

## **Eatonbrook Lake Association Newsletter Spring, 2022**

It is our hope that this annual Eatonbrook Lake Association (ELA) spring newsletter finds that everyone has survived the winter and is looking forward to another summer at the lake.

### **Upcoming Events**

#### **Spring Association Meeting – Saturday, June 4 at 9 a.m., Erieville Fire House**

*New ELA t-shirts will be available for sale at the meeting.*

#### **Golf Tournament – Saturday, August 6**

Last year the ELA had its first annual golf tournament and it was a great success. This year the Tournament will be held on August 6th at the Knickerbocker Country Club in Cincinnati, NY. Our host is Mike Meyers who owns a home on Sunrise Blvd. Mike is looking forward to putting on this event for us. This will be a 9-hole tournament starting at 1:00. Food and non-alcoholic drinks will be provided. Space is limited and the cost is \$125.00 per mixed foursome. Contact Andy Sapoznikov for reservations and more details, 315-506-8809.

**Summer Picnic** – Date and location to be finalized at spring meeting.

### **Other Association Activities**

Currently the Association is supporting several projects that are geared to maintaining the quality of our water and the surrounding shoreline. The Association also participates in a water quality program (CSLAP) where water samples are taken every two weeks from approximately June through September and sent to a certified lab for testing. The results are used by CSLAP and the DEC to monitor the water quality and invasives. This program has been ongoing for several years and gives us a good picture of where our lake quality is going.

Other projects include placing trash receptacles at certain spots around the lake and having them emptied on a weekly basis, a porta potty at the boat launch, and in recent years a walleye fish program to help control weed growth.

To support these programs and the Association itself we ask for a yearly donation. According to our bylaws, all families who have deeded property rights to Eatonbrook Reservoir are members of the Association. This is an annual request and the suggested amount per family is \$25.00. Additional donations are always welcome.

## **Additional Information**

For your information, the level of the lake was successfully drawn down this winter. As a reminder, anyone who wishes to do lakefront work must get DEC permission; currently there is about a 2 year wait from the time all required forms are submitted.

## **A Bit of History**

It has been 30 years since the Eatonbrook Lake Association was formally incorporated and Andy Sapoznikov, long-time lake resident and former ELA President, recently shared bit of history about the Association. In the late 70's, a group of lake property owners felt the need for a unified voice to be able to interact with various governmental agencies. The real catalyst was the sudden appearance of a state boat launch that no one really knew anything about and residents did not want something like that happening again. The individuals who formed the Association wanted to make sure that the governmental agencies that interacted with the lake knew we existed and hopefully would keep the Association informed of any projects that would impact the lake. Today the ELA has a good working relationship with both the NYS Canal Corporation that operates the dam and the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) that maintains the boat launch, as well as looks out for the quality of our water. In addition, we interact with a number of local government officials on a regular basis.

## **Welcoming New Lake Residents**

Please reach out to any new neighbors on the lake and encourage them to join us at the June 4 meeting as well as other events as they are planned. We will formally welcome them at the spring meeting.

We look forward to seeing you all again soon.

ELA Board Members

President – Donna Isbell

Vice President – Mike Gleason

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Past President – Colleen McSweeney

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***Other happenings around the lake are shared through Facebook - Eatonbrook Reservoir.***