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Western NY- Chapter 1

The Monthly Newsletter of the Western New York Chapter 1 of the Wooden Canoe Heritage Association

June 2019

Sterling Creek Paddle^{SEP} May 4, 2019

Submitted by: Pete Shea

The third attempt at this paddle was a great success. We have had this paddle on the calendar for the last three years and it has always been cancelled due to the weather. The forecast for the day was overcast with a 20% chance of rain in the morning. When Gerry & I left our house it was uncertain weather and it was cool in the 40's.

After a 90 minute drive we arrived at the put in to find Bob & Ron had gone exploring along the road stream crossings to check out the stream. This was an excellent idea as Lake Ontario was 18" higher than normal which backs up all the tributary streams. The second bridge that we needed to pass under had about a foot of clearance with no areas to take out or put in. After this was conveyed to the eight attendees it was decided to abort the put in along the stream and go to the take out at Fair Haven State Park on Lake Ontario. We drove to the park and paid our \$8 fee per car and continued to the boat launch area on the bay side. It was an easy put in along an inland bay for the 5 canoes.

Larry & Linda Riker headed out first and led the way. The good news is that they had never

been here before and decided to head to the other side of the bay. This actually is a dead end spot as the stream is a channel on the other side of the marsh. Due to the high water we had a shoreline route that we discovered that permitted us a beautiful, calm water, wind protected paddle with just a few obstructions that we creatively paddled around. The best part of the trip was the continuous spotting of wildlife along the shore. There were a significant number of very large white swans that did not enjoy our disturbance of their environment. Having never seen a bird this size take off from the water was very interesting. Their wing span is close to six feet and they start by flapping their wings and then adding a running motion on the water to get takeoff. It might not look very graceful but they can fly. Further down we came upon a nesting swan in the reeds. She just sat there and kept a cautious eye on us as we passed. Muskrats were seen along with an endless supply of Red-winged Blackbirds.

We stopped for lunch when we merged into the main stream. The wind picked up and we all started to feel a lot colder. We decided to head back in the main stream which of course was an upwind journey. All of us were happy for a fun and safe paddle on our return and we said our goodbyes till the next event. We had 5 canoes

with 8 paddlers (Rosemary & Bob Scholl, Larry & Linda Riker, Gerry & Pete Shea, Ron Hampton & Lou Wirschem). Thanks for the great day.

See everyone in June! ADK Expo in Mendon Ponds and Canandice Lake Moonlight Paddle.



ADK EXPO
Saturday, June 8, 2019

9:30 AM to 4:00 PM

By: Pete Shea

Chapter 1 is participating in the expo with a WCHA Chapter 1 Information Tent. Our primary goal is to Recruit New Members by sharing information about the WCHA and the activities of Chapter 1.

We are looking for volunteers to assist Bob Lamoy & Bill Keller during the day for as much time as you can provide. I have another commitment and will not arrive until 2:00. Please contact them by email to let them know if you are able to help with this activity. Here are their email address'

Bob Lamoy: deerbob@live.com

Bill Keller: wwkeller3483@gmail.com

Moonlit Paddle On Canadice Lake
Saturday, June 15, 2019 @ 7:00 PM

By: Gerry & Pete Shea

It's been six years and this is by no means our most adventurous paddle but it has to rate as one of the prettiest. Come join us on **June 15th** for our night-time paddle at Canadice Lake. We plan on shoving off from the public launch at 7:00 PM. A near full moon is expected and we will try to reschedule the weather we have recently been encountering. Plan on bringing a beverage and an appetizer or dessert to pass. We will paddle out and raft together. Musical instruments are welcome!

A few reminders about this paddle. Since the lake serves as a water supply reservoir for the City of Rochester, contact with the water is prohibited. So plan on taking the necessary precautions (boots) when we launch. In addition, we will be able to drive down to the launch ramp however we will need to go back up to Canadice Lake Road to park. **Finally, since we will be paddling at night add a flashlight to the gear you normally would bring.**

To reach the public launch site, take Route 15A to Purcell Road. After an initial, short

uphill climb, the road drops steeply. At the bottom after 1.4 miles, the road curves right onto Canadice Lake Road. Follow this road for another 1.4 miles to the boat launch on the right. Hope to see you there and feel free to call Pete Shea at 585-802-9342 with any questions you may have.

Please see the map of Canadice Lake at end of newsletter.

WCHA Western New York Chapter 1 Getaway

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By: Janet Isabelle

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Can you believe that we have been getting together since 1997! We went to Snowbird Lake for 4 years, White Lake for 4 years, Camp Gorham, Fulton House 6 years and this makes #8 for Kenmore Cottages in Eagle Bay. The date of the Getaway is September 6-7-8, 2019. Thinking back there have been so many good times, laughter and scrumptious meals that it is hard to keep track of them all. Our charming and accommodating hosts Andi and Ray Smith welcome us back each year with smiles, music and cabin rental rates that have not changed since 2012.

