



## CANADARAGO LAKE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION ANNUAL FALL MEETING August 18, 2018

**President's Message:** President Ryan Fagan opened the meeting at 9:00 and thanked everyone for attending.

**Treasurer's Report:** Jim Marzeski reviewed the attached treasurer's report.

**Membership Report:** Barb Sluyter reported that we currently have 241 members which is down from last year by approx. 40 members. A second renewal mailing is planned in 2 weeks to those who were members in 2017 but have not yet joined in 2018. This mailing is usually quite productive.

**Website & Social Media:** In Kellie's absence, Ryan reported that as a new board member Kellie was doing a fantastic job. We currently have 923 [Facebook](#) followers. Our [website](#) offers an opportunity to join online.

**Farmer's Market:** Blake Williams reported that he and Ron Kreis have manned the CLIA booth every Saturday it wasn't raining. The poster board they use was on display and he asked for volunteers to help update it. To date 8 new members signed up at the Market as well as several donations for the Lake Steward Program and the Walleye Club.

**Golf Tournament:** A huge success almost doubling from last year. There were 64 golfers and 30+ sponsors with the Brindisi Law Firm being the major one. Revenue for this event was \$2,600.

**Annual Picnic:** Rita Hitchcock reported that there were approx. 200 in attendance, almost double from 2017. Next year's picnic is planned for July 20<sup>th</sup> with a rain date of July 27<sup>th</sup>.

**CSLAP:** Susan Rosengrant reported that water samples are taken every two weeks and sent to a lab for analysis. This is done a total of 8 times for the season. NYSFOLA holds a training session for new volunteers each Spring.



**Cyanoscope Algae Identification:** This microscope, on loan from Oneonta, is used for algae identification. The cyanobacteria presents itself as a blue-green algae, but can present to the eye in various colors (i.e. the purple we've seen). The advantage of the cyanoscope is that it identifies algae without waiting for a lab analysis.

**Harmful Algae Bloom of August 2018:** This was spotted on the South end of the lake and was caused by unusual wind direction. Looks like blue latex paint. Only lasted a short time.

**Lake Steward Program:** This summer there were 4 stewards full time. Since the program costs \$14,000 per year, we need to secure additional funding as our grant runs out this year. Since it is a State owned launch we need to continue pushing for their support. It was suggested we all send letters to our representatives. Ryan will post a sample letter to our website.

**Boat Washing Station:** Ryan Fagan reported that it is still not up and running due to a storage facility snag. We need to keep the equipment in a storage facility but the state says we have to remove the storage facility each Labor Day and return it on Memorial Day. This will cost an additional \$700 per year.

**Walleye Stocking Program:** The DEC has netted 6 of "our" fish which is evidence that they survived the winter. Their stomach's contained a large number of alewives which is proof they are doing their job. 1,000 more walleyes will be stocked in late October. Walleye fishing is reported as being the best in 10 years.

**Drone Raffle:** The winner of the drone donated by the Brindisi Law Firm and valued at over \$500 was Connie Williams. Congratulations Connie!

**Miscellaneous:** Ryan Fagan mentioned that we are going to lose 2 or 3 Board Members next year and would appreciate suggestions to replace them.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:00.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara Sluyter, Secretary