

WATERWORKS

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As of January 1, 2004 **all operators of personal watercraft, regardless of age**, will be required to earn a safety certificate before they may operate.

A safety certificate may be obtained by completing the *New York Safe Boating Course*, sponsored by the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation. Volunteer instructors throughout the state teach the course free of charge. Other providers may teach the personal watercraft course for a fee, however no fee may be charged to anyone under the age of eighteen. A course listing can be found on the web at www.nysparks.com/boats/yb/.



A certificate may also be obtained through the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary or U.S. Power Squadron. For information on these courses, call 1-800-336-BOAT.

According to the nysparks.com website, new volunteer instructors are needed to teach the New York Safe Boating course. NYS Parks & Recreation will provide the textbooks, lesson plans, and audio-visual materials to volunteers. To become a State certified instructor, you must meet certain eligibility requirements. For more information, call (518)474-0445.

More information will also be available at the NYSFOLA annual meeting and conference.

NYSFOLA's mission. is to protect the water resources of New York State by assisting local organizations and individuals through public dialogue. education, information exchange and collaborative efforts.

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From the President...by Bob Rosati

Winter is here, but in upstate New York, it's too early to decide how we are going to enjoy, or avoid, the weather we get. Early December brought heavy snow and temperatures cold enough to make ice safe for some early ice fishing. Mid-December brought heavy rains and mild temperatures which made us forget that winter was really here. Now it's January, and Mother Nature is reminding us that she's in charge. Lake effect snows, 30 mph winds, and below 0° temperatures. Whether you enjoy winter or not, there is always something to do around the water. As for my wife Carol and I, during the past month, we have enjoyed swimming in 90° water on a cruise to the Caribbean the week before Christmas, and plunging in the 33° overflow water of Melody Lake with the "Polar Bear Club" on New Years Day.

Now that the New Year is here, it's time to make some resolutions. One that we should make and keep, is to look seriously at the way we use, and maybe even abuse, the lake that we call home. We must make a commitment to conserve water, inspect our septic systems, practice good landscaping habits, and do whatever it takes to protect our lake, which will also protect the value of the property around the lake.

Don't forget the annual NYSFOLA conference on April 30th - May 2nd. There are topics that should be of interest to everyone who owns property around a lake, as well as time for open forums to discuss topics not on the agenda. You will be able to share problems with other associations that have had, and solved, similar concerns as yours. You will also hear things from others that will make you realize that your lake is better off than you thought. You will also be able to help plan future NYSFOLA programs, and future conferences that will benefit you and your lake.

Remember, NYSFOLA is here for you. Contact us by phone, mail or e-mail with any suggestions, comments or concerns.

Bob Rosati, President



NYSFOLA 21st Annual Conference and Meeting

“Protecting Our Lakes For Future Generations”

**April 30 - May 2, 2004
White Eagle Conference Center
Hamilton, NY**

Draft Agenda

Note: We are still working on the final program. Sessions and presentations may change

Friday April 30, 2004

8:00AM-9:30AM	BREAKFAST – White Eagle Lodge
9:30AM-10:00AM	REGISTRATION – Kastens Room (Room #1, 1 st Floor) Appley Center
10:00AM-10:15AM	OPENING REMARKS – NYSFOLA President Bob Rosati
10:15AM	CONCURRENT SESSIONS BEGIN

SESSION A1

Status of Recent NYS Legislation Pertaining to On-Site Wastewater Treatment Systems

Conference Room 5, Second Floor Appley Center
Dean Long, NYSFOLA Board of Directors, The L.A. Group, Moderator

10:15AM-11:00AM	Specific topic and speaker TBA
11:00AM-11:20AM	BREAK
11:20AM-12:00PM	Specific topic and speaker TBA

SESSION B1

Safe Boating on New York State Lakes

Conference Room 4, 2nd Floor Appley Center
George C. Kelley, NYSFOLA, Past President Moderator

