

Shadow Lake Association Newsletter

2019

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Treasurer's Report: *

* The full Treasurer's Report will be presented at our annual mtg.

Dues:

Shadow Lake's annual dues are \$35.00 per home/camp

Dues should be paid by July 1st each year to ensure a more accurate financial report at our annual mtg. We received dues from 69% of our property owners in 2018.

Make checks out to: Shadow Lake Assoc

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Thank you for your support!

### Hello Shadow Lakers!



Well neighbors, it has been another doozie of a winter for Shadow Lake. Lots of snow, low temps & super windy! Spring is teasing around the bend. On April 27 the ice left! The loons have arrived along with some Canadian Geese friends and hopefully the sun will work on warming up the waterways. Let's keep our fingers crossed for another great year at Shadow!

The Board has some fun activities lined up this year and we hope to add a couple more if things fall into place. Be sure to watch the bulletin boards & our website for updates. This year's Annual Meeting is going have two guest speakers; one on Recycling & Composting Guidelines for Glover/Orleans County and the other will be on Loons in Vermont/NEK.

If you'd like to join the Shadow Lake Association Board, please contact any board member or fill out a director application on our website. Most years there are openings available due to the natural ebb & flow of our volunteer board member's lives. If you can't commit a lot of time, there are many other ways people can help support Shadow Lake; we mention them throughout this newsletter.

Read on ... then come join the fun & friendship!

Proof Shadow's our 'Pot of Gold'



Photo by LynnThorpe

Looking forward to seeing everyone around the lake soon!

# **Shadow Lake's Upcoming Community Events**



July 4 – Beach Party Games 10:00–11:00am at Shadow's Public Beach

July 6 - Fishing Clinic for Children 10:00-11:00am at Shadow's Public Beach

July 13 – Annual Dinner & Meeting 6:00pm/7:00pm at Glover Village School

**July 20** (Rain date: 7/21) – **Boat Parade** 2:30pm kayaks/3:00pm motorboats, starting at Conley's dock, camp #53

**July 20** (Rain date: 7/21)–**Ice Cream Social** after Boat Parade, on Conley's Lawn, camp #53

For more details about these events read further in this newsletter.



# In Memoriam

Since the last newsletter, our Shadow Lake community has lost some dear neighbors.

We extend our deepest condolences & sincere sympathies to their families.

--- "Gone from our sight, but never our memories"

Christopher Martin – 8/21/18 Christopher lost his brave struggle with Multiple System Atrophy. The family is from Bedford, MA but Christopher enjoyed spending time at their cabin, "Sugar Mountain", with his wife Louisa and their son Jack. Their cabin, #72C, is nestled on the hill just above the apple orchard at the beginning of Stone Shore Road.

**Audrey Bickford - 11/5/18** Audrey used to own Camp #29 on Shadow Lake Road (presently Bill Koch's camp). Audrey & her husband Edwin purchased the camp in 1968 and loved being at Shadow. After Edwin passed, Audrey sold her home in Lyndonville to live full time at Shadow Lake and winter in Bradenton, FL. She was very meticulous on how she maintained her camp, lawn & flowers. When it became too much for her to handle, she sadly sold it. She moved to Barton where she lived a full life of 92 years.

In remembrance of our fellow Lakers, our annual donation to Glover's Fire/EMS Department will be given in their honor.

## **Annual Dinner & Meeting**

Our meeting & dinner is Sat; July 13, this year. All Lakers & friends are welcome! Come early at 6:00 pm, for the dinner or just attend the meeting at 7:00 pm, in the Glover Village School Cafeteria. The dinner will be Chicken N' Biscuits, assorted side dishes with vegetarian options, home-made pies & beverages; catered by Glover's Church Fellowship Group. A dinner reservation will cost \$15 per adult and \$8 per child, if purchased in advance. Due to the popularity of the dinner, plan ahead and MAKE YOUR DINNER RESERVATIONS EARLY! Any dinners bought at the door, on July 13, will cost more; \$17 per adult and \$10 per child, and only while dinner supplies last. (A dinner reservation form is on the last page of this newsletter.)

The abbreviated meeting will cover: elections, old/new business, 2019's current lake topics then we'll adjourn for our guest speakers; Shannon Choquette on Recycling in Glover and Eric Hanson's Loon presentation.

