



The Lake Harvey Association Newsletter | Summer 2012

President's Message | Jan Sherman



Finally a gorgeous weekend and I am away baby-sitting my grandson, but so fun!! Let's hope we will have many more sunny days. We deserve some good weather!!

We are expecting an exciting summer, Harvey's Lake Day is in the works, fireworks are ordered and the boat parade is gearing up for another year.

The new Passumpsic River Outfitter's is going to help us out with a kayak to raffle as they are trying to build their business, kayak and canoe rentals, as well as tours down our beautiful rivers. They are also working on something special for Lake Harvey Day, stay tuned.

The Cap Raeder Road Race is also being resurrected after a decade long hiatus with part of the entrance fee going to Harvey's Lake Preservation Fund.

We also finally have a few internet improvements, the tower on Garland Hill is up and right in my sight!! The stimulus money NCIC has to work with is also going toward a repeater to get more of the lake covered. Sherm Sprague has a new system everyone is waiting to hear more about - faster than satellite.

I hope to have some surprises at the annual meeting, so PLEASE join us. Besides our kayak raffle, I would like to have a few special silent auction items as well as some very cool old pictures to order.

So join us for the Annual Meeting, give us your input, volunteer for a project, bring a friend!



"ICE OUT 2012"

The ice went out March 22nd at 4:16 PM - likely the earliest ever!

Contest winner was Sue Weeks of Woodsville, NH.

"Happiness is"

That's the theme for this year's Harvey's Lake boat parade to be held on Saturday, July 21st [bad weather day is Sunday, July 22nd]. So put your creative juices to work and start decorating your boat. Show us what you and your family think "Happiness is..." Last year we had ten entries, [two kayaks and eight motorized boats] all of which did a terrific job interpreting the parade theme, "A Moment To Remember."

This year we hope for even more entries particularly with the non-motorized contingent. On the day of the parade, all boat entries are invited to meet with the Lake Harvey Association "Lead Boat" out at the point. The non-motorized contingent [kayaks/canoes] should report at 12:30 p.m. to receive their position in the parade. They will then receive a head start around the lake at about 12:45 p.m. Feel free to go as far as you can but it is only necessary to reach the Judge #3 location on the west side of the lake. The motorized contingent will meet at 1:00 p.m. and proceed around the lake at 1:15 p.m.

If you are interested in participating, feel free to call Don Burke [633-4941] for additional information and to answer any questions. So get all the relatives together [especially the kids] and come up with your boat theme decoration. Come join the fun and we'll look forward to seeing you out at the point on the 21st. Good luck!!

2011 Boat Parade Winners



1st Place - Boston Tea Party



2nd Place - A Royal Wedding



3rd Place - Reverse The Curse



Non Motorized Entry - Mother Loon & Baby

Lake Harvey Boating

If anyone is interested in a real LIVE boating course, let us know - *if we have enough people we'll do it!*

Go to <http://boat-ed.com/vt/handbook/index.htm> for Vermont boating information.

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Boat Monitors

Many thanks to all our "Greeters" for monitoring our visiting boats and protecting our thus far pure lake waters. Don Easter remains in charge, and monitor Kathy Wirthwein as usual analyzes and reports on our boating activity. Once again Barnet voters have contributed \$10,000 toward our preservation efforts, a significant assist that benefits us all.

Notable & Newsworthy | Karla Cornelius

We need HELP with our website. Wonderful still, but we need to keep it current, interesting and informative. Please, contribute – stories, photos, observations, opinions. We have so many ideas, but no one – and no time – to bring them to fruition. A professional "webmaster" may be our next necessary step, so that we can post items regularly, and get our lake directory, gift shop and unclassified section up and running.

Our Blog is open to all members. Please email lakeharveyassociation@lakeharvey.com and request your password (and then please Blog!).

Select Board chair Ted Faris tells us the new gate for our dam is not yet ordered (we were unduly optimistic last year), but bids are being obtained, and installation remains on the town agenda. Our \$5000 contribution has been set aside by the Town for that purpose. Better control of our lake level will significantly help maintain the safety and quality of our lake water, so we are hopeful Phase I will be implemented soon.



We now have several internet options, some faster than others, with varying usage allowances. Only a few offer seasonal disconnect. Come to our LHA meeting to learn more. Both AT&T and Verizon cell service still leave much to be desired (standing outside in the rain on our deck is not ideal!), so now that we have an internet tower, a cell tower is next on the list.

Enjoy our Lake Harvey Day events and evening fireworks, have a GREAT summer, and visit us at lakeharvey.com!

Upcoming Events

SATURDAY JULY 21

Mile Long Yard Sale

9:00 am....Annual meeting

1:00 pm....Boat Parade

3:00 pm....Barbeque

Dusk FIREWORKS!!

BBQ volunteers needed!

Call Bruce Ellison at 633-3011.



Life at the Northwest Corner of Harvey's | Bob Perrin



The summer of 2012 brings together families that have gathered here for over 60 years. Well, some of us were here, lots of new family members, and of course those responsible for it all have moved on to their final resting place.