10:15AM-11:00AM	<i>The Case For Mandatory Boater Safety Education in New York State</i> Captain Pete Seidel, Captain Pete and Crew, Inc., Floral Park, NY
11:00AM-11:20AM	BREAK
11:20AM-12:00PM	<i>Personal Watercraft Training Requirements and Enforcement</i> Speaker TBA

SESSION C1

Regulating Aquatic Pesticides in New York State

Conference Room 6, 2nd Floor Appley Center
Paul Roland, Moderator

10:15AM-11:00AM	<i>Headwaters, Inc and Oregon Natural Resources Council Action v. Talent Irrigation District</i> United States District Court for the District of Oregon District Court No. CV-98-6004-AA – <i>Impacts on New York State Lakes</i> speaker TBA
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(session C1 continued)

11:00AM-11:20AM	BREAK
11:20AM-12:00PM	<i>Are Alum and Barley Straw Aquatic Pesticides? New Thinking From EPA and DEC</i>

12:00PM-1:00PM Speaker TBA
LUNCH Chandelier Room, Appley Center
COMMERCIAL EXHIBITS **SEE THE LAKE SWEEPER AT WORK!**
SILENT AUCTION

1:00PM-3:00PM **CONCURRENT SESSIONS CONTINUE**

SESSION A2

Land Application of Sludge and Septage: The Latest in Regulatory Affairs and Environmental Issues

Conference Room 5, 2nd Floor Appley Center
Dean Long, NYSFOLA Board of Directors, The L.A. Group, Moderator

1:00PM-1:50PM Specific topics and speakers TBA
1:50PM-2:00PM question and answer period
2:00PM-3:00PM Specific topics and speakers TBA

SESSION B2

Safe Boating on New York State Lakes (continued)

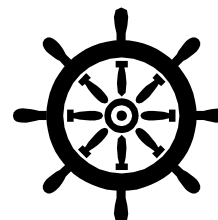
Conference Room 4, 2nd Floor Appley Center
George C. Kelley, NYSFOLA Past-President, Moderator

1:00PM-1:50PM Specific topics and speakers TBA (U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary)
1:50PM-2:00PM question and answer period
2:00PM-3:00PM Specific topics and speakers TBA (U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary)

SESSION C2

Regulating Aquatic Pesticides in New York State (continued)

Conference Room 6, 2nd Floor Appley Center
Paul Roland, Moderator



1:00PM-1:50PM ***Obtaining an Aquatic Pesticide Permit in New York State: Regional Inconsistencies: What's Going On?*** Speaker TBA
1:50PM-2:00PM question and answer period
2:00PM-3:00PM ***A Permit In Hand Might Not Be "Real": The Conesus Lake Experience.*** Speaker TBA
3:00PM-5:00PM **Board of Directors Meeting** Kastens Room (Room #1, 1st Floor) Appley Center

5:00PM-9:00PM **REGISTRATION** – Lounge, White Eagle Lodge
5:00PM-6:00PM **Cocktails** – White Eagle Lodge
6:00PM-7:00PM **Dinner** – White Eagle Lodge
7:00PM-9:00PM **WELCOME** (Bob Rosati, Bill Harman) – White Eagle Lodge

- 1 ***Introduction of NYSFOLA Board of Directors, Officers, Manager, Scientific Advisory Board Chairman, NALMS Region 2 Director***
- 2 ***NYSFOLA 2003-2004 Activities***
- 3 ***Announcements***

9:00PM-10:30PM **OPEN DISCUSSION**
Teepee Open for Refreshments

Saturday May 1, 2004

7:00AM-8:00AM **BREAKFAST** - White Eagle Lodge
8:00AM-4:00PM **REGISTRATION** – Kastens Room (Room #1, 1st Floor) Appley Center
 Indicate your association location on the NY map near the registration desk
8:00AM - **COMMERCIAL EXHIBITS, POSTER DISPLAYS, SILENT AUCTION**
 NEWSLETTER CONTEST -Library and vicinity, Appley Center