Hope to see you there!

# **Shadow Lake Community Event Details**

Thursday, July 4, 10:00-11:00 am, Beach Party Games at the Public Beach; Fun for youngsters, teens and even the supportive 'young at heart' fan gallery! It's a morning filled with great beach & water games; blending classic beloved games plus adding some new & challenging ones. Just wander over & join in! Martha DeGraaf coordinates this event; please contact her at 525-4363, if more information is needed.

Saturday, July 6, 10:00-11:00am, VT Fish & Wildlife's Youth Fishing Clinic at Public Beach; the clinic covers fish identification and techniques with fishing poles & hook setups. It may have educational workshops on lake ecosystems & how to spend time in Nature's backyard with respect & minimal impact.

Saturday, July 20 (Rain date: Sunday, 7/21) - "A Day At The Lake" events:

2:30 pm Kayaks kick off the Boat Parade, 3:00 pm Motorboats; all watercrafts gather & leave from Conley's dock, camp #53. Decorate your boats. Be creative and festive, maybe a Disney<sup>TM</sup> theme! Come along and join the cruise around the lake with everyone!

Shadow's Ice Cream Social is immediately after the Boat Parade; it takes place on Conley's lawn. Come and enjoy cake & ice cream, lawn games, musical entertainment, plus misc. Shadow Lake memorabilia. Please contact Lillian or a board member if someone is celebrating any milestones this year; we love sharing cake for anniversaries, birthdays, etc.

In 2018, we had cake celebrating a couple anniversaries; **Agnes & Ted Boelen's 50<sup>th</sup>**, **Elisabeth & John DeGraaf's 50<sup>th</sup> plus Landon Baker's 3<sup>rd</sup> Birthday** (Lillian & Royce's great grandson; the social was on his exact birthday). **Congratulations to all!** Lots of boats were in the parade; DeGraafs celebrated their camp's 100<sup>th</sup> birthday w/huge gold "100" balloons above the boat! It was a nice, sunny day with many Lakers & friends joining in the festivities; lawn games, lots of mingling, photo displays, handouts from the Annual Meeting, wonderful musical accompaniment by guitarist, Jim Currier & the Kingsbury's trumpet playing grandson. Oh and of course, delicious ice cream with all sorts of wonderful toppings!

Thank you to Lillian Conley & her helpers for hosting this popular event!

## **Shadow Lake Stewardship Updates**

<u>Milfoil Report</u>: The summer of 2018 was once again a very busy time for milfoil monitoring efforts at Shadow Lake. Between June and September, a handful of committed volunteers contributed their time working with two divers to scour the lake shoreline and completed approximately 4 ½ full rotations of Shadow Lake in search of milfoil plants. By the end of September and 32 hours of diving, all previous milfoil sites were clear of milfoil and no new sites were found. In short, no milfoil was found anywhere in the lake! Benthic mats previously placed in two locations were also removed in September. The Board sincerely appreciates all of the assistance in 2018 from Rick Utton, Kurt Muller and Chris Cano who together selflessly volunteered nearly 85 hours to this work. Submitted by Ken Guilbault, Milfoil Committee Chairperson

We also want to **thank Ken** for <u>all of his dedication!</u> We are <u>so grateful</u> for the many hours he gives to this committee! **HELP NEEDED!** Ken has decided to step away from the Milfoil project so **we are LOOKING FOR A COORDINATOR**; someone who hires, schedules & with SLA Funds, pays the diver(s), organizes the crew & diver(s) then escorts them around Shadow with their boat (SLA pays gas). Recording the dive findings & the areas covered using our lake map is the final step of each outing. The job requires 2-3 hours per dive. There are approximately 12 dives per summer (usually 1/week, Mid-June to Mid-Sept). Ken is willing to train this individual for the project.

If you could help out with this important project please contact Jen Andrews (mjtt@myfairpoint.net) ASAP.

Jen wrote a grant for help with diving costs in preventing the spread of Milfoil/AIS and was awarded \$1,169. Way to go!

<u>Boat Wash</u>: As a non-profit organization, we are dependent upon funding our Boat Wash & Lake Protection efforts through our membership, individual donations, grant writing & fundraising projects. We rely on our partnership with the Town of Glover for an annual allotment in combination with the Grant-in-aid from the State to directly fund the B.W. payroll.

