

## Letter to Glen Lake Protective Association Members

December 2018

Dear Fellow Members of the GLPA,

Happy Holidays to you and your families. I hope you get a chance to spend as much time with your family as you can during this wonderful time of year. We had a great Holiday Party at the Dockside and it was nice to see everyone who could make it. Thank you, Susan Herlihy for your work in making the Party happen and to Michele and Tom Mayer for handling the door.

As the year comes to an end, I wanted to keep you up to date on a few things we've discussed at various Membership Meetings this year. First - Water Quality Testing.

At the Direction of the Board of the GLPA the Environmental Committee has engaged with SUNY Adirondack to perform water quality testing of Glen Lake. We chose to work with SUNY Adirondack because they are professional, objective, local and extraordinarily responsive. Also considered is the cost of their services. This is a relationship that is mutually beneficial to SUNY ADK and the GLPA. The testing has been performed over the last half of 2017 and a full season - 2018. The purpose of what we are currently doing is to create a baseline for future reference. We believe we need another full year to create a sufficient baseline that we can be confident in. Attached is a brief explanation provided by Paul Derby, Co-Chair of the Environmental Committee, of the findings contained in the Presentation by SUNY Adirondack at our recent Board Meeting.

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1KIUN6ias2o3uNp\\_5NIVFoKaxwouh4OYDJ1GQKZ5jdD0/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1KIUN6ias2o3uNp_5NIVFoKaxwouh4OYDJ1GQKZ5jdD0/edit?usp=sharing)

At this point we can make a few comments regarding the water testing - We don't know whether we are better or worse off than we were 20 years ago. We have new homes with new septic systems but we have more use of the lake. The purpose of the testing is to provide a reasonably accurate baseline so that in the future we can compare water quality data. We are certain this information will help us make better decisions regarding water quality and make further testing more effective from both a geographic and substance standpoint. The Environmental Committee strongly recommended that the Board continue their support of further water quality testing and continuing our partnership with SUNY Adirondack for the 2019 season. The Board of Directors of the GLPA endorsed the Committee's Recommendation. If you have any questions regarding the Water testing-program please contact me (Paul McPhillips. 518-791-6779).

Second - Invasive Species - We know all of the Membership is concerned about Milfoil and pondweed. Paul Derby, Paul McPhillips, Queensbury Supervisor John Strough and our Environmental Consultant Solitude, Inc. will be meeting with New York State DEC in mid- December to determine our strategy for Invasive Species Mitigation for the 2019 Season. DEC holds the cards as to what tactics we can employ. We will fill you in when we hear what DEC will allow us to do regarding Chemical Treatment

and Diver Assisted Suction Harvesting ( DASH ). Thank you for your continued support of the Glen Lake Protective Association.

Respectfully, Paul McPhillips. 518-791-6779.