

# Stockbridge Bowl Association



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Not every lake dreams to be an ocean. Blessed are the ones who are happy with whom they are. —*Mehmet Murat Ildan*



*The Outlet—the red ball indicates the location of the diversion drain.*

*Photo by Steve Blanchard*

## Dredging for a Restored Lake

**Richard Seltzer**, *SBA President*

In the middle of the last century, when Stockbridge Bowl was already prized as one of the finest lakes in the Commonwealth, 98 people and organizations became founding members of the Stockbridge Bowl Association (SBA). They included Canon Anson Phelps Stokes, the first president of the Association; Mabel Choate, the owner of Naumkeag; the Boston Symphony Orchestra; Camp Mah-Kee-Nac; the Jesuit owners of Shadowbrook; and Mrs. William Bullard, who would later donate 53 acres of undeveloped land on the northeast shore of the Bowl to the SBA.

In their 1946 constitution and by-laws, the founders of the SBA dedicated themselves “to protect the natural beauty of the Stockbridge Bowl shore and watershed, the health and well-being of its residents, and the interest of the public at large and to set standards that may aid the general cause of conservation.”

As Dr. Stokes wrote that first year, “It would seem, then, as though we were in a sense trustees for the future to protect the beauty of the Bowl.” Now, 68 years later, a new generation of trustees must meet the challenge of protecting the beauty of the Bowl for the future.

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## Stockbridge Bowl Association Annual Meeting

**July 19, 2014, 3-5 p.m.\***


**at The Mount, 2 Plunkett Street, Lenox**

**The meeting for SBA members is open to the public.**

**3:00 p.m.** - Light refreshments

**4:00 p.m.** - The business meeting will be in the Stable Auditorium. The agenda will include the Town's and the SBA's plans to save Stockbridge Bowl.

**2:00 p.m.** - Free self guided tours of Edith Wharton's gardens and house for SBA members. (You may join the SBA at this time.)

**5:00-8:00 p.m.** - The Mount would like all attendees to know that there will be a free jazz concert, “Music After Hours,” on the terrace at The Mount. Refreshments for the concert may be purchased at this time. 

**Dredging** *Cont'd from Page 1***A Three-Stage Plan**

With strong support from the Town of Stockbridge Board of Selectmen and its citizens, who endorsed a comprehensive Lake Management Plan in 1998, the SBA and Stockbridge have embarked on a three-stage plan to restore and preserve the lake. There exist two serious threats to the health of the Bowl. The Town and the SBA are attacking both the invasive non-native Eurasian Water Milfoil that has proliferated along the shore and the accumulation of silt that threatens to turn parts of the lake into a bog.

The three-part restoration plan calls for (1) diverting water beneath four pipes that obstruct flow through the Outlet of the lake, (2) dredging silt from areas in danger of becoming bogs, and (3) drawing down the level of the lake in winter to freeze and thereby kill the milfoil roots.

The Town and the SBA have installed in the Outlet—at a cost of \$1.1 million—a 250-foot long diversion pipe below the Town sewer and Tenneco gas lines. Now the accumulated silt, about 25,000 cubic yards of sediment, must be dredged from a channel in front of that diversion pipe. The estimated dredging cost of the first phase is about \$2.25 million. Removing the silt will allow the lake to be lowered 5.5 feet, which,

with a good winter freeze, will result in killing the milfoil in the range of 15 to 20 feet out from shore.


The map below indicates where the channel will be dug. Also, as part of the first phase of dredging, sediment that has been filling in the swimming area in front of the Town Beach will be removed.

**Dredging Phases from \$2.25 to \$4.00 Million**

The first phase of dredging, including building a containment area in the meadows of Bullard Woods for the removed silt, is estimated to cost \$2.25 million. To date, the SBA has raised \$500,000 for this work from grants, public funds, and individual donations. The Town and the SBA have applied for a Clean Water Act grant of \$600,000, and the Association will continue to seek Town Warrants of \$25,000 a year and yearly support from the Community Preservation Committee, which has been a strong supporter of the Bowl's restoration.

If the expected environmental approvals are granted, and the SBA is able to raise \$2.25 million for the first phase of dredging, then the Town will seek bids from dredging contractors in 2015. The most economical method for dredging would be to pump a slurry of water and silt from the Bowl to containment basins in the meadows of Bullard

Woods. The work would proceed during spring and summer months.

Ideally, if the SBA could raise \$4 million, then the dredging would be able to include part of the Lily Brook holding pond and the heavily silted area just west of the causeway at the northeast corner of the Bowl. With that level of funding, the Town and the SBA would also be able to clean out much more of the accumulated sediment behind the island. 


**The Stockbridge Zebra Mussel Committee**

**George Shippey, Chair**

The 2013 season was the most successful year since the Stockbridge Zebra Mussel Committee was formed five years ago. The monitors processed 6,969 watercraft at the Public Access Ramp between Memorial Day and Columbus Day. The breakdown included 3,909 kayaks, 727 canoes, 1037 paddleboats, 694 motorboats, and 97 miscellaneous. The Josh Billings Race in September accounted for 505 watercraft.

