



CANDLEWOOD LAKE AUTHORITY

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Minutes of Regular Meeting August 14, 2013

Attending:

H. Berger Sherman
E. Hayes Sherman
P. Schaer Sherman
N. Gyle New Fairfield
H. Mayer New Milford
J. Wodarski New Milford
E. Siergiej Danbury
D. Rosemark Danbury
W. Lohan Brookfield
J. Murphy Brookfield
B. Brown Brookfield

Absent:

B. Kemble New Fairfield
J. Hodge New Fairfield
M Toussaint New Milford
C. Robinson Danbury

L. Marsicano, CLA Executive Director
F. Frattini, CLA Administrative Coordinator

Recorder: E. Siergiej

Guests: G. Linkletter, Sherman
S. Randall, Sherman
L Schaer, Sherman,
M. Propper, Danbury
C. Ricci, New Milford
J. McAlister, New Fairfield
G. Buck, New Fairfield
C. Stevens, New Fairfield
G. Smolen, FirstLight Power
M. June-Wells, Branford

Howie Berger, Chairman, called the regular meeting of the Candlewood Lake Authority to order at 7:35 P.M. at Brookfield Town Hall, Brookfield, CT. He welcomed the guests.

Secretary's Report: Ed Siergiej, Secretary, noted there were no corrections to the minutes of the June meeting, Dan Rosemark moved that the minutes of the June 12, 2013 meeting be accepted as written, seconded by Harold Mayer and voted with all in favor. Mr. Siergiej, then noted there were no corrections to the minutes of the August 7 Special Meeting, Mr. Rosemark

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moved that the minutes of the August 7, 2013 Special Meeting be accepted as written, seconded by Jerry Murphy and voted with all in favor. Motion carried, minutes accepted.

Chairman's Report: Mr. Berger welcomed the new delegate from Brookfield, Bill Brown. Mr. Murphy introduced Mr. Brown advising that he has been a lifelong lake person, works for Fox Sports, recently moved to the lake permanently and will be an asset to the Board.

Mr. Berger thanked all who participated at Village Fair Days noting that it was a success, thanked Mark Howarth for a quality product, which there were many comments on the quality of the Candlewood Lake merchandise. Thank you to Mr. Howarth and all who helped out.

This Saturday, August 17th is the Fifth Annual Dragon Boat Race. It is a good event and many people who do not usually use the lake participate with a wide mix of different people. If you can help out, please contact the office.

The Budget review gave a clear picture that the annual budget covers just the operating expenses of the CLA, there are no funds for the capital expenditures for replacement of boats, motors, radar and radio equipment and water quality monitoring instruments to name a few. The CLA needs to plan for operating expenses and capital expenses. This is nothing new as the CLA has been unable to add any funds to the Capital Reserve account for a number of years.

~~Mr. Berger advised that Mr. Rosemark has placed the donated boat on E-bay and Mr. Rosemark noted that there had been a few inquiries. Discussion on a minimum sale price will be taken up later in Executive Session.~~

The research of the real estate values around the lake is on hold as there is no money in the budget for interns this year and in the next budget the need for seasonal personnel will be included.

Vice Chairman's Report: In the absence of the Vice Chairman there was no report.

Treasurer's Report: Phyllis Schaer, Treasurer, had no report.

Mr. Berger noted some water quality initiatives that are progressing i.e. the CO2 research at Laurel Lake, obtaining more water quality data from the Town Beaches and Health Departments the CLA has supplied and instructed on the use of equipment for this, a study of flyover data and satellite images and the statistical analysis by PhD. Statisticians from WCSU of the thirty years of water quality data collected by the CLA over those years – they should be done in the next sixty days.

Mr. Berger asked if anyone would like to serve on a Bylaw Review Committee to please contact him.

He noted that the grass carp presentation would be this evening and that drawdown would be next month and then a report on what was learned and a short and pithy synopsis prepared for the following month. A thank you to the CLA FirstLight Liaison, Jerry Murphy for reaching out to invite FirstLight to this and the September meeting. So far this summer you have to hunt for Milfoil. Thank you to FirstLight for a successful deep drawdown.