We have reserved Lakeshore 1, Lakeview Down, Balsam, Cedar and Brookwood, the same cabins we had last year. The meal arrangements will be the same.

We will start the weekend on Friday, at the Twitchell Lake home of Jack, Susie and Sarah Nettleton. Susie has graciously offered to provide lunch again and Jack will give tours of the lake in his motorboat. Last year he even provided a beautiful guideboat to try. You are welcome any time after 10:00 AM. If you plan to have lunch at Nettleton's, please let Susie know by September 1. Contact her at susie.nettleton@rochester.rr.com or (585) 734-0266. Cell coverage is non existent at Twitchell Lake, but their landline is (315) 357-5134.

Parking spots are available in front of the barn, in front of the camp, or across the street in the long driveway. Pull all the way in so there is room behind you for someone else. You can also park/launch at the public landing and paddle over to the boathouse.

After lunch on Friday, those who are interested may climb Rocky Mountain. My guidebook describes it as "a 1 mile round trip which rewards the hiker with great views of Fourth Lake. The ascent is only ½ mile but can be strenuous, but for a seasoned hiker can be accomplished in 20 minutes. " We may take slightly longer, but it is not a long hike.

On Saturday morning we will have several choices of planned paddles; we will decide Friday night which one to tackle.

On Saturday evening we will again have music, but that is still in the planning stage. Last year, the 6 members of the "Kenmore Four" provided delightful entertainment.

Sunday morning, our worship will be led by Pastor Kevin Bailey who is a Biblical storyteller and accomplished vocalist and guitarist. I am really excited to hear him lead worship for our group.

Unless you request otherwise, you will be assigned to the same cabin you had last year. Since Kenmore is right on Fourth Lake, opportunities for sunrise or evening paddles are always a possibility. I have requested warm, sunny weather and no bugs for the whole weekend.

Meals are provided as in the past. Each person is asked to work with several others to plan, provide, serve and clean up after one meal. That is your only responsibility to make this weekend a success! That leaves you free to enjoy the outdoors, paddle or socialize with other members without additional responsibilities.

Each person is asked to bring their own towels and bedding (sheets or sleeping bag) and personal care products. Blankets and pillows are provided.

We welcome all present and past WCHA members and friends to join us for this very special weekend!

Cost for this weekend is \$80 if you are staying at the Kenmore. If you are not staying at Kenmore but coming in for daytime activities, there is a \$15 per person or \$25 per couple charge to help with programming costs. Please make checks out to Janet Isabelle and mail to 508 Florence Ave, Oneida, NY 13421. Please make your reservation and a \$25 per person deposit by August 1.

For questions or to make reservations for a cabin and meal assignment, please contact me Jlquilts42@gmail.com or at (315) 264-0150. Please note that this is a new phone number.

Looking forward to seeing old friends and meeting new ones!

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Some sad news about long time members of WCHA – Western NY Chapter 1:

I wanted to let you all know that Jack Barker's wife Sue Laraway Barker passed away on May 5, 2019, in Auburn, NY. Sue was a very a lovely person and she will be missed.

I also wanted to let you know that I received a call from Julie Young recently that David Young's mother Bernice Young (another long time member of WCHA) is in hospice care and they would appreciate our prayers.

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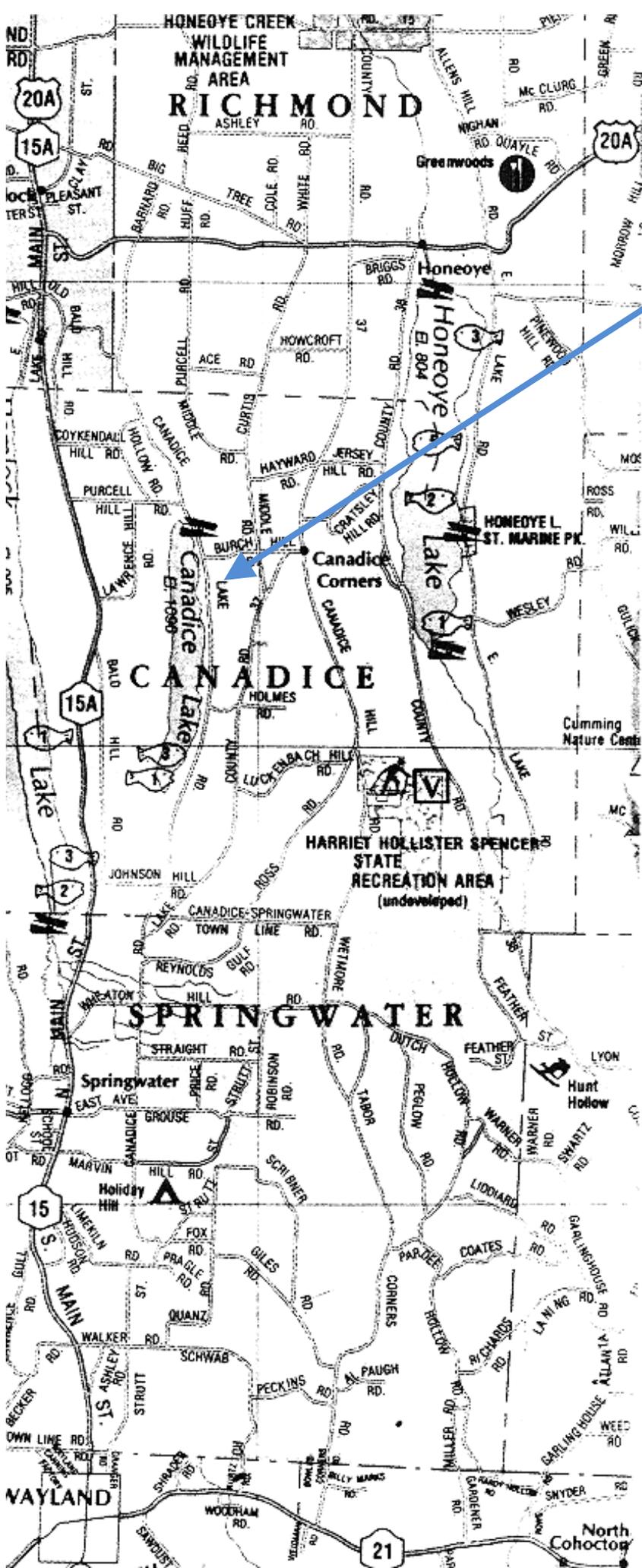
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WCHA WESTERN NEW YORK – CHAPTER 1 – 2019 ACTIVITIES