The Commonwealth's Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) once again tested the lake for Zebra Mussels and their microscopic veligers (larvae). No evidence of the invasive species was detected. The DCR had two divers spend the day at Stockbridge Bowl. Areas checked included the Outlet, buoys, anchor lines, and chain and anchor blocks in the main lake. In addition, the divers checked areas down to 30 feet in depth, as well as a snorkel survey of the boat ramp area.

The success of the Zebra Mussel program is dependent on the cooperation of the boating public. All watercraft, including owners of property around the lake as well as renters, must be inspected at the boat ramp for Zebra Mussels and the veligers. A female zebra mussel can produce 30,000 to 1,000,000 eggs in one year! The fertilized eggs quickly develop into free-swimming larvae called "veligers." If needed, a free boat wash is available on site.

As we know, Stockbridge Bowl is a treasure for the Town and beyond. With Laurel Lake in Lee and the Housatonic River below Woods Pond contaminated with Zebra Mussels, we must be vigilant in protecting the Bowl. Numerous water bodies in other states are contaminated with Zebra Mussels, including Lake George and the Hudson River in New York, as well as Twin Lakes at Salisbury, Connecticut. 

*A lake for all sports—swimming, kayaking, canoeing, and sailing*  
*Photo by Steve Blanchard*



# The Weed Control Study Committee

**Pat Kennelly, Chair**

The Stockbridge Bowl Association Board of Directors established an Ad Hoc committee to investigate all the known methods of controlling the various nuisance weeds now proliferating in our lake. This is an on-going investigation. This article outlines the various methods taken at other lakes in our area. The board will be discussing the Weed Control Study Committee's report and recommendations over the next several months. Please keep in mind that Stockbridge Bowl is a Great Pond, owned by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and managed by the Town of Stockbridge with the help of the SBA.

The committee to study methods of weed control for Stockbridge Bowl consists of Steve Blanchard, Matt Mandel, Sally Wittenburg, and Pat Kennelly as Chair. We have spent the last year reviewing aquatic plant management techniques to understand the options, risks, benefits, and cost associated with each course of action.

Our methodology was simple. We reached out to other Massachusetts Lake Communities, with the emphasis on Berkshire County, to document their weed management experiences and understand their successes and failures.

We began by attending the Lake and Pond Association (LAPA) West conference in September 2013 to hear a talk by Ken Wagner, Ph.D, titled "Lake Management for Conservation Commissions and Lake Associations." The presentation was tailor-made to our needs and gave us a great starting point for our investigation. We decided to study six lakes: Lake Buel, Dudley Pond, Lake Garfield, Goose Pond, Onota Lake, and Lake Pontoosuc.

The committee met with Matthew Gardner, Ph. D., who is the director of Sustainerv in Boston and the Chairman of the Natick Conservation Commission. Dr. Gardner is intimately involved with weed management in Lake Cochituate. We also met with Mike Lowery, a member of the Wayland Surface Water Quality Committee and also a member of the Dudley Pond Association. In November, we met with James McGrath, manager of the Pittsfield Park and Open Space Program. In that capacity, Jim is responsible for Onota Lake and Pontoosuc Lake. All of our meetings provided a wealth of information about the history of weed treatment in these lakes and current practices.

Individual members of the committee had telephone consultations with representatives of Lake Buel, Lake Garfield, Goose Pond, Lycott Environmental, Inc., and New England Environmental Inc. to understand their perspectives and experiences with aquatic plant management.

The team focused on seven methods of weed control: Hand Pulling, Benthic Barriers, Mechanical Harvesting, Hydro-raking, Biocontrols,

Herbicides, and Drawdowns. Below are the results of our survey.

**Hand Pulling:** Four of the six lakes (Dudley, Goose, Onota, and Pontoosuc) utilized hand pulling. The technique is not suited for large areas, but can give good weed control in smaller areas in appropriate conditions. It is costly and labor intensive.

**Benthic Barriers:** Three of the six lakes (Garfield, Goose, and Onota) used this approach yielding good results in specific small areas. A Benthic Barrier involves setting a heavy mat over a certain area and weighing it down with metal bars to prevent lake gases from lifting the mat. The mat prevents sunlight from reaching the lake soil, thereby inhibiting growth. The mats require maintenance and storage.

**Mechanical Harvesting:** Two of the six lakes (Buel and Dudley) employed harvesting. It gives temporary seasonal relief from weeds and enhances recreational use of the lake. It can create fragments that may lead to greater weed infestation.

**Hydro-rake:** Only Onota used hydro-raking in front of individual homes. The hydro-rake grabs and pulls up the weeds. However, the hydro-rake does not have an attached platform to collect the weeds. Therefore disposing the weeds can be an issue.

