

# Crescent Lake Chronicles

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## Calling All Campers

By Fred Yates, Lake Association  
Secretary-Treasurer

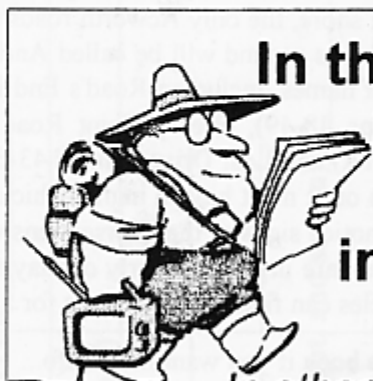
Remember now, the **Annual Crescent Lake Association Meeting** will be held at the **Unity Fire Station**, as usual, the first Saturday after the 4th of July. This year that means the meeting will be held **July 11, 1998**, starting at 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon.

At our last annual meeting, July 5, 1997, members of the Crescent Lake Association voted unanimously to add \$10.00 per year to our dues. This extra \$10.00 is only a temporary charge. The dam at the eastern end of the lake is in need of repair. The last time the Association had to raise money to repair the dam was over 25 years ago. The Association is in the process of getting a repair quote. We will keep you informed. After we have raised the necessary repair cost this extra fee will be discontinued.

Once again, our sincere gratitude to Mike and Diane Walker, Camp 1, who printed these *Chronicles*. Thanks also to those who contributed articles and other information

—and to our CLA officers and other volunteers.

You're all part of what makes our lake great!



**In the midst of winter,  
I finally learned that  
there was in me an  
invincible summer.**

*Albert Camus*

**In other words, it's time to  
head for the lake!**

The annual dues of \$20.00 will also be due and payable by the time of the annual meeting. Checks should be made out to *Crescent Lake Association* and mailed to:

**Crescent Lake Association  
Fred W. Yates, Secy/Treas  
P.O. Box 56  
Bellows Falls, VT 05101-0056**

With deep regret I have some very disappointing news about our annual fireworks show. This year, due to prior family commitments, the Desbiens brothers will not be able to put on what has become known as one of the greatest fireworks shows in the area. (Three wedding anniversaries all coming about the 4th of July will keep them plenty busy.)

I know I speak for all members of the Association in extending a big **THANK YOU** to the Desbiens brothers and your

families for the long hours and efforts you have put into these wonderful, professional displays in previous years. We all hope to see you again next year.

In 1997 the Lake Association and individual campers added \$878 to the Desbiens' fireworks fund, and there's nothing stopping us from contributing again this year for the 1999 show. If anyone still wants to donate money for the purchase of fireworks for *next* year's show, just add a little extra to your dues check. All donations will be set aside for the Great 4th of July Fireworks Show of 1999. Something to look forward to!

So we'll see you all at the meeting. T-shirts will be on sale again before the meeting. **Please be early** if you want to buy T-shirts and hats and pay your dues. The meeting will start at ten a.m. sharp.

## Forever Moore

More Notes from "The Penguin Camp," by Clark Moore, Camp 22

### Wrenches Revisited

In a previous edition of the *Chronicles*, I asked for suggestions on how to keep from dropping my wrench into the water when attaching or removing the raft ladder. Several people have responded but wish to remain anonymous. Here are some of the suggestions:

- ◆ Contact the manufacturer for instructions
- ◆ Check the owner's manual
- ◆ Attach a float to the wrench
- ◆ Buy a floating wrench
- ◆ Sit in a boat
- ◆ Do the ladder on dry land
- ◆ Nail the ladder
- ◆ Leave the ladder off
- ◆ Leave the ladder on
- ◆ Subscribe to the Wrench of the Month Club—low prices
- ◆ Hire someone to do it.

My response was "That's a good idea, but....."