The CLA will do an analytical review of the weed maps once the Ag Station has completed them.

Joe Wodarski moved to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a minimum selling price for the donated boat, seconded by Ed Siergie and voted with all in favor. The delegates went into Executive Session at 7:50 PM. They came out at 7:52 PM. Based on the discussion in Executive Session, Phyllis Schaer made a motion and Dan Rosemark seconded to authorize the Executive Director to sign off on a bill of sale for the predetermined amount. With no discussion, the vote was all in favor. Motion carried.

At 7:55PM there was a break to set up for the presentation on the use of sterile grass carp.

Guest Speaker: Meeting resumed at 8:04PM.

Mrs. Schaer introduced Larry McCord, Manager of Environmental and Analytical Resources for Santee-Cooper Power Company of South Carolina, who would be giving a long distance power-point presentation. He reported on the use of grass carp in Lakes Marion and Moultrie to control the invasive plant Hydrilla which he noted is similar to Milfoil to control. They have had much success grass carp to control their invasive plants. They have found that the carp prefer to eat the invasives there does not appear to be an issue with natives. He advised that the carp are herbivorous fish who feed on vegetation, there have been no issues with the power plant intakes, there have been limited fish escapes into the system as they tend to stay in the shallow water where the plants are, and as they can grow to over 60 pounds there are not many predators. He noted that orders and permits need to be done early in the season and once the order is placed delivery is within a couple of weeks. In the US every fish must be checked and certified that it is sterile. He noted that the perceived negative issues that carp will eat the other fish, escape and cause problems in the hydrofacility have not been seen in his facilities. The fish stay where the food is. He advised that anyone can call or email if there are any questions.

Mrs. Schaer thanked Mr. McCord for his time and expertise and invited him up for a Science at Night.

At 9:10 PM there was a short break, the meeting resumed at 9:15 PM

Cynthia Stevens and George Buck of New Fairfield spoke to the CLA about their experience with sterile grass carp in Ball Pond – this was the first public lake in the State of Connecticut to use the carp – the project there began in 1997 when there was over 50% coverage of Milfoil in Ball Pond, today there is just about 10% and their dominant plant is the native “coontail”. Conversation and discussion followed and they noted that Santee Cooper has a very effective program and that the residents of Ball Pond were very pleased with the grass carp results there. Ms. Stevens advised when reporting to the public to show all your findings on a simple chart with the pros and cons so they can see the benefits of your recommendations.

Public Safety: Ed Hayes, Co-Chair, reported that there has been a report of a problem in Hollywyle Cove of rafting boats, loud music and partying on the island into the wee hours – this is something that the Lake Patrol has no control over as they enforce boating laws. The First Selectman of New Fairfield, as well as a few residents, has contacted the Executive Director regarding this problem. The Chief of CLA Marine Patrol will visit the site in the near future to access the situation and see if anything can be done. It was noted that New Fairfield has no noise ordinance and that FirstLight does not have a “no trespassing” agreement.

Watershed Management: Mr. Mayer did report that the deep drawdown was very successful this year and thought that FirstLight should be thanked for their efforts this past season. Mr. Murphy reported that he had done so when he invited them to the September meeting.

Equipment/Facilities: Ed Siergiej, Committee Chair reported that he is planning to replace the mast on the ARK II.

Public Awareness: No report.

Mr. Berger noted that the CLA will formulate an opinion on way to control Milfoil after the September meeting with the drawdown presentation and discussion. Please send Mr. Berger your thoughts for forming the opinion of the CLA.

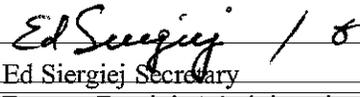
Any and All Business:

It was noted once again that the Towns have put out an RFP to review Dr. George Knoecklein's report and to recommend a method for Milfoil control. We have not heard if they have found someone.