**Biologicals:** Four of the six lakes tried this technique (Dudley, Garfield, Goose, and Onota). Only one lake (Garfield) was successful. The bio-control used was a weevil that eats Eurasian Milfoil and costs \$1 per weevil.

**Herbicides:** Four of the six lakes (Dudley, Goose, Onota, and Pontoosuc) used herbicides in the treatment of weeds. They were found to be generally effective for large areas. Some restrictions regarding their use in these lakes were implemented. This technique does not remove the biomass—the material cut or killed that may float to the top or sink to the bottom.

**Drawdown:** Four of the six lakes (Garfield, Goose, Onota, and Pontoosuc) used drawdowns.

It can be an inexpensive method for controlling milfoil. However, it is weather dependent as temperatures must be in the freezing range to kill the weeds, and it is not species specific.


**Conclusions:** It became clear to the committee that there are many possible solutions for weed management in Stockbridge Bowl and that aquatic plant control will involve more than one technique over many seasons. Weed management must be part of our overall lake stewardship and requires continuous monitoring to evaluate the efficacy of the various techniques. The dredging of the Bowl will provide a tremendous boost to the weed management effort. Not only will it allow us to have a 5.5-foot drawdown to help control Eurasian Milfoil, but the dredging itself should remove many of the weeds along with the silt.

In the meantime, in order to make best use of the available techniques, we need to make sure that both the harvester and the hydro-rake are in working order, have trained operators and a definite schedule, *and* have the rake in the lake early enough in the season to get the lilies under control before they bloom.

The committee is considering recommending the Benthic Barrier approach next season in strategic areas such as local beaches.

We also suggest commissioning a professional lake management firm to perform an updated aquatic vegetation survey to document the density and distribution of invasive and nuisance species. Such information would help us determine the value of the various possible methods described. We recommend continuing all the approaches now in place until the dredging is completed and a 5.5-foot drawdown achieved.

Then we should assess the impact of the dredging itself and the subsequent drawdown on the weed population.

"Like buildings, lakes require maintenance to remain in acceptable condition; no action is not preservation." —Ken Wagner, LAPA West Conference September, 2013 



*A winter scene of the West Shoreline*

*Photo by Alice Kandell*

# New Organization Representatives Take Their Place on the 2013-14 Board

**Phyllis (Patti) Klein**, *Nominating Committee Chair*

Two of our member organizations appointed new representatives to our board over this past year. Our board composition as permitted by our by-laws is 25 voting members, of whom 13 can be individual board members and 12 organization members, each generally serving a three-year term. Individual board members are elected in their own name. The individuals serving as organization members, on the other hand, are designated by their organizations. We have been fortunate that during this past year, Canyon Ranch and Laurel Hill Association have enriched the board by respectively reappointing Leah Larmon and introducing us to Erin Glasheen-Sheldon, as their representatives. To acquaint you with them, biographical information about them can be found below.

We also appreciate the service of Dr. Gary Shalan, who has retired from the board, as well as Timothy Hickey, the former Canyon Ranch representative; William Briggs from Laurel Hill Association; and Armand Katz from White Pines, whose position has been taken by our former individual director Barbara Cohen-Hobbs.

We are fortunate to have a very energetic volunteer board to provide the “people power” for the many projects undertaken by the SBA, including providing support (financial and other-

wise) to the Town in implementing its Lake Management Plan. We seek board members who can assist our organization in a variety of ways. This includes attending our mainly spring-fall monthly meetings and holding a position as an officer or chairing or serving on at least one of our various committees. The personal commitment of time by board members, and the willingness of our member organizations to support our activities, is essential in a not-for-profit organization with no employees. We encourage everyone interested to join our committees and otherwise help us with whatever “job” is at hand. Be sure to contact any board member if you want to participate!


## Erin Glasheen-Sheldon

For nearly two decades, Erin Glasheen-Sheldon was first Associate Registrar and subsequently Director of Undergraduate Programs in Electronic Media, Arts and Communication in the School of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. Erin has now joined the Chesterwood administrative team (development and admissions) while she writes her current novel.

She and her husband “fell in love with the Bowl while we were on our honeymoon. We rented a kayak and spent the day exploring the

Bowl. That was one of the experiences that made us realize how uniquely beautiful Stockbridge is. We felt so strongly about it that we bought a house and now live here full time. Even though we reside on the shores of the Housatonic River, we feel very connected to the Bowl. It is paramount to protect all of our exceptional natural resources. They are our treasures and legacy.”

## Leah Larmon

Leah Larmon, who served as the SBA’s Canyon Ranch representative from 2009-2011, has now returned to our board. She is the Outdoor Sports Manager for Canyon Ranch in Lenox. Leah is from Northern Illinois and received a degree in Outdoor Education from Winona State University in Minnesota. She moved to the Berkshires with her husband, who is from Lee, 10 years ago and has worked at Canyon Ranch ever since. Leah is “so happy to be part of the Stockbridge Bowl Association. The work done by the SBA is so valuable to all of us living in the Stockbridge/Lenox area. The lake provides generations of Berkshire County families recreation and great views. I hope to be an active participant in the SBA for many years to come.” 