For me it all started during the summer of 1948 when my parents, Marcell and Lucy rented the Dic-a-Doo cottage from Clara Brock for the summer. It seems like yesterday that I met my new friends Dick (Daniels) Brock, Jimmy MacDonald, and his older sister Rita Jean (Suyemoto). Of course the corner was ruled by Viva (The Shack), Lucy and Clara, who each in their own way ruled the roost.

At that time Clara ran the hot dog stand which was attached to her cottage (now replaced by a year round house owned by George Pierce, a relative of Clara), so those at the public beach walked up what is now Sunny Beach Lane (thanks to 911) for their treats. I might mention that while Dick tended the hot dog stand, the rest of us spent a great deal of time listening to Dick spin his 45s (Fats Domino etc) and if memory serves me correctly, a few too many Three Muskateers, Babe Ruth bars and sodas. Dick and I were so inseparable that I assisted him daily picking up the wrappers and cups left on the public beach.

After two summers of renting from Clara, she sold the vacant lot where her family's house had burned in the early 40s and my parents built the present cottage (Perrin's Kozy Korner) in 1950. We actually moved in as soon as the carpenters had the walls and roof on using Sealtest Ice Cream banners for doors and windows. The Zanleoni family spent most weekends with us leaving lots of fun memories. They later built their own cottage on the west side of the lake where Cez and Norena continue to entertain family and friends.

I must mention that the following year (1951) my Dad and I planted those cedar trees that now adorn the property. People think I am nuts trimming those trees now, but in all truth it is a love affair for me.

The summers fostered friendships from Viva's family, the Logans (Popsi her daughter and husband Red and their three children), relatives of the MacDonalds, especially "Big Bad Boy Bob" Littlewood, who I must mention since his daughter Marcia can claim visitation prior to my arrival. The latter is significant as Marcia and husband Don (Burkes) purchased the Shack from the Logan children in the 90s, and now their six children and families represent the youth movement.

There was at least one more significant renter of Dic-A-Doo in years past that led to Cap and Wendy Raeder settling in our corner of the world. Art and Lorraine Raeder also ended up purchasing property at the end of Pavilion Road, and now Cap and Wendy have also purchased the property owned by Hugh McLain and the cottage adjacent to the north.

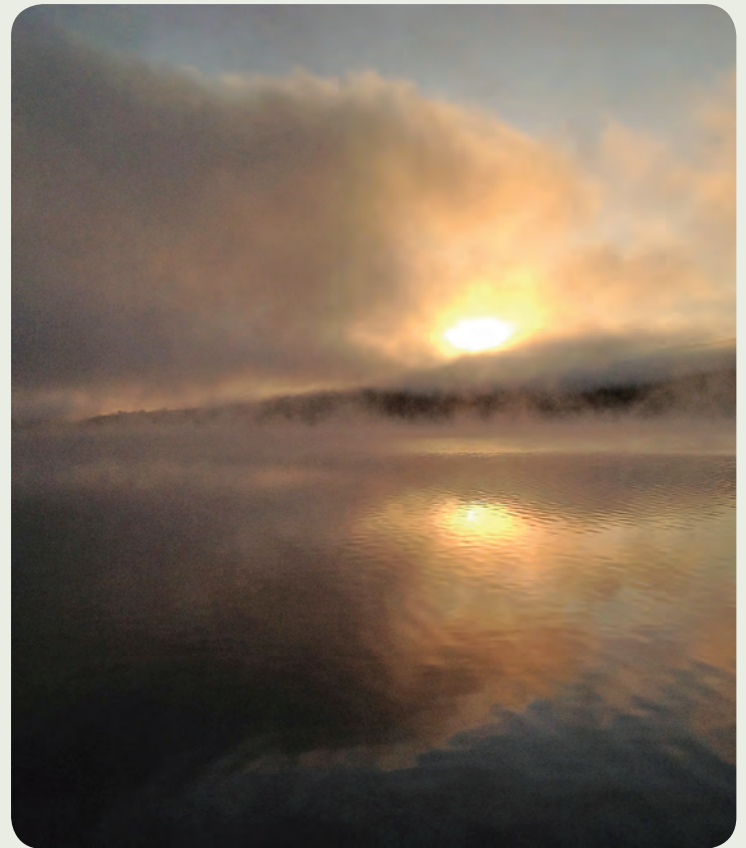
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The cottage next to the town beach was rented by the Caccavo family, who later built their own cottage just north of the Zanleoni camp which Margaret and her family enjoy during the summer months.

The Spragues, Sherm and Jackie also got their initiation to the lake as Sherm's parents rented the log cabin (Jean Suyemoto's cottage) on a regular basis prior to purchasing their own cottage on the west side of the lake. Sherm and Jackie have migrated to their permanent home under Roy Mountain.