In the spring of 2014 Dr. Knoecklein should be done with his study for FirstLight. Who will vet (peer review) this study? Need facts not just opinions.

With no further business to come before the Candlewood Lake Authority, Phyllis Schaer moved to adjourn, seconded by Harold Mayer. Meeting adjourned at 9:48 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

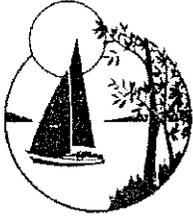
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Ed Siergiej Secretary

Frances Frattini, Administrative Coordinator

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These minutes are not considered official until they have been approved at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Candlewood Lake Authority.



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Executive Director's Report
July 8, 2013
Larry Marsicano

The following report summarizes activities of June 7, 2013 to July 8, 2013.

Project CLEAR

From Tuesday, June 25th through Friday, June 28th over 100 students from local high schools converged on Candlewood Lake for collectively over 25 hours to participate in the field research program of Project CLEAR (Candlewood Lake Environmental Awareness and Responsibility). Students worked in one of eight of research teams: aquatic invasive plants, plankton, water quality, fisheries, streams, shoreline, biodiversity, and forestry. On the night of Friday, June 28th the Project CLEAR showcase and reception was held at the Sherman School. State Representative Cecilia Buck-Taylor addressed students, parents and others gathered.

The CLA continues to be one of the cornerstones of this extraordinary program that has been funded over \$1,000,000 dollars since 2003. Roles both staff and delegates play includes: education and research coordination, volunteer fleet coordination, team leaders and/or vessel captains for many of the research groups. We also get tremendous support from the community who volunteer time and vessels to transport students.

The press release attached to the end of this report was circulated the week of July 1st to media outlets as well as local, state, and federal elected leaders.

Project CLEAR Technology Infusion

Wireless device technology was successfully integrated into Project CLEAR thanks to a grant awarded to the CLA by the Meserve Memorial Fund. The grant allowed a number of the groups conducting research and participating in other activities record data and save, including geocoded photographs and notes while still in the field. Preparation of wireless devices (downloading necessary apps, etc.) was done largely by Howie with help from me or an intern. The model developed with Project CLEAR can also be used for "data collection" by the Marine Patrol and we will begin taking steps to integrate that into the CLAMPS operation.

Invasive Species Management

On June 13th I met Rebekah White who is a member of Friends of the Lake (Lillinonah), a student at WCSU, and is collecting data from the artificial substrate samplers deployed in Lakes Lillinonah, Zoar and Candlewood. She will be collecting data from three samplers in each lake. Other samplers are being monitored by volunteers and we developed an online data form for the volunteers to use to submit observations.

On July 5th the three samplers were deployed on Candlewood Lake: one up near the aqueduct leading to the penstock in New Milford, one in Lattin's Cove, and the other in Squantz Cove.

A study plan regarding the use of CO₂ to stop downstream recruitment of zebra mussels was finished by Dr. Kevin Kelly and submitted to the CT DEEP and Praxair. There are a few details to work out with Praxair as well as permitting.

We have started analyzing samples for concentrations of veligers from the three reservoirs. Veligers were detected in samples collected in mid-June from Lake Zoar.

Arrangements are being made to have Larry McCord conference with the board at the upcoming board meeting. Mr. McCord is the supervisor of analytical and biological services at Santee-Cooper lakes which collectively occupy 160,000 acres. The Santee-Cooper triploid grass carp program is one of the largest of its kind in the country. Santee-Cooper is a public service utility in South Carolina that operates FERC regulated impoundments for energy production.

We also invited George Buck and Cynthia Stevens from Ball Pond Advisory Commission for their perspective on the grass carp option.

Shoreline Management

We were asked to provide comment on two proposals for alterations to shoreline property by the Danbury EIC. Those proposals were for 4 Pocono Road and 12 Sunset Drive. Comments and/or responses were provided for both.

Equipment

Last month I reported that the radar units used in the past to enforce speed regulations on the lake are no longer allowed to be used. CLAMP Chief Vane has provided some estimates on acceptable technology which costs ~\$1,800 to \$2,000 per unit. He has also provided some information on trade-in of older technology. We are currently looking into potential funding sources to purchase one unit this season.

