



Lime Lake News

THE OFFICIAL PUBLICATION OF THE LIME LAKE COTTAGE OWNERS' ASSOCIATION,
DEDICATED TO KEEPING MEMBERS INFORMED ABOUT IMPORTANT MATTERS
CONCERNING THE LAKE AND ITS SURROUNDING PROPERTIES.

LLCOA Board of Directors

This publication is issued by the LLOCA board to provide information and updates on upcoming events to its paid members.



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A Letter from the President

Dear Lime Lake Residents,



I would like to introduce myself. I am Dawn R. Kless, and I am your new LLCOA President. I know many of you know me but here is a little background. I have been married to Andy Kless for 27 years, we have 2 beautiful girls together, Ashley 24, and Delaney 13. Andy has been a resident of Lime Lake for 45 years and I have been for 27 years. I have been a member of the LLCOA board since 2017 and the last 5 have been as Secretary. Lime Lake is so very special to me and my family, and my goal as a board member, resident and as your President, is to ensure that all the residents benefit from the projects the board works on in support of our needs as well as to maintain a strong and productive relationship with the Town of Machias.

The Board of Directors works continuously throughout the year to prepare for each season on the lake. We are tirelessly working on finding new and improved ways to keep our lake clean and clear!

Vice President Joe Tymorek has been working hard these last couple years on our weed issues. He found that we were not properly treating our lake and, in his research, led us to a new person who has educated us on our weeds and the best methods to address these issues. We used a new weed treatment

in 2024 and had great success but we are in a transition period so we are going to have some growing pains until we can treat the entire lake with this new treatment. The person we use for the weed treatment is looking into getting more permits so we can treat more of the lake in the 2025 season. Your continued support and patience are greatly appreciated.

We would like to welcome our newest board member, Chris Dunwoodie, who has graciously accepted the Secretary position that was recently vacated. Thank you, Chris. I'm looking forward to working with you in the coming years. Also, I would like to welcome back Wendy Thompson to the board! Wendy has been an amazing asset to our board and events here at Lime Lake. We are so very grateful and excited to have her back! Thank you, ladies!

I would like to add a special thank you to Stephanie Shreck! Unfortunately, Stephanie needed to vacate her position on the board for personal reasons. Stephanie has been a great asset to our board and to our community, with all the work she has done with the Memorial Bricks, Lime Lake merchandise, Lime Lake Newsletter, the many events she hosted or volunteered for and so



Captured the breathtaking Northern Lights from our home in May 2024!

much more! Stephanie, you are so greatly appreciated - words cannot express what you mean to this board and community!

Our event schedule is listed in this newsletter, and we are looking forward to spending time with you all and meeting our newest residents! We have some new people who have volunteered to run some of our events, and we are looking forward to the fun and new things to come!

This past offseason Joe Tymorek attended the NYSFOLA Western Regional Conference, and met a man who has a WeeDoo boat, a boat designed to pull dead weeds out of the water and dig up cattails. It can run in about a foot of water so it can pull the weeds and dump them on the shore. We hired him to come out for a few hours and he cleaned up the dead weeds down at the dam and pulled almost all the cattails out of the small bay by the launch. Tim Byroads, Machias Highway Superintendent came with a front loader and took the weeds and cattails and dumped

them for us that very day! You will find more information about this later in this newsletter along with the gentleman's contact information if you wish to acquire his services for your personal lakefront.

Looking forward to seeing you all at our many events this summer. Please mark your calendars with our coming events, they certainly are not ones to miss! See you at the Open Meeting on Sunday June 8th, 2025, 11am at the pavilion in Broad Bay Circle. Have an amazing Summer!

With Best Regards,

Dawn R. Kless
LLCOA President

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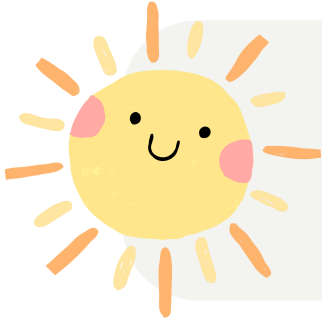


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SPECIAL THANKS TO MIKE POWERS!

For many years, Mike has generously volunteered as our attorney, representing the LLCOA—and he continues to do so. We truly appreciate you, Mike!

What is the LLCOA and Board of Directors?

The Lime Lake Cottage Owners Association was formed with the following objectives:

- To mutually benefit the members of the LLCOA and the protection of owner's property on or near the shores of Lime Lake
- To maintain and improve the community of Lime Lake as a summer and winter resort
- To suggest and aid in the enforcement of present and future laws relating to Lime Lake
- To provide social and athletic recreation for its members and promote all lawful sports upon Lime Lake

The Association meets these objectives through its Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors of the LLCOA includes four elected officers: President, Vice-President, Treasurer & Secretary. Each position is responsible for assigned duties as outlined in the LLCOA By-Laws. The remaining number of Directors is also outlined in the LLCOA By-Laws.

