New York State Federation of Lake Associations, Inc. 42nd Annual Conference

# **BACK TO THE FUTURE**

# Old Lake Issues and New Solutions







MAY 2-3, 2025

Fort William Henry Hotel and Conference Center Lake George

## **CONFERENCE SCHEDULE**



DAY 1

Thursday, May 1, 2025

NYSFOLA Board of Directors Meeting - Glens Falls Room

3:30 - 5:30 p.m.

Friday, May 2, 2025

Registration - Fort William Henry Conference Center Lobby	8:30 a.m.
Morning Nosh - Village Blacksmith Lounge [Conference Ticket Holders]	
Exhibitor Set Up - Albany Room	
Welcoming Remarks - Lake George North & South Rooms	9:15 a.m.
Morning Sessions	9:30 - 12:00 p.m.
Silent Auction - See page 9 for details	Opens 10:30 a.m.
Lunch & Awards - Carriage House [Must have Ticket]	12:00 - 1:45 p.m.
Afternoon Sessions	1:45 - 5:00 p.m.
Silent Auction	Closes 4:00 p.m.
NYSFOLA Wine & Cheese Party - Village Blacksmith Lounge & Exhi	<i>ibits</i> 5 - 6 p.m.
NYSFOLA Banquet & Award - Carriage House [Must have Ticket]	6 p.m.

Please visit our student research posters during breaks, lunch and Wine & Cheese Party

DAY 3	Sa	turday, May 3, 2025		
Breakfast Buffet - White Lion Room [Conference Ticket Holders] 7:00 - 8:100 a.m.				
Registration - Fo	ort William Henry Conference Center Lobby	8:30 a.m.		
Morning Sessio	ns	9:00 - 12:00 a.m.		
•	Membership Meeting & Awards	12:00 - 1:30 p.m.		
(Carriage House - [Mu	st have Ticket]			
Afternoon Sess	ions	1:30 - 4:30 p.m.		

Please visit our student research posters during breaks and lunch

SILENT AUCTION: See page 9 for details.

Detailed conference schedule on the following pages.

Friday Morning - May 2, 2025

8:30 AM Registration Opens - Conference Center Lobby

"Morning Nosh" - Village Blacksmith Lounge [Conference Ticket Holders]

Exhibitor Setup - Albany Room

9:15 AM Welcome and Logistics

Lake George North and South Rooms

9:30 AM Keynote Speaker - Greg Michel, Executive Director, Onondaga Earth Corps

Gregory Michel and team members from Onondaga Earth Corps (OEC) will open our conference. OEC involves young adults, ages 16 to 25, in service projects that address environmental and community needs. Participants gain practical experience with community and environmental service-learning initiatives, preparing them for careers in the environmental fields.

Lake George Rooms North and South

Lake George North

**Species ID & Monitoring** 

**Monitoring Methods for Aquatic** 

10:30 AM Break / Exhibitor Area / Student Research Posters / Silent Auction

Village Blacksmith Lounge

Traditional Tool Based

Invasive Species

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A1 - Aquatic Invasive A2 - Regulations and

"Don't Throw Away your Rakes": Comparing eDNA and Wetlands Regulations

**Brian Greene**, Program Director of the Adirondack Park Invasive Plant Program (APIPP), The Nature Conservancy **Krista Spohr**, Environmental Program Specialist, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation

A3 - Diet for a Small Lake

Tupper Lake/Indian Lake

Diet for a Small Lake, An Introduction to Limnology - New to NYSFOLA? This is a great place to start.

**Dr. Bill Harman,** NYSFOLA Board, retired from SUNY Oneonta Biological Field Station (BFS)

<u>Matt Albright,</u> NYSFOLA Board &

Assistant to the Director, BFS

<u>Dan Stich</u>, Associate Professor of
Biology, BFS Researcher

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Long Lake

A4 - Students and Environmental Action

Hooking the Next Generation on Lake Stewardship

<u>Jane Oppenlander</u>, CSLAP Volunteer and Board Member, Lake Luzerne Association

11:15 AM

10:45 AM

Divers, Dredges, and Digital Images: Survey Methods for Dreissenid Mussel Populations

<u>**David Andrews,**</u> Senior Research Scientist, Upstate Freshwater Institute Old Lake Issues? The EPA National Lakes Assessment (2000s) and Funding New Experimental Solutions

<u>Chris Mikolajczyk,</u> Senior Manager -Aquatics, Princeton Hydro

Lake George South

**Programs** 

Diet for a Small Lake, An Introduction to Limnology - continued

Onondaga Earth Corps Interactive Session - Learn about the work performed in the field by these young adults and how they approach sharing their knowledge with others

