

Spring 2022 Newsletter

Board of Director Meeting

Sunday, April 24th, 2022

1:00 PM Jake's Tavern

Present:

Pres: George Firmstone

VP: Dave Stanton

Cor. Sec.: Millie McCarthy

Record Sec.: Kathy Emanuelson

Past Pres: Bob Keen Jack Cleary (24)

Mike Connelly (24)

Chris Mann (22)

Joe Palonis (23)

Jim Sartori (22)

Ken Swan (23)

Paul Szwayka (22)

Absent:

Treas.: Pat Walker

Bob Howell (23)

Mike Matzko (24)

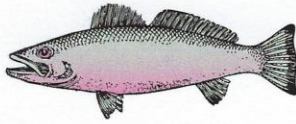
I. The meeting was called to order by President George Firmstone at 1:04pm. He welcomed all present and opened the meeting with a moment of silence in memory of long-time corresponding secretary and friend to ELDA,

Nina Martin. George also thanked re-elected board members Jack Cleary, Mike Connelly, and Mike Matzko.

II. Recording Secretary's Report: Kathy Emanuelson noted our previous year's minutes were approved at the July 2021 general membership meeting. The following actions were carried out electronically since our last board meeting and are listed here for the record: 10-1-21: Approval of the purchase of a new 15 HP motor from Seamans for the ELDA patrol boat. 11/22/21:

The approval of these lake certificate transfer approvals:

- 1.** Lewis Henshaw (one of two certificates) to sons Michael & Joseph Henshaw, property at 43B Buckland Lane
- 2.** Shawn Sullivan to Gary Piorkowski and Maureen Brennan, property at 92 West Shore Road.
- 3.** Charlotte Iori to CAI Lake House, LLC, property at 39A Lizzy's Lane.
- 4.** Rodney Brown estate to Wendy Brown, Property at 46 Buckland Lane
- 5.** Kim McCarthy to Michael & Helen Cook, property at 761 Elk Lake Drive
- 6.** Charles Case to daughters Lisa Priebe, Jane Case and Patricia M. Brown, property at 39 Larkin Lane.
- 7.** Paul McGovern estate to children Mary Jo Mabee, and Harold, Paul & Cecilia McGovern, property at 70 West Shore Road



Mother Nature is truly remarkable! For example, just consider the relationship and co-existence of the American Eel and freshwater mussels in Elk Lake.

Freshwater mussels, believe it or not, can survive up to 70 years in good habitat. But how were they introduced to Elk Lake? Where did they come from?

Marine scientists give credit to the American Eel. Mature eels from the USA and Europe return to the Sargasso Sea in the Atlantic Ocean to mate and have their offspring. When the young eels are about 4 inches long and have developed fins, they are called elvers and begin their migration to their native waters.

On their journey from the Atlantic to the Delaware River, Lackawaxen River, Van Auken Creek, and into the stream flowing out of Elk Lake, the young eels nibble on the flesh of mussels' open mouths and get sprayed with baby-forming mussels, known as glochidia. The mussel larvae attach to the gills of the eels and detach, when developed, in adaptable and suitable habitats, like Elk Lake.

Mussels help keep our lake clean by filtering algae, bacteria, and other tiny substances. Fish, muskrats, otters, raccoons, and herons' prey and consume mussels.

Thanks, in part, to our mussel inhabitants, Elk Lake is regarded by many to be clean and pristine. But swimmers BEWARE! Mussels can be razor-sharp so please wear water shoes while swimming in our lake.



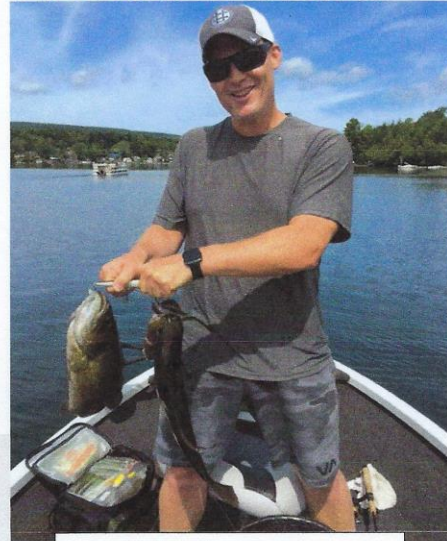
Kimberly Snyder caught a Mussel on the Carlo Lake front. Don't worry it was catch and release. 😊



The Curious Fisherman Jack Mulka

Fish Committee plans to stock 6-to-8-inch walleye this fall. Initial arrangements with Schultz Fish Hatchery near Lake Ariel have been made. The stocking usually occurs in October when the water temperature is in the mid to high 50's. If anyone is interested in assisting or observing, please contact Jack at mulka@verizon.net and he will keep you informed about the date and time of the stocking.

Two Fish One Lure!



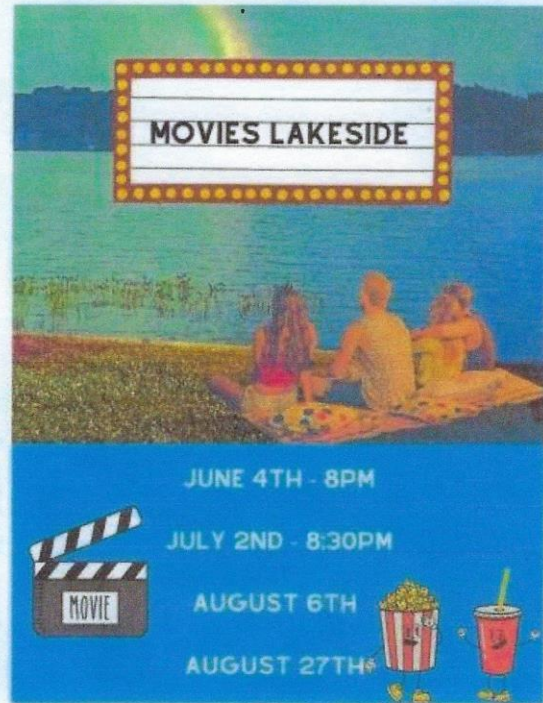
Matt Neiber, (Jack Mulka's son in law) caught these two-Smallmouth Bass on the same lure simultaneously in late July.

**2ND ANNUAL ELK LAKE
COMMUNITY YARD SALE**

JUNE 4TH - 8:30 AM - NOON

Sales will be featured by the beach,
horseshoe pits, & Jake's back deck.

Jake's will also be having a slushie sale for the
day, so you can cool off and shop til you drop!



Jakes

22 Lizzy Lane, Waymart