### Birds of Crescent Lake

My son-in-law is a wildlife ecologist. His hobby is ornithology (birds). He visits here at Crescent Lake about once a year. Since 1993, he has observed (verified) the following birds around our lake. I had no idea we had such a variety. Darrel carefully recorded this list so I am not making it up. Believe me, I would not question his expertise. The numbers mean that he saw that many of the species on that day. You can look these up in a

## Road Names and 911

By Betsy Snider, Camp 43

Last year, Unity named the streets around the lake in anticipation of 911. This year, Acworth is finally catching up. With the help of residents around the lake, Acworth roads have been named, although we probably won't see street signs any time soon. The paved road on the south shore will be named Crescent Lake Road (which is what it is called in Lempster). On the north shore, the only Acworth roads are off Anderson Road. The main road that loops around will be called Anderson Road; the side roads have a variety of names, including Road's End Drive (camps 50-54), Blue Heron Road (camps 48-49), Breezy Point Road (camps 46-49), David's Way (camps 41-41A) and Lost Drive (camps 43-35). Every drive that has more than one camp on it must have a name, which is why there are so many names. You will notice signs at the intersections with camp numbers on them. All camp owners are urged to clearly display their camp numbers, so that emergency vehicles can find them. Thanks for all the help. [Thank YOU, Betsy!]



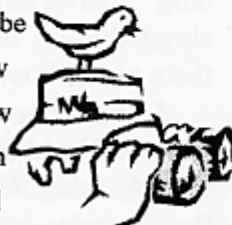
guide book if you want more info...

- ◆ Black-capped Chickadee
- ◆ Blue Jay
- ◆ Canada Warbler
- ◆ Song Sparrow - 5
- ◆ White-throated Sparrow
- ◆ Chipping Sparrow
- ◆ Magnolia Warbler
- ◆ Ovenbird
- ◆ Common Yellowthroat - 10
- ◆ Yellow-rumped Warbler
- ◆ Black-and-White Warbler
- ◆ Rubythroated Hummingbird
- ◆ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker
- ◆ American Robin - 4
- ◆ Common Grackle - 20
- ◆ Black Duck - 3
- ◆ Solitary Vireo - 15
- ◆ Flycatcher - sp\*
- ◆ Great Blue Heron
- ◆ Mourning Dove
- ◆ Eastern Phoebe
- ◆ Tree Swallow
- ◆ Barn Swallow
- ◆ Wood Thrush
- ◆ Gray Catbird

- ◆ Hairy Woodpecker
- ◆ Red-eyed Vireo
- ◆ Eastern Kingbird
- ◆ Red-breasted Nuthatch
- ◆ Spotted Sandpiper
- ◆ Cedar Waxwing
- ◆ Baltimore Oriole
- ◆ Common Loon
- ◆ Hooded Merganser
- ◆ Ring Necked Duck
- ◆ Rose-breasted Grosbeak
- ◆ American Goldfinch
- ◆ Pileated Woodpecker
- ◆ Mallard Duck
- ◆ Wood Duck
- ◆ Gull-sp\*
- ◆ Common Nighthawk
- ◆ Belted Kingfisher

\*indicates species not identified

Birdwatchers seem to have two crucial items with them at all times—a guide book and a good pair of binoculars. I suggest you don't try to do any "serious" watching without them. How many of these birds have you been able to identify here at the Lake? Can you add to the list?



## Overheard on Crescent Lake

In his book, *How to talk Minnesotan*, Howard Mohr mentions all the lakes and the many Minnesotans who own cottages, camps, or cabins (as they call them). Eavesdropping is easy as we all know, particularly the way sound travels across the water and where camps are close together. Mohr lists a few phrases he has overheard. I've paraphrased a few here and added my own from Crescent Lake:

"I can't take it anymore. There's two more big spiders in the shower stall."

"I've been doing dishes twice a day since we got here. I thought things were going to be different."

"You've been sitting and staring at the linoleum for hours, Betty. What's wrong?"

"Is it me, or are the fish smaller this year?"

"The small mouth were more fun to catch."

"Tomorrow, Betty, I'm going to get up at dawn and fish for those big ones down at the dam. Tonight, though, I'm gonna drink beer."