The Board of Directors of the LLCOA oversees many tasks and activities, including:

- Attending meetings on scheduled dates designated by the President
- Willing to take part in any present and future projects
- Any given assignments must be reported to the President, in a timely manner, so status can be communicated to the rest of the Board.
- Conducting numerous social events throughout the summer (see annual schedule of events)

- Purchasing of agents to control weed growth in the lake, scheduling application date designated by the DEC and notifying members of the scheduled date.
- Coordination of water quality testing and monitoring and management of fish population by the NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation (DEC)
- Control water levels through management of the spillway located at the north end of the lake
- General maintenance of the spillway shed
- Maintenance of the Broad Bay Circle buildings, playground and sports facilities for the use of all members
- Coordinating with publisher any article and member photo submissions for annual Lime Lake Directory
- Publishing and mailing of LLCOA Newsletter in Spring
- Managing key-access to the LLCOA boat launch on Broad Bay Circle.

Get to know the LLCOA 2025 Board of Directors!

OPENING MEETING - JUNE 8TH @ 11 AM

CLOSING MEETING - AUG 24TH @ 11 AM

These gatherings offer a great opportunity to meet the current directors, ask questions, and learn about the work they do to serve the community. If you're interested in becoming more involved or even joining the board, keep in mind that the directors are elected during the annual closing meeting.

Guide to Boating Safety Certificates in New York

New York State issues boating safety certificates to individuals who successfully complete a New York State-approved Safe Boating Classroom Course by [BOATERexam](#), [Boat-ED](#), [Boat U.S.](#) and the [United States Power Squadrons](#).



Who needs a boating safety certificate?


Under Brianna's Law, all motor boat and personal watercraft operators (regardless of age) will need a boating safety certificate beginning in 2025.

Operators of non-motorized watercraft (e.g., sailboats, kayaks, paddleboards, canoes, rowboats) are not required to have a boating safety certificate. However, it's always a good idea to take a boating safety course for your own knowledge and safety.

Need yours? Join us on June 21st at Broad Bay Circle!

The Cattaraugus County Sheriff's Office Marine Unit is offering a FREE in-person Boating Course!

 June 21, 2025 |  8:00 AM – 4:00 PM

 Lime Lake Association Pavilion, Broad Bay Circle, Lime Lake, NY 14042

This one-day, 8-hour course is free to attend and open to individuals 10 years and older. Students 18 years and older must visit www.ilostmycard.com to obtain their Permanent Certification Card (fee applies). Students ages 10–17 will receive their Permanent Certification Card free of charge by mail. To receive the Adventure License icon, your name must match your driver's license exactly.

What to Bring: Ballpoint Pen, Notepad, Bagged Lunch & Snacks, Highlighter (Optional)

Registration Required: Register online at <https://www.parks.ny.gov/boating/education.aspx>

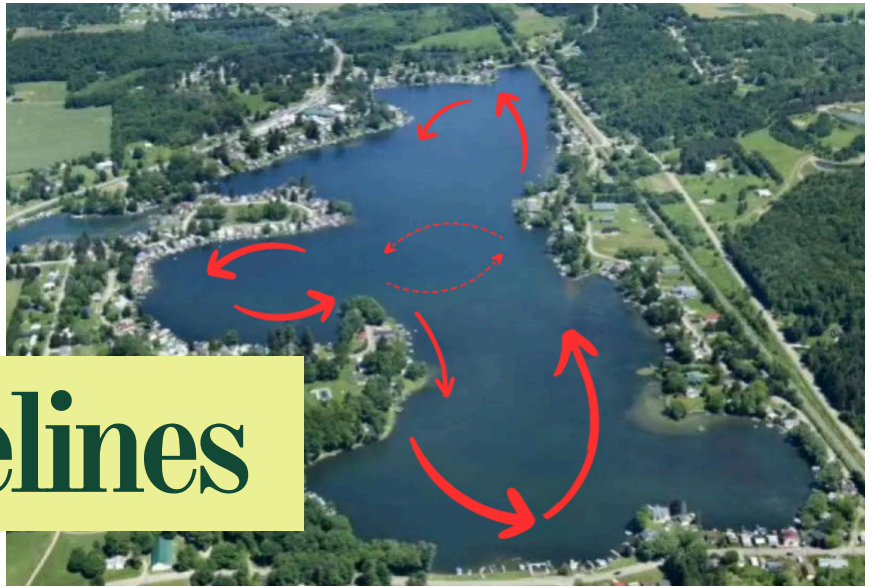
1. Click "Find a Safe Boating Course."
2. Enter "Lime Lake, NY 14042"
3. Select the June 21, 2025 course
4. Click "View Event" → "Register Now"
5. Fill out the form & submit.

If you can't join us, visit the New York State Department of Parks and Recreation website for more information on how to get yours online: www.parks.ny.gov/recreation/boating/boating-safety-class

REMEMBER, LIME LAKE IS A SHARED RESOURCE, AND IT'S UP TO ALL OF US TO KEEP IT SAFE. PLEASE VISIT THE NEW YORK STATE PARKS WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION.

For All Rentees & Tenants

Lake Guidelines



Counterclockwise Traffic

Please drive all watercraft vehicles responsibly.

Fishing License Required

For anyone over the age of 16.

No Wake Zones - 5 MPH

Please abide by the marked no wake zones through the channel and Little Bay.