Please help by making a donation of \$50.00 or more, per camp/house to help defray the rising Boat Wash costs, the abatement of Milfoil & other invasive species. Last year ~53% of the Shadow Lake Community donated.

Our 2018 Greeter staff interacted with a total of 485 watercrafts. Boaters reported previously coming from 253 other bodies of water, 6 states & 2 from Canada; many of those coming from milfoil infested waters. Thank you to 2018's Greeter Staff; Andy & Dolly Fournier, Clara Culter, Shauna McIsaac-Healy & Terry Wright! Sadly, during last season Dolly had an accident at her home which has left her with major challenges. She is still in recovery at a Veterans Rehab Facility in MA. Let's keep her in our thoughts with positive wishes. We appreciate the extra shifts Claire, Terry, Shauna, Brad & Cori Dudley, Kurt Muller & Kris Tooker worked to help fill in for Andy & Dolly until the end of the BW Season! Thank you Kris Tooker & Kurt Muller for being the 2018 BW Coordinators & overseeing the BW! It is a large task; kudos! Thanks also to our physical BW Maintenance Crew: Don Gilman, Tim Stone & Howard Robinson for all they do to keep the BW running smooth & effectively; from opening weekend to closing in the fall & any issues in between! Our Boat Wash is a success because of many volunteers - too many to name - all who help keep the Boat Wash & Invasive Species Eradication going at Shadow Lake!

2019's Boat Wash will be open Memorial Day weekend thru the end of Sept; 7 days/week, 6am-6pm; possibly 7pm in July.

2019 BW Coordinators: Cori Dudley 754-2168, <u>dudleyvtbc@gmail.com</u> or Kurt Muller 714-746-3378, <u>shadowdad@aol.com</u>
They will be sharing BW Coordinator duties this season. **Don't hesitate to voice** any BW questions, problems, concerns or suggestions you may have regarding the BW to Cori or Kurt. **Please do <u>not</u>** involve the BW Greeter Staff. **Thank you!** 

2019 Greeter Staff will be: Clara, Terry, Shauna returning & newcomer Patrick Mueller: Brad will substitute if needed.

Notice to Watercraft Deliveries: Owners having their boats delivered from winter storage are encouraged to time their boat deliveries for when our BW Greeter Staff can wash the boat & trailer to ensure the storage company's transport trailer is clean and not a vector for bringing in Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) to Shadow Lake from other lakes.

In Case of Emergency: The B.W. has a seasonal emergency phone! It can only call 911 & select local numbers; no long distance or personal calls are allowed. The B.W. also has a whistle protocol as a backup plan; if you hear 3 short whistle blows, a pause & then repeated & repeated, etc.; please go to the Boat Wash Attendant's aid!

Additional BW Donations: Our BW Donation box & the Deposit Bottle/Can Donations collected a total of \$471.70 in 2018; that's over 7,500 cans & bottles! Wow, great fundraising!!

Deposit Bottles/Cans Fundraiser brings in hundreds of dollars each year for the Boat Wash. Just drop off your deposits in the Fundraiser barrel at the Boat Wash! Remember, DO NOT drop off recycling or trash items at the BW! (Glover's Recycling/Trash Station is on Route 16 which is open Wednesday & Saturday mornings.) Thank you Andy & Dolly for taking the deposits for redemption & also thanks to the group effort (after Dolly's accident) of people redeeming bottles until the 2018 season finished! Thank you to everyone who donated your cans & bottles!

**BW Donation Box:** The Donation Box is located at the Boat Wash where people fishing & boaters have the option to give donations; showing their support in what we're doing to protect & preserve Shadow Lake proactively.

Another way to donate to the BW is by giving items. The staff can always use bug spray, citronella candles, hand sanitizer, paper towels, boxes of tissue & large trash bags. If you have extras or catch items on great sales, bring it over to the Boat Wash. Thank you in advance!