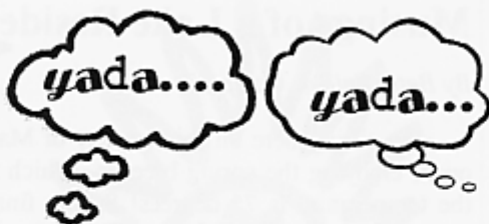
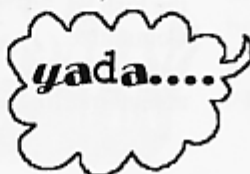
"The kids are tired of cold cereal. Maybe you should go out tonight and catch those fish. You can watch TV at home."

"Dave, wake up, there's some huge thing crawling around in the dark on the floor! It's just me, Gail. My pillow fell off the bed and I'm looking for it."

"Something is rustling around under the camp."

"The kids are bored with the video games and it's going to rain again tomorrow."

"You know, sweetheart, when we retire, I'd like to live here at the camp full time."



"What time does Will's close? Does he still rent movies?"

"I wonder if they will ever fix that old place up?"

"My sister called. She and the kids are arriving some day this week."

"You know, if we put in a furnace, we could use this place for Winter vacations."

"That's it, we're throwing out the TV, the radio, the CD and tape player. From now on, all we are going to have is peace and quiet around here."

I'm sure you could add your own. Send them to the *Chronicles* editor.

### Lake Cottage Names

Next time you are cruising around the lake, or its backroads, notice the names people have posted on their cottages (camps). Some people have told me they have a name for their place, but haven't put up a sign yet. Many of the ones I have noticed are listed below. Some are rather clever: see if you can match the name up with the right camp. Most have a sign.

- ♦ Hatetoleaveit (We should all know this one)
- ♦ BCNU
- ♦ Escape Hatch
- ♦ Sunny Side
- ♦ Forever Moore
- ♦ C-Side
- ♦ On the Rocks
- ♦ Perry's Point
- ♦ The Birches



- ♦ Sloppy Joes
- ♦ Lakeside Forge
- ♦ Sunnyside Up
- ♦ Nev R Dun
- ♦ Pashobby
- ♦ Breezy Point
- ♦ Red Cottage
- ♦ Q 13
- ♦ The Haven
- ♦ Octagon
- ♦ Papa's Dream
- ♦ A Little Bit O' Heaven
- ♦ Parthenon
- ♦ Gnome Cave
- ♦ Patty's Playhouse
- ♦ Little House
- ♦ Camp Glenwood
- ♦ Rocky 40
- ♦ Home Sweet Home
- ♦ Broken Birch
- ♦ Damfino
- ♦ Little Rest
- ♦ Lakeside Rest
- ♦ Stillwaters
- ♦ Relax #2
- ♦ Ack II
- ♦ Crescent Castle
- ♦ Gab-a-Lot
- ♦ Chastell
- ♦ Century 21 (couldn't resist)

On Nantucket, one cottage owner named theirs "Ours is Best."

The people next door promptly named theirs "Ours is Better."

I hope you've enjoyed glancing through the list. Sorry if I missed yours.

[Thanks for your ever-entertaining thoughts, Clark!]



## Crescent Lake Fishing Questionnaire 1997

By Dick Brown, Camp 4



The results are in! Here is a compilation of answers to the fishing questionnaire distributed with last summer's party notices.

Forms returned:

- ◆ 4 non-fisherman
- ◆ 14 owner/renters who fish regularly
- ◆ 5 "outsiders" (I handed many fishing boats a form on the lake) who fish regularly

Of the above reporting, 99.5% catch and release. Reports of size varied from 4.5 pounds to one 8 pounder (no photo available). I have one of a 6.5 pounder.

How often on the lake:

- ◆ 50% reported they fish weekly
- ◆ 40% monthly
- ◆ 10% when possible.

When asked how they heard of Crescent Lake for fishing:

- ◆ One said *Boston Herald* fishing story
- ◆ Three said long-time neighbors who live on or near lake
- ◆ 20 said lake owners or renters; were told by other renters, etc.

Other lakes or fishing spots they go to:

- ◆ Connecticut River
- ◆ Squam Lake
- ◆ Lake Warren

When asked to rate Crescent Lake for bass fishing, the majority said good to excellent. Several people wrote that we should stock some small mouth also as the large mouth bass have taken over. Small mouth bass are being caught.