The vessel donated to the CLA several months ago was checked by mechanics from Echo Bay Marina. The vessel is in good working order. We received correspondence from a YMCA camp in MA with a waterfront facility that expressed interest in the vessel. Danbury Delegates Dan Rosemark and Ed Siergiej and I are scheduled to conference on Friday, June 12th to discuss putting the vessel on Ebay.

Other

There was a joint meeting of Executive and Watershed Committees on July 2nd.

I am scheduled to meet on the water with Bob Miller from the News-Times and a photographer on Thursday, July 11th to discuss the erosion of the islands on Candlewood Lake

I am scheduled to attend and speak on Sunday, July 14th to the Driftwood Point community members at their annual meeting at the request of former Danbury Delegate and Danbury Councilman Michael Calandrino.

Harold Mayer and I are scheduled to meet for lunch with representatives from NU to continue discussions regarding Vaughn's Neck on Monday, July 29.

Monitoring of Candlewood Lake and Squantz Pond will occur in the next two weeks.

125 Students from Five Area High Schools Participate in Project CLEAR

Program features 'hands-on' environmental research in the Candlewood Lake watershed

One hundred and twenty five students from the Bethel, Brookfield, Danbury, New Fairfield and New Milford high schools participated in a unique hands-on research effort this spring that uses Candlewood Lake as its centerpiece.

The program is called Project CLEAR, short for Candlewood Lake Environmental Awareness and Responsibility. It is the brainchild of the Candlewood Lake Authority, which initiated the effort more than 10 years ago, and is now administered by Education Connection of Litchfield in close cooperation with the C.L.A.

Outreach and Data Collection

“The goal of the program is two-fold,” explained Larry Marsicano, executive director of the C.L.A. and one of the principal architects for Project CLEAR. “Part of our mission at the Authority is educational outreach, so this program is a great way for us to introduce a large number of students to lake science and the various factors that either impact the health of the Lake or are indicators of water quality.”

“The program also enables us to collect far more high-quality data that we would otherwise be able to collect alone. We use the data to monitor and assess the health of the Lake and determine if any new factors are emerging that might pose a threat to the Lake.”

Funded by the CT Dept. of Education via Education Connection for the past ten years, the program features a mix of traditional in-classroom instruction, in-the-field data gathering on and adjacent to the Lake, laboratory testing and analysis, and an end-of-program showcase where students share their experiences and data with other students, parents and the community.

Early each spring, 25 students and two faculty members from each of five area high schools travel to the Kellogg Center, an educational facility in Derby, CT that is operated by the CT D.E.E.P.

Classroom Instruction, Field Research

Over the course of several days at the Kellogg center, the students receive general instruction in ecology from the D.E.E.P. education staff members, and more in-depth instruction from their high school teachers in eight major areas of study: aquatic invasives, biodiversity, fisheries, forestry, plankton, shoreline, streams, and water quality. The students pick one of the eight areas of major study to conduct research.

Immediately after the conclusion of the school year, the students assemble at Candlewood Lake where they conduct four days of in-the-field research and data gathering, either on and around the Lake or in the laboratory, where they catalog the samples they have collected for later analysis. They also present their research findings as a group at the conclusion of weeklong research effort.

The field research is conducted under the supervision of a variety of knowledgeable professionals, including the high school teachers, professional ecologists, faculty from Western Connecticut State University, staff from the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station in New Haven, post-doctoral students from Yale University, and Mr. Larry Marsicano, executive director of the C.L.A.

Real World Experience

One of the key benefits of Project CLEAR for students, according to Mr. Alberto Mimo of Education Connection, who is the part-time director for the program, is the opportunity for students to gather and evaluate scientific data in a real world setting.

“It is a bit like the comparison between an astronomer, who studies the stars from afar, and an astronaut, who actually travels toward the stars,” he said. “We help students get outside the walls of the classroom so they can get closer to the ‘stars.’”

