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"A Bit of Heaven on Earth"

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HIGLEY HAPPENINGS

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From the President

Friends & Neighbors.

Here we go again! Another season is upon us and everyone seems to be more than ready for some fun and fair weather!

A special "thank you" for being a member and for any donations made over and above your annual dues! Without these donations and support of events, we would not be able to offer the fun, summer activities that have become traditions here at Higley!

Another special "thank you" goes to our "Local Business Supporters" who generously donate prizes and supplies for our events—we ask our members to return that support whenever possible!

Remember—volunteers are needed at events and ideas/suggestions are always welcome!

Have a great summer! Lin Snyder

FYIs -

FREE Boat/Jet Ski/Watercraft Wash!!!! The Adiron-dack Watershed Institute at Paul Smith's College, will again this year offer free inspections and washing from Memorial Day to October. They will be set up in the "park and ride" area just across the Rt. 56 bridge in Colton across from the Colton-Parishville Rd. Their goal is to inform the public and help eliminate the transport of AIS (aquatic invasive species) that easily cling to all types of watercraft and get transported from one body of water to another. Again, this is a FREE service. Please tell your neighbors and friends! More info at http://www.dec.ny.gov/animals/107807.html

Association membership runs from Sept. 1st—Aug. 31st and can be renewed annually or paid ahead. Check the upper right-hand corner of your mailing label for the year in which your membership is paid through Aug. 31st (ex: 2018) For most of you, it is your 2019 dues to be submitted by summer's end (membership is solicited a year in advance). Form enclosed.

• **Note:** The Association mail box (PO Box 310, Colton) is unattended from January thru April.

At A Glance: 2018 (more details inside newsletter)

June 2		Big Rock Clean-Up—9 a.m. (Sat.)
June 16		Youth fishing contest begins (Sat.)
July 3 July 4		River of Lights—light flares at 9:00 pm, rain or shine Youth Parade—Cottage Rd., 10 am
July 10		Association Meeting/Covered Dish Supper—6 pm, CP School Cafeteria
July 21		Colton Day and Association Ice Cream Social & Fireworks
July 27	**	Pirates Weekend
July 31		Youth Fishing Contest ends
Aug. 2		Big Rock Clean-up —6 p.m. Help needed—bring rake and garbage bag!
Aug. 4		"Round the Island" Canoe Race—"Big Rock" boat launch, Pine Rd. Reg. 9 a.m.
Aug. 14		Association Meeting/Covered Dish Supper—6 pm, CP School Cafeteria
Aug. 18		"Firemen on the Flow" Concert—3 p.m. (See back page for details)
Aug. 30		Invasive Species Workshop— I-4 p.m., Colton Fire Station, Community Room
Sept. 12—16		Tentative annual fall water draw-down. Brookfield Power will begin to lower the
		water on the 12th and return to normal on the 16th.

** This event is not sponsored by the Association.

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Annual Raffle — 4 chances to win on each ticket! \$2 each or 3 for \$5.00. Prizes are: \$50 cash prize donated by Mort Backus & Sons; \$100 in merchandise from LeBerge & Curtis, a \$50 gift certificate at Robideau's Mahogany Ridge Bar & Grill and a \$100 cash prize donated by Barstow Motors. You can buy tickets with yours flares, at the covered dish suppers, Ice Cream Social or canoe race. Winners will be drawn at the August 14th dinner meeting.

REMINDERS—

- Please do not use the river to dispose of leaves, pine needles and other debris. Though the river will take it downstream, much of it ends up on someone else's waterfront requiring them to clean it up! Not to mention the fact that DEC has told us that doing so can carry a fine! The transfer station is open every Saturday and Wednesday and will gladly take this material.
- Rules on the Water, know your law NYS General Boating Regulations state that vessel speed is limited to 5 mph when within 100 feet of the shore, a dock, pier, raft, float or anchored boat and local ordinances may enforce additional restrictions. Though we have no posted speed limit signs on Higley, the law remains in effect—please observe the 5 mph speed limit where appropriate and boat safely! Download the NYS Boater's Guide at www.nysparks.com/recreation/boating/documents/
 NYSBoatersGuide.pdf

Youth Fishing Contest—June 16th thru July 31st

This is a fishing derby for children and grandchildren of Higley Association members under the age of 16.

A fishing license is not required under the age of 16 but the individual must be accompanied by a properly licensed adult IF that adult is to touch the fish or fish pole in any way. Fish can be weighed & measured at the following locations:

Call 315-262-2433 for more information.

Ed Fuhr	58 Fuhr Rd.	315-262-2362
Joanne Hudson	40 Cove Rd., So. Colton	315-265-2255
Sandy Snyder	45 Fuhr Rd.	315-262-2433
Shane Hall	144 Mud Pond Rd.	315-212-9118

Minimum length requirements:

Bass—12 inches

Walleye-15 inches

Pike—18 inches

Prizes will be awarded!

River of Lights—July 3rd Light at 9:00 pm rain or shine

This tradition of lighting flares in preparation of our nations' independence celebration continues! What a wonderful way to show support and honor our servicemen—past and present! Light your flares at 9:00 pm. They should last for 30 minutes. Many folks light a second time. We encourage all to participate. Due to an increase in our costs this year, flares will be sold for \$2.50 each .

Use of flares should be by an adult and all purchasers will be asked to sign a disclaimer.

Please contact any of the following:

Gary & Lorraine Gowing, 125 Mud Pond Rd., 212-8266 Larry & Joanne Hudson, 40 Cove Rd Ext., 265-2255 Neil & Robin St. Andrews, 68 Sunset View Ln, 262-1199 Lin & Sandy Snyder, 45 Fuhr Rd., 262-2433 Dennis Shea & Amy Cayey, 156 Coldbrook Dr., 262-9798

Note: precede phone # with 315 area code

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Youth Parade—July 4th 10 a.m. Cottage Rd.