The large mouth have helped control the blood sucker population and do eat a lot of horn pout—plus small perch.



## Musings of a Lake Resident

By Betsy Snider, Camp 43



I'm sitting here on the last day of March with (incredibly) my windows wide open, enjoying the spring breezes. Which feels a lot like summer breezes because the temperature is 75 degrees! Spring finally hit this past week—last Sunday we had a snowstorm which dumped 12 inches here and 9 days later, I'm basking in the sun and ready to go swimming. The only problem is that the lake is still frozen, although it's finally melting around the edges.

My second winter up here was as wonderful and incredible as the first one. We had a fair amount of snow, which surprised my neighbors who came up from Connecticut where there was very little snow all winter. We must have gotten it all up here. We were spared, mercifully, from that dreadful ice storm. But I suggest you travel over to New London or up Lempster Mountain—you will be amazed at the damage that is still evident, all these months later. It was a storm of horrendous proportions and Lake Sunapee, especially around Georges Mills, really got hit. But we were spared, thank heavens.

I spent a lot of time walking the wonderful snowmobile trails with my dogs. I finally got up to the warming hut and the view was definitely worth the hike. To the east is Mount Sunapee and to the north is Mount Ascutney. If you get up there early enough, you can watch the sun rise over Mount Sunapee. It is incredibly gorgeous. There are miles of trails that took me far and wide, from Lempster to Unity to Acworth. One of the trails went down to Marlow, but I thought I'd wait for summer to hike that one. The trails are just great for hiking and walking and I urge you all to take a walk this summer. You'll be delighted by the streams, ravines and occasional glimpses of panoramic views.

I've been taking advantage of these wonderful days to do some needed yardwork. The great thing about living up here is that I can rake my leaves into an old sheet and then just dump them in my woods. But mud season is full upon us and you haven't lived until you've been through a mud season. This year is worse than usual, according to longtimers. Of course, if you live on the south side of the lake, you only have to deal with the "frost heaves" (polite language for large craters in the road); we hearty northerners get mud, too. During the mud season, I leave my Honda in the drive and use the Bronco which can get through the mud without major damage to the tailpipe and muffler. Thank heavens for large trucks.

Well, I'll be signing off for now. I just got my wetsuit today from L.L.Bean and can hardly wait to use it. Last year, I went in the water (*sans* wetsuit) on April 30 which was two days after the ice went out, but didn't really begin swimming until June 1. And I swam almost daily (*sans* wetsuit) until November 3, which was two weeks before the ice formed. With the wetsuit, I'm looking forward to really swimming during May, so if you see some strange water monster in black rubber, don't fear—it's only the lunatic.

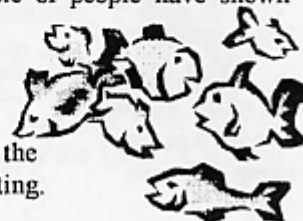
As many people mentioned, it seems that our bass population is very strong at this time.

Maybe we should try to get some small mouth bass but the state did say a few years ago when we got the permit to stock, our lake had been designated as a large mouth lake.

I was very pleased with the responses and notes on the forms returned, and hope campers will fill out

this year's form, enclosed with this issue of the *Chronicles*. Please return the forms to me at camp 4 or at the address on the questionnaire.

A couple of people have shown an interest in being on the Fish Committee. Let's talk at the annual meeting.



## Mystery Garden

By Liz Vavra, Camp 109A

We fell in love with Crescent Lake in the summer of '97.

My husband Ron and I had spent many weekends driving from Connecticut to New Hampshire in search of waterfront property. Alas, we never found the quaint-old-cabin-with-fieldstone-fireplace-tucked-among-the-pines that we longed for, but we did find camp 109A. With its sandy beach and clear lake view, we knew we could make it our vacation home.

Now creating a home means different things to different people. To Ron it meant tearing out walls and replacing them with seventeen foot steel beams. To me, it meant planting a garden.