An added benefit for students, according to Mr. Mark Howarth, who is Director of Public Education for the C.L.A., is the spark the program provides to students to may want to continue their education in college in a scientific discipline. “We have evidence that shows students who participate in Project CLEAR, especially

those who participate for three consecutive years, go on to pursue a degree in one of the eight areas covered by Project CLEAR or in another scientific or technical area.”

Mr. Howarth also said the program helps the students develop leadership skills. “Quite often,” he continued, “students who have already participated in the program and are skilled with the various research or data-collection procedures help the new students learn the nuances of those procedures.”

Health of the Lake

The detailed data collected by the students helps the C.L.A. continue to monitor the health of Candlewood Lake, and is shared broadly with key state agencies, according to Mr. Marsicano.

“For example, the information on fisheries is shared with the CT D.E.E.P. so they can compare what is occurring in Candlewood Lake with what they are finding in other lakes,” he said.

“The student-collected data is also used for several real-world purposes, such as to measure and evaluate the impact of the biennial deep drawdowns on the Lake’s fish populations, to assure there continues to be no adverse impact from the alternating deep and shallow drawdowns.”

Mr. Marsicano also said the data aids the C.L.A. in monitoring the ever-present population of blue green algae in the plankton. “Not all blue green algae is troublesome,” he said, “and the Project CLEAR data enables us to continue closely monitoring the full spectrum of algae, which may serve as an early alert in the event of a potential problem in the future.”

Donations and Volunteers

Mr. Marsicano praised the efforts of the volunteers involved with the program. “We are indebted to our core group of approximately 15 adult volunteers who donate their time, expertise and, in some cases boats and fuel, to help us conduct the program each year.”

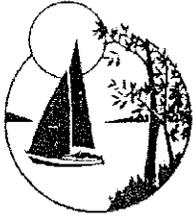
He also acknowledged the generosity of the Echo Bay Marina and the Gerards Water’s Edge Marina, which provided several pontoons boats at a discount. “Without our volunteers and active supporters, we would be unable to offer the

extensive Project CLEAR field program.” Mr. Marsicano estimates that as much as \$80,000 in value has accrued to the program via volunteer effort during its ten-year existence.

The educational value of Project CLEAR is substantially higher. Ms. Abby Peklo, the Interdistrict Grant Coordinator for Education Connection, said at the ceremony concluding the program that CT Dept. of Education has invested more than \$1 million to sustain and expand Project CLEAR over the past 10 years. She also said the state agency has agreed to fund the program for an additional two years.

This year’s field research program also benefited from a grant from the Meserve Memorial Fund, which enabled the C.L.A. to utilize wireless technology to speed and improve the accuracy of data handling. This aspect of the program, designed by Howie Berger, chairman of the C.L.A., enables the students to work more productively by entering and recording data as they gather the data in the field via wireless devices.

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Executive Director's Report

August 9, 2013

Larry Marsicano

The following report summarizes activities of July 8, 2013 August 9, 2013.

Invasive Species Management

We coordinated and participated in a GoToMeeting presentation from Larry McCord from Santee-Cooper Power on July 9th. Mr. McCord is the Analytical and Environmental Lab Director for the company and oversees the largest grass carp stocking project in the country on 160,000 acres of surface water (two reservoirs). Mr. McCord will present to the entire board on August 14th.

We also coordinated a meeting with local stakeholders on August 9th to discuss triploid grass carp and strategies for meeting terms of state permit, including written approval by all owners of property below the 440, if this turns out to be the strategy of choice.

Eurasian watermilfoil has yet to canopy in Candlewood Lake indicating that the deep drawdown last winter was successful.

We continue to facilitate the CO₂ project. We completed and by the time of the board meeting should have submitted a Determination of Applicability form for the Lee, MA Conservation Commission and the MA DEP on behalf of the CT DEEP. The project is on the agenda of the Lee Conservation Commission for August 19th. In addition to the permitting, agreements between BOR and CT DEEP, between the owner of the facility at Laurel Lake and those performing the study, and Praxair and BOR are being worked on. There is a possibility that the study will occur during the spawning season in 2014.