No Littering

Do not throw or toss any other objects in the lake.

Abide by NYS Laws

All boats and boat operators must abide by NYS boating laws and will need a boating safety certificate in 2025, regardless of age.

Stay 75' away

from Shore, docks, and other boats at all times when powered above idle speed.

Keep left of all Buoy Markers

These identify stumps or shallow water. Please refer to the map in the Lime Lake Directory for these areas.

Acceptable Music Volume

Please keep music to an acceptable volume on the property and on the lake. Please be courteous with noise after 11PM.

USCG Approved Life Jackets

United States Coast Guard approved life jackets are required to be worn for personal watercraft use, as well as when being towed by a boat (skiing, tubing, wakeboarding, etc.).

Waterskiing Hours

Waterskiing and similar activities are allowed only between sunrise and sunset. A spotter, at least 10 years old, must be present (other than the operator) to watch for accidents and ensure the safety of the person being towed.

ANY RENTEE OR TENANT WHO DOES NOT COMPLY WITH THESE LAKE GUIDELINES WILL BE REPORTED TO THE PROPERTY OWNER FOR FURTHER ACTION. THESE GUIDELINES HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED TO PROTECT BOTH PARTIES IN THE RENTER-TENANT RELATIONSHIP, AS WELL AS TO ENSURE THE SAFETY AND WELL-BEING OF ALL LLCOA PROPERTY OWNERS.



LLCOA's Broad Bay Circle

Property Guidelines

Only LLCOA members and their guests are permitted to use the property at Broad Bay Circle. Please review the following reminders about storage and parking. If you rent your property, ensure your renters are aware of these rules.

Storage

This facility may not be used for storing items like boats, boat trailers, campers, large trailers, construction equipment, or dumpsters without written consent from the Board.

To request permission, submit a request via email to LLCOA.ORG@GMAIL.COM, and complete the Extended Period Parking Request form available on the LLCOA website.

If approved, a permit will be issued and must be displayed on the vehicle during the extended stay.

Violators will be given seven days to remove the item. If the violation continues, authorities may be contacted for ticketing or towing. Personal items, such as picnic tables, are not allowed on the property.

Parking

This facility may only be used by Members and individuals visiting the Member's property for parking of properly registered and licensed vehicles. Parking is limited to the shoulder area of the property.

The Board reserves the right to contact appropriate authorities for any unauthorized vehicle to be ticketed and/or towed away.

Members are responsible for repairing any damage to this property resulting from their parked motor vehicles, e.g. ruts.

In addition, golf carts and other type vehicles are not allowed to be ridden on the lawn area of BBC. The only exception would be when there is an LLCOA event and volunteers are using their golf cart or other vehicle to bring or remove supplies, etc.



Pet Policies

We've noticed an increasing issue with residents not leashing their dogs while walking around the lake. Machias has a leash law, meaning all dogs must be leashed when outside. Recently, there have been incidents where dogs have chased people or other dogs, and some have even come close to being hit by passing vehicles because they are off-leash. Additionally, some residents are allowing their dogs to do their business in the park circle and leaving without cleaning up after them. This is a family-friendly park used by kids, people playing games, using the equipment, and attending LLCOA events. Bags are provided in several spots around the park for those who forget to bring their own. Please be considerate—keep your dog on a leash and clean up after them. Thank you for helping us maintain a safe and clean environment for everyone.

Resident Resources



Got Mail?

Email and the LLCOA website are used for event reminders and to relay pertinent LLCOA updates and information.

Please be sure that your current email address is on file to receive these updates. You may update your email address when submitting your membership form or by emailing the LLCOA at llcoa.org@gmail.com.

If you haven't been receiving emails, but have provided an updated email address, please check your spam folder.

Need More Party Room?

The facilities at Broad Bay Circle are available for use at no charge to LLCOA Members and their families.

To reserve the pavilion and kitchen visit www.LLCOA.org and under "Resident Resources" you will see the link to the reservation form and calendar. The calendar will show if the facility is available. If the day is in yellow or red then you know that those days are unavailable for reservation.

Applicants must submit a completed Park Permit Application, supply a Certificate of Liability Insurance for the day of your event and pay a \$175 deposit by check or cashier's check, made out to the LLCOA before the reservation request can be confirmed. *(Deposits will be returned once and inspection is complete and the buildings are clean and free of trash)*

Mail Deposit check and Certificate of Liability to:

Dawn Kless
240 Broad Bay Circle
Machias, NY 14101

July 2025						
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Lime Lake Merchandise

The link to the 2025 LLCOA Merchandise catalog and order deadline will be sent via email.

Orders can be picked up at the Opening Meeting on June 8th. If you are unable to attend, you may opt to have your order shipped directly to your home.