**BW Grant Money:** Our Association has been awarded \$16,301 as Grant-in-aid from the State for our Boat Wash. The **Town of Glover** approved their budget line of \$8,000 for the Boat Wash. This money combined with our donations goes directly to paying the salaries of our boat wash attendants & now Workman's Comp, Social Security, Medicare & Unemployment costs. We sincerely thank the State & the generous people of Glover for their continued support to help us care for Shadow Lake. Great job to our Grant Writer, Jen Andrews for securing these necessary funds!

**VOLUNTEERING:** <u>REMEMBER</u> grant eligibility requires volunteer hours & an active association membership. There are **many** ways you can volunteer:

\*Volunteer to work at the Boat Wash during hours not covered by the regular staff. (For example: 6-7 pm to handle late night boat arrivals, a couple nights/week) You do need to be 18 yrs. or older for this job.

Contact Cori Dudley <u>dudleyvtbc@gmail.com</u> or Kurt Muller <u>shadowdad@aol.com</u> for what openings are available.

- \*You can inspect the shoreline for milfoil & other invasive species from your kayaks/canoes.
- \*Snorkelers or certified divers can pull milfoil when properly trained!!!
- \*The Boat Wash Coordinator's time spent counts for volunteer hours.
- \*Time spent returning the fundraising deposit bottles/cans counts.
- \*The Monitor people in boats watching over the divers/snorkelers below the water, their time counts.

SLA Green Volunteer Cards for recording your Volunteer Hours are available at the Boat Wash & the Annual Mtg.

Keep the card handy (maybe on your fridge) to list dates, time spent, & observations; then take your cards to the Boat Wash to be recorded.

Be sure to hand them in by Labor Day, our grants depend on them!

Keep volunteering for 2019!

**REMINDER TO ALL LAKE USERS:** Encourage everyone, campers/guests/renters, to be sure to wash all watercrafts on the way in and out of the lake! Let's all collaborate together to eradicate unwanted species in our waters!

Aquatic Nuisance Species violators - Thanks to Act 67, law enforcement officers now have the authorization to issue Judicial Bureau civil violation complaints, or tickets, for transport law violations. The waiver penalty, or ticket-able fine, is currently set at \$392. Under Vermont's Noxious Weed Quarantine #3, prohibited plant violations could result in fines of up to \$1,000 for each violation; continuing violations could result in penalties of up to \$25,000. For more info see our SLA website page on Act 67 Vermont aquatic nuisance species law FAQ's: http://shadowlakeassociation.org/2017-act-67-vermont-aquatic-nuisance-species-law/

No Watercraft is allowed at the Town's Public Beach for swimmers safety & to deter the potential introduction of Aquatic Invasive Species. All watercraft are to be directed to the Boat Wash area for cleaning & then properly launch through the State's access ramp.

Reminders for ALL BOATERS: The "No Wake Zone" is 5 mph when less than 200 ft. off the shoreline; this minimizes the shore erosion impact, plus reduces neighboring vessels & docks from wave damage. Faster boating enjoyment should only occur in the center area of the lake. Also remember to stay away from Diver Down flags!

<u>Lake Clarity Testing</u>: Sara Gluckman posts the clarity reading weekly on a wooden sign by her camp #42; along the road, lakeshore side. Check it out; see what the lake water is experiencing. Sara gives her clarity report at the annual meeting; plus more info is available on our website - "Lay Monitor" section.

### Shadow Lake Association's Annual Meeting Minutes

We are posting our Annual Meeting minutes here in the newsletter for review. At the annual meeting, we'll vote on the minutes as posted. This keeps the meeting moving along more efficiently. Hardcopies will be available at the meeting.

### 2018 SHADOW LAKE ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

Our dinner started at 6:10 pm, July 14, 2018, in the Glover Elementary School's gym. Our annual meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm. Jennifer Andrews, president, welcomed everyone and thanked the Glover Community Church Fellowship Group for serving us a delectable meal. We had a moment of silence for all our Shadow Lake alumni who have passed on; including Clemma Gebbie, Ken LeBlanc, Harold Vincent & Elizabeth Redington whom we lost this last year. Shadow Lake's Board Members were introduced and thanked for their dedication. A perennial in a mermaid tote bag was given to Chrissie Cano in appreciation for her time of service on the board.

With no objections, the reading of **2017 Annual Meeting minutes** was waved. Having no amendments or corrections from the floor Judy Dunbar asked for a motion; Mike Knauer made a motion of approval, seconded by Mark Andrews, and all approved.