Dr. Mitch Wagener and I travelled to Lee to quantify the numbers of veligers coming out of a spigot at the end of the pipe in Eagle Mill on July 30th. We continue to collect samples from Candlewood Lake and analyzing them, as well as samples from Lake Zoar, for veligers. We continue to observed veligers in Zoar but not in Candlewood. On July 31st we assisted Rebekah White from WCSU and FOTL in collecting samples from three artificial substrates located in Candlewood. Ms. White is also monitoring three substrates in both Lillinonah and Zoar. Similar to the veliger monitoring, settling zebra mussels are observed in Lillinonah and Zoar but not Candlewood.

Shoreline Management

We met and provided a tour of the New Fairfield shoreline to the municipality's Health Department Director and Sanitarian on July 9th. We observed several projects that were not in compliance or had not obtained permits for activity along the shoreline. One such property was where a condition of the permit (installation of a buffer) had not been met even though the permit was received several years ago and several notifications were sent by the Town.

Water Quality

We conducted our water quality monitoring of Candlewood Lake on July 16th and August 7th. We are piloting a study of public swimming areas with several of the Health and Park and Recs Departments around the lake. Staff at the town beaches have been provided Secchi disks and meter sticks and provided training on their use: Sherman beach staff were trained on July 24th, Brookfield and New Fairfield on August 1st, and New Milford on August 2nd. We will assess the data collected at the end of the season and restart the program at the beginning of the beach season next year.

I met and worked with Dr. Josie Hamer in the Math Department at WCSU on the 30 year water quality data set on July 15th, 29th and August 6th. I am also discussing the data with other experts in Connecticut.

Equipment

We continued to work with Dan Rosemark and Ed Siergeij on selling the donated boat on Ebay. Dan posted the boat on Ebay on August 9, 2013.

Other

I was invited and presented to the Driftwood Point Community in Danbury on Sunday July 14th.

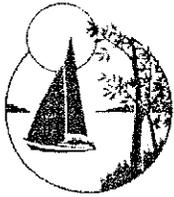
We provided Dr. Mitch Wagener from WCSU and his Lake and Stream Ecology Course a trip on lake and demonstration of our data collection / monitoring on July 24th.

We participated in the Danbury Chamber of Commerce's Leadership Danbury Program on July 25th where we discuss the Lake and the role of the CLA with those participating in the program at Down the Hatch and then provide a tour to the 20+ participants in the Leadership Danbury Program.

CLA staff and delegates manned a booth at Village Fair Days on Friday and Saturday, July 26 and 27, respectively. Special thanks go to the Delegates and their significant others for their time and to Mark Howarth for orchestrating and coordinating CLA's involvement.

I was invited and will be attending the Friends of the Lake (Lillinonah) special 10 year celebration event on August 15th.

Staff are providing as much assistance to Mark in preparation of the Dragon Boat Race as time permits, including assisting in team practices on the evening of Friday, August 9th and the morning of Saturday, August 10th.



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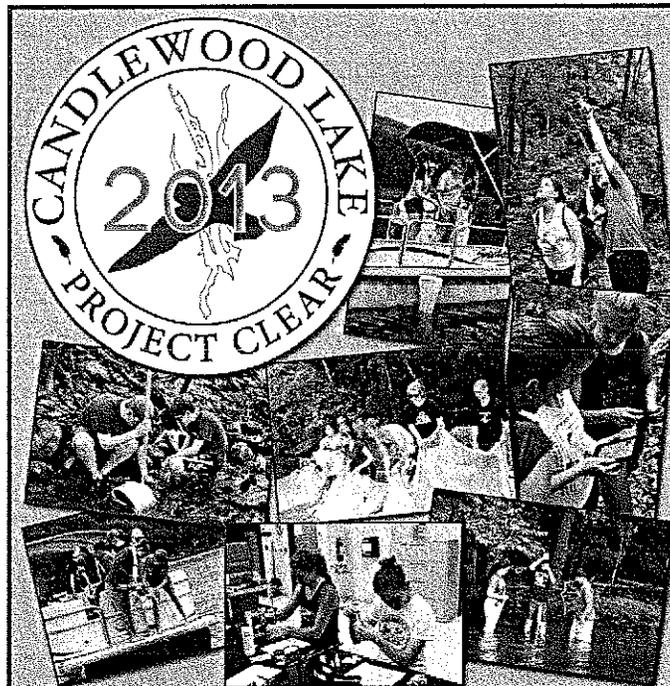
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Public Education
Mark Howarth