Onondaga Earth Corps Team

12:00 PM

**Lunch / Newsletter & Secchi Awards** 

Carriage House [Must have Lunch Ticket]

Friday Afternoon - May 2, 2025

	Lake George North	Lake George South	Tupper Lake/Indian Lake	Long Lake
	B1 - Aquatic Invasive Species Identification & Monitoring	B2 - Lake Data: Sorting Out the Numbers	B3 - A Strategic Plan for NYSFOLA - Charting Our Future	B4 - Community Involvement
5 PM	Monitoring the Monoculture: Exploring the Role, Removal, and Native Recovery of Water Chestnut Dominated Environments in the Hudson River	How to Read Your CSLAP Report	NYSFOLA, Strategic Planning - Learn how we have charted our new course to meet ever changing challenges and to serve our members better	Synergies Between Citizen Science, College Student Research Projects and Lake Associations: Lessons Learned
	Ashley Morris, Region 3 Aquatic Invasive Species Coordinator, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation	Alene Onion, CSLAP Coordinator, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation	<u><b>David Carr,</b></u> NYSFOLA Executive Director	<u>Tarki Heath,</u> NYSFOLA Board and Kettle Lakes Association <u>Kim Schultz,</u> Associate Professor, SUNY Environmental Science and Forestry
5 PM	Collaborative Effors in Reducing the Spread of Round Goby	What 33 Years of Water Quality Monitoring Reveals About Two Adirondack Lakes	"Dr. Lake" - Dean Long, NYSFOLA Board Member and Consultant, Saratoga Lake Protection and Improvement	Hiring a Consultant
	<u>Elizabeth Whitmore-Stolar</u> , Aquatic Invasive Species Outreach Specialist, NYS DEC	Michael Martin, Senior Environmental Scientist, Suozzo, Doty & Associates	District, will be available to help explain your CSLAP Data reports.  By Appointment, 15 to 20 min discussions. Email fola@nysfola.org or dlong735@gmail.com for more information. Use DR LAKE in the email subject heading.  Note: Location may change	<u><b>David Mathews,</b></u> Senior Research Scientist, Upstate Freshwater Institute
5 PM	History and Background of the IMap Program and the New York Natural Heritage Program	Using Aquatic Invasive Species Data to Inform Management Decisions		Making Media Work for You
	<u>Jennifer Dean,</u> Invasive Species Program Coordinator, NY Natural Heritage Program	<u>Mitchell O'Neil,</u> Invasive Species Biologist, NY Natural Heritage Program		<u>Howard Schaffer,</u> President, Media Marketing, and Vice President, Lake Luzerne Association

Village Blacksmith Lounge

Friday Afternoon (Continued) - May 2, 2025

	Lake George North	Lake George South	Tupper Lake/Indian Lake	Long Lake
	C1 - Managing Aquatic Invasive Plants	C2 - Data Analysis - Student Researchers	C3 - IMAP Workshop	C4 - Community Involvement
3:30 PM	Success, Rebounds, and Surprises: A 15-year Study of Herbicide Effectiveness in Controlling Invasive Macrophytes	Geospatial Solutions for Septic System Challenges	iMapInvasives Workshop: Collecting and Using the Data - Douglas Knoph, NY Natural Heritage Program	Libraries Love Lakes: A Community-Driven Approach for Watershed Education
	<b>Andrew Brainard,</b> Director, Upstate Freshwater Institute	<u>Kevin Suchecki,</u> Otsego Lake Watershed Supervisory Committee, and Student at SUNY Oneonta	Join us for a hands-on workshop on how you can leverage iMapInvasives to advance invasive species prevention, "	<u>Nadia Harvieux,</u> Associate Director for Educational Programs, Finger Lakes Institute/Hobart and William Smith Collegess
4:00 PM	Herbicide Treatment of Invasive Milfoil in the Adirondacks: Assessing Outcomes	Using Past and Present Data to Identify Trends in a Kettle Lake System	monitoring, and management in your lake and beyond.	Wool and Water: Stitching the Story of Water with Fiber Art
	<u>Aaron Ziemann,</u> Project Analyst, NYS Adirondack Park Agency	<u>Alexander Javitz,</u> Student, SUNY Oneonta Biology Department	This workshop will include indoor and outdoor portions. We encourage participants to bring	Michale Glennon, Paul Smith's College/Adirondack Watershed Institute
4:30 PM	The Use of ProcellaCOR Over the Last Five Years in New York State	Characterizing Multidecadal Changes in Limnetic Conditions and Fish Communities of Two Connected Adirondack Lakes	their own laptop and smartphone or tablet if feasible.	Lake Trivia: Join the fun as we try to stump our panel of experts on interesting and maybe obscure facts, figures, and fun information about New York Lakes
	<b><u>Dean Long,</u></b> NYSFOLA Board Member and Caleigh Millette, Consultant, Little Bear Environmental	<u>Elijah Creedon,</u> Graduate Student, SUNY Oneonta Biology Department		<u>Nancy Mueller,</u> NYSFOLA CSLAP Coordinator
5:00 PM	Wine and Cheese Party / Exhibitor Area / Student Research Posters  Village Blacksmith Lounge			
6:00 PM	<b>Dinner:</b> Lake Tear of the Clouds Award and Guest Speaker - Carl Heilman II, Outdoor Photographer. Carl will share photographs and stories of his experiences in the ADK region. His work captures both the grandeur of these special places, and the emotional and spiritual connection he has felt.  Carriage House [Must have Dinner Ticket]			