For any questions, please contact:
Stephanie Schreck
(716) 574-4534

Display Boards



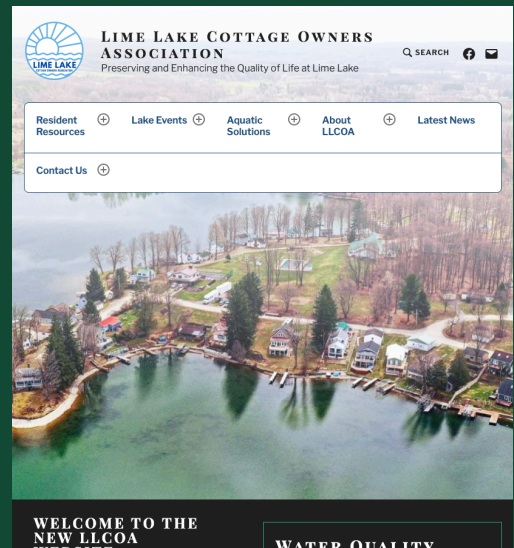
@ BBC AND ELTON ROAD

Thanks again to Don and Mary Laird for their generous donation of two display cases. You'll find them near the Spillway on Elton Road and near the Pavilion at BBC!

These display boards will serve as an additional communication tool to keep our LLCOA members informed—featuring flyers for upcoming LLCOA events, weed treatment notifications, and more.

Advertisement spots on these display boards will also be available for purchase.

For more information, contact:
Joe Tymorek (716) 541-4078



Have you checked out the new site?

Find resources at your fingertips! Whether you're looking for event details, aquatic solution information, community news, or important forms, everything is now just a click away.

Visit www.llcoa.org to stay informed and make the most of what our community has to offer!



Join our Facebook group, *Lime Lake Cottage Owners & Friends* and stay connected with your neighbors! Post your photos, ask questions & stay in the loop!

LLCOA Event Schedule 2025

April

15-30 **RAISING LAKE TO SUMMER LEVEL**
Joe Tymorek
716-541-4078

May

3 **WORK DETAIL @ BBC**
9:30 AM
Nancy Miller
716-359-8303

4 Work Detail Rain Date

18 Work Detail 2nd Rain Date

25 **MEMORIAL DAY REVERSE BOAT RIDE @ NORTH END**
7:30 PM
Sean & Wendy Thompson
716-998-3457

31 **GARAGE SALE AROUND THE LAKE**
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Nancy Miller
716-359-8303

June

7 **WALK FOR A CAUSE**
9:00 AM - Basket Raffle
10:00 AM - Walk
Wendy Thompson
716-998-3457

8 **OPENING MEETING @ BBC**
11:00 AM
Dawn Kless
716-353-0865

21 **BOATING SAFETY COURSE @ BBC**
8:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Dawn Kless
716-353-0865

28 **FAMILY & FRIENDS FISHING DERBY**
8:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Bill Bender
716-713-6470

July

12 **DECORATED BOAT PARADE**
6:00 PM
Joe & Char Tymorek
716-541-4078

19 **FAMILY PICNIC**
2:00 PM - 10:00 PM
Kelly London (716-517-5126)
Lynn Carpenter (716-866-8768)

20 **MY TIPSY PALETTE @ BBC**
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Marguerite Bifano
716-880-7349

August

7

PONTOON TIE-UP PARTY IN ODOSAGIH BAY

6:00 PM

Wendy Thompson

(716-998-3457)

Marguerite Bifano

(716-880-7349)

16

GOLF OUTING @ TURKEY RUN GOLF COURSE

8:00 AM Registration

9:00 AM Start

Sean & Wendy Thompson

716-998-3457

23

END OF SUMMER BASH @ BBC

5:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Dawn Kless

716 -353-0865

24

CLOSING MEETING AND ELECTION OF DIRECTORS @ BBC

11:00AM

Dawn Kless

716-353-0865

31

TWILIGHT CRUISE - START @ NORTH END

7:30 PM

Sean & Wendy Thompson

716-998-3457

TBD

TEXAS HOLD 'EM

6:00 PM

Roy Sheppard

716-523-4712

November

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LOWERING LAKE TO WINTER LEVEL

Joe Tymorek

716-541-4078

Weekly Texas Hold 'Em

THURSDAYS AT 7:00 PM SHARP

Join us at the BBC Pavilion

\$15 each week

Nancy Miller

716-359-8303

Want to get more involved?

If you would like to volunteer your time to help with an event, or if you have an idea for a new event that you would be willing to plan or host, please contact Dawn Kless (716-353-0865) or Joe Tymorek (716-541-4078) to get started!

Mark Your Calendars

YOUR GO-TO GUIDE FOR THIS
SEASON'S UPCOMING EVENTS.
ALL THE DETAILS INSIDE!



Work Detail at Broad Bay Circle

SATURDAY MAY 3RD | 9:30 AM

FIRST RAIN DATE: MAY 4TH

SECOND RAIN DATE: MAY 18TH

We need YOU to help spruce us up Broad Bay Circle and keep it looking its best! We'll be raking dirt, replacing old mulch in the playground, painting the swing set, sprucing up the kitchen area, and more!

Bring along rakes, shovels, weed whackers, wheelbarrows—anything that'll help us get the job done faster and better!

We'll gather at the BBC Pavilion at 9:30 AM to kick off the cleanup. We can't wait to see you there!