The MacDonalds, Jim and Gloria and their children and grandchildren as well as Jean and her children and grand children now all occupy Sunny Beach Lane along with George and Doris Pierce, and of course our clan of five children and grandchildren.

The most recent event to take place was last summer when my childhood friend Dick's son Rick purchased and moved his grandmother's house from the town beach up the road a piece to set on a new foundation on the east side of Harvey Mountain Road. I am sure Clara and Dick are smiling.



It seems that while there are so many memories on the lake, in many ways things do not change very much. We cherish our newest occupants the loons, wish the fishing was as plentiful as it used to be, especially the salmon, but we feel so fortunate to be able to see the families of the past still being represented by the following generations, and over time how everyone seems to find a sense of inner peace while at Lake Harvey.

Our wishes to all for another enjoyable summer.

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State Lakes Report | Jackie Sprague

The Federation of Vermont Lakes and Ponds has received grants from Green Mountain Coffee Roasters and Lake Champlain Basin Program to offer lake workshops around the state to lake owners and lovers! This has been a goal for years and it is a wonderful testament to the hard work of the members of the FOVLAP board and lake friends who are hosting these events.

July 14 at 1:00 PM.....RESTORE YOUR SHORE WITH NATURAL BUFFERS
Seymour Lake
Register by July 7th.

July 25 at 1:00 PM.....WHAT'S IN YOUR WATER?
Seymour Lake
Register by July 18th

August 15 at 10:00 AM....VERMONT INVASIVE PATROLLER WORKSHOP
Lake Memphremagog
Register by August 8th

For more information and to register contact:
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FOVALP ANNUAL MEETING July 30, 2012 at Steak House Barre-Montpelier Road
(Charlie Nardozi is guest speaker!)

Go to www.Vermontlakes.org for more information on all these wonderful events!



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Loons And Our Lake | Jan Parsons

In the wake of the successful rearing of a chick by our Harvey's Lake breeding loons, in 2011, monitoring, and steps to protect our loons this summer, are already well underway. Eric Hanson, Coordinator of the Vermont Loon Recovery Project, planned to set up the nest raft in the southern end of the lake, working with Don Easter, in early May. He was also considering installing a nesting sign in the channel at the north end of the lake, in mid May, in anticipation of the loons returning to the area where they nested successfully in 2011. Most loons nest between May 20 and June 15. Eric is wondering if early ice-out may lead Vermont loons to nest early this year. As of May 6, the Harvey Lake loons were still out in the lake, preening, splashing and generally looking like they were enjoying the great weather!

I will be checking on the loons every week, starting on May 20 and will have substitutes, if I am not available.

The annual Loonwatch Day will be on Saturday July 21 this year. That's the day that volunteers from around Vermont check lakes at a certain hour in the morning to account for as many loons as possible in the state. Because nonbreeding loons tend to travel around from lake to lake, it is important to try to count them early in the morning, before they take off to visit another lake. A lake which has had a successful chick raising becomes very enticing to other loons. Last summer I observed a number of loons fly in at different times of day, often in the vicinity of the chick and parent. The parent loon always drove the intruder away, but such intrusions seem to be a common practice. A lake which has a thriving loon chick has clean water, abundant food and "good enough" shoreline habitat. Other loons somehow figure that out. We can be proud that our stewardship has created these positive conditions at Harvey Lake.

If our breeding loons do nest this summer and hatch a chick, please do everything you can to create optimal conditions for the chick to thrive.



That includes: avoiding the channel (or other nesting area) while the loons are nesting, keeping boats away from the loon family when they first appear, slowing down if you sight the chick in the water - the wake from a boat can overwhelm a chick, and watching the loons from a distance since they will be stressed by a close approach and won't feed the chick. Anglers are asked to reel in when loons are diving nearby as they will take live bait and lures.

Eric Hanson has new Loon Fact sheets which we will be distributing, at the Boat Access area, to lake side residents and to Harvey's Lake Association members.

In 2011, there were 71 nesting pairs of loons in Vermont. 51 pairs were successful in hatching 75 chicks. Of those 75, 60 survived through August, down from 70 surviving of 85 hatched in 2010. So you can see a lot can go wrong between nesting and having a healthy chick present in late August. We can hope that this will be another successful year for loons breeding at Harvey Lake. And we can celebrate the fact that the numbers have vastly improved from 1983 when there were only seven nesting pairs of loons in all of Vermont!

If you see a loon in trouble, please contact me at 802-633-2298. I should be around from mid June on through the summer. Eric Hanson can be reached at 802-586-8064 in case of a loon emergency. Thanks to other members of the Harvey's Lake Loon Crew: Don Easter, Barb Roggeveen, Karla Cornelius, Jan Sherman and Wayne Berge, Warren Williams, Marianne Hamilton, George Valentine. Other Harvey's Lake loon watching fans are welcome to join the crew. Please contact me at: jpeacham@aol.com

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Kayak Raffle



Passumpsic River Outfitters has generously donated a kayak to our cause. The raffle drawing will follow the BBQ on July 21st. Get your tickets today!

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