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REGULATION OF STEEP SLOPES NEEDED IN THE CANANDAIGUA LAKE WATERSHED

By Jack Dailey

Over the course of the last several years we have witnessed a number of incidents involving the failure of steep slopes surrounding the lake. The result has been mud, rock and debris flowing unabated into the lake. These flows directly affect the quality of our lake water; not just from the current storm, but from future storms whose runoff now has a new and uncontrolled path to the lake. New pathways will further erode with each passing storm causing even more damage to the lake unless expensive remedial action is undertaken.

Canandaigua Lake is a public resource of great economic and environmental value whose condition is directly affected by municipal land use regulations in its watershed, which is eleven times the size of the lake. Municipal governments exist to protect the health, safety and general welfare of citizens, and regulation of activities on steep slopes offers such protection.

The potential damage caused by erosion, sedimentation and lake eutrophication rises exponentially as slopes of

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Thank You to Our Supporters

In various forms and under several names, the Canandaigua Lake Watershed Association has been around for more than forty years. The persistence of the Association is a credit to the people of the area, expressing how strongly they feel that the lake and its watershed need our continuing protection.

At present, our members number more than 1000, including local businesses and other concerns. Our members clearly feel that the protection of the lake requires all of us working, playing and living in the watershed to exercise some care. After all, the potential sources of pollution are not located in the lake- they originate in activities in the watershed. For a clean lake, we must exercise "good housekeeping" at our homes, cottages and businesses.

The Watershed Association sincerely appreciates the contributions of time, energy and financial resources to our common cause. Our success depends on being able to mount programs of education, monitoring, special projects and public policy. Volunteers accomplish some of these programs, but professional help is also needed, and must be paid for.

Our friends, members and supporters make this possible.

The effort must be ongoing. Even as we educate one group of citizens, one class of youngsters, we know we must reach out to others. For our children and grandchildren to enjoy the health and beauty of this area, we must preserve it for them.

CLWA thanks its supporters. Without you, our work would not be possible. **CLWA**

Viewpoints

You are invited to a Seminar Series presented by CLWA

Topic: Update on Aquatic Invasives

Time and Place to be announced.

Keep an eye on our webpage and Facebook page for further information
www.canandaigualakeassoc.org

SAVE THIS DATE
CLWA ANNUAL MEETING
Morning,
Saturday, August 24

From the Chair:

By Jack Dailey

Canandaigua Lake's beauty has made it a popular destination. Traditional summer cottages are giving way to year round homes. Hillsides are changing dramatically as people strive to enjoy the magnificent vistas. The landscape is rapidly changing as lots are cleared, driveways are paved and trees removed to make way for fertilized lawns. The cumulative result of these changes has an ever increasing effect on the health of the lake. By changing the natural environment to a suburban landscape the lake ecosystems can no longer function effectively jeopardizing the quality of our water as well as diminishing magnificent vistas.

What are some of the simple steps you can take to protect the ecosystem of our lake:

- When planning or updating a home site leave as much of the natural topography and vegetation as possible; this protects the lake.
- Be lawn smart: avoid creating vast expanses of manicured lawn and avoid using phosphorous fertilizers and toxic insecticides.
- Reduce impermeable surfaces when constructing driveways and patios; hardening alternatives are available including a permeable asphalt material.
- Install vegetative buffers or rain gardens to prevent unrestricted run-off into the lake.
- Maintain your septic system, 60,000 people draw their drinking water from the lake.

- When constructing or renovating a home, try to live within zoning perimeters and avoid requesting variances. These rules were developed to protect the lake and surrounding properties.

We all share a very precious resource, let's work together to insure its continuing vitality. **CLWA**

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affected watershed land increase. As more easily developable locations in the watershed have been developed, development activities have expanded onto steep-sloping properties.

Greater care and more use of best management practices can decrease the damage done by the development of steep slopes to an extent, but not absolutely. Private property values, public health and safety of existing developed properties in the watershed may be adversely impacted by the development of upstream steeply sloping properties.

