Band discoursed excellent music."

Harrison would narrowly carry New York and the nation against incumbent Democrat Grover Cleveland of New York in November.

Women in Need to Hold Annual Golf Tourney

The Lake George Region Women for Women in Need, Inc. will hold its 12th Annual Golf Tournament and auction on Monday, June 28 at Cronin's Golf Course, Warrensburg.

The format will be a 4-person scramble with a shotgun start at 11:45 am, with teams consisting of men, women and mixed. Registration will begin at 10 am, followed by lunch at 11:15. Cost per golfer is \$100 for non-members and \$75 for Cronin's members, which includes golf, cart, lunch, beverages on the course, prizes and a steak bake. Non-golfers may attend the steak bake and auction at 4 pm for \$35.

The Lake George Region for WIN, Inc.'s mission is to help women and families in the communities of Warren, Washington, Saratoga, Albany and Essex counties. The main criteria is need, and WIN provides help in many ways: clothing, food, financial assistance, fuel, etc.

Reservations and payment in full are preferred on or before Monday, June 21. To register for the tournament, purchase a ticket for the steak bake/auction or to become a hole sponsor contact Nancy Nichols 518-744-1556, or Deb Foley 518-222-9325.

Public Service Announcement for the 2022 Adirondack Greek Festival

The 13th Adirondack Greek Festival will be hosted by St. George Church, 55 Main St., South Glens Falls, NY. Thursday, July 14 from 4 to 8 pm will be To-Go Night with souvlaki and gyro sandwiches and pastries. Friday & Saturday, July 15 & 16 from 12 – 7 pm, come enjoy our Full Festival days with more authentic Greek food & pastries, music, entertainment and church tours. Free admission and parking.

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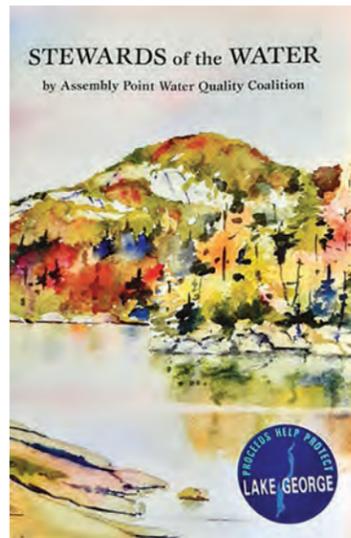
“Stewards of the Water” Launch at LG Historical Museum June 18

By Mirror Staff

The Lake George Historical Association will host the launch of “Stewards of the Water,” the collection of profiles of people and organizations committed to the lasting protection of Lake George, on June 18 from 10 am - 1 pm.

Elected officials as well as representatives of lake protection organizations and agencies have been invited to speak during a special presentation from 11 am to noon. Composer Hui Cox will preview a piece relating to a museum-sponsored climate project and artist Tom Ryan will display the paintings he created for Stewards of the Water.

Jim Brangan of Lake Champlain Basin Program will introduce “Called by the Water,” new interpretive lake exhibition panels, which were curated by Gwenne Rippon and which update material on the length-of-the-lake swim by



Authors of the essays collected in “Stewards of the Water” will attend the event and volunteer a few words about the state of the lake and the importance of the book for raising awareness about and combatting threats to Lake George’s water quality.

The LGHA Museum and Bookstore will be open from 11am-4pm and will feature new books for the season, including Gwenne Rippon’s “When Diane Struble Swam Lake George,” Louise Rourke’s “The Swim to End Polio” and Lisa Adamson’s “Imagine What I could do!” coloring book.

LGHA board member Laura Hickson has been busy distributing Adamson’s book to local schools to help educate students about threats to water quality.

The Lake George Historical Association Museum is located in the old courthouse at the corner of Canada and Lower Amherst Streets.

her mother, Diane Struble.

Brangan will also speak briefly about the Last of the Mohicans, Leatherstocking Literary trail on view locally.

Diamond Point Community Church Opens for Season

By Buzz Lamb

For 143 years, the Diamond Point Community Church has offered spiritual uplift to the many thousands who visit the Adirondacks for refreshment of the body and soul. Nestled between the mighty mountains and beautiful serene Lake George, this historic church holds its doors open to all. The church reopens for the 2022 season on Father’s Day, June 19.

This year, the church will provide in-person, as well as virtual, Sunday worship for summer residents, local families and travelers in the Lake George region at 10 am, June 19 through September 4.

Special Communion services will be held on July 24 and August 14 and a Memorial service will be on July 28.

Weather permitting, formal worship will be preceded by a short garden prayer service at 9:30 am each week.

During the 12-week schedule, pastors from all over the U.S. preach at the church.

“We have ministers who come from as far away as California and



Florida,” trustee Christine McKenna said. “They bring their families and enjoy a week at Lake George, staying in our parsonage.”

McKenna says the church is supported solely by donations from the non-denominational congregation. Non-denominational churches are those not formally aligned with an established

diocese or that remain otherwise autonomous.

The Board of Trustees asks the public to please join them on July 16 for the 2022 Taste of Diamond Point, the only fund-raising event the church plans for the year.

The church is located at 3699 Lake Shore Drive, Diamond Point, NY 12824.

Mountainside Library Holding Annual “Book, Bake and Bauble” Sale July 9

By Mirror Staff

The Mountainside Library will hold its annual “Book, Bake and Bauble” sale on Saturday, July 9,

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This year will feature a short ceremony at 11:30 am to unveil a plaque that commemorates Mountainside’s recent inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places.

The Mountain Side Library’s children’s Story Hour will be held on July 9 and every Saturday from 10 am to 11:45 am.

Admittance to the sale on Saturday is free, but early access is available on Friday, July 8, from 4 pm to 7 pm for a \$5 fee. The library is located in Dunhams Bay at 3090 State Route 9-L, Lake George.

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PRIVATE ISLAND almost 3 acres on 32 miles of Lake George with natural sandy beach and protected cove, 2600 feet of lake frontage. 3/4 mile from 28 acres of Canoe Island Lodge property on the western shore. Large 60' dock with deep water access. Lovely wooded north end, central part of the island has large open picnic area, porta-potties and path to stunning beach and swim area. \$2,900,000 mls#202219262

VILLAGE OF LAKE GEORGE 'Waterfront Living' store. Sale includes entire building (8226SF) which houses Waterfront Living (1200SF +-Retail- this is seller owned), Mezzalunas (3200SF+- Restaurant), and The Tap Room (1000SF+- Bar). 4 yrs left on current leases w/5yr option after. Prime location close to Beach Road. \$1,500,000 mls#202125932



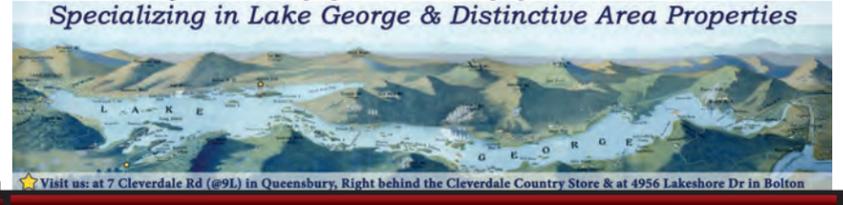
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