*“Breathes there the man with soul so dead, Who never to himself hath said, This is my own, my native land!” —Sir Walter Scott*

*Photo by Kevin Sprague*

## Neighborhood News

*Articles for Neighborhood News are written by the Association Representatives to the Stockbridge Bowl Association, or by their members.*

### Beachwood

Beachwood kicked off the 2014 summer season with its association meeting on May 25th at our beach, also known as “The Grove.” The meeting started with a visit from Stockbridge Police Officer Adelheid (Heidi) Teutsch who spoke about the current state of bears in the area. By early May, there had already been a sighting of a mother and cub in Beachwood. Although we are a very welcoming community, we would prefer that our large furry friends dined elsewhere. This means minding our trash!

Andy Gold, Beachwood Association President, welcomed the following new members to Beachwood: Justin and Maria Barret, Glenn Bergmann, Diane Manning, Mike Eck, Lisa D’Ottavio, Pamela Reznick, Bruce Stokes, Wendy Sherman, and Gregg Wellenkamp. We soon may be welcoming more new neighbors as there currently are six cottages for sale in Beachwood.

By the time this newsletter is published, the Book Group will have met and discussed *A Tale for the Time Being* by Ruth Ozeki. There are plans for two additional meetings in July and August. “Yoga on the Beach” continues on Sunday mornings in The Grove. The annual Ladies Lunch is scheduled for July 25th and the Labor Day Potluck Supper is set for August 30th.

One outcome of our previous Ladies Luncheons has been the effort to put together a history of Beachwood. We are gathering the original sales brochures, photos from “back in the day,” and memories from Beachwood folks about when they bought their houses, the people who used to live here, and their experiences in the community over the years. We hope to be able put it all together in a booklet to share with all of Beachwood.

Of course no history of Beachwood would be complete without the inclusion of the Beachwood Song, written in 1972 and traditionally sung by the kids at the end of summer campfire. The last lines still echo in The Grove. “You may think that you’re getting rid of us, but please don’t shed a tear. To Beachwood we will say ‘Goodbye’... till we all come back next year!” Happy Summer!

—Pat Kennelly

### Camp Mah-Kee-Nac

As Camp Mah-Kee-Nac enters its 85th summer of camp, we continue to appreciate the fact that Stockbridge Bowl has always been an integral part of our summer.

Many of you have seen our campers enjoying the lake, waterskiing, fishing, canoeing, kayaking, swimming, sailing, and jumping up and down on

our inflatable toys.

Also, you may have noticed the completion of our lakefront rejuvenation with the retaining wall replacement and repainting of our boat-house. This year we are adding more canoes and kayaks to our fleet to maximize our use of the lake around the perimeter, behind the Island, and into the Outlet.

Along with our usage of the Stockbridge Bowl, we are equally excited about sharing Bullard Woods with the Stockbridge Community. We take our youngest age groups along the trails next to our camp to teach them an appreciation of the beautiful outdoors. Here they learn about the different flora and fauna, how to orient themselves in woodlands, and enjoy a few minutes on the bench under the “big tree.”

We are deeply thankful to all of those on the Stockbridge Bowl Association and the Town of Stockbridge boards who make our summer home a truly spectacular place to be and to grow up.

—Kevin Lilley

### Kripalu

Kripalu is the principle caretaker/steward of 55 acres of Bullard Woods, the Island, and one of the three sources of funding for the Zebra Mussel Prevention work occurring throughout the year. Kripalu’s Institute for Extraordinary Living reaches out well beyond the shores of Stockbridge Bowl.

Yoga in the Schools: Local teens are doing yoga! Since 2008, Kripalu’s Institute for Extraordinary Living has provided yoga to 1,500 students in local middle and high schools including: Monument Mountain, Taconic, Pittsfield, Mount Everett, Monument Valley, the Pittsfield Positive Options Program (an alternative school for at-risk youth), and Berkshire Farms. The Kripalu Yoga in the Schools (KYIS) curriculum includes twenty-four, 35-minute sessions taught by trained yoga teachers in the schools’ Health or Physical Education classes.

Kripalu partners with Dr. Sat Bir Khalsa of Harvard Medical School to document scientifically the benefit of yoga for teens. The research shows the KYIS curriculum improves resilience and provides students a variety of benefits at school and at home, including: better control of anger and fatigue, better focus in class, more ease in managing test anxiety, more comfortable relations with peers, and greater ease in falling asleep.

“One concept that is underrated is the degree to which adolescents are suffering mental-health issues,” says Dr. Khalsa. “Kids are not coping well—you have bullying, drug use, and attention deficit disorders. Our education system needs to teach skills to develop the whole human being, not just math and English.” A Pittsfield high-school student, who participated in the program, remarked: “I think every high-school stu-

dent should take yoga; it’s a great stress reliever and it helps with everything from clear thinking and making good decisions to taking tests.”