Memorial Day Reverse Boat Ride

Please join us on **Sunday, May 25, 2025 at 7:30 pm** at the North End of the lake for our Memorial Day Reverse Boat Ride in honor of all our Lime Lake family and friends who passed away in the past year. Please use this time to reflect upon the great memories you have of all the wonderful people that we've lost. They will always be remembered as part of our Lime Lake family.

John Dewald	formerly of 202 Long Point Drive
Ron Pfuelb	formerly of 193 Long Point Drive
Penny McNamara	254 Broad Bay Circle
Gay Girdlestone	formerly of 273 Broad Bay Circle
Leslie Law	187 Long Point Drive
Bernard Wirth	11 Potter Road
Kenneth Welgross, Sr.	239 Broad Bay Circle
Bill Wojcik	360 Lakeview Blvd
Stephanie (Napora) Wutz	199 Long Point Drive
<i>(daughter of Dave & Cindy Napora)</i>	

Sincerely, Sean & Wendy Thompson



Garage Sale Around the Lake

SATURDAY MAY 31ST
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Don't miss the Lakewide Garage Sale – a treasure hunt around the lake for amazing deals!

I WALK UNTIL CF STANDS FOR CURE FOUND



CYSTIC FIBROSIS
FOUNDATION

WESTERN NEW YORK
CHAPTER

“Walk For a Cause” benefiting Cystic Fibrosis Foundation

SATURDAY JUNE 7, 2025

Registration begins at 9:00 a.m.

Registration fee: \$10.00

Basket Raffles: 9:00 to 10:00 am

Walk Starts: 10:00 a.m.

Start Location: Broad Bay Circle Picnic Area

Walk Route: 3.5 miles around Lime Lake

*For more info – call Wendy Thompson
(716) 998-3457.*



Fishing Derby

**SATURDAY JUNE 28, 2025
8AM - 12PM (RAIN OR SHINE)**



Free Freshwater Fishing Day (no license required!)
Great Fun, Prizes & Lunch for all participants!
No depth Finders or Fish Finders!

Age Groups: 5 & under | 6-8yrs | 9-11 yrs | 12-14 yrs | 15 & Older!

Contact Bill Bender to register by June 1, 2025.
(716) 713-6470 Adult Group: \$10. Under 14: \$5.

NYS Safe Boating Course

**SATURDAY JUNE 21ST | 8AM - 4PM
Broad Bay Circle**

The Cattaraugus County Sheriff’s Office-Marine Unit is offering this one-day, 8-hour course for individuals 10+ years old. Any student, 18 years of age or older, upon successful completion of the course, will need to go online via <https://www.ilostmycard.com> to receive their Permanent Certification Card from New York State Parks. Students 10-17 years of age will have their Permanent Certification Card sent to

them at NO CHARGE. To receive the adventure license icon, the student’s name MUST match their driver’s license name EXACTLY.

What to Bring: Pen, notepad, lunch/snacks!

Registration Required: Visit parks.ny.gov/boating/education.aspx, click “Find a Safe Boating Course”, enter Lime Lake, NY 14042, select June 21, and register.

For more information, refer to page 9!



Lime Lake Decorated Boat Parade

SATURDAY JULY 12, 2025 | STARTING AT 6 PM

Start and finish at the Inlet area by the Boat Launch! Pick a theme and get creative—decorate your boat however you like with homemade designs, lights, inflatables, music, and costumes. Prizes will be awarded! Whether you join the parade on your boat or cheer from the shore, everyone's welcome to join the fun!

To register your boat, please contact: Joe Tymorek (716) 541-4078 or Joe320Lakeview@yahoo.com

LLCOA Annual Family Picnic

SATURDAY JULY 19TH | 2PM - 10 PM
Broad Bay Circle

This year our Picnic will be hosted by Kelly London and Lynn Carpenter! They have graciously volunteered to run it for us and we are so very grateful for them!

There will be new things to be expected this year, but we will continue to have the kids games, horseshoe and cornhole tournaments!

Keep your eyes open on the details when we get closer to this event!

The band "The Screaming Pineapples" will be rocking out at the party from 7pm on. So bring those dancing shoes. This is a band you DO NOT want to miss!

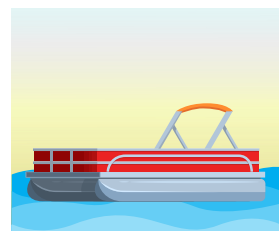
Thank you to all the 2024 volunteers – the picnic wouldn't have been a success without you! Watch for emails soon with the sign-up sheet for this year. We appreciate you all!



My Tippy Palette

SUNDAY JULY 20TH
2PM - 4PM
AT BBC PAVILLION

Become an artist in two hours - no experience needed! \$30 fee includes all materials. Some proceeds will go towards cancer research. Call Marguerite Bifano at (716) 880-7349 for a reservation.



Pontoon Tie-Up Party

AUGUST 7TH 6 PM
AT ODOSAGIH BAY

A fun and relaxing time with all our great friends on the beautiful waters of Lime Lake! If you'd like, please bring a snack or appetizer to pass. BYOB.