8:45AM **WELCOMING REMARKS** – Bob Rosati, NYSFOLA President
Chandelier Room, Appley Center
9:00AM **Logistical Announcements** – Bill Harman, Nancy Mueller
CONCURRENT SESSIONS BEGIN

SESSION A3

All About Algae

Conference Room 3 (2nd Floor, Appley Center)
Moderator TBA

9:00AM-10:20 AM ***Algae: The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly and How to Control It***
Michael Martin, Cedar Eden Environmental, LLC
10:20-10:40AM BREAK
10:40- 11:15AM ***Chara: The Algae that Looks Like a Weed*** Speaker TBA
11:25AM-12:00PM ***Toxic Blue-Green Algae in New York State Lakes*** - Speaker TBA

SESSION B3

Nuisance and Invasive Plant Species: A NYS Status & Control Discussion

Conference Room 6 (2nd Floor, Appley Center)
Bill Harman, Moderator

9:00AM-9:35AM ***New York State Invasive Species Task Force: Legislation and Mission*** Speaker TBA
9:45-10:20AM ***Harvesting vs. Sonar to Control Aquatic Plants: A Case Study from Copake Lake***
Barb Bunker, NYSFOLA Board, Copake Lake Conservation Society
10:20AM-10:40AM BREAK
10:40AM-11:15AM ***How to “Renovate” Your Pond -- Controlling Lily Pads Without a Moose***
Mark Mongin, SePRO Corporation
11:15AM-12:00PM ***Grass Carp: Miracle Cure or Just Another Nuisance Species?*** Speaker TBA

SESSION C3

Citizens Statewide Lake Assessment Program – Our 19th Year

Conference Room 2, 1st Floor, Appley Center
Scott Kishbaugh, NYS DEC and Nancy Mueller, NYSFOLA Manager

9:00AM-9:35AM ***Baggies, Bottles, Boxes and Labels: How to Keep the Samples and Communication Flowing Throughout the Season (A Refresher Course!)*** Nancy Mueller, NYSFOLA Manager
9:45-10:20AM ***Your CSLAP Report: What Do All Those Numbers Really Mean?*** Scott Kishbaugh, NYS DEC
10:20-10:40AM BREAK

SESSION C4

“Everything You Ever Wanted to Know About Lakes and More!”

Conference Room 4, Second Floor, Appley Center
Dr. Willard Harman, NYSFOLA Board of Directors, SUNY Oneonta Biological Field Station, Moderator

1:30PM - 2:50PM ***“Limnology 101: Basic Limnological Processes”*** - panel from the Biological Field Station
2:50PM - 3:10PM BREAK
3:10PM - 3:55PM ***“Real Monsters that Lurk in Our Lakes: Creatures We Rarely See”*** Speaker TBA
3:55PM - 4:30PM ***“Lake Level: Who’s Responsible?”*** Speaker TBA

SESSION D4

10:40AM-11:15AM	<i>What Does a Lake Association Do with the CSLAP Information?</i> Scott Kishbaugh, NYS DEC
11:15AM-12:00PM	<i>It Rained Every Day in 2003 and Never Rained in 2002. How Long Do We Need to Sample Our Lake?</i> Scott Kishbaugh, NYS DEC



SESSION D3
Managing the Birds and the ---Fish!
 Conference Room 4 (2nd Floor, Appley Center)
 Moderator TBA



9:00AM-9:35AM	Canada Geese - Specific topic and speaker TBA	
9:45AM-10:20AM	Cormorants - Specific topic and speaker TBA	
10:20-10:40AM	BREAK	
10:40AM-11:15AM	Fisheries Management in New York State - Steve Lorence NYS Region 4	DEC
11:25AM-12:00PM	Fisheries Management in New York State (continued) TBA	

