## Otsego Lake nostalgia and underwater wrecks to be featured

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The Otsego Lake Association will hold its 2013 annual meeting at historic Camp Minnetoska, a former Girl Scout camp now privately owned by the Clark Foundation, at 759 County Highway 31, north of the village of Cooperstown.

A free program of topics related to Otsego Lake nostalgia will be offered from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Saturday. It is open to the public.

The Saturday morning events will kickoff with coffee and doughnuts and a version of "Dough Boys," a campfire snack, before a brief business meeting, which will include the election of officers and the presentation of the Lake Citizen Award.

Several presentations will be provided.

Following the meeting, Paul Lord, faculty member of the State University College at Oneonta Biological Field Station will present the first public display of video of two wrecks recently found in Otsego Lake.

Professor Cindy Falk, of the Cooperstown Graduate Program, has prepared a slideshow using images from the New York State Historical Association library collection and contemporary lake camp photographs of noted photographer, Richard Duncan.

Curator Sue Friedlander will talk about the Overnight Children's Camps. Professor Will Walker and students from the CGP will share oral histories from their Community Stories project.

According to OLA President Wayne Bunn, "The Otsego Lake Association is hoping people will enjoy the presentations and feel free to share their own histories and stories of camps. We also encourage people to bring their lake-related items to share."

In addition to the presentations, a scanner will be provided to record photos that residents may wish to preserve. Participants who wish to share their own memories of the lake may sign up to be considered as possible future interviewees.

Photo panels from the exhibition, "Lake Otsego: Past and Present," courtesy of NYSHA and the Otesaga Hotel will be displayed, alongside the "Aqua-cycle," which was discovered by local divers a few years ago. The event will also feature a silent auction.

A representative from the Farmers' Museum Gift Shop will sell autographed copies of Richard Walker's and Cindy Falk's books. In addition, Otsego Lake Association branded clothing will be on sale.

For more information, call (518) 542-6630.

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