Any questions, contact: Wendy Thompson (716) 998-3457 or Marguerite Bifano (716)-880-7349



Lime Lake 2025 Golf Outing

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 16 (RAIN OR SHINE)
AT TURKEY RUN GOLF COURSE**

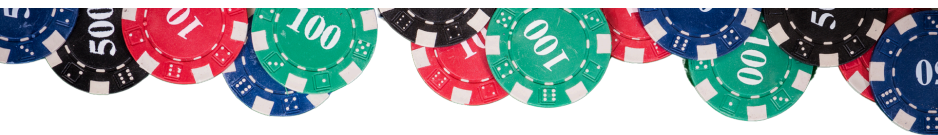
All you golfers out there – men & ladies –
please join us for a fun day of golf!

\$60/person includes 9 holes of golf, cart, prizes, and
buffet lunch at the golf course. ****Cash Bar****

8:00 am: Sign-in, coffee & donuts
9:00 am: Shotgun Start

Please call Sean or Wendy Thompson at (716) 998-
3457 to register as a foursome or individual basis.

All reservations must be received by July 15th



Lime Lake 9th Annual Texas Hold ‘Em Tournament

**FALL DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED | 6PM
@ THE BBC PAVILLION**

Registration: Email llcoa.org@gmail.com to pre-
register or arrive 30 mins early at the BBC Pavillion

Event Buy in: \$35

- A knock-out chip will be available for additional \$5

Event Game:

- No Limit Hold ‘Em
- There will be no re-buys or add-ons
- \$10,000 in chips will be supplied at buy-in.
- 17 minute blinds will be in effect

Pizza will be provided at registration. (Note: cost will
be taken from prize pool)

Call Roy Sheppard (716) 523-4712 or email
llcoa.org@gmail.com for more information.



End of Summer Bash

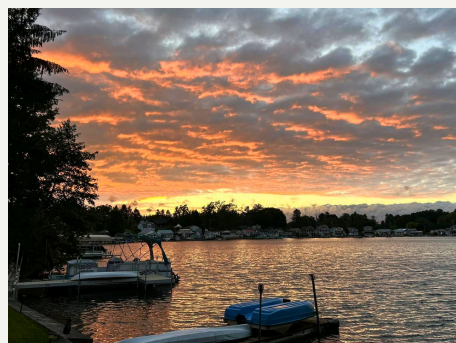
**SATURDAY AUGUST 23RD
5:00 PM - 10:00 PM
BROAD BAY CIRCLE**

Please bring your own beverage, a
dish to pass and a dessert!



Closing Meeting & Board Elections

**SUNDAY AUGUST 24TH
11:00 AM
BBC PAVILLION**



Twilight Cruise

**SUNDAY AUGUST 31
7:30 PM**

Start at the North End of the Lake!



CSLAP

LLCOA Continues to participate in NYSDEC's Citizens Statewide Lake Assessment Program



This year's CSLAP team consists of:
Joe Tymorek, Vice President
Mike & Sally Nickolson

What's CSLAP?

The CSLAP Program is a long-term water quality monitoring program that helps to identify water quality issues, detect seasonal and long-term patterns, and inform volunteers and lake residents about conditions in their lake. CSLAP volunteers collect water quality data following standard methods to evaluate nutrient enrichment, aquatic weed and algae growth, and the recreational quality of the lake. In addition to water quality sampling, CSLAP volunteers also collect information on:

- Lake perception
- Freshwater harmful algal blooms (HABs)
- Invasive species distribution
- Special studies

Check out the CSLAP reports online at www.llcoa.org under the "Aquatic Solutions tab". There you'll find the reports on the newest lake sampling and field data.

The LLCOA Board of Directors thanks our volunteers and recognizes and appreciates their personal time commitment to support this important lake quality monitoring program.

Most Recent Results:

While the NYSDEC hasn't published the 2024 results yet, here's where we stand based on the most recent findings from the 2023 data:

Trophic state refers to the overall biological productivity of a waterbody. The trophic state of Lime Lake is *Mesotrophic*. It contains a moderate amount of nutrients and support a healthy, diverse population of aquatic plants, animals, and algae.

Invasive species refers to introduced, non-native organisms that negatively impact an ecosystem. It's been reported Lime Lake has 1 invasive species: Eurasian Water-milfoil (*Myriophyllum spicatum*).

True color has declined by 20 color units in the past decade.

PH Levels of 7.87, indicating slightly alkaline (7.5-8.5), increased 0.85 pH units in the past decade.

Nitrogen, Ammonia, Calcium, Chloride and Nitrate levels have not changed in the past decade.

A Deep Dive into Lake Management:

Tackling Weeds & Muck at Lime Lake



Eurasian Watermilfoil

**BY JOE TYMOREK,
VICE PRESIDENT**

Managing a lake ecosystem is no small feat. At Lime Lake, the battle against invasive weeds and lakebed muck has been an ongoing challenge. As a newly appointed Weed Treatment Manager and a CSLAP (Citizens Statewide Lake Assessment Program) member, I quickly realized the complexities and scale involved in our situation—and the need for change. Like I say in the Machine Shop I manage, it's not what you expect, it's what you inspect.