Though the Canandaigua Lake Watershed Association promotes better regulation of the development of steep slopes in any watershed municipality, the municipalities of Middlesex and South Bristol which combine very steep slopes with very close proximity to the lakeshore represent the greatest hazard of private property damage, public property damage and water quality impairments.

Better regulation of steep slopes will have practical consequences. The disturbance of steep slopes has been a contributing factor in recent instances of damage to public and private property south of Menteth Point in the Town of Canandaigua, north of Woodville in South Bristol, and along South Lake Road in Middlesex. Obviously not every hazard would be solved by regulatory measures but many would be minimized.

Recent studies by the United States Geological Survey suggest that weather in our region has changed in the past fifty years, and more intense rainfall is becoming increasingly likely. So, more intense weather, more development of steep slopes and exponentially increasing damage creates a scenario for property damage, polluted runoff to the lake, and public safety hazards unless more control of activities on our steepest watershed land is exerted by our local governments.

Your involvement and support is needed in working with your municipal government to ensure your town's steep slopes and Canandaigua Lake are protected. Now is the time to be heard and to get involved. **CLWA**

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CLWA TO CREATE AN ANNUAL APPEAL to support specific projects

For more than forty years, membership donations have supported the CLWA organization and we are deeply appreciative for all of our supporters.

In order to increase the impact we have on our watershed, the CLWA Board has discussed our need to step up our activities. Development pressures have heightened in the past decade and inevitably will do so again when the real estate market improves. Protection of the lake requires protection of the watershed. Some watershed protection can be accomplished through voluntary and educational measures, but there are times when professional assistance, research and technology above and beyond the donated services we receive are needed.

To stay ahead, CLWA will create its first-ever Annual Appeal to its members and other supporters later this year. Our objective with this appeal is to gain funding for specific projects to protect water quality— which you can be proud to support.

Here are a few examples we already see as opportunities for our community:

- The Canandaigua Botanical Society Restoration Project: They have been raising money for an ecological restoration of Lagoon Park in the City of Canandaigua. CLWA would like to assist them in this worthy project to enhance an area that gives many visitors their first impression of Canandaigua.
- Land purchases by the Finger Lakes Land Trust: Currently, the Land Trust proposes to purchase the Reed property on the steeply sloping northwest flank of Bare Hill.
- Improved access for non-motorized recreation.
- Other opportunities we see include: "The Value of Natural Capital in the Canandaigua Lake Watershed" and testing programs to identify pollution sources so they can be remedied.

We know we can continue to increase the impact we have on our community, but with that will come the need for more funding. We will be asking you to consider a special contribution through the Annual Appeal to begin meeting the highest priorities of these needs. In some cases, relatively small amounts of private money can trigger large responses and matches.

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE 2013 LAKE WATER QUALITY MONITORING- Here's How You Can Help

For the past three years, CLWA has been "Taking a Dip for Canandaigua Lake," a volunteer-based monitoring project. The instrument used for monitoring is called a Secchi disk and the procedure is simple: lower the disk on a cord with meter markings, take a reading of how far down the disk disappears, fill out a data form and return the form to the project coordinator. Data is collected from June through September.

Four volunteers in 2010, nine in 2011 and thirteen in 2012 provided information about water clarity in various parts of Canandaigua Lake. There was surprising variation from site to site and from week to week. In 2013, we'd like to have at least eighteen volunteers from Woodville to Kershaw. Clarity measurements give us a sense of both the impact of runoff on the lake and the growth of algae.

What is required? Access to a boat, attendance at a training session (tba), commitment to taking regular samples at one location, and submitting data sheets with information to the coordinator (drop-off or by mail). CLWA will supply the training, secchi disks and data forms.