Judy mentioned she will be **updating the Lake Directory** for distribution in 2019. She asked everyone to please update their data with her this year and distributed forms to fill out. Judy also asked everyone to take extra forms to anyone they knew who couldn't make it to tonight's meeting.

Phil Chartrand reviewed **the proposed amendment to our By Laws**. It was proposed that we allow 2 votes per camp/property in good standing (paid annual dues). There was discussion from the floor of both sides; one to stay as the By Laws state now (1 vote per camp/property) or change the By Laws to 2 votes per camp/property. Tim Stone motioned to close the debate and call for a vote, Sara Gluckman seconded it and all were in favor. Phil explained to vote YES if you'd like to amend the By Laws to 2 Votes per property or vote NO to keep the By Laws as they are now; 1 vote per property. A hand vote instead of voice vote was requested; as counted it was 14 Yes and 16 No. Since it was so close, a paper vote was called for from the floor. The results of the paper vote was 14 Yes and 18 No; so the By Laws stand; no change.

The **Treasurer's Report** was submitted by Bill Koch, hardcopies were available. Bill also reviewed how the Board's been working with the Town Select Board to cover employment issues; like Workmen's Comp and Unemployment costs for the Boat Wash Staff. A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) has been arranged so we can cover these items together when needed. Walt Culver brought forward a concern that we didn't vote on the Treasurer's Report. Phil Chartrand explained that a Treasurer's Report is submitted to the membership as a current status and does not require a vote of acceptance. So previously, we had been voting when it was not necessary for a Treasurer's report.

Nominations & Elections of Officers — Phil nominated Cori Dudley to replace Chrissie Cano. Chrissie chose to step down from her directorship. Patsy Rockwell also volunteered from the floor to serve as a director. We held a paper vote for the replacement of this position & Cori won. Phil then nominated Jen Andrews for President, Phil Chartrand for Vice President, Bill Koch for Treasurer and Judy Dunbar for Secretary; by voice vote all were voted in. Phil then nominated the remaining directors; David Burke, Pete Gosselin, Ken Guilbault, Kurt Muller, Howard Robinson, and Kristine Tooker; all of whom had agreed to serve another year. By voice vote the membership was in favor of all of them.

Perennial plant Door Prizes were given out throughout the evening. Brenda Burke, Walt Culver & Susie Johnson were the lucky recipients.

### **Old Business - Lake Preservation:**

**Milfoil Eradication** - Kurt Muller covered Ken Guilbault's report. In 2017, only 7 Milfoil plants were found, removed and marked with orange buoys. So far this year none have been found and they've made two full rotations surveying the lake. They are planning on making 4-5 rotations around the lake by the end of Sept. Rob Patten is our paid diver for 2018. Kurt Muller and Adam Gerlack have also been volunteering their diving services. Jen thanked all of them for their diligence in helping fight against invasive species.

Lake Monitoring & Testing – Sara Gluckman spoke on recycling updates at the new Glover Recycling Center on Rte. 16 encouraging everyone check out the facility, available on Wednesdays & Saturdays. Sara has been monitoring our lake's clarity for 21 years now and reminded everyone to check her clarity chart as the summer goes by to see our lake's changes. It hangs in a tree on Shadow Lake Rd across from her camp (# 42). She demonstrated how she uses a black & white Secchi Disk with a 10 meter rope to measure the visibility in Shadow's water weekly. She thanked her "staff" of helpers, Kris Trevits, Gerry Trevits and Larry Gluckman, who go out with her in a canoe to take the measurements. She also described how she takes samples of the lake's water by capturing water in a hose, freezing it & taking it to the State for misc. testing (for example Phosphorous levels). It was a very informative presentation.

**Federation of Vermont Lakes & Ponds (FOVLAP)** - Jen mentioned the **Lake Wise** group was offering free property evaluations and suggestions for improvements which we can use to minimize our property's impact on the lakeshore. She also had some handouts available and encouraged anyone who is interested to please contact them and schedule an appointment. Kurt Muller will represent Shadow at this year's FOVLAP Annual Meeting in July.