SPECIAL SESSION E3
Concepts of Watershed Hydrology: A Workshop
 Dr. Peter E. Black, Professor Emeritus, SUNY College of Environmental Science & Forestry
 Conference Room TBA

9:00AM - 12:00PM (break from 10:20AM—10:40AM) AND CONTINUING IN THE AFTERNOON

If you use the word “watershed,” you will be interested in this year’s special workshop (which may or may not include a stroll outside) brought to us this year by Dr. Peter E. Black. This workshop is a shorter version of Dr. Black’s SUNY ESF short course entitled “Concepts of Watershed Hydrology.” More information on the course, including a short downloadable demonstration, is available at www.waterbudget.com.

Note: There is a \$35.00 course materials charge for this workshop.

12:00PM-1:30PM	LUNCH & MEMBERSHIP MEETING Chandelier Room, Appley Center Announcements, Commercial Exhibits, Silent Auction
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SESSION A4
Aquatic Identification Workshop

Conference Room 1, 1st Floor Appley Center
 Bob Johnson, Cornell University and Paul Lord, SUNY Oneonta Biological Field Station

1:30PM-2:50PM	<i>Aquatic Plant Workshop, Session I</i>
2:50PM-3:10PM	BREAK
3:10PM-4:30PM	<i>Aquatic Plant Workshop, Continued</i>

SESSION B4
Citizens’ Statewide Lake Assessment Program (CSLAP) Training 2004

Scott Kishbaugh (NYSDEC CSLAP Coordinator)
 Nancy Mueller (NYSFOLA Coordinator)

We will gather in the Appley Center Library & proceed to training as a group to the “lab” in the Cleveland Room and beautiful Lake Moraine

1:30PM-5:00PM	CSLAP Training on and around Lake Moraine
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Nonpoint Source Pollution Control: How Are We Doing and What Must Be Done?

Conference Room 6, Second Floor, Appley Center

Moderator TBA

- 1:30PM-2:05PM ***“Who’s in Charge? Water Quality Programs in New York State”***
Robert Hennigan, Professor Emeritus, SUNY ESF
- 2:15PM-2:50PM ***Soil Bio-Engineering for Shoreline Stabilization*** Don Knezick, Pinelands Nursery and Supply
- 2:50PM-3:10PM BREAK
- 3:10PM-3:45PM ***Do BMPs Work?*** Speaker TBA
- 3:55PM-4:30PM ***Stormwater Control*** Speaker TBA

SESSION E4

“Concepts of Watershed Hydrology: A Workshop” (Continued)

Conference Room TBA

Dr. Peter E. Black, Professor Emeritus, SUNY ESF

FIELD TRIP SESSION F4 - “Tour the Wind Farm!”

1:30PM—(?)

You asked, and we arranged it. Special thanks to John Slater, NYSFOLA Board member from Lake Moraine who has arranged a special tour of the nearby wind farm during the NYSFOLA conference. There is charge of \$5 per person (payable on-site) for this tour.

4:30PM-5:00PM - Time for a break!

- 5:00PM **Wine and Cheese Party**
- 6:15PM **Silent Auction Winners Announced**
- 6:30PM **BANQUET**, Chandelier Room, Appley Center
Keynote Speaker: (speaker invited, not yet confirmed)
- Awards & Special Recognitions**
- 8:00PM-10:30PM Teepee Open for Refreshments



Sunday May 2, 2004

- 7:30AM-8:30AM **BREAKFAST** – White Eagle Lodge

SESSION A5

Legal Issues and Your Lake

Conference Room 6 (2nd Floor Appley Center)

David Wright, Esq., NYSFOLA Board of Directors

- 9:00AM-10:30AM ***Lake Law: Rights and Obligations Of Lake Property Owners***
- 10:30AM-11:00AM ***Status of Local Personal Watercraft Legislation in New York State***
- 11:00AM-12:00PM ***Do You Need Directors Insurance and How to Find It?***