The previous owner, Hilda Kristof, had plants, but not what I consider to be a true garden. There were arrangements of white rocks circling plants of unknown origin or identity. I recognized the bright blue Bachelor Buttons and the orange Cosmos, and of course, the prolific cherry tomato plants that fed us for weeks. A rhubarb plant poked its weary head out of the lawn. It was September by the time we moved in, so most of the flowers were well past blooming and were starting to get seed. A good gardener always collects seeds despite not knowing what is being collected, so I got out my plastic bags and began to gather.

As the leaves began to change and a chill was in the October air, I created my garden. The perfect

spot was behind  
the retaining wall  
by the



lake. The garden would follow the natural line of the lake and would be visible from all directions. As Ron did his best to hide a ghastly concrete wall that was begging for dynamite, we took on the job of "double-doing." As a new stone wall began to take shape in front of the concrete, in went the white rocks along with the bricks from the demolished, dilapidated barbecue. I dug out the rhubarb that ate Manhattan and threw that in too. Everything was fair game for burial. I hid the cat.

It was time to dig. I took the shovel, pointed it earthward, and as I am accustomed to doing, jumped onto it with both feet. I nearly fell into the lake. Instead of hitting a boulder which is always an inch below the surface in Connecticut, the shovel had actually disappeared into the lawn.

Any Yankee knows that God created the world in six days and on the seventh day He dumped rocks on Connecticut. I was dumbfounded by my discovery and was sure it was a fluke. It wasn't.

I dug for six hours finding only an occasional rock which landed with a pleasant "plunk" as I threw it in the lake. I lifted huge chunks of sod and shook out the rich brown soil, taking care not to miss the earthworms—they too would be part of my garden. I had been at the

project so long I had seen the same trawlers a dozen times and the neighbors had to be wondering who the maniacal gardener covered with mud was.

After having lined the edge of the garden with granite blocks scavenged from around the property, I began to plant. Just *what* I was planting was a mystery to me. I recognized the leaves of a tired feverfew and the big old root of a rose bush. Everything else was moved into the new bed without regard to color, height, or blooming time. It was anyone's guess.

The seeds from Mrs. Kristof's bachelor buttons will be scattered in my garden in the spring and I'll bring some plants from Connecticut for good luck.

It's April now and I am eagerly awaiting the arrival of the first green shoot. I now realize the differences in planting zones, since my daffodils are in full bloom "down south" and the Crescent Lake garden remains frozen solid.

In the meantime, I will sit back and wait for my garden to surprise me. It may not be a horticultural masterpiece, but my mystery garden will make our house a home.



*[Obviously, Liz and Ron are going to be wonderful lakeside neighbors. A hearty welcome, and thanks for your contribution to the Chronicles.]*

## Betsy's Bulletin

Notes and Hints from Betsy Snider

### Acworth Conservation Commission

Geri Rudenfeldt (Camp 73) and I are members of the Acworth Conservation Commission, which has been very busy recently. Last year at town meeting, the town approved creation of a town forest on Gove Hill, which is the beautiful hill on the south side of the lake. The Conservation Commission is in charge of the nuts and bolts of town forestry and we're all learning a lot. We've involved not only residents of Acworth but also the local snowmobile club which maintains tracks and a warming hut on the property.

Also, we've been involved in the Shoreland Protection Act and how it affects the lake. Last year, we passed out to all lake residents a packet of material which will help explain some of the do's and don'ts of owning property around the lake. And this year at town meeting, the local zoning law was updated. Acworth always had a conservation zone (which includes the lake) and we worked with town planners updating the zone and clarifying sections of the law. If anyone would like a copy, or if you have any questions about conservation, please give me a call.

### Dock Owners

The state of NH requires that any repair or replacement of current docks, or building of new docks, must be approved by the state and local officials. If you are thinking about doing repair work or building a new dock, please contact the town clerk of Acworth or Unity to get the application. It currently requires an Expedited Wetlands Permit. Sometime later this year,

the process will be changed and a Wetlands Notification Permit will be required. Both of these processes need approval by the town conservation commissions, as well as by the state.

