SUMMER 2014

WEST CAROGA LAKE

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Birds of a feather flock together! We saw this, while on a boardwalk in northern Florida. There they were—a group of pigeons prancing around waiting for hand-outs from a little old lady who walks to the boardwalk once a week, with sunflower seeds in hand. How amazing is it that this group of pigeons are always there to meet with her to savour her treat of sunflower seeds!

You may ask, "How does she know that they are the same birds that flock together there?" She explained that one pigeon had lost its foot and only the leg part remained to walk on. Another pigeon had a different mark on its wing. We could see this and thought, "Isn't nature amazing?"

— Your Pres

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SPECIAL EVENTS

June 30 ~ 7-9pm

Museum opens: Gene Centi Photography Welcome reception with featured artist Gene Centi. Exhibit runs from June 30-July 31.

July 16 ~ 10am-3pm

Craft Fair & BBQ Crafters, Bake Sale, Raffles (drawing at 2pm), Food (11am-3pm), Weaving demostration with Eileen Wrightsman, and Music by Durey Creek Bluegrass Band (11am-2pm).

July 29 ~ 7-9pm

Concert: Kyle Price & Caroga Lake Music Festival

Goodwill offering. Bring your own seating, and enjoy an ice cream social.

August 4 ~ 7-9pm

Gallery Opening: Paul Bransom Paintings Welcome reception with featured artist Paul Bransom. Exhibit runs from August 4-28.

August 18 ~ 7-9pm

Speaker: Lisa Potocar Author of First Ladies: Transforming Women's Roles in Civil War America, inspired by her novel, Train to Glory, sequel to Sweet Glory. Refreshments will be served.

WORKSHOPS

July 7 ~ 10am-3pm

Acrylic Painting with Al Gessinger Bring lunch & \$10 for materials. Class limited to 12.

July 14 ~ 10am-3pm

Watercolor with Cheryl Bielli Bring lunch & \$14 for materials (personal supplies optional). Class limited to 12.

July 21 ~ 10am-3pm

Basket Weaving with Eileen Wrightsman Bring lunch, shears, measuring tape, clothespins, awl, small tub, pencil & \$20 for materials. Class limited to 12.

July 28 ~ 10am-3pm

Painting on Tin with Phyllis Sanford Bring lunch & \$10 for materials. Class limited to 12.

August 4 ~ 10am-3pm

Beginning Photography with Gene Centi Bring lunch, notebook, pad & camera. No fee. Class limited to 12.

August 11 ~ 10am-3pm

Rustic Picture Framing with Tom Healey Bring lunch & \$25 for materials. Also bring 8x11" frame to decorate OR interesting wood (i.e.: barn siding etc.). Materials will be available if unable to bring them. Class limited to 10.

August 18 ~ 10am-3pm

Barn Quilt Square with Liz Argotsinger Bring lanch & \$15 for materials to paint a 15 barn quilt square. Participant will also learn about the Quilt Barn Trail. Class limited to 12.

August 25 ~ 10am-3pm

Beginning Drawing with Pat Purtell Bring lunch, a 12x18" flat surface to place your paper on & to rest on your losees, & \$5 for materials. Learn to see & draw-contour & gesture drawing (no photos). Class limited to 12.



The date for the annual officers for the WCLA.

Chicken BBQ is Saturday, July 16th at the Nick Stoner Inn with a social hour beginning at 5:30pm with cash bar included.

Also during the BBQ, a short meeting will be held

The cost for the BBQ will be \$13.00, but the first dinner with each paid membership will be only \$7.50 per person.

For reservations, please call Pat Hopper at 835-4293 by July 13th.



FLARES

Look for your flare to be delivered at your place during the week prior to the 4th of July. The flares are compliments of WCLA, and are to be lit at 9pm as directed on the flare.

MEETING!

Once again, there will be a general meeting for the membership of WCLA on Saturday, June 25th at 10am at the Caroga Chapel, where you can bring up any questions that you may have or any concerns you have about life at Caroga, etc.