In 2013, Kripalu School of Yoga started training yoga teachers to deliver the Kripalu Yoga in school programs in their local communities. Now teens from Chicago to Canada to China are reaping the calming and focusing benefits of yoga.

—Edi Pasalis, Director,  
Institute for Extraordinary Living

### Lake Drive

Not much has changed in our community since last year. Currently we have five full-time residents and thirty part-timers. This was a very stressful winter both on our neighbors and on our roads. However, we managed to get through it and are back to normal, thanks to the wonderful members of this association and to our good friend and road maintenance engineer, Gary Johnston and his crew. We needed a lot of road repair this past year because the Lake Drive area is extremely hilly, which causes a great deal of runoff. Part of the road repair project also involved working on the culverts. Many of the roads around the lake are private and therefore are not covered by the Town’s highway department.

We have one house under construction that is very interesting in its design. We look forward to seeing it finished, for it is unlike any house we currently have on Lake Drive. It is quite innovative!

This winter, due to its mechanical problems, we had the hydro-rake parked in our Lake Drive extension area. Just recently Leonard (Len) Tisdale, Jr., the Town’s Highway Superintendent, was able to get the machine started, and we hope the rake will be a valuable tool in controlling the lilies that line the Outlet throughout the southern part of the lake.

—Michael Nathan

### Laurel Hill Association

The twelve months—2013/2014—proved to be a busy one for the Laurel Hill Association (LHA). We purchased approximately four more acres of land off of Route 7 on Lee Road. This new property helps us to maintain part of our core mission, which is to protect the entrances and exits to Stockbridge by ensuring that the surrounding lands remain beautiful and unspoiled.

Last year’s Laurel Hill Day was a great success. Our speaker was Lucinda “Cindy” Brockway, Program Director for Cultural Resources at the Trustees of Reservation. Ms. Brockway spoke about the significant work that the Trustees have undertaken in restoring the gardens at Naumkeag. She emphasized the importance of responsible stewardship while maintaining the significance of our unique landscapes. She quoted Fletcher Steele, saying, “[The] goal [of the Trustees] is to increase the worth of living through the develop-

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ment of a love of the earth and a thankful appreciation of our historic places.”

Another highlight of the day was the announcement of our scholarship winner. Every year, LHA awards \$2,000.00 to a student resident of Berkshire County, who has completed at least one full year of college and who is majoring in the study of environmental and historical preservation. The 2013 winner was Sierra Wilson of Alford, MA, who attends Rocky Mountain College with a dual major in Environmental Science and Environmental Management and Policy. LHA continues to provide funds for the Nature's Classroom, a week-long field trip that promotes off-site experimentation in natural science for local school children.

There are a variety of challenges associated with owning over 400 acres of property. We do not charge an admission fee to walk our trails and have no way of telling how many people are using them. In order to maintain our trails and property, we rely on our endowment, grants, and contributions. Much of the property that we receive is not readily useable, and the responsibility of making it accessible for public use is ours. All work from LHA members is done on a completely voluntary basis, although we do hire experts as needed. We also are considering hiring the “Greenagers” to help with some maintenance projects. That being said, we are always looking for volunteers. If anyone would like to volunteer, please know that we would be grateful for your assistance!

We are working with Jess Toro from Native Habitat Restoration to begin the process of invasive plant removal and native plant repatriation. Lower Bowker Woods and the Larrywaug Brook area are the first areas on which we have focused. Communication with the public is an ongoing challenge, particularly when it comes to the importance of removing litter and waste, including pet waste. We have commissioned additional signage to address these problems. Our Publications

and Promotions Committee is working on our new website and we are hopeful that we will be online by this year's Laurel Hill Day.

The Finance Committee is identifying ways in which we can invest greenly and responsibly. We are committed to the necessity of not only investing wisely to increase the fiscal health of our endowment, but also of investing our money in enterprises that will make our world a better place.

Finally, I'd like to conclude by inviting everyone to this year's **Laurel Hill Day, which will take place on Sunday, August 17<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. at the Rostrum on Laurel Hill** (behind the Stockbridge Town Offices). This year's speaker is Tom Ricardi from the Massachusetts Bird of Prey Rehab Facility. The event is free and open to all. Please come!

—Kristen Fredsall, Laurel Hill President

### Mahkeenac Heights

Mahkeenac Heights Association welcomes two new households—Joan Gallos and Lee Bolman from Brookline, Massachusetts, and Patty Caya and Peter Ungaro from Medford, Massachusetts. We hope they will enjoy our community.

This year, our community suffered two significant losses with the passing away of Paul Cohen and Roy Karlin. They will be greatly missed. Roy was a rare combination of a dedicated lawyer and a man with a sense of humor. Jane, his wife, is a true daughter of Stockbridge Bowl. Many of our children had the good fortune to be taught swimming by her, and she diligently guarded the Town Beach in her youth. We shall keep Paul and Roy in our hearts and memories, and our thoughts are with their families at this sad time.