SESSION B5

“How to Find Grant Money For Your Lake Projects”

Kathleen McLaughlin (NYSFOLA Board)

9:00AM-10:20AM

Kathleen McLaughlin

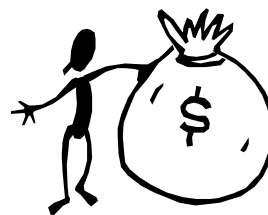
10:20AM-10:40AM

BREAK

10:40AM-12:00PM

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12:00 NOON – CONFERENCE CONCLUSION



Newsletter Contest

Does your lake association have a great newsletter? Enter a copy (or two) in the annual NYSFOLA newsletter contest held at the annual conference. Send copies to:



Annual Newsletter Contest
NYSFOLA
P.O. Box 84
LaFayette, NY 13084-0084

Newsletters are judged based on overall aesthetic appeal (layout), content, local interest, and statewide interest. Send your best issues today!

21st Annual NYSFOLA Conference
White Eagle Conference Center, Hamilton, NY
April 30, May 1-2, 2004

REGISTRATIONS MUST BE MADE WITH THE NYSFOLA OFFICE
NO REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED BY THE WHITE EAGLE CONFERENCE CENTER
Please register early to ensure room availability.

PLEASE NOTE!! NO MEALS CAN BE PROVIDED FOR THOSE PERSONS REGISTERING AT THE DOOR OR BY MAIL LATER THAN APRIL 25TH DUE TO THE NEED TO PROVIDE ACCURATE HEAD COUNTS TO WHITE EAGLE CONFERENCE CENTER. MEAL TICKETS WILL BE COLLECTED FOR ALL MEALS.

() Friday or () Saturday, Morning and Afternoon Sessions with Lunch - \$40.00 per day \$ _____
() Friday or () Saturday, Morning and Afternoon Sessions , NO MEALS \$25.00 per day \$ _____

Friday, Saturday and Sunday Conference Package: (Thursday Evening through Sunday noon)

Includes (3) nights lodging (Thursday, Friday and Saturday), 8 meals (Thursday dinner through Sunday breakfast), breaks and conference fee.

() Single Occupancy - \$335.00 \$ _____ () Double Occupancy - \$550.00 \$ _____

Saturday and Sunday Conference Package : (Friday Evening through Sunday noon)

Includes 2 nights lodging (Friday and Saturday). 5 meals (Friday dinner through Sunday breakfast), breaks and conference fee.

() Single Occupancy - \$219.00 \$ _____ () Double Occupancy - \$368.00 \$ _____

Student: () Friday or () Saturday lunch and breaks (no banquet) \$20.00 \$ _____

Flexible Lodging:

Thursday Night: () Single - \$90.00 () Double - \$140.00 (\$70.00 per person) \$ _____

Friday Night: () Single - \$90.00 () Double - \$140.00 (\$70.00 per person) \$ _____

Saturday Night: () Single - \$90.00 () Double - \$140.00 (\$70.00 per person) \$ _____

Flexible Meal Plans

Thursday () Dinner \$25.00 \$ _____

Friday () Breakfast \$10.00 () Lunch \$15.00 () Dinner \$25.00 \$ _____

Saturday () Breakfast \$10.00 () Lunch \$15.00 () Dinner \$30.00 \$ _____

Sunday () Breakfast \$10.00 \$ _____

Saturday night Banquet Choice: () Prime Rib of Beef () Baked Stuffed Chicken Breast () Cheese Lasagna

I PLAN TO ATTEND THE HYDROLOGY WORKSHOP ON SATURDAY (\$35.00 MATERIAL FEE)
\$ _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED:

\$ _____

An additional fee of \$25.00 will be assessed for registrations faxed or postmarked after April 10, 2004

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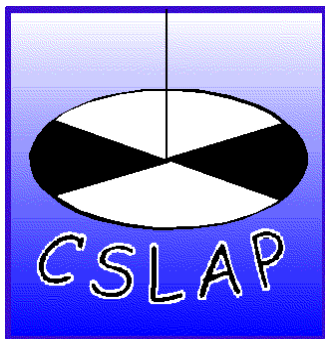
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Don't Forget the Silent Auction!