**Boat Wash (BW) Overview** – Kris Tooker gave an overview of the 2018 BW. Opening went rather smooth with a couple fixes. Scheduling Staff coverage has been a challenge this year but she thinks they are set now. She thanked all the BW Greeter/Staff, Andy & Dolly Fournier, Claire Cutler, Terry Wright and Shauna McIsaac-Healy. She also thanked Brad & Kurt for filling in at a moment's notice and returning deposit bottles & cans last year. Kris reminded everyone to donate their deposit bottles & cans to help fund the BW and thanked those donated last season. She acknowledged the great support of our BW Maintenance Crew; Don Gilman, Tim Stone and Howard Robinson.

**Communications** – Pete Gosselin spoke about a workshop he is trying to arrange for the end of the summer on septic systems. The speaker would cover regulations and new technologies available for using around bodies of water. Watch for informational fliers on our "Septic Social" workshop; this year or early next year.

**Public Beach** – Jen mentioned the noise at the beach seemed calmer this year. Kris Trivets mentioned that the Rain Gardens did seem to be effective redirecting water runoff away from the beach. The largest negative was there seems to be a lot of smoking in the parking lot area.

### 2018's Lake Activities:

The 4<sup>th</sup> of July Beach Party Martha DeGraaf reported another fun filled event of Beach Games. The weather was extremely hot; hovering around 100 degrees in the shade. Martha had the games alternate from a game on the beach then one in the water to cool off; then back and forth for each game. Considering the high temperatures, it was well attended with 20 participants.

Martha is hoping to work with VT Fish & Game to have a Fishing Clinic for Children next year.

Jen reminded everyone that the **Boat Parade** will be **Sat. July 21**st, at ~3:00pm, and **the Ice Cream Social** will follow the parade, at Conley's camp #53. She also thanked the Conley's for hosting this popular event!

### New Business - Misc. Comments & Questions:

Please remind any renters to use the BW to wash their Kayaks, paddles, canoes etc. before & after going in the lake.

There have been a lot of complaints of **excessive speed on Shadow Lake Road**. The Select board has been contacted & we hope to get some help; possibly a digital speed sign to slow people down. The Glover Road Crew doesn't want to do speed bumps.

Jen reminded boaters of the "No Wake Zone" when less than 200 ft. off the shore line. Remember to stay away from Diver Down flags.

Judy spoke about an **informal Group Email** which has evolved & grown to over 60 people. It shares info of when the ice goes out, of someone at the lake passing away, lost & found items around the lake (docks, floats, etc.) and announcements of activities which arise last minute which would also be posted on the website. She wants the whole membership to know about this option and if anyone else would like to be included in this "community share" group email please let Judy know your email id so it can be added. It will **not** replace formal notification of Shadow Lake Association business.

Jen wondered if anyone would be interested in doing a **Shadow Lake Cookbook**. Please contact her if you are interested in working on this.

Reminder when at "The Spring" area: especially at night, please be considerate of your noise level (voices & radios), bright headlights & respect the people's property in that area when parking along their camps/homes - no need for peeling out.

Also, respect your neighbors and please do your dog care responsibilities by scooping the poop and dispose of it!

Yard Sale-Sat & Sun, July 21-22, 9:00-2:00 Kris Tooker & Laurel Vincent will have a sale on Muller's front yard & Kris's drive way. (#32 &34)

Mike Knauer thanked the Shadow Lake Board for their service.

Phil Chartrand motioned to adjourn; Patsy Rockwell seconded the motion; all present were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

These minutes are respectfully submitted by Judy Dunbar, Secretary.

### Odds 'N Ends Plus New Ideas

Shadow Lake Web Site: <a href="www.shadowlakeassociation.org">www.shadowlakeassociation.org</a> Our website is ever changing so please check it out regularly for updates. It's a great resource for all types of information; lake wide, local community and state links. Use the website's CONTACT US form to let us know your suggestions, feedback or for sharing lake pictures. Chrissie Cano has been our Shadow's website coordinator and she works with our Webmaster, Jethro Hayman.

**Vacancy!!!** Chrissie has given her resignation for this position; if someone has a website skill set and would like to volunteer please contact **Jen Andrews** (<u>mjtt@myfairpoint.net</u>) as soon as possible. Chrissie is willing to instruct you on the basics & have you meet w/Jethro.

