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"A Bit of Heaven on Earth"

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Local business Supporters!

Let's return that support whenever we can!

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**Robideau's Mahogany Ridge Bar
& Grill**, So. Colton
Shoulette's Redemption Depot,
Canton
White's Flowers, Canton
Brookfield Power Company

WELCOME to our newest business supporter - **South of the Rock Bait, Beer & Tackle**, 75 E. Hill Rd., So. Colton—Austin Garvin, Owner.

From the President

Friends & Neighbors,

Another winter is behind us and summer fast approaching.

A special "thanks" to all of you for being members 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—buy local!!

Remember—volunteers are needed at events and ideas/suggestions are always welcome! Please read the insert that we have included with this newsletter. Please feel free to contact me at 315-262-2433.

Have a great summer!
Lin Snyder, President

FYIs -

Heads up! - Lisa Fisher of Colton is working to re-establish the old "Colton Day" with a new name "Lazy, Hazy Days of Colton" and a new location—Swift Field, So. Colton. She would like it to coordinate with our Fireworks/Ice Cream Social. For more information, you can contact Lisa at 315-261-2229.

Volunteers needed. There comes a time in all organizations when "new blood" is needed! Please contact any of the Board Members if you are interested in getting involved—"many hands make for light work"!

Check our website www.higleyflow.com or the facebook page for information or news that becomes available after the mailing of this newsletter or whenever inclement weather might affect an event!

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: **2023**) For most of you, it is your **2024** 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 November thru April.

At A Glance: 2023 (more details inside newsletter)

June 10	Youth Fishing Contest begins (Sat.)
July 3	River of Lights —light flares at 9:15 pm, rain or shine
July 4 boat	Youth/Boat Parade —Cottage Rd., 10 am Read on the back page about the new parade!
July 11	Association Meeting/Covered Dish Supper —6 pm, Community Room, Colton FD
July 15	Association Fireworks display - Firemen's Field, corner of Gulf & Hanson Rds. 7:30—9 pm Ice cream and beverages available. Music provided by Shawn Reed.
July 16	"Firemen on the Flow" Concert—3 p.m. (See back page for details)
July 29	Youth Fishing Contest ends
Aug. 5	"Round the Island" Canoe Race —"Big Rock" boat launch, Pine Rd. Reg. 9 a.m.
Aug. 8	Association Meeting/Covered Dish Supper —6 pm, Community Room, Colton FD
Sept. 13—17	Tentative annual fall water draw-down. Brookfield Power will begin to lower the water on Wed. the 14th and return to normal on the Sunday the 18th.

Annual Raffle — 5 chances to win on each ticket! \$2 each or 3 for \$5.00. Prizes are: \$50 gift certificate from **White's Flowers**, Canton; \$50 in merchandise from **LeBerge & Curtis Rentals**, Canton; \$50 gift certificate at **Robideau's Mahogany Ridge Bar & Grill**, So. Colton; \$100 cash prize donated by **Barstow Motors**, Potsdam; and a \$50 cash prize donated by **The Red Pine Cone**, So. Colton. You can buy tickets with your flares, at the covered dish suppers, fireworks or canoe race. Winners will be drawn at the August 8th 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 10th thru July 29th

NEW—The fishing derby is now open to **ANY** youth under the age of 16 regardless of where they live but with the requirement the fish must be caught in upper or lower Higley and they must be accompanied by an adult when they get their fish weighed and measured.

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 & Larry Hudson	40 Cove Rd., So. Colton	315-265-2255
Lin 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 9:15 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 9:15 pm. They should last for 30 minutes. We encourage all to participate. Flares will be sold for \$3.50 each .

Use of flares should be by an adult and all purchasers assume responsibility for their safe use.

Please contact any of the following:

Larry & Joanne Hudson, 40 Cove Rd Ext., 265-2255
 Neil & Robin St. Andrews, 68 Sunset View Ln, 262-1199
 Lin Snyder, 45 Fuhr Rd., 262-2433
 Mike & Kathy Rowe, 116 Cold Brook Dr., 771-3785
 Brian & Jessica Plonka, 16 Evergreen Trail., 244-0524

Note: precede phone # with 315 area code

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

Please join the fun for the 18th 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, 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! [Join in for the newly organized boat parade that will coincide with the children's parade —see back page for details!](#)

Covered Dish Suppers followed by Association Meetings

6 p.m. at Community Room of the Colton Fire Dept. [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 11th - General meeting. Representative from Brookfield Power Company,

August 8th - 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

Higley Association Annual Fireworks Display—July 15th

Higley Association Fireworks Display —Fireman's Field, Gulf Rd., Colton

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

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

Raindate—July 16th **only** in the event of violent weather!

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

28th Annual Round the Island Canoe Race—August 5th

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.
11 am

**Personal Flotation devices
must be worn by all partici-
pants.**

For information or to volun-
teer to help, call Judy Fuhr
At 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 pad-
dler who best exemplifies a true love of the sport, sportsmanship, com-
petitive spirit and paddling ability.

Chris Murphy Paddler Award—to the woman, any age, best exem-
plifying 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 under 16 paddling with related adult(s)

New—ANY paddle or oar paddled craft

Unlimited—all other boats

Standup Paddleboard Race—**1 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 infor-
mation, call Judy
Fuhr at 315-262-
2362.**

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The Raquette River and Higley Flow at
Colton—So. Colton, NY

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2024—The Higley Association will celebrate it's 75th Anniversary!! Many of you and family before you have enjoyed many summers here at Higley. Please share stories, photos, memories and any ideas to appropriately recognize this occasion. Send to thehigleyassociation@gmail.com.

Mark your calendar for **Sunday, July 16th - 3 pm. — Norwood Brass Fireman's Band returns!!** Big Bay off Cottage Rd. approximately 3 pm. In case of bad weather, check the website at www.higleyflow.com and the facebook page for information.

Powerboat Operation - BRIANNA'S LAW (Signed August 2019)

Those born on or after Jan. 1, 1993 will need a boating safety certificate beginning in 2020.

Those born on or after Jan. 1, 1988 will need a boating safety certificate beginning in 2022.

Those born on or after Jan. 1, 1983 will need a boating safety certificate beginning in 2023.

Those born on or after Jan. 1, 1978 will need a boating safety certificate beginning in 2024.

ALL MOTOR BOAT OPERATORS REGARDLESS OF AGE WILL NEED A BOATING SAFETY CERTIFICATE BEGINNING IN 2025.

DON'T FORGET LAST YEAR'S NEW EVENT—JULY 4TH BOAT PARADE -

We are complementing the Kids' Parade with a parade of antique through late classic boats (antique 1919-1942; classic 1943-1975; late classic 25 years old or older) and decorated watercraft. If the response is positive it may become an annual event.

Do you have an antique- late classic boat, wooden or otherwise? Would you like to decorate your newer boat for the 4th? All boats are welcome to join the parade but decorating is encouraged. Older boats are encouraged to put a sign on the side of their boat telling the year of the boat.

The Kid's Parade starts at 10:00A.M. from the far end of Cottage Rd./Big Bay near Bob Agel's. We ask that you line up parallel to the shore of the Parade, antique/classic boats in front followed by decorated boats. Let' give the kids some well-deserved support! As soon as the Kid's Parade reaches its destination the lead boat will begin a circle of the Big Bay at parade speed followed by the others.

If your older boat has an interesting history you would like to share, send it to Judy Fuhr at jfuhr@twcny.rr.com. An article of the histories will be posted on the Higley Association website, www.higleyflow.com for everyone's enjoyment.