NYSFOLA's Silent Auction held at the annual conference is a major fundraiser and a lot of fun, too! Please bring an item and join in the bidding.

Unable to join us at the conference? Mail your item, let us know its "donor value," and we'll send you a receipt so that you can appreciate the tax benefits while knowing that you helped us address lake related issues on a statewide basis.



CSLAPpenings

Dear CSLAP Volunteers and Lake Association Officers,

It's once again time to forget about the cold, snow and wind and look forward to an early spring. Therefore, we are now planning the 2004 season of the Citizens Statewide Lake Assessment Program (CSLAP). Because we have equipment and supplies to order, bottles to preserve, labels to print, and baggies to fill, we need to know how many lakes will be joining us next year.

As in previous years, there will be a \$200.00 CSLAP participation fee to cover some of the program expenses. We have found these funds to be extremely valuable when state budgets are not passed until July, and the sampling season needs to begin! You should note that this \$200.00 does not even cover the shipping costs of the program. So we truly believe that CSLAP is still a great bargain.

We will again be relying on the services of Upstate Freshwater Institute (UFI) in Syracuse. We have our new postal permit in place, and we hope that all of you who used the United States Postal Service have a trouble-free season at last. We are also going to try to work out a few kinks with UPS to try to keep our shipping costs down. **PLEASE DISCARD ANY OLD UPS OR MAILING LABELS ADDRESSED TO THE NYS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND/OR UPSTATE FRESHWATER INSTITUTE ON VAN RENSSELAER STREET IN SYRACUSE.**

The NYSFOLA office is now ready to accept your 2004 NYSFOLA dues and CSLAP fees. We would also like to know if your lake will NOT be participating and any reason *why* that may help us with planning future years. Please remember that the \$200.00 fee is PER SITE. If you have multiple sampling sites, you must cover the cost of each site.

We must have everything in place NO LATER THAN MARCH 15TH, 2003 in order to order and prepare equipment and to prevent conflicts with the NYSFOLA annual conference planning schedule.

For new lakes entering the program, or for anyone who wants a "refresher course," training will once again be held on Saturday May 1st as part of the NYSFOLA annual meeting and conference at White Eagle Conference Center in Hamilton.

Our sincerest thanks to all of our CSLAP volunteers who braved a cool and rainy 2003 sampling season. Some of you sampled well into the coolest days of October. Hence, the lab is just getting the final data package together to ship over to Scott so that he can start writing all **90** of the 2003 reports.

Also, a very special thanks to Bernie Ryan of Loon Lake in Steuben County. Bernie filled many bottles over many years and has decided to "pass the torch" to someone new.

We encourage all lake associations to pay a special thanks to your CSLAP volunteers. They dedicate many hours to this program, and it is a great service to their lake association and the Citizens Statewide Lake Assessment Program (which wouldn't exist without them!)

If you have any questions about the 2004 season, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Scott Kishbaugh, NYS DEC and
Nancy Mueller, NYSFOLA



To the Editor....

I am writing to NYSFOLA partly out of frustration and partly because your organization represents many of the lake associations such as ours in the State of New York. I'm somewhat frustrated because I have been trying to contact Governor Pataki a number of times by letter to discuss the matter of Eurasian water milfoil and the devastation that it is causing in many of New York State lakes, including Augur Lake. I have had no success what-so-ever in reaching him, hence this letter to NYSFOLA.