The copper bandits have been at it again—stealing pipes from the Yannich, Ostlings, and Laski/Johnson cottages. This is the second year we have had this problem. At our annual meeting, our Stockbridge Chief of Police will give us some advice as to how to handle it.

Once again, the bears are keeping us company. Tom Gauger already has seen three at the Wilson cottage and David Morel saw them up on the hill.

We will continue to discuss the condition of the roads and why people go the wrong way on the one-way entrance, and the fact that the summer days fly by. We will continue to be delighted by the sounds coming from Tanglewood, by the myriad entertainment choices available to us, by the taste of corn in August, and by the beauty of our Stockbridge Bowl that we work so hard to preserve for ourselves and for future generations.

—Lorraine Abraham

### Mahkeenac Shores

It has been relatively peaceful at the Shore. We have had no one leaving us, no one moving in, no falling trees, no damaging storms, and no expansions of homes. The bears have kept their distance, and we didn't sight any bobcats this past fall, which was rather disappointing.

However, we are delighted to report a population explosion at the Shores. The Gandals' daughter, Mara, is about to welcome a new addition to their family—a little boy, not yet named! Also, the Lasner family is expanding significantly. Their son, Matthew, is now the proud father of a son, Amos, and their daughter, Emily, had a little addition, Theo, who has yet to make his debut locally.

We all look forward to this new generation spending lots of time at the Shores. Happy summer to everyone!

—Steffi Kaprov


### Mahkeenac Terrace

The Mahkeenac Terrace Association has been working on improving our communal infrastructure during the past year. In the fall, we plan to replace the bulkhead at the community beach. One home, severely damaged by a storm several years ago, has received town approval to rebuild. After this construction is completed, we will repave the Terrace road.

At our two yearly association meetings, the on-going heated debate over rules and regulations continues. The existing contention revolves around the financial obligations of everyone to the Association. We deeply regret that some of our homeowners are not in agreement with their neighbors regarding their financial responsibility to the Terrace.

The Terrace is a beautiful area on the lake, and we would like the peace and harmony of the nature around us to be reflected within our Association. This desire is difficult to obtain but we shall continue working to achieve it.

Our community has suffered the loss of two of its dear neighbors. We mourn the deaths of Miriam Erdos and Carolyn “Chickie” Panasevich, a long-time home owner in Mahkeenac Terrace. Our thoughts are with their families at this sad time.

—Jerry Sugar 



*Built in 1894, the magnificent Shadowbrook was, at the time, the largest private home in America. Photographer unknown.*

## A Day at the Boat Launch

### Moose Foran\*

At one time, I thought the boat launch was just that, a utilitarian place where people launched their power boats and other type watercraft. Then I joined the Stockbridge Zebra Mussel Committee. This article is not about the statistics—the craft type, numbers, frequency of visitors—but rather about community, a community of individuals whose enthusiasm and appreciative use of the Stockbridge Bowl plays itself out many times over the course of the year.

When you arrive at the ramp, even as early as 6 a.m., you will be greeted by one of the 5 dedicated monitors whose charge is the first line of defense in preventing an infestation of Zebra Mussels from contaminating



Stockbridge Town Beach

Photo by Steve Blanchard

the Bowl. We are fortunate that our monitors not only do a great job, they also are great ambassadors who reflect the concerns of the community to preserve and protect a healthy lake.


I would soon discover that the boat ramp area has other uses. For many local residents, it becomes a place to relax on several nice benches under the towering oak trees at the water's edge and perhaps meet friends who begin the annual defreeze treatment after a long Berkshire winter. Often, people enjoy a picnic lunch while their children splash around on the shoreline. Others just happen to stop by for the first time, attracted by the recreational activities that caught their eye as they were driving past, and discover this special site in the Berkshires.

There is too long a list of characters, critters, and interactions to write about here. Actually, there is enough at the boat ramp for a reality TV show. There is, however, one amusing incident I would like to share that one of the monitors brought to my attention. Let's call it the "Chipmunk and the Doughnut."

The ramp itself has a good slope and almost anything round dropped on it easily rolls down into the water. One morning at the monitoring station, a monitor brought a dozen doughnuts for snacking during the early shift. In the execution of their duties away from the monitors' hut, they had to abandon the box of doughnuts. Across the way, they were being watched by a chipmunk who realized the rare opportunity to see just what was in the box that was sitting on floor far away from

the monitors. The little fellow scurried across the parking lot, poked his head in the station hut and, Bingo! Wow! He thought he struck gold! He dove into the box and grabbed a perfectly round doughnut, much bigger than his usual morsels. Yet he managed to wrestle it into his mouth and begin his trek back across the parking lot. No doubt he was thinking what his fellow chipmunks and siblings would say about his big score. I mean, how many chipmunks get to enjoy one whole doughnut?

