August 28, 2022

Hello ELPOI Members and EL Residents,

A few quick notes for all as we approach the Labor Day weekend and the drawing close of the summer season.

Eagle Lake resident and musician Bill Z is playing in concert at Keene Arts on Saturday Sept. 3rd at 7pm. See attached flyer. Bill provides significant support to the ELPOI by sharing internet bandwidth for the time lapse cameras. Consider supporting him as he brings his gift of acoustical guitar music to us. Thanks Bill.

The concert venue is at the Keene Arts, 10881 State Hwy 9N, Keene, NY 12942



Dues reminder: Thanks to the 52 Eagle Lake Residents and 6 Associates that have sent in their 2022 - 2023 dues. There are still numerous residents that we have not heard from, some more recent and some for many years. We understand that renewal by some may have slipped their attention. We also understand that we all have different views associated with Lake use and management and that at times the ELPOI might not get it right for everyone. But Lake protection for all of our enjoyment is a collective effort by all that use this great resource. If you have not sent in your dues for this year, due to the former or latter reason, we ask that you do consider doing so at this time. Your dues and support show the volunteer officers that collectively work between 15 and 30 hours per week communicating with Lake residents and others in the community, while also overseeing lake level management, beaver dam removal and lake level control, ELPOI database and website management, fish stocking assessments and requests for same, water testing, boat launch and campground/beach access updates and now causeway reconstruction updates, and when provided to us, NYS Rt. 74 water updates (as this is NOT an ELPOI lake topic) and many other activities, that their efforts are appreciated.

Dues can be sent to ELPOI at:

Keith Park, President Eagle Lake Property Owners, Inc. 31 Barkwood Lane Clifton Park, NY 12065

A membership application is available for download at Eagle lake1.org. or at this link http://www.eaglelake1.org/archives/newsletter/2020-2029/2022/membership%202022%20renewal%20form%206-16%20final.pdf

Including a membership application with your dues is appreciated but not essential, just make sure your name on the check matches the property the dues are for. Dues have remained for many years and still are just \$25 for a lake resident and \$15 for those that would like to be Associates. Details of benefits of membership are also available on the Eagle Lake website. If you should have specific concerns about what the ELPOI is or is not doing for management of the lake please direct those concerns to me in a reply email, your thoughts and input are greatly appreciated.

Causeway reconstruction: A local contractor has just recently been awarded the DOT contract for reconstructing the Route 74 Causeway as it crosses Eagle Lake. This contractor reached out to us the other day to provide some basic details of what the construction project will look like for us and how it might impact our use of the lake during the construction process. At the moment there will be some disruption to traffic flow in the month of October as micro piles are put into the road proper for supporting the new Causeway. More, and possibly significant disruption will take place as the Causeway culvert is taken out in the Spring of 2023 and the Lake bed is readied for replacement with the new span. This process will include removal of the grout bags that were placed in the lake to support the old abutments a few years back, removal of the old or existing abutments, removal of the rubble and rock that are in the pass-through area, widening of that area and replacing it with new rip rap to create a new pass-through. The Spring of 2023 disruption will most likely involve no access through that part of the lake, or at best, very limited access until approximately the first of July. The contractor plans to start as soon as last snow and or ice is out so that they can get an early jump on the project before we move into the spring and summer season. At some point during this demolition and replacement of the existing Causeway the road will be completely closed for a period of time that will be noted as details become available. During this closed time detours will be posted on the Northway and all other access ways around route 74. More details of this will be provided in a late Fall/early Winter newsletter and as we learn more. Our initial contact with this contractor has been very positive. Being local it appears that they are most interested in working with us to minimize any disruptions to our enjoyment of this great resource. Details and documents associated with the reconstruction along with communications that take place between the ELPOI, other community members and contractors will be posted as they become available to the Eagle Lake website. As this project gets started National Grid will be doing some utility pole relocations in the area of the causeway. This will take place in September and that might cause some traffic interruption. Along with this relocation of utility poles may come some changes to the street lighting that is currently at the causeway. The officers of the ELPOI are working to make sure that street lighting remains in this area for the safety of all motorists that pass through here. There has also been some past discussion about the installation of a dry hydrant at the causeway as the Town has been changing plans or making plans for a new Route 74 water system along the stretch. There have also been discussions about both wet hydrants or no hydrants at all. The ELPOI remains committed to trying to provide emergency response water along Route 74 by some means, possibly a dry hydrant. More details will be provided as they become available.

Water Testing: On a different note, as Labor Day approaches the ELPOI will be conducting its last water sampling for the CSLAP program, details of the water testing results when available will be on the Eagle Lake website. This weekend will also be the time when fecal coliform sampling is done around the lake. This is done in four locations to see if there are any concerns for failed septic systems in a general sense. Again, results for these tests are posted to the Eagle Lake website and will be included in a late Fall/early Winter newsletter.

New Officers: The ELPOI welcomes two new officers to our ranks, they are Ed L. And Cole H. Ed serving as Secretary and Cole serving as a Board Member. They join Chris as Vice President, Keith as President, Rolf as Treasurer and Dave and Jack as a Board Members. Thank you to both for offering to help with all the activities that protect our Lake.

This information is being shared by email only to those who we have such contact information for. Please talk to your neighbors to see if they have gotten this information. If not and they would like to get it please share it with them or have them send a note directly to camptouchstone@yahoo.com and I will add their name to our database so they can receive their own personal copy in the future. If you wish to be removed from our mailing list please indicate as such in a reply email.

Wishing you a joyous end to the summer as we approach Labor Day weekend and great health through the winter. See you in 2023 at the lake again.

Thank you from the Board and Officers, Keith and Rolf