Please join the fun for the 15th annual 4th of July parade for youth and all interested marchers! Bike riders are welcome and asked to ride in front of the parade. Decorate bikes, strollers, boats, and walkers in Red, White & Blue! Meet at 9:30 a.m. at the corner of Cottage Rd. and Arbuckle Lane. Parade will start at 10 a.m. Can be viewed by land or water!

Covered Dish Suppers followed by Association Meetings

6 p.m. in the dining hall at the **Colton-Pierrepont School Cafeteria.** Bring a dish to share and your own table service. Bread and beverage will be provided. **OR**, join us at 7 p.m. for the membership meeting!

July 10th - General meeting. Representative from Brookfield Power Company,

August 14th - Election of Officers, Youth Fishing Contest awards, and raffle drawings.

Visit our website www.higleyflow.com
There you will find several events taking place in the area, news articles, notices about our community and many wonderful pictures.

Colton Day and Association Ice Cream Social & Fireworks—July 21st

<u>Colton Day -</u> enjoy a variety of local artisan, food and merchandise vendors as well as entertainment for young and old(er) alike! Visit our booth to purchase a variety of custom Higley items or buy your Association raffle tickets and maybe be one of 4 lucky winners!

Higley Association Ice Cream Social & Fireworks—Fireman's Field, Gulf Rd., Colton

7:30 p.m.—Cake, ice cream, cones, soda and bottled water will be served until 9 p.m.

Music provided for everyone's enjoyment! A spectacular fireworks display will begin at dark.

Raindate—July 22nd, only in the event of violent weather!

Volunteers needed to work at the social—call Robin at 315-262-1199 or Sandy at 315-262-2433.

24th Annual Round the Island Canoe Race—August 4th

Brookfield boat launch (Big Rock) - Pine Rd.

Registration: 9—9:45 a.m. Start time: 10 a.m. Approximately 4 miles.

Entry fees:

\$5 Fledging \$8 Higley members & guests \$10 non members Award ceremony - approx.

Personal Flotation devices must be worn by all participants.

For information call Judy Fuhr 315-262-2362.

Awards will be given to the first 3 finishers in each class:

Veteran Paddler—Charlie Palmer Memorial Plaque for the best finish by a paddler(s) over 60 years of age in their class.

Youth Award— *Phyllis Baker Memorial Award* will go to the youth paddler who best exemplifies a true love of the sport, sportsmanship, competitive spirit and paddling ability.

Chris Murphy Paddler Award—to the woman, any age, best exemplifying Chris' excellence in paddling and her boundless enthusiasm and love of the sport.

Divisions: NOTE— classes are 4 miles except where noted Fledgling—under 15, 1 mile any boat

K1 Kayak—any type, any paddler, classes by length and material

Short C2—canoe 16' or under, any paddler Med C2—canoe 16'1" to 18', any paddler Women C2—any rec. canoe, women paddlers

Youth C2— any rec. canoe, both paddlers under 18 years Family C2—any rec. canoe, child under16 paddling with related adult(s)

New—ANY paddle or oar paddled craft

Unlimited—all other boats

Standup Paddleboard Race—I mile around Trerise's Island

At conclusion of Award ceremony (11:30 ish) there will be slalom and relay races for canoes and pedal boats—course not to exceed 1/4 mile in length. There will be a \$2 charge for those not previously entered in a race. Ribbon prizes.

For further information, call Judy Fuhr at 315-262-2362.

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The Raquette River and Higley Flow at Colton-So. Colton, NY "a bit of heaven on earth"

Mark your calendar for <u>Saturday</u>, <u>August 18th—Norwood Brass Fireman's Band!!</u>
Back by popular demand, the Norwood Brass Fireman's Band will return to the flow for another afternoon of great entertainment. With last year being the bands first time at Higley, event coordinator, Cheryl Doyle notes that a few improvements and changes will be made to make the event a little smoother this year! Enjoy some great music from the shoreline or hop on your boat and follow along! It's sure to be another great time - mark your calendar!!

Approximately 3 p.m.

Pontoon boats with band members will leave from Jim & Sue Corbett's camp at the entrance to Green's Bay and drop anchor in Big Bay along Cottage Rd. for about 30 minutes of entertainment (3:30).

Intermission - restroom break on shore at Corbett's.

Approximately 4:15 p.m.

Pontoon Boats will then travel upriver, playing as they go, to that area between McEwen's Point and Aiken's Isle where they will again drop anchor for another 30 minutes of entertainment.

Intermission - Band members will then be treated to refreshments and nourishment at Tim and Cheryl Doyle's (channel entering into Higley State Park).

Approximately 6 p.m.

Pontoon Boats will leave Doyle's and head back to Corbett's playing along the way!

In preparation for the September 12-16 drawdown of Higley Flow and milfoil pulling activities for 2018, we have scheduled a workshop on August 30 from 1:00 - 4:00 PM. The workshop will be held at the new Colton Fire Station community room; it will be led by representatives from the Partnerships For Invasive Species Management, Erin Vennie-Vollrath and Megan Pistolese. We will be discussing both aquatic and terrestrial invasive plants, with a focus on Variable Leaf Water milfoil. Attendees are encouraged to bring samples of any plants they would like identified by our 'experts'. If you have questions, please give us a call at 315-265-2255. We will be bringing some materials to hand out for identification and pulling of milfoil, including mesh bags, and will give some insight into how the 2017 milfoil pull worked. Thank you for your continued support! Joanne and Andrea