To volunteer or learn more, contact the CLWA office at 394-5030 or send an email to Carol Benner at cpbenner@gmail.com or Steve Lewandowski at stachu14512@yahoo.com. CLWA



Hydrofracking May Cause Radiation Hazards

By Rob Gray

Unfortunately, the word "radiation" is frequently used by the media to scare people. That is not my intention at all, but you should be aware of another downside of hydrofracking. Drilling as deeply as 10,000 feet into the Marcellus shale layer can yield enormous volumes of natural gas (mostly methane), but also more-than-average amounts of uranium and other radioactive elements produced by the radioactive decay process. The water trapped for millions of years in the layers of shale contains dissolved compounds of these radioactive elements, among them radium. And the large volumes of water forced into the shale at 15,000 pounds per square inch during hydrofracking will dissolve additional amounts of the radium compounds. Radium chloride is highly soluble in water and will be brought to the surface with the drilling fluid. It is important to note that radioactive radium, as well as radon gas which is produced by the decay process of radium, and is also highly radioactive, may find its way upward into ground water through

One danger is that radium's decay product, radon gas, inhaled by humans can cause cancer. In fact, the EPA estimates 20,000 lung cancer deaths per year are related to long term inhalation of radon (www.epa.gov/radon). This is second only to smoking! Families with wells near drilling sites should have their well water checked for radon and other contaminants, radioactive and otherwise, before drilling begins so that any changes in water quality, once fracking begins, can be documented.

Another hazard is that small amounts of radioactive solids will be brought to the surface with the ground shale produced by drilling. These solids will be another source of radiation in our environment. The ground shale will be mixed with water and brine containing radioactive radium chloride which will decay releasing additional radon gas and alpha radiation. Typically, radon exposure is an indoor hazard, because radon is much more dense than air and may collect in one's basement. However, frequent outdoor exposure can also lead to lung cancer. It may be that very few people would be harmed, there is no way to know, but it seems unwise to introduce additional sources of radiation into our environment. **CLWA**

What's the Law on Life-Preservers and other Flotation Devices on Boats?

by Stephen Lewandowski with thanks to Lt. William Gallagher, Ontario Co. Sheriff

Navigation Law §40 requires that flotation devices must be worn by children younger than 12 on any boat less than 65 feet in length, unless within a fully enclosed cabin; and by anyone towed, such as water-skiers or wake-boarders; and while on board a personal watercraft.

Otherwise, a personal flotation device must be available for every passenger onboard every vessel, including non-motorized watercraft such as canoes, kayaks and rowboats.

According to a recent Rochester Democrat & Chronicle article, thirteen of 42 boating fatalities in 2007 and 2008 in NY occurred during cold weather conditions. Because of this State Law A.6784 passed and signed by the Governor now requires that:

"No owner or operator of a pleasure vessel less than twenty-one feet, including rowboats, canoes and kayaks shall permit its operation, between November first and May first, unless each person on board such vessel is wearing a securely fastened United States Coast Guard approved wearable personal flotation device of an appropriate size when such vessel is underway."

Such a rule, if followed, could have saved lives on Hemlock and Canandaigua Lakes in recent years. **CLWA**

Find Us Online Anytime!

by Katrina Busch

The new CLWA Website
and Facebook Page



Find us on
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www.canandaigualakeassoc.org

Our brand new website is now up and running. Here you'll find information about our organization including the education programs, hot topics, helpful links to other resources and even past CLWA newsletters. Be sure to visit often and be up to speed with what is happening in our watershed.

Find us now on Facebook too! We hope to increase our reach to lake lovers near and far in effort to continue to gain support in what we are all drawn together by: preserving, protecting and promoting our wonderful natural resource. Please comment and share your stories and pictures. We'd love to hear about what the lake means to you and what you are doing to help. We will post information about what's happening in the watershed and helpful hints on how everyone can help keep our land healthy and water clean. **CLWA**



Official 2013 Membership List Canandaigua Lake Watershed Association

We apologize to our members who were inadvertently left off the list which appeared in the May 2013 *Lake Reporter*. Here is a corrected list of our amazing membership. Thank you for your understanding, patience and continued support.