There will be some Board members from WCLA present at this meeting to help answer all of your questions.

Also at the meeting, there will be guests attending, including Barbara DeLuca, fire chief of the Caroga Fire Department, who will enlighten everyone about the CFD, and David Egert, who is in charge of the Weed Program for the Town of Caroga.

Since the beginning of the West Caroga Lake Association in 1989, dues had always been at \$10.00. Now, in 2016, after given much thought, the WCLA Board has decided to raise the dues to \$15.00.

Would you believe it has been 27 years before this increase would ensue? What a bargain!

Please return your check to WCLA in the already-stamped envelope as soon as possible before the deadline of June 30th.

If any member of the West Caroga Lake Association would like to serve on the Board, please contact the 2016 nominating committee member of your choice.

The committee includes:

Pat Hopper 518-835-4293 Cris Cram 518-835-6003 Greg Thomas 518-835-3027

Recreation Application process timeframe has changed applications must be submitted by

The town wants to make sure they have the appropriate councelor-to-child staffing ratio as prescribed by the state of New York.

Also, each child must be present on

the designated day to have their swim test administered. If the child is not there, they cannot go into the water

The town has scheduled two FREE cleanup weekends. Residents can bring unwanted items to the Caroga Transfer Station on May 27 & 28 or August 19 & 20. A FREE permit must be obtained from the Town Clerk's Office prior to dropping off items on those

There will not be a fee charged to drop off an appliance, and Freon containing units will not be accepted on those days as

well.

Also, the clerk will issue a coupon and collect a \$2.50 charge for each regular-sized car tire and each off-the-rim truck tire (limit 8 tires per household).

The following unofficial results of the Presidential Primary Elections voted on by registered voters of the Town of Caroga (239 Republicans and 45 Democrats total, absentees included) are as follows:

Trump 155 Sanders 25 Kasich 45 Clinton 20 Cruz 32 Carson

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Decorate Your Waterfront!

New Code Officer

The Town welcomes new Code Enforcer John Luesler. John is a former Captain with the Johnstown Fire Department and is a certified Code Enforcer.

He has set his hours for Monday & Tuesday from 8am-3pm, and Wednesday for 8am-2pm. Appointments can also be made with him as well.

The DEC has announced the awards, and the Town of Caroga will receive all of the funding we requested to staff the boat washing station.

The Town received \$64,784.00 to be used for the station located across the street from Town Hall.

The objective for the request of this funding is to prevent the introduction and spread of invasive species into the waters of our lake.

Nick Stoner Golf Course had just opened for the season on April 15th. The greens had wintered very well and the course is in very good shape.

Dates are still available for scheduling your family tournament or outing with special rates available on Mondays & Wednesdays. Play 18 holes with a cart for only \$24. For reservations, call 835-4220.

The Caroga Town Board launched a process in February 2016 to determine the future direction for the Sherman's property donated

The Town Board is soliciting and assessing legitimate proposals for the property where each proposal will be assessed using the selection criteria contained in the development proposal. Then, an Advisory Committee, which has been established by the Board to assist them in evaluating the proposals, will conduct initial assessments of proposals and make recommendations to the Town Board.

The Board has also decided not to consider proposals to restore the park or create a public beach, but it will consider a sale or lease of the property in proposals. The committee will then review the proposal and score it on the Purpose, Business Plan/Financing, Environmental Impact, Community Benefit, and Economic Impact proposal sheet, which will be available electronically or in paper form from the Town Clerk.

Applications for this proposal sheet will be accepted until December 31, 2016.

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of the West Caroga Lake Association, July 2015

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All boats will assemble at Sherman's before 4pm so that the parade can begin promptly by that time. It's not too early for you to think about your idea for entry into the 2016 parade--"Captain" Dick Stahl will be ready to line you up, as well as award the prizes!