Alas, fickle fate intervened. As he was scampering over the top of the ramp, he lost his prize. The doughnut, 3 times bigger than he, began the long roll down the ramp picking up speed by the second with our chipmunk friend hot in pursuit, oblivious to the trailers and boats being launched. At the very last second, the thought that he would not recover it before it rolled into the water occurred to him, and he slammed on his brakes and skidded to the last possible inch of dry land. He watched it roll in and sink. Sad and discouraged, he began the long trek back to his den with only a story to tell about the one that got away, and all he had to show for it was the hole in the doughnut.


\*As a member of the SBA Board, Kevin (Moose) Foran wears many hats. He is the representative from Kripalu and Chair of the Property and Trails Committee. He is also a member of the Stockbridge Zebra Mussel Committee. What would we do without our Moose is a question that has no answer. —Editor 

## Chipmunk Revisited—Another Lake Adventure

### Cris Raymond, Newsletter Editor

One very early morning, while kayaking with a friend, we rounded the end of the Island. There, we spotted a very tiny chipmunk, shivering, shaking, and quaking on top of a very large lily pad, about five feet from the shore.

The question was and remains, how on earth did he arrive in this predicament? Most probably he was inadvertently dropped there, like the above donut, by a large bird who had intended the tiny one to be its breakfast. We watched in awed silence, soundlessly cheering him on with thoughts of: "Go for it. You can do it. It's not so far. Be brave. You have courage." Then, as if he heard our encouragement, he jumped in and safely swam the 60 inches to shore. It was a sight that I shall never forget. Who knew that chipmunks could swim? Luckily I do have my morning kayaking buddy to attest to the truth of this story.

There are wonders to be seen in the early morning hours—mating snapping turtles (oh my!), cavorting otters, eagles diving for their breakfast, and even a doe or two having a morning drink. So, my advice is: "Wake up, you sleepy heads, get up, get out of bed ... live life, love and be happy," and experience the early morning happenings at, (in, on, and over) the lake. 

# Membership

## Peggy Reiser, *Membership Chair*

As you are reading this in the SBA Newsletter, you have probably already read about the many activities related to the lake. Below is the list of those who have supported the SBA since June 5, 2013 to June 5, 2014.

If your name is among those of the enlightened individuals below, we thank you. If not, we invite you to join your friends and neighbors who support the SBA and, more importantly, the continuance of all the activities described in this newsletter.

To those of you who are a member at the special dues rate afforded

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the lake associations, we encourage you to make an additional contribution. The giving levels are identified below. If you are able to make a gift that exceeds the basic "turtle" membership, we would love to see more trout swimming in and eagles and herons soaring over the lake. Thank you for all your support of this treasure in our environment.

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**2014 Membership**

Membership in the Stockbridge Bowl Association is open to anyone who loves this beautiful natural body of water and wishes to preserve and protect it.

You may become a member by sending a dues check payable to Stockbridge Bowl Association, P.O. Box 118, Stockbridge, MA 01262.

- Yes, I would like to celebrate the beauty of the lake and support its preservation.  
 **Eagle** \$500-1,000+     **Blue Heron** \$250-\$499     **Trout** \$100-\$249     **Turtle** \$50-99

Enclosed is my check. (Please make your check payable to **Stockbridge Bowl Association.**) Amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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# Capital Campaign


Thank you for your generous contribution to the Save Stockbridge Bowl Campaign. Your donation acknowledges your support for the Stockbridge Bowl Lake Management Plan, as the Stockbridge Bowl Association works closely with the Town of Stockbridge to protect Stockbridge Bowl for our use now and for future generations.

With the diversion drain completed, we look forward to the dredging phase of the Lake Management Plan. The completion of the Plan will be

made possible because of your support.

The Stockbridge Bowl Association will continue to direct its efforts to the challenges of maintaining the viability of this treasured lake.

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—Shirley Blanchard, Campaign Manager 

As of June 16, 2014:

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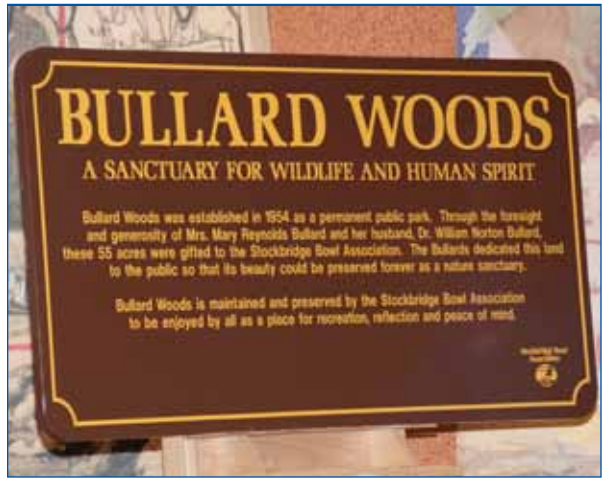
*Sailboat masts holding up the sky*

*Photo by Kevin Sprague*

## Bullard Woods


**Moose Foran**, *Chair, Property and Trails*

In 1954, Mrs. Bullard gifted a parcel of land to the SBA that, to date, is aligned with her intent to preserve it for public use. It is said that she continued to walk the Woods until she was 88. If her guests could keep up the pace, she often took them with her. She would be delighted today to know that Bullard Woods is being used more and more by the public as a place of refuge from the anti-gravitational pull of humans into cyberspace. Perhaps we should add the following to the signs at the entrance— **Keep Your Electronic Devices on a Leash!**



For now, the forests remain free of the Emerald Ash Borer and the Woolly Aldridge, both tree-destroying insects.