DATE: February 23 DAY: Saturday TIME: 11:00 AM	Activity: Glass Paper Weights/Ring Holders Cost \$5/set Where: Jim Altemus Shop, 14 State St (Rt 5 & 20), Bloomfield NY 14469 585-657-6855 Coordinators: Dick Pierce & Denny Brunner
DATE: March 30 DAY: Saturday TIME: 11:00 AM	Activity: Tool Sharpening Class Cost \$ TBD Where: Suzanne & Bill Keller, 1198 Mendon Rd (Rt 64) Mendon NY 585-497-7096 Coordinators: Denny Brunner
DATE: April 13 DAY: Saturday TIME: 11:00 AM	Activity: Visit Finger Lakes Boating Museum Where: 8231 Pleasant Valley Rd, Hammondsport, NY 14840 Coordinators: Jim Altemus and Pete Shea
DATE: May 4 DAY: Saturday TIME: 11:00 AM	Activity: Paddle Sterling Creek Where: Sterling Nature Center, Sterling, NY Coordinators: Bob Scholl & P. Shea
DATE: June 8 DAY: Saturday TIME: 8 > 4	Activity: ADK Outdoor Expo Where: Mendon Ponds Coordinators: Bill Keller & Bob Lamoy
DATE: June 15 DAY: Saturday TIME: 7:00 PM	Activity: Moonlight Paddle, Bring a Snack to Share Where: Canadice Lake Coordinators: Pete & Gerry Shea 585-802-9342
DATE: July 16 > 21 DAY: Tues-Sun	Activity: WCHA 40th Annual Assembly – Century Old Canoes Where: Paul Smith College, Paul Smith, NY
DATE: August 24 DAY: Saturday TIME: 11:00 AM -----	Activity: Sandy Creek Paddle Where: 2401 State Route 3, Ellisburg, NY 13661 Coordinators: Pete & Gerry Shea 585-802-9342 -----
DATE: August 10 DAY: Saturday @ 1 PM	Activity: Paddle & Picnic on Canandaigua Lake Where: 3495 Lakeview Lane Canandaigua, NY Coordinators: Dave Schwaner & Sue Miller (H) 585-396-1492
DATE: Sept. 6 > 8 Day: Fri, Sat, Sun Time: Arrive noon to 5 PM	Activity: Adirondack Weekend/Friday Lunch @ Nettleton's Cabin Where: Kenmore Cottages on Fourth Lake Coordinators: John and Janet Isabelle, 315-264-0150
DATE: October 5 Day: Saturday Time: 11:00 AM	Activity: Black Creek Paddle Where: Black Creek Park, Chili, NY Coordinators: Bob Lamoy 315-350-0103
DATE: November 3 Day: Sunday Time: 11:00 AM	Activity: Highland Park Conservatory & Hike Where: 121 Mulberry St, Rochester, NY 14620 Coordinators: Pat & Lou Wirschem, 585-473-0695
DATE: December 1 Day: Sunday Time: 11:00 AM	Activity: Buffet, Yankee Swap, and Ornament Exchange Location Newport Yacht Club Coordinators: Al & Fran Sienkiewicz, 585-671-3482
DATE: January 5, 2020 Day: Sunday Time: 11:00 AM	Activity: WNY Chapter One 2020 Planning Meeting Where: Sheas', 1947 Factors Walk, Ionia, NY 14475 Coordinators: Pete & Gerry Shea 585-257-5013

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