Thank you Chrissie for all the TLC you've given the Web Site!

Shadow Lake Directory: Please contact our secretary, Judy Dunbar (802-525-4781, 802-879-1860 or emaildunbarvt@aol.com) when any of your information changes. Your information needs to be current; phone #s, email addresses, & especially physical mailing addresses to keep communications flowing to you!

ATTENTION this year! Judy is updating the 5 year old Directory data. She will hand out new Directory copies at the 2019 Annual Meeting. She spoke about it at last year's Annual Meeting and had people fill out updated forms; if you did it that night, you're all set! Otherwise, if your information has changed, you want to add more or if you are not even listed in the book, please contact her as soon as possible at dunbarvt@aol.com. Thank you!

Communications Committee: Pete Gosselin & his team of helpers coordinated a SLA Board sponsored Septic Systems Seminar, our "Septic Social" on Sept 1st! It was an enjoyable gathering kicked off at Bill Koch's with a pancake breakfast buffet. Rich Wilson, VT/NEK District Rep; followed with a very informative overview about maintaining septic systems around waterways and VT's state regulations which was followed by his answering many questions from the gallery of approximately 35 interested Shadow Lakers. Pete hopes to coordinate other informative seminars in the future; possibly on Composting or "How to use/create rain barrels." STAY TUNED!

### New idea - A "Fun" Committee for Shadow Lake Activities:

Several people have mentioned an interest in organizing some fun social activities; like doing the 'Ice Out' Contest again, a Boat Float on a Saturday night or an Appetizer Walk from neighbor to neighbor. The possibilities are endless; they just need to be pulled together. The board is hoping a small group of people from around the lake would be willing to coordinate this. Interested? We'd probably want 3 or 4 people so you all could share in the fun. If you'd like to be involved please email **Jenifer Andrews** at <a href="mailto:mjtt@myfairpoint.net">mjtt@myfairpoint.net</a> and she will put you in touch with each other so the group can start hatching some fabulous summer plans!

**WARNING - Paddle Boarders:** VT Boating Law requires you to be equipped with a PFD - personal floatation device/life vest or risk a pricey fine!

**REMINDER: The Federation of VT Lakes & Ponds' Annual Mtg.** is in July. If you'd like to attend please contact the Treasurer or President to make your reservation.

DO NOT FEED DUCKS or any other waterfowl: It is never good to entice a wild animal/fowl out of their natural habitat; human foods/bread crumbs etc. are not healthy for them. When ducks stay in shallow areas, closer to shore looking for human food, it increases the odds of them leaving parasites in the water. These parasites can infect people with what's called Swimmer's Itch/Duck Itch; a nasty itchy rash, looking like reddish pimples or blisters. Cases have been reported here at Shadow!

So <u>no matter</u> how cute they may be <u>just</u> admire them from afar! Happy Ducks! Happy People! Win! Win!

**Bear Warning!** VT Fish & Wildlife Dept. recommends taking down bird feeders by April 1<sup>st</sup> to avoid attracting bears! Also, feed your pets indoors; bears like pet food or any food wastes. Be sure to **NOT** leave any trash outside unless it is inside trash cans with **strongly secured** covers! This year the dept. is warning everyone the bears are coming out of hibernation extremely hungry & grumpy due to a lack of available natural food last fall.

DO NOT FEED THEM! Be very cautious! Do Not Approach Them!

And report any nuisance bear(s) to their website, www.vtfishandwildlife.com

**Break-ins & incidents of vandalism at the Lake!** As good neighbors, we encourage reporting any suspicious activities to the police, your immediate neighbors **and** a board member. It takes a community!

Lake Friendly Items: Remember not to use soaps in the lake; no matter how tempting it is to 'freshen' up with a lake dip. Around waterways be sure to only use lake friendly cleaning solutions. Our website has a green-product cleaning guide with boat cleaning alternatives, safe lawn care products and more. Please check out your available choices and be proactive to our environment!