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Association Hails Land Trust Acquisition

The Canandaigua Lake Watershed Association announces its support for the Finger Lakes Land Trust's fund-raising campaign to purchase a critical property on the flank of Bare Hill. The 68 acre property on East Lake road has been in the Reed family's hands for generations. The Reed property shares an eastern boundary with the Bare Hill Unique Area. It also features nearly four hundred feet of natural beach on the lake.

Association President Jack Dailey expresses his gratitude to the Reed Family, longtime owners of the property for being willing to sell to a conservation organization. He says, "Their willingness to sell at less than assessed value in order to conserve the land is admirable. We will help in any way that we can."

Watershed Association consultant Steve Lewandowski says, "This is a great example of the steeply sloping property that we are very concerned about. From east to west, the heavily wooded slope measures over 30% in grade. Runoff from this land, if bared, could severely damage the lake." The Watershed Association has recently suggested that closer municipal regulation of steep slopes is necessary to protect private and public property and the lake.

CLWA Board member and nearby resident Ted Carman says, "We in the neighborhood have been concerned at seeing steep properties like this one being developed. On such steep slopes, it is very difficult to establish protective measures. We welcome the Finger Lakes Land Trust's willingness to take on a large project like this acquisition."


The Watershed Association urges its members, friends and associates to assist the Land Trust with this project to protect scenic values, historic Bare Hill and the lake. CLWA's Dailey says, "Only through cooperation among organizations and support from the community can this happen." 

Grant Received for Watershed Work

by Kevin Olvany, Watershed Program Manager

The Canandaigua Lake Watershed Council (consisting of the fourteen watershed and water purveying municipalities) received a \$340,000 grant through the New York State Department of State to protect water quality and promote tourism and recreation in the watershed. The grant will be matched locally with this same amount through the efforts of all the various partners involved.

The grant will protect water quality by implementing vital wetland creation and stormwater management projects in the Sucker Brook subwatershed, and implementing critical road bank and stream stabilization projects to protect public infrastructure and substantially reduce the amount of contaminants entering Canandaigua Lake through various streams in the Towns of South Bristol, Naples, Italy and Gorham. The grant will also promote tourism and recreation in the 174 square mile watershed by creating a Water Trail Plan and installing two additional canoe and kayak access points.

The goal of this project is to continue and enhance the sustained level of water quality protection of Canandaigua Lake while promoting long term tourism and economic development of one of our region's main assets. Multiple partners will be involved in implementing these projects. If you would like more information about any of these projects please do not hesitate to contact me at (585) 396-3630 or Kevin.Olvany@canandaiguaneewyork.gov 

Update From Middlesex: Steep Slopes

(Because development of steep slopes remains a serious threat to the lake's water quality, the *Lake Reporter* continues to report on the status of the Town of Middlesex's attempt to create a "Steep Slopes Law" to regulate this development.)

The Town of Middlesex's Planning Board has been working for 4 years to adapt a draft steep slopes law developed by the Canandaigua Lake Watershed Council and the Genesee/Finger Lakes Regional Planning Council to fit the Town's particular needs. The Planning Board has presented several versions of the proposed law to the public and the Yates County Planning Board for review. On both occasions, the response was that the proposed law was too long, too complicated, and, concerning certain restrictions, did not fairly balance the rights of the property owners with the greater need for regulation.

Due to a considerable workload, the Planning Board has not had a recent opportunity to revisit the Steep Slopes Law in a constructive way. The very workload that keeps the Planning Board from returning to the law makes the need for adopting a law all the more important, because much of the proposed development is planned for those areas that the law would affect.

Realizing this, the Planning Board has asked for increased involvement from CLWA and the Canandaigua Lake Watershed Council to educate the public on the problems of erosion and possibly to provide financial assistance to bringing this law to completion. One option for speeding up completion is to employ a lawyer specializing in environmental issues to assist the board in addressing the "too long/too complicated" perceived problems of the proposed law and to review the appropriateness of its restrictions.