The Weed Treatment Conundrum

In 2023, our lake association allocated \$22,525 for weed treatment, with \$5,000 contributed by the town. However, the treatment process left much to be desired. On the scheduled application day, the applicator arrived with little communication, completed the task in just two hours, and left behind only a hefty bill. The lack of transparency and the underwhelming results raised red flags.

Conversations with the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) and my own research led me to ProcellaCOR, a more potent (treated at 5.79 PPB, Yes the B is for billion) and targeted herbicide designed to kill Eurasian Water Milfoil at its root with a guaranteed three-year effectiveness. This invasive species had been aggressively taking

taking over the lake, and we needed a more strategic approach. Unfortunately and fortunately, with greater selectivity and lower dosage rates comes the fact that ProcellaCOR will not even slightly harm native plants or the invasive Curly-Leaf Pond Weed (CLPW)...



Curly-Leaf Pond Weed

A Fresh Approach with Todd

Determined to find a better solution, I connected with Todd Garrison from Smith Creek. His expertise and attention to detail were immediately apparent. Upon reviewing the bill and permit from the previous contractor, Todd identified significant discrepancies. The permit specified 342 gallons of pesticide, but the DEC report showed only 120 gallons had been applied.

The previous herbicide, Aquathol K, was applied at less than 1 part per million instead of the required 2 parts per million. It was also sprayed on the water's surface, even though the preferred method is when it is injected below the water. When used correctly, Aquathol K can effectively treat both Curly-Leaf Pond Weed (CLPW) and Eurasian Water Milfoil (EWM). However, the weak application only slightly reduced these weeds, at best, and never fully eliminated them.

To verify Todd's claims, I consulted another herbicide expert who confirmed his calculations. They validated that \$19,000 could not possibly cover the treatment required for 342 gallons unless someone was selling it at a loss. This fact-checking solidified our decision to switch to Todd's services.

Todd's method of applying ProcellaCOR directly below the water's surface targets milfoil more effectively and is much safer to use. While it costs about the same (\$22.5K vs. \$25.5K) as Aquathol K, it's worth it—ProcellaCOR kills milfoil at the root and keeps it from coming back for three years. Which equates to a savings of just under \$50K or more if you can skip treating 2 out of every 3 years. Todd is now helping us develop rotating longer-term plans that fit within our budget.



PICTURE OF A RESIDENT'S DOCK CAPTURED 2 DAYS AFTER THE PROCELLACOR TREATMENT WAS COMPLETED IN MAY 2024.

The Plan

Our lake management plan focuses on three critical areas. In 2024, Todd treated Weaver Bay, an area previously so overgrown with weeds that navigating it by boat was nearly impossible. The results were astounding—within two days, the weeds were gone! We'll evaluate this spring to see if the treatment effectively prevented regrowth. We did notice Chara (a native macro-algae) replaced the EWM. Chara generally stays low in the water column, is an important nursery species for small fish and helps prevent other, less desirable, species from reestablishing in the vacant space previously occupied by EWM.

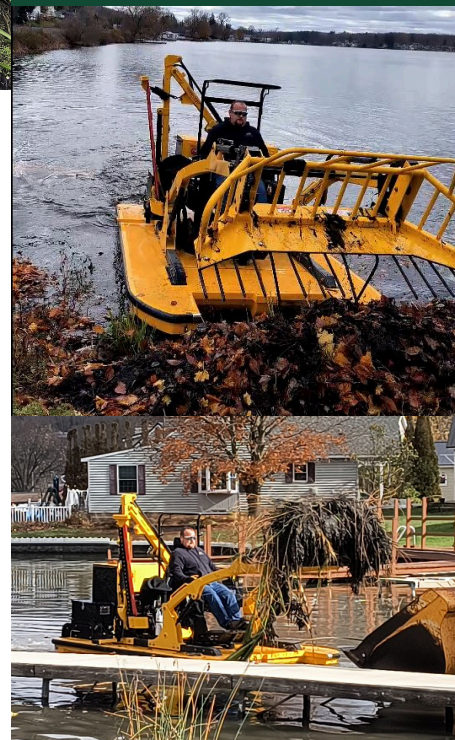
For 2025, our goal is to treat the areas to the left and right of the small bay entrance and the small bay entirely, aiming to improve water access and control weed spread. By 2026, we'll shift focus to other sections of the lake,

using Aquathol K at the legal dosage to ensure better results. While not all areas can be completely cleared of weeds, proper application will significantly reduce weed density and encourage a switch from less desirable exotic invasives to the more desirable native species.



PICTURED LEFT: TO PREVENT LAST YEAR'S DEAD WEED, DEBRIS AND MUCK BUILDUP NEAR THE DAM. TO PREVENT THIS FROM HAPPENING AGAIN, PLEASE PROMPTLY REMOVE ANY DEAD WEEDS THAT FLOAT TO YOUR DOCK.

PICTURED BELOW: CHUCK USING HIS WEEDO BOAT TO SCOOP DEBRIS THAT GATHERED NEAR THE DAM.



Addressing the Root of the Problem: Muck

Treating weeds is only part of the solution. To truly enhance Lime Lake, we need to remove decades of muck and sediment buildup that feed weed growth and smother fish breeding areas.