There is the natural biologic rotation of living plant and tree life, and every once in a while a wind storm (the back hand of God) tears through and keeps us humans humbled at the might and beauty of Mother Nature.

As the morning bids the night good-bye and the innocence of a new day dawns, this is the most opportune time to get up, get out into that sacred time, and merge with a peace that passes all understanding. 

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## Lake Monitoring

**Gary Kleinerman**, *Chair*

Each year for the past 10 years, we have recorded underwater videos of 20 transects starting at a 15 foot depth to the shore. This is necessary in order to see if the unwanted vegetation is getting worse or better. These videos are studied by professionals, and the results have indicated that better vegetation is taking hold and the invasives are on the decline. If anyone would like to help


with this work please get in touch with me. My e-mail address is: Gary1sx@gmail.com.

We will be doing our 2014 videoing in July. In the fall, we hope to conduct several fish studies— electro-fishing and seining. The state wants to know what species of fish are in the Bowl—their sizes and numbers—before and after we do a 5.5-foot drawdown of the lake.

We also are looking for a professional firm to do an animal count of the turtles, frogs, otters, and other lake wildlife in an attempt to determine

the before and after effect of the drawdown.

Water level is becoming a problem. Lately the lake has been either too high or too low. We are required to keep the dam open a certain amount so as not to harm the creatures in the brook. A steady rainfall, once a week, would be ideal.

If anyone knows someone who can arrange this, please contact me. 

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## FYI

**SBA Annual Meeting** —Saturday, July 19, 2014 from 3-5 p.m. in the Stable Auditorium at The Mount, 2 Plunkett Street, Lenox.

**Stockbridge Second-Homeowners Meeting** — Saturday, July 12, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. in the Meeting Room at the Town Offices, 50 Main Street.

**The Lake Harvesting Machine** is on the Lake from the end of June through Labor Day. Questions regarding the harvester may be referred to Michael Nathan, 298-4313.


**Zebra Mussel Monitoring and Boat Wash** is operational from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. seven days per week until Columbus Day. It is imperative that the Public Access Boat Ramp be used for all watercraft entering Stockbridge Bowl. If a property owner rents his property during the summer, the property owner must advise all renters that any craft ever used on lakes other than Stockbridge Bowl must be washed before being reintroduced in the Bowl.

**The Town Waste Transfer Station** is open Monday-Friday: 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Saturdays: 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., and in July and August, Sundays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Please note: This does not mean that one may arrive just minutes before closing, as the gates close promptly. Consideration is always appreciated.

**The Talbot Center** at the Transfer Station is open on Mondays, Thursdays, and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

### It's the Law

A member of the Stockbridge Conservation Commission reminds us of the following rules and recommendation:

1. Before removing a tree within 100 feet, or a building within 150 feet, of the Bowl's shore, consult the Town Planning Board and the Conservation Commission.
2. If doing similar work along the Outlet, the governing distance is 200 feet from shore.
3. Fertilizers (especially phosphorus), pesticides and herbicides should not be used within 150 feet of the lake.
4. Notwithstanding some conspicuously white buildings, recommended exterior paint colors are earth tones or grey. 

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## Regulations of Motorboats & Watercraft

1. Personal motorized watercraft (jet skis, etc.) **prohibited**
2. All motorized watercraft shall circulate counter clockwise
3. Maximum Speeds—10 a.m. to sunset 40 MPH; between sunset and 10 a.m. 6 MPH; Within Safety Zone—no more than 6 MPH
4. Safety Zone 300 feet from the shoreline into the lake—watch for buoy markers
5. Any swimmer out of the Safety Zone shall be attended by a boat
6. Moorings and docks prohibited more than 300 feet from shore

Complete regulations adopted by Town Meeting (5/20/96) available at Stockbridge Town Hall. Violations of the regulations are punishable by \$50 for the first offense and \$100 for the second offense.

## Thank You

The Board of the Stockbridge Bowl Association wishes to thank the Town Selectmen for their support in preserving and protecting the Stockbridge Bowl, the Stockbridge Finance Committee for recommending a 2014 Town Warrant that \$25,000 be set aside for the lake, the Community Preservation Committee for recommending a Town Warrant that \$65,000 be set aside for the lake, and the voters of Stockbridge for their “yes” vote on the warrants for the lake. We also gratefully acknowledge the invaluable assistance we receive from the Town Administrator, Jorja-Ann P. Mardsen. With all of us working together, we can keep this beautiful body of water healthy for future generations to enjoy. 

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