The Town of Middlesex is struggling with the messy business of coping with change. And the Town's attempt to accommodate change can sometimes be "too long/too complicated" and the right balance of interests can be hard to find. But the Town is cautiously, deliberately continuing until it gets it right. **CLWA**

Woodville Boat Launch Re-Opens

Through the winter and early spring, contractors have been working on the NYS DEC Boat Launch at Woodville. The launch ramp was removed and replaced. Also, new docks installed beside the launch make launching canoes and kayaks easier, especially for disabled users.

The launch is now open and in use. Boaters should consider it as an alternative to the northern NYS Department of Parks and Recreation Launch in Canandaigua in order to avoid over-crowding on the lake. **CLWA**

Views of our Watershed PHOTO CONTEST

New in 2013 for all our photo-loving friends! We are kicking off the first annual CLWA photo contest... Views of our Watershed. Starting March 1st, CLWA will be accepting submissions of photos taken within the Canandaigua Lake watershed through our Facebook page. The contest is open to amateur photographers of any age, and winners will be announced at our Annual Meeting in August, 2013. Contest details will be posted on our website March 1st. We look forward to seeing all of your views of our Watershed!

Kershaw Cleanup Completed

by Kevin Olvany, Watershed Program Manager

As detailed in our previous newsletter articles, the filling and contamination at Kershaw Beach occurred in the 1920s and early 1930s. The previous articles also reviewed testing and research that occurred last summer after the contaminated material surfaced which ultimately identified the material as old oil with the most likely scenario being old crankcase oil.

Based on the beach being closed last summer, the NYS- Dept of Health would not allow the beach to be reopened until the City can prove that they have eliminated exposure to contamination. Therefore, to meet this threshold, a partnership was formed between the state and local government to eliminate the exposure to any contaminated material.


Starting in early October, the NYS-DEC Spills Unit, as the lead entity on the cleanup effort, hired an environmental contractor to complete the removal of contaminated materials from the beach. After significant research of the site including: ground penetrating radar, many test pits and reviewing historical aerial photos; it was decided that the entire sand portion of the beach upland of the water's edge was to be excavated down to the original clay/wetland soil layer. In addition, this same excavation approach was followed out into the lake until a very distinct line of uncontaminated natural sand/clay line was encountered. Many test pits were completed beyond this distinct fill area to verify that no filling or dumping occurred beyond this area. Over the next two plus months, over 5,000 tons of material was removed from this area and brought to the Ontario County Landfill.

The overwhelming majority of the material that was removed from the excavated area was soil/sand and rocks that

periodically showed signs of a slight oil stain/coating. The depth of the contamination started about 3 feet below the beach surface on average. Throughout the excavated area, approximately 50 remnants of barrels were removed. No barrels were intact and all were either crushed, in pieces or had major holes and had very little to no oil within the barrel. If anything was found in the barrel, it was the "bottom of the barrel" sludge material that was 80 plus years old. It is estimated that the total volume of free liquid oil that was found in the work zone would be in the 10s of gallons range. However, any amount of oil staining and liquid oil was considered too much in this critical area.

The cleanup project was completed in December and the City of Canandaigua has been working on restoring the beach. As a further precaution, after the excavation was completed, the DOH required two monitoring wells and a clay cap be installed at the upland edge of the work zone to monitor the site and block any potential upland contamination from entering this area.

The DEC Spills Fund was utilized to pay for about \$500,000 of the cost and the City has contributed about \$60,000 in cash and in-kind work. In addition, The Town of Canandaigua and Town of Hopewell provided significant trucking assistance of the beach quality sand that was brought in to replace all of the excavated material.

The DOH will ultimately decide whether the beach can be reopened, but all indications point toward a successful opening on Memorial Day weekend. As I stated in the presentation, based on the success of the project, I look forward to bringing my family to Kershaw Beach on Memorial Day. 