Removing muck, also known as “dredging”, from a lake significantly improves water quality by reducing nutrient levels that fuel algae blooms, increases dissolved oxygen levels, enhances clarity, and creates a healthier environment for aquatic life, including fish, by preventing the spread of harmful toxins from decaying organic matter; essentially, it helps restore the lake's natural balance and aesthetic appeal by mitigating issues related to excessive plant growth and poor water conditions

After getting muck samples tested and approved for removal from the Department of Environmental Conservation, we can now dredge the lake and donate the nutrient-rich muck to local farmers as fertilizer. Our next step is figuring out the logistics of getting it out of the water.

At a recent conference, we met Chuck, who operates a specialized Weedo boat capable of scooping debris and potentially handling full dredging. Our goal this summer is to develop an affordable dredging plan—if enough community members get involved, we can make it cost-effective.

We've seen what's possible with the right funding and community effort. For example, Silver Lake in Wyoming county received \$1 million for dredging. While their budget was substantial, we believe we can achieve similar results at Lime Lake for much less. If anyone in the LLCOA has grant-writing experience, we'd love your help in exploring funding opportunities.

By combining weed treatments with muck removal and possibly deep-water oxygenation technology, we can make real progress. With the right plan and community support, Lime Lake can become cleaner, clearer, and more enjoyable for everyone.

Want to learn more? Visit the “Aquatic Solutions” tab on www.llcoa.org or get in touch with Joe or Todd!

Todd can be reached at:
info@smithcreekfishfarm.com

04/07/2025

LIME LAKE COTTAGE OWNERS' ASSOCIATION (L.L.C.O.A.)
P.O. BOX 481
MACHIAS, NEW YORK 14101

Dear Riparian owner/user,

To control the excessive growth of the invasive aquatic plants, Eurasian watermilfoil (*Myriophyllum spicatum*), and Curly Leaf Pond Weed (*Potamogeton crispus*) in Lime Lake, The New York Department of Environmental Conservation is in the review process of permitting the owners to treat with ProcellaCOR® EC and or Aquathol K. A copy of the product labels is available for review by following the website links below, or by calling Joe Tymorek at 716.541.4078 to request a paper copy.

Due to new DEC regulations, treatments using ProcellaCOR® EC and Aquathol K are estimated to occur between June 3rd, 2025, and August 26th, 2025. Treatment will proceed only after the L.L.C.O.A have obtained approved permits for the treatments from the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC). This pesticide application will only occur if sufficient aquatic vegetation is present to warrant treatment and under favorable weather conditions.

As an affected riparian owner/user, you have the right to consent or object to the restrictions of water use resulting from this proposed treatment. Signage will be posted until restrictions are lifted. The water use restrictions associated with the use of the proposed pesticides are:

- **Do not use water treated with ProcellaCOR® EC for agricultural crops, greenhouse, nursery, and hydroponic irrigation or livestock watering for 24 hours. Treated water must be analyzed and determined to be less than 1 ppb active ingredient or determined by Department approved model to have degraded/diluted to below 1 ppb unless an activated carbon or similar filtration process is utilized prior to the water use.**
- **Aquathol K-Swimming and bathing are restricted for 24 hours after application.**
- **Concentration of endothall (Aquathol K) or in a drinking water source must not exceed 0.05ppm (50 ppb) in New York State.**

You have twenty-one (21) days to respond to this notice. If you wish to object to the proposed treatment and the water-use restrictions resulting from the treatment, please file a written document stating your objection.

Send written comments to:

Mr. Robert Freese-Pesticide Control Specialist 2
NYSDEC Bureau of Pesticides Management
700 Delaware Ave
Buffalo, NY 14209

If you wish further information about the treatment or wish information on the exact dates of the pesticide application, please call 585.322.7805. If you do not respond to this notice in writing to the above address, your lack of response will be consent to the proposed treatment.

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DETACH AND RETURN FORM BELOW WITH PAYMENT

**LIME LAKE COTTAGE OWNERS' ASSOCIATION
MEMBERSHIP DUES INVOICE
DUE MARCH 31, 2025**

Lake Address(es): _____

Membership Amount (\$150 per property): _____

Choose your payment method below and follow the instructions:

BY CHECK	BY VENMO
Mail this dues invoice, any membership record changes below & a check payable to: LLCOA PO BOX 481 Machias, NY 14101	Send to: @LIMELAKE-COTTAGEOWNERS Verification Code: 2685 What is this for?: Please provide your Lake Address only. Email LLCOA.ORG@GMAIL.COM with any membership record changes

Membership Record Corrections: Insert below property owner and mailing address corrections/ changes:

Directory Phone Number Changes: Note any changes to your phone number listed in last years directory:

If you're not receiving LLCOA emails about events, weed treatment, and more, please email llcoa.org@gmail.com with your email and lake addresses to be added to the LLCOA email group.

Have a relaxing & enjoyable summer at the lake—stay safe & healthy!

THANK YOU TO ALL OUR LLCOA MEMBERS FOR SUPPORTING THE ASSOCIATION'S EFFORTS AND FOR BEING A PART OF THIS NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION.

2024 LLCOA
MEMBERSHIP
TOTAL

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