Project CLEAR:

Project CLEAR was the last week in June and involved around 100 high school students from Bethel, Brookfield, Danbury, New Fairfield and New Milford high schools. The students conducted field research for four days and presented their findings on the evening of Friday June 28th in a public presentation attended by students, parents and members of the public.

Part of my role that week is visually capturing and photo-documenting what happens during the week of Project CLEAR so we can showcase the great work being done by the eight teams of student researchers. The research groups consisted of : Biodiversity, Shoreline, Fisheries, Aquatic Invasives, Streams, Forestry, Water Quality and Plankton.

On the final day of the program I compile the best images from the week and show them in a video slideshow at the presentation night so that everyone can better understand what happens during the week of Project CLEAR. Below are a few sample photos.



Dragon Boat Races:

We are signing up teams for the 2013 races and continue to plan for the event.

We will be looking for more volunteers to help out that day as well as with practices. We have now been informed that the practice boat will show up on July 22nd and we will be scheduling practices shortly thereafter.

Village Fair Days:

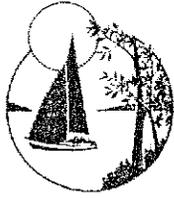
Village Fair Days is July 26th and 27th. We will have our CLA booth there and we are in the process of planning our setup for a successful event. We are still in need of more volunteers to help us out those two days.

Socail Media:

We continue to increase our presence on social media. Through regular postings of timely events, not only have we been able to further educate our facebook followers of the things we are doing on Candlewood, as well as keep them informed of important news, we have seen a large spike in the number of facebook followers the past three weeks.

We have launched a MeetUp.com site to help promote the Dragon Boat Race as well. MeetUp.com is a place people from their geographic area can look to find events and things to do with other like-minded individuals.

In addition, we continue to regularly update our website with new information to ensure it is current. Through Google Analytics we can see that we receive daily traffic to our web site (during the summer averaging perhaps 60 visitors a day and over 100 visitors a day on peak days)...with 83% of our visitors being unique visitors.



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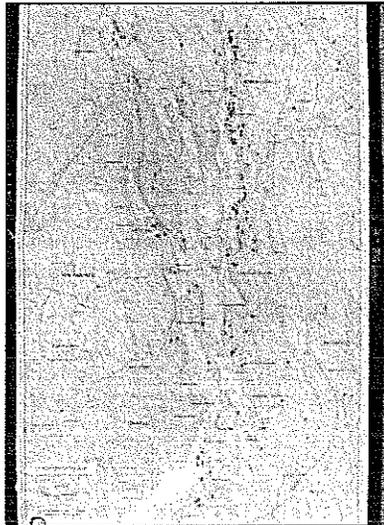
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Public Education
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Village Fair Days:

Village Fair Days was July 26th and 27th. We had a very successful event. Our booth had a dual presence. Half of our booth was dedicated to education about what we do and about important issues concerning lake users and residents. The other half of the booth was dedicated to merchandise sales.

We had a lot of traffic come to our booth and did well with our sales, and we got the opportunity to meet and talk to many of our lake residents and users. On our "lake map" we had 165 people who stopped put a pin where they live by the lake.

Many thanks to the volunteers who helped us out that weekend.



Dragon Boat Races:

Lots of planning and preparation for the dragon boat races is now in its final week. Teams are out practicing during the practices we are running weekday nights and weekend mornings.