Enjoy Taking Photos? The Vermont Reptile & Amphibian Atlas is gathering photos of species across Vermont and we can help them in the Glover area. These are the ones they are looking for: *Eastern Newt, Gray Treefrog, N. Leopard Frog, Painted Turtle and Spring Salamander*. If you happen to come across any of them, take a photo and send it to their website, <a href="https://doi.org/linear.2007/2016/">VtHerpAtlas.org</a>. Some of these should be fairly easy to find & photograph. Questions contact: Jim Andrews, 642 Smead Road, Salisbury, VT 05769, 802-352-4734, <a href="maintenancements">jandrews@vtherpatlas.org</a>

**Endangered Species:** Important pollinating insects, Bumblebees (3 types), are now endangered and Honey bees & Monarch butterflies are at historic lows, due to diminishing habitat & insecticides! Providing a wildflower-rich habitat & no insecticide use is the most significant action you can take. Help spread the word, promote wise choices of landscapes to protect & bring back the pollinators! Check our website for more info about pollinators & how to help, <a href="https://www.shadowlakeassociation.org">www.shadowlakeassociation.org</a>

**REMEMBER:** Reduce phosphorus run-off into the lake. It is State law that no fertilizer can be used within the first 25 ft. of shoreline. As a lake community, be sure to use P-free fertilizers, & only fertilize if needed! Milfoil/aquatic plants thrive in phosphorous rich sediment.

Be sure to **report any stream bank erosion or silt run-off** to any SLA director as soon as possible. Spring is the time for planting vegetation along the shoreline to prevent silt runoff from polluting the lake. Go to our website 'Links' and connect to lists of helpful plants or contact a board member for a printout.

**Dog walkers -** Be kind & pick up your dog's waste! Not only is it considerate to other people walking, it also cuts down on pollutants which can get into the lake. Thank You!

Please curtail fireworks by 11:00 PM out of consideration to those who may have to work the next day or young children who may be trying to sleep.

Remember Your Annual Ambulance Subscription: Signup at the Glover Town Clerk's office. A membership to the Glover Ambulance Squad is an annual \$25 for all Glover tax payers. This subscription will cover the patient for any Glover Ambulance related charges not reimbursed by your insurance. 911 address number signs (like street signs) for your dwelling are also available to purchase at the Glover Town Clerk.

**Have concerns with the lake level or roads around the lake?** Report the issue to the Town Clerk's office. They will either have a status or they will get a Select Board person involved. Our website has a link to the Town of Glover website.

Glover's Town Clerk Donna Sweeney has retired. Congratulations Donna! We thank her for all her years of service and wish her all the best! Happy Retirement! Glover's Town Clerk is now Jessica Sweeney and Cindy Epinette is the Assistant Town Clerk.

Check our **bulletin boards** throughout the summer for current activities & updates concerning Shadow Lakers. They are located at the entrance to Stone Shore Road, the junction of Clark Rd & Danforth Rd. and the Boat Wash/VT Fishing Access.

Thank you one and all for everything you do! It allows us to have such a pleasant lake community!

We appreciate your support! Have a delightful time at Shadow Lake!

The Shadow Lake Association Board; Judy Dunbar, Secretary

# 2019 Shadow Lake Remittance Form

Please return by **July 1** or before

Please mail to: Shadow Lake Association, P.O. Box 135, Glover, VT 05839

Make checks payable to: Shadow Lake Association

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| Name:                                                                                  |                                                    |
| Camp # and lake address:                                                               |                                                    |
| Mailing address:                                                                       |                                                    |
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| Contact phone number: home                                                             | camp                                               |
| E-mail (optional):                                                                     |                                                    |
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| ANNUAL DUES (\$35.00 per camp/home)                                                    | \$                                                 |
| BOAT WASH DONATION (\$50.00 per camp/home requested; you may give more if you wish) \$ |                                                    |
| ANNUAL MTG. DINNER RESERVATION:                                                        | Saturday, July 13 <sup>th</sup> , 2019, at 6:00 PM |
| # of A                                                                                 | dults @ \$15.00 each = \$                          |
| # of Children(12 &                                                                     | under) @ \$ <b>8.00</b> each = \$                  |
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|                                                                                        | Grand Total of Check Enclosed = \$                 |
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# Please make your dinner reservations early!

**Remember:** The caterers need an accurate count to be able to have enough food for those who want the dinner option. We will charge more for dinners purchased the night of the annual meeting.

The cost will be \$17 for each adult, \$10 for each child, to purchase a dinner at the door.