As you probably know, the Augur Lake Property Owners Association (ALPOA) has been attempting to control the spread of this insidious weed with the use of triploid carp and, to date, have had reasonably good success. However the process that the Adirondack Park Agency (APA) put us through to use the carp was extremely expensive and time consuming, covering about one year's worth of paper work and other odds and ends. If additional fish were to be required somewhere down the road, the APA would require this entire process to be repeated. It appears that the APA takes a reactive role when it comes to the question of handling milfoil instead of a proactive role which could, at some point in time, eliminate the milfoil problem once and for all. I therefore felt the need to bring this entire question to the attention of the Governor. Apparently more ammunition is needed to get to his office.

In my letters to Governor Pataki, I have suggested that he appoint a Milfoil Task Force independent of other State Agencies to address the milfoil question and see if a model can be developed to control its spread, especially in the smaller lakes where available dollars are limited by small membership. At the present time, there appears to be no successful method of controlling this non-native weed with the possible exception of grass eating carp. To carry out new programs possibly using chemicals or weevils would require many additional dollars which could be made available by the State through this proposed task force. I am fully aware that there have been many seminars put on covering the question of invasive weeds, but in actuality, milfoil reduction, in my opinion, is only taking place on a very limited scale.

In my opinion, we need a State funded effort staffed with technical and lay people alike to take charge of this situation and to come up with factual and practical solutions as to how we can eliminate or at least control the spread of this menacing weed from many of our once beautiful New York State lakes.

Perhaps if this article were to appear in one of your publications it would also stir up some activity in looking to the State for some help. I would also hope that you would pass on your thoughts to the Governor about this very serious situation facing many of our lake front home owners in New York State.

Sincerely,

*Robert B. Shaw
10 Stone Lane
Newtown, CT or*

*40 Lewis Road
Keeseville, NY 12944*

Editors Note: Bob's letter arrived just after our October issue of *Waterworks* went to press. You may recall that the cover story featured the recently created New York State Invasive Species Task Force. We assured Bob that his thoughts had (perhaps) been considered. We also let him know that NYSFOLA had formally asked to be represented on the Task Force. Just as this issue was being prepared to print, we learned that Suzanne Maloney, NYSFOLA Board Member and Executive Director of the Invasive Plant Council of New York State, has been asked to serve on the Task Force. Our concerns will be heard!

Nancy Mueller

Albright New NALMS Region 2 Director

Matthew Albright has been elected to the Board of Directors of the North American Lake Management Society. Matt will represent Region II which includes New Jersey, New York and Puerto Rico. He replaces Michael Martin of Cedar Eden Environmental, LLC in Saranac Lake. Matt's nomination was presented and endorsed at the annual NYSFOLA meeting last May and forwarded to NALMS headquarters.

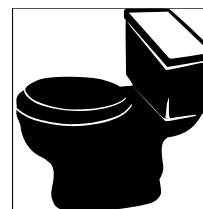
Matt has been a member of NALMS since 1992. He holds a BS degree in Biology from SUNY Geneseo and an MA in Biology from SUNY Oneonta. Matt is presently the Assistant to the Director (NYSFOLA's "own" Bill Harman) of the SUNY Oneonta Biological Field Station on Otsego Lake in Cooperstown. Matt has played an integral role in the implementation of the Otsego Lake Management Plan. He has been a frequent contributor to NYSFOLA conferences and often helps "Dr. Lake."

We congratulate Matt on his success and thank Michael Martin for his years of service. Matt can be reached at:

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Conference to Explore the Use and Economics of Septic Systems in Changing Communities

On February 26th from 8am - 5pm, a conference entitled "Everything You Need to Know About Septics: The Use and Economics of Septic Systems in Changing Communities" will be held at the Sheraton Syracuse University Hotel and Conference Center. NYSFOLA is one of the co-sponsors of this conference. The items on the agenda will address septic system issues in changing and developing communities, and will investigate the application and suitability of innovative on-site technologies. Topics may include:



- Practical solutions for when a conventional system won't do
- A dollar and cents evaluation of what other communities have done
- Positioning your lake or community for wastewater funding.