You've Enjoyed the Lake - Now Consider a Gift That Continues Giving...

Make a contribution to acknowledge or commemorate a friend or family member. We will print acknowledgements and memorials in *The Lake Reporter*.

Consider including the Canandaigua Lake Watershed Association, Inc.* in your will or estate plan. Provide for the future of Canandaigua Lake by making a new will, modifying your existing will, or by including the Canandaigua Lake Watershed Association, Inc. in your revocable trust. Consult with your attorney or financial planner. Here is some sample language for an unrestricted bequest for general purposes: "I hereby give, devise and bequeath to the Canandaigua Lake Watershed Association, Inc., a nonprofit corporation in

New York State, for its general purposes _____ dollars, or _____ percent, or all the rest, residue, and remainder of my estate." Of course, such bequests may also be dedicated to specific purposes of the Watershed Association.

*Our official name is the Canandaigua Lake Watershed Association, Inc., and this name should be used on all legal documents. Gifts to the Canandaigua Lake Watershed Association, Inc. qualify as charitable contributions to a 501(c)3 organization for federal income, estate and gift tax purposes.

Winter Watershed Workshops

by Nadia Harvieux

Winter is a busy teaching time for the Watershed Education Program as we focus on watershed topics in preparation for spring. In February, Naples Elementary School hosted their 6th Annual Watershed Week for 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th grade classes. Students learned about the importance of "healthy land, clean water" for protecting water quality in Canandaigua Lake. Canandaigua City School District 3rd and 5th graders also learned about common sources of water pollution and ways to prevent pollutants from entering our streams, creeks, rivers and lakes. With the return of warmer weather just around the corner, we're sure these lessons will resonate with students as they head outdoors! **CLWA**

Canandaigua 5th Grade creates a watershed map.



Naples 4th Graders sort aquatic critters.



Drawing of the Watershed by Canandaigua 5th grade.

Lake Levels

by Stephen Lewandowski

Currently Canandaigua Lake is 12 inches above the desired lake level and six inches above the desired summer level. The gates are open and the lake is spilling water at over 600 cubic feet per second, or 270,000 gallons per minute.

April 10-14 is a textbook example of how quickly lake levels can change. Between the 10th and 14th, 2.4 inches of rain fell and were gauged at the City's Water Treatment Plant. In response, the lake level rose 6 inches.

The ratio of surface area of the lake to surface area of the watershed is about 1:11. If all 2.4 inches of rain were spread evenly over the watershed (unlikely) and all ran off

into the lake, the lake level would rise 2.2 feet or 26 inches. In the current case, about 20 inches of potential runoff was stored in wetlands, "lost" to evaporation, taken up by vegetation or percolated into groundwater in the soil. **CLWA**

Canandaigua's desired summer level	688.5 feet
	above mean sea level
Canandaigua's current level (4/14/13)	689.02 ft.
	above mean sea level
Canandaigua's desired current level	688.07 ft.
	above mean sea level
Canandaigua's desired winter level	686.9 ft.
	above mean sea level

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Please return this form (or a copy of it) with your contribution. Remember your contribution is TAX DEDUCTIBLE.

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Views of our WATERSHED

Photo Contest

ENTER NOW

Share your view of the Canandaigua Lake watershed.

Attention photo loving friends!

This is your chance to share your view, and love, of the Canandaigua Lake watershed.

Plus, win great prizes:

- 1st Place: 2 tickets for a Canandaigua Lady Cruise
- 2nd Place: 2 tickets to the Bristol Mountain Sky Rides
- 3rd Place: Finger Lakes Coffee Roasters gift certificate
- Most Popular: Gift certificate to Davidson's Shoes

Entries will be judged by a team of professional photographers and friends of CLWA based on degree of creativity and overall aesthetics. Winners will be announced at our Annual Meeting held in August 2013.

Entry is easy.

- Snap your photos thru July 20th
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- Click on the Photo Contest icon
- Follow the upload directions
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