Saturday Morning - May 3, 2025

**Breakfast Buffet** 7:00 AM venues in town or go to the Lake George Area Visitors White Lion Room [Conference Ticket Holders] Website at: http://www.visitlakegeorge.com/food-drink/ Registration 8:30 AM Conference Center Lobby Tupper Lake/Indian Lake Lake George North Lake George South Long Lake D1 - Harmful Algal Blooms D2 - Environmental Policy D3 - CSLAP Training **D4 - Data Collection and** and Regulations **Analysis** Evaluation of Aeration for the New York's Green Amendment -**CSLAP TRAINING** From Fish in Ponds to Code in 9:00 AM Mitigation of Harmful Algal **Protecting Our Lakes** the Cloud: Using Data to Inform **Blooms (HABs)** Fisheries Management in New York <u>Anne McElwee,</u> Graduate Student, SUNY Environmental Science and **Nathan Porceng,** Student, Columbia **Dan Stitch**, Associate Professor and Biological Field Station Researcher. Forestry SUNY Oneonta Leveraging a High-Frequency Internal Loading-Updated Watershed Rules and **CSLAP TRAINING** 9:30 AM Sensor Network and Long-Term Solutions for an Old and Regulations for the Protection Monitoring to Understand Lake **Increasing Problem for Lakes** of Public Drinking Water George's Changing Ecosystem **Supplies Dan Shapley,** Senior Director of **Fred Lubnow**, Senior Technical **Brian Mattes**, RPI-Jefferson Project, Advocacy Policy & Planning, Senior Research Specialist Director of Ecological Services, Riverkeeper Princeton Hydro Mitigation of Harmful Algal 10:00 AM **Proposed Harmful Algal Bloom CSLAP TRAINING** Legislation in New York State Blooms By Electrochemical Ozonation: from Bench-Scale **Studies to Field Applications Yang Yang,** Assistant Professor, Jacob Welch, President, Finaerlakes Clarkson University Regional Watershed Alliance (FLRWA) **Douglass Merrill**, Vice President,

10:30 AM

Break / Exhibitor Area / Student Research Posters / Silent Auction (closes at 10:45)

Village Blacksmith Lounge

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Henry Hotel (at the Hotel Desk) for suggested dining

# Saturday Morning (Continued) - May 3, 2025

	Lake George North	Lake George South	Tupper Lake/Indian Lake	Long Lake
	D5 - Harmful Algal Blooms (HABs)	D6 - Lake Management	CSLAP Training	D7 - Public Policy
10:45 AM	Preparing for Restoration - Lake Neatahwanta	Chautauqua Lake - Alive with a Busy Chautauqua Lake Association	CSLAP TRAINING	Public Education - Face To Face on the New Wetlands Regulations
	<b>Shannon Junior,</b> Water Quality Technical Specialist, EutroPHIX <b>Mike Peterson</b> , Reimagine Fulton	<u><b>Douglas Conroe,</b></u> Executive Director, Chautauqua Lake Association		<u>Jim Wehrfritz,</u> President, Chautauqua Lake Property Owners Association
11:15 AM	Determining the Source of Aquatic Foam in the Finger Lakes: Insights into Cyanobacterial Harmful Algal	It Takes a Village - A Case Study on Fostering a Lake Improvement Project	CSLAP TRAINING	NYS Rapid Actions on Alternative Energy
	Blooms in Low-Nutrient Systems			
	Blooms in Low-Nutrient	<u>Frank Moses</u> , Executive Director, Skaneateles Lake Association		<u><b>Jim Cunningham,</b></u> Chairman, Madison County Board of Supervisors and a Past President NYSFOLA