Displays and information about wastewater treatment products will also be available from regional manufacturers and vendors. Come and learn how advances in septic system technology can shape your community, protect public health, and ensure water quality. The deadline for registration is February 16th.

For more information, contact Amy Samuels, Cornell Cooperative Extension of Onondaga County, ams71@cornell.edu or (315) 424-9485 x233. Look for details at www.cce.cornell.edu/onondaga/onondaga.html

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If you have any questions about your membership, please do not hesitate to contact the office at 1-800-796-FOLA. Thank you for your continued support of NYSFOLA.

**2004 Membership Form
NYS Federation of Lake Associations, Inc.**

Lake, Watershed and other Associations:

Small Association, 10-74 members _____	\$35.00
Medium Association, 75-149 members _____	\$75.00
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Individual Membership (not a member of a lake association) _____	\$20.00
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<i>(get your own copy of WATERWORKS instead of reading it at your meeting!)</i>	
Corporate Membership _____	\$200.00
Student _____	\$10.00

Name of Lake Association or Individual _____

Contact Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Telephone _____

E-mail _____

Lake Location (county) _____

(especially important if your lake is one of many named Loon, Mud, Round, etc.)

Fee \$ _____ Any additional donation? \$ _____ (thank you)

**Send payment to: New York State Federation of Lake Associations, Inc. (NYSFOLA)
P.O. Box 84
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Welcome New Members

Charles Brewer, Loon Lake (Steuben Co.)
Cedar Eden Environmental, LLC (Corporate Member)
China Barrett Association
Guilford Lake Association
Ed Jackson, Honeoye Valley Association
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SePRO, Inc. (Corporate Member)
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Shirley Raub
Smith Pond Sportsmen's Club
SPLAKE (Spring Lake)
William Stanley, Galway Lake
Weiden Lake Property Owners Association

Available at the NYSFOLA Office

Diet For a Small Lake, Joint publication of NYSFOLA and NYSDEC relative to watersheds and lakes. Detailed instructions for preparing a **lake management plan**; complete descriptions of lake **restoration** and **watershed management techniques**; comprehensive discussion of **lake ecology**.

Cost-\$30.00 includes shipping & handling. Please note price increase. This is a reprint, and costs increased.



Managing Lakes Through Community Participation; 25 minute video. Why lake associations are formed, how they get started, tackling priority issues, case studies, ties with local government and lake community.

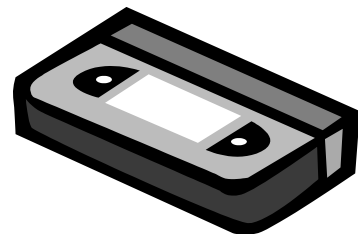
Cost-\$15.00 plus \$2.00 shipping & handling

Water Quality Monitoring in Lakes and Tributaries, video. Demonstrates the techniques used for water quality monitoring, based on procedures used in Citizens Statewide Lake Assessment Program (CSLAP). Useful for starting a monitoring program.

Cost-\$15.00, plus \$2.00 shipping & handling

Through the Looking Glass, A Wisconsin Lake Partnership publication containing information on nearly all aquatic plants.

Cost -\$24.95, plus \$2.00 shipping & handling



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Calendar of Events

Northeast Aquatic Plant Management Society Conference. January 19-21, 2004 Gideon Putnam Hotel, Saratoga Springs, NY. For more information log on to <http://home.nycap.rr.com/bloomfield/index.html>

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17th Annual National Conference: Enhancing the States’ Lake Management Programs: Effective Monitoring Programs for Lakes and Reservoirs . April 20 - 23, 2004 Holiday Inn Chicago Mart Plaza, Chicago, Illinois. For more information, contact: Bob Kirschner, Chicago Botanic Garden, 1000 Lake Cook Road, Glencoe, Illinois, 60022; e-mail: bkirschn@chicagobotanic.org. Information is also available on the NALMS web site www.nalms.org.