### Safe Cleaners for Households

One way to help keep our lake clean is to use safe cleaners. Take a minute to read the label on your bathroom or kitchen cleaning product. Is this what we want to flush through our watershed? Remember that *everything* going down our drains ends up in the water cycle—the lake and our drinking water.

So, consider using the following suggestions in place of your current cleaning products. They do the job just as well, and save you some money besides.

#### ♦ Use white vinegar.

*All purpose spray:* 2 tablespoons of vinegar mixed with one quart of water in a spray bottle.

*Glass cleaner:* 1/4 cup vinegar mixed with 1 quart of warm water.

*Carpets:* 1/8 cup salt mixed with 1/4 cup vinegar. Rub on rug with a sponge and let dry; vacuum thoroughly. (Always do a test patch!)

*Toilet bowls:* Pour in 1 cup of borax and 1/4 cup of vinegar. Let rest, then scrub.

#### ♦ Use baking soda.

*Scouring powder:* Sprinkle baking soda on damp kitchen and bathroom surfaces. Rub with a damp

cloth and rinse thoroughly. For a disinfecting scouring powder, mix 1 cup baking soda with 1/4 cup borax.

*Slow drains:* Pour in one cup each of

baking soda, salt and vinegar. Let rest for at least 5 minutes, then flush with boiling water.

*Deodorizer:* Sprinkle on a dry carpet, let rest for 15 minutes, then vacuum.

#### ♦ All purpose cleaner.

Mix 1/2 cup each of ammonia and white vinegar with 1 tablespoon of baking soda with a gallon of warm water. Great for floors.

*Never mix ammonia with chlorine based products (bleach, Comet cleanser)—it will result in deadly chlorine gas!*

### Attention Lake History Buffs

Last year, Marie Boyle (Camp 80) and I were talking about the millenium picnic (never too soon to begin planning the picnic) and thought that something special ought to be done to commemorate the year 2000. So I volunteered to write a history of the lake. That's what happens when you retire—you volunteer to do tasks that you've never attempted in your life. Anyhow, Marie likes the idea, so here I am asking you for your reminiscences about the lake, whatever facts of history you may know, anything and everything that makes Crescent Lake the lake that it is today. I spent the winter ruminating (another favorite pastime of retirees) and have some ideas of how to begin the project. But I need all the help I can get! So please, please, please give me a call and I'll come over to talk, or send me a note or letter or whatever you may have. Thanks!

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## The Race — 1997

The Great Labor Day Canoe Race of 1997 was again a battle of titans. Better start training right away if you want to beat these performances! The 1997 winners:

### Men's Division

1. Stan Rastallis and Hank Seaward — 25:36
2. Bob Mumford and Bob Gamahe — 26:36
3. Tim Grinaski and Randall Gallmeyer — 27:30

### Men & Women

1. Ernie Burns and Holly Burns — 30:33

### Women's Division

1. Karen Hemingway and Kathy Mann — 30:55
2. Helen Sirkin and Poppy Scumas — 34:43

### Adult with Under-14 Child

1. Charlie Walker and Danny Walker — 20:14
2. Tom Farmen and Trevor Farmen — 21:00
3. Paul Hallee and Marissa Hallee — 21:58

### Under 14 Division

1. Chris Bimbo and Devon Kerr — 29:20



## Notes on Boats *By Fred Yates*



**Attention Boat Owners:** I—Fred Yates—am not only your CLA Secretary/Treasurer but I also represent New Hampshire Department of Safety as your Marine Patrol Auxiliary Patrolman for Crescent Lake. Starting this year I would like to schedule two weekends to have **Courtesy Boat Inspections**. So on **May 30th** and **June 20th**, bring your motorboat to the boat landing for your inspection sticker. I will also try to have a representative of the NH Marine Patrol there if anyone would like any additional information. So for now, see you on the 30th or the 20th, **Time 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**



**IMPORTANT NOTICE** to all camp owners with motorboats of any size: The New Hampshire Department of Safety has approved our request to have the boats go **COUNTER CLOCKWISE** on Crescent Lake. This became effective over the winter.

