

Galway Lake Campers Association, Inc.

25 Washington Road, Scotia, New York 12302

A Privately Owned Membership Lake Located in Galway, New York

June 13, 2006

Dear Campers,

Welcome to another beautiful summer of camping at Galway Lake. Thank you to Neil Cayey, who volunteers his time to check lake level and adjust the tower gates, we have a full lake this year due to his diligence and daily observations of the lake. This winter we conducted our first deep draw down, by removing 10 feet of water from the lake, in 15 years. Our goals during this procedure were twofold. First we wanted to destroy as much Eurasian Milfoil as possible through the freezing process. Secondly we were intent on recovering a full lake for the Summer of 2006. Regaining a "full-lake" in the spring is the principle responsibility of the lake level committee and I would like to personally thank them for a job well done under challenging circumstances.

During the past few months the Association has been working with the Town of Galway on Zoning Ordinance changes dealing with septic systems within the Lake District. These changes are focused on Ordinance modifications required to implement the latest NY State guidelines on Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems, which should help improve the quality of our septic systems and protect the recreational quality of our lake.

While you and your family enjoy the lake please remember to abide by all boating laws when operating a boat on the lake. Remember that a life preserver must be in the boat for each person on board. For your own safety a life preserver should be worn at all times you are in the boat. Boats with electric motors must be licensed with the State of New York. Identify your boats and rafts with your camp number in the event that they are found adrift they will be easily identified as belonging to you. Please use the "catch and release" policy if you are fishing for sport on the lake. In addition we all value the peace and quiet of Galway Lake, so please be considerate of your neighbors while preserving this special place. The Galway Lake Campers Association does not support the use of fireworks on or around the lake, as it is illegal "to possess, use, explode, or cause to explode fireworks in the State of New York," unless you have a license to do so. -- New York State Penal Law, Section #270.

It is especially important that your camp number be at least 3 inches high and clearly visible on your camp so that emergency services can find your camp if needed. Any Grove where year-round residency exists has the responsibility for maintaining its roads to allow year-round access of emergency vehicles and personnel.

This year the Board has approved a tentative assessment per camp of \$200. This assessment level will provide for a prudent budget that includes funding for the capital reserve fund to meet future expenditures for capital improvements. This year we are faced with projected total disbursements that are \$30,000 higher than last year's budget. This increase comes primarily from two areas. The first being an over \$10,000 increase in our insurance premium that we incurred last year due to changes within the insurance community. The second is a large projected increase in legal fees due to an ongoing legal matter the Association is currently facing. At this time we do not project the legal situation will affect next year's budget, but it is expected that the insurance issue will be with us for the foreseeable future.

Following is the tentative budget for 2006 – 2007. If this budget is approved at the Annual Lake Association Meeting that will be held at the Ruback’s Grove Pavilion on Saturday July 8th at 7:00PM, the assessment per camp will be: \$200.

2006 – 2007 Budget

Taxes	\$26,500.00
Legal	\$20,000.00
Conservation	\$2,000.00
Audit & Tax Preparation	\$1,480.00
Directory	\$400.00
Donations	\$1,000.00
Insurance	\$35,000.00
Maintenance	\$2,000.00
Clerk Office Expenses	\$4,200.00
Federation of Lakes Dues	\$350.00
Capital Reserve Fund	\$10,000.00
Miscellaneous	\$200.00
Water Testing	<u>\$2,000.00</u>
	\$105,130.00

I would like to encourage you to attend the annual meeting on July 8th to understand more about the lake and present any questions or concerns that you may have about the budget or other points of interest that you may have with regard to Galway Lake. If you are unable to attend please use the proxy designated below to designate someone else to represent your interests. Please send your proxy to Ms. Lois Seyse, Clerk, 25 Washington Road, Scotia, New York, 12302.

Sincerely,



J. Glen Rundell,
President

--PROXY--

TO: Ms. Lois B. Seyse, Clerk
Galway Lake Campers Association, Inc.
25 Washington Road
Scotia, New York 12302

I hereby appoint _____ to act for me in matters to be enacted at the July 8th, 2006 Annual Meeting of the GLCA.

My Grove is _____ Signed: _____
My camp number is _____ Date: _____

Please sign and return this proxy if you do not plan to attend the meeting