Saturday Afternoon - May 3, 2025

	Lake George North	Lake George South	Tupper Lake/Indian Lake	Long Lake
	E1 - Aquatic Invasive Species Management	E2 - Lake Management	CSLAP Training	Dr. Lake
1:30 PM	Recent Findings by the Northeast Aquatic Nuisance Species Panel	Brant Lake - A 25 year journey in Lake Management	CSLAP TRAINING (Outside)	"Dr. Lake" - Dean Long, NYSFOLA Board Member and Consultant, Saratoga Lake Protection and Improvement
	<u>Eric Randall,</u> NYSFOLA Board	<u><b>Wayne Butler,</b></u> Chairman, Lake Management, Brant Lake Association		District, will be available to help explain your CSLAP Data reports.
2:00 PM	Management of Hydrilla In Two Connecticut Lakes	Sustaining White Birch Lake: Analyzing Water Quality and Stakeholder Concerns	CSLAP TRAINING (Outside)	By Appointment, 15 to 20 min discussions. Email fola@nysfola.org or dlong735@gmail.com for more
	<u>George Knoecklein,</u> Limnologist, Northeast Aquatic Research	<u>Alex Allen,</u> Graduate Student, SUNY Oneonta		information. Use DR LAKE in the email subject heading.
				Note: Location may change.
2:30 PM	M Break / Exhibitor Area / Student Research Posters Village Blacksmith Lounge			
2:45 PM	Phragmites Management Options & Case Studies	NYSFOLA, Strategic Planning - Learn how we have charted our new course to meet ever changing challenges and to serve our members better	CSLAP TRAINING (Outside)	
	<u>Luke Gervase,</u> Project Ecologist, GEI Consultants	<u><b>David Carr</b>,</u> NYSFOLA Executive Director		
3:15 PM	Building Capacity to Prevent AIS in the Columbia River Basin		CSLAP TRAINING (Outside) Ends at 4:30 PM	
	<u>Jacob Utrie,</u> Vice President of Operations, CD3 Systems		2.03.00.020.00	

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# Silent Auction

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#### **Auction Items:**

Accepted at the Registration Desk from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday.

### **Auction Bidding Periods:**

Friday - 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday - 8:30 to 10:45 a.m.

Auction closes at 10:45 a.m. on Saturday

## **Bidding & Payment:**

- Include cell phone number on the bid sheet
- Remember you can expedite securing your desired item(s) by taking advantage of the "Buy It Now" option!
- Payments can be made via credit card, check, or cash

### Winners - Saturday:

- Will be notified via text. Please acknowledge the receipt of the text message
- Item(s) pick up starts at 11:15 a.m. All items must be picked up by 4 p.m.
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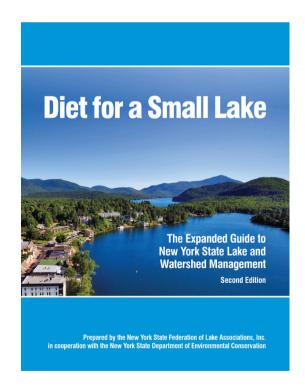
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# FWH PROPERTY MAP



# DINING

- 1 The Village Blacksmith
- 2 Sticky Buns Café
- 3 The Lookout Bar&Grill
- 4 The Candy Apple
- 5 The White Lion
- 6 The Lakeside Restaurant & Lounge
- 7 The Veranda Bar

## BUILDINGS

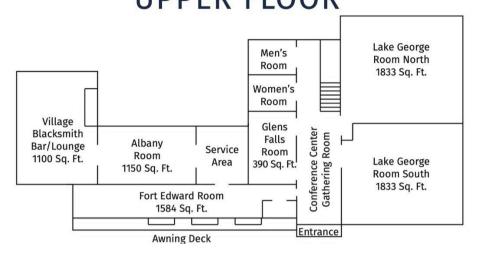
- 8 Grand Hotel
- 9 Deluxe Section
- 10Premium Section
- 11Carriage House
- 12Conference Center

# ATTRACTIONS

13Fort William Henry Museum 14Sutler Shop (free entry)



# CONFERENCE CENTER UPPER FLOOR



## **CONFERENCE CENTER**

# Lower Floor