*[Not all of us were aware just how many hats Fred wears... But here are excerpts from an article he contributed to the Claremont Eagle-Times last September 25.]*

For safety reasons, boat traffic should be made one-way on Crescent Lake... The lake is small and narrow, and boats running helter-skelter all over the place represent a danger. It's much the same as highway traffic. The direction that road vehicles travel in is regulated. So should the same be for water vehicles. Many are big and fast. There should be some order to how and where they go.

We're talking about power boats here. Not canoes, or rowboats or sailboats. They're free to go wherever they want, and under maritime rules, power boats must give them the right of way. That's another reason to regulate traffic direction: for the safety of those in non-power craft. And it would be pretty much impossible to make a sailboat sail in a certain direction. The wind has something to say about that...



## From 1 Lake 2 Another

*By Colleen Kaftan, Camp 103*

You're standing around with colleagues at the conference center bar, celebrating the end of a successful seminar. Outside is a stunning autumn view of Lake Geneva, Switzerland. You turn to the person next to you, and what subject comes to mind?

Crescent Lake, of course! Thus did Bill Hirschberg learn about our little corner of paradise, and thus did Polly Hirschberg get closer to her dream of a lakeside cottage like

the ones she knew as a kid at summer camp in Wisconsin.

Absurdly, I thought Polly was teasing me (about my own Wisconsin lake heritage) when she called for directions to the lake just a week after my conversation with Bill last October. She wasn't.

After several trips north, Polly found her haven. The Hirschbergs moved into Camp 41 (right across from me!) the last weekend in March, and I met Polly in person for the first time. I'm looking forward to many new shared memories with the Hirschbergs at the lake.

**Ryan Property Services: Carpentry, Yardwork, Lawn Care.** Mark Ryan, Proprietor. 24 Cherry Hill, Bellows Falls, VT 05101 (802) 463-3790. Camp 4, Crescent Lake (603) 863-3935.

**FOR SALE:** Camp 98 & 99. We have not arrived at a price as yet. If anyone has an interest and wants to make a bona fide offer, contact William (Bill) King at (904) 426-1351. Also for sale:

- ◆ 1974 Chrysler Sports Fury with 75 hp motor—\$1500 or B.O.
- ◆ 1997 16 ft. canoe. Like new \$700 or B.O.
- ◆ Power tools. Best offer. Tilt arbor saw, wood lathe, belt sander, router with table, 2 power lawn mowers, electric drill, wood drill and bits, misc. tools and tool box, etc.

**WANTED:** Used rowboat oars, or even one oar to replace the one that floated away a few years ago. Contact Colleen Kaftan at Chronicles address.

## **CLASSIFIED NOTICES**

**Sugar River Canoe.** Cedar Strip Canoes, Bent Shaft Paddles — those works of art you see gliding by on the lake. Call Stan Rastallis, (603) 863-8838. Lake Road, Unity / HCR 66 Box 193 / Newport, NH 03773.

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**FAVORITE PLACES:** Tell us about your favorite shopping / dining / exploring excursions in the area. Your Chronicles editor favors Peachblow Farms II, on Routes 11/12 just north of Charlestown, for flowers, herbs, fresh veggies, bread, cakes, pies, jams, and other delights. Introduce yourself to Clara and ask to see the greenhouses.

And for a different kind of excursion, try the S.S. Kearsarge sunset cruise on Lake Sunapee. The buffet dinner was fairly basic but the cruise around the lake—with cottagers flashing lights and ringing bells to greet the boat as dusk settled in—was worth the trip. Or you could just hijack Carol and Sam's party boat and do your own little booze cruise chez nous!

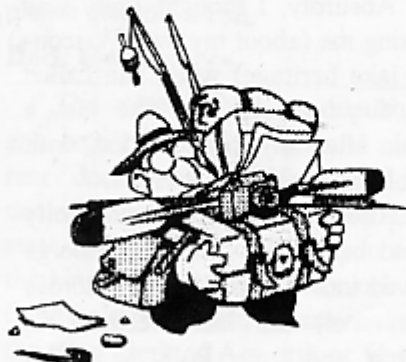
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