

### MANAGEMENT PLAN PROCESS UNDERWAY FOR SILVER LAKE AND LAKE COMEGYS

"Plans to protect air and water, wilderness and wildlife are in fact plans to protect man." **Stewart Udall** 

Sallie Forman, Founder/President

2019 marks 15 years since SOLA3's founding. Think it's fair to say that our biggest accomplishment to date has been resolving the long-time question of who owns Silver Lake and Lake Comegys. From the research we provided, and the decision by then Attorney General Biden in 2013, we know the State of Delaware has always owned these public, natural resources and that the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC) has regulatory authority and responsibility. The State General Assembly requires that DNREC have a management plan in place for the lakes that reflects the needs of DNREC and the community.

After 5 years of working with DNREC to develop a plan, our Board met with DNREC Secretary Garvin early in 2018 asking for a management plan strategy. This apparently led to meetings with DNREC, the City of Rehoboth, Sussex County, and the Town of Dewey Beach, that resulted in a partnership to develop a plan.

Details of the proposed Lakes Management Plan are provided by Kristin Barnekov-Short (DNREC) and Evan Miller (City of Rehoboth) in their informative articles in this newsletter. Participants are DNREC, the City of Rehoboth (that will lead the effort), Sussex County, Town of Dewey Beach, and the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers. SOLA3 and the public will be included in the process. Costs are covered by a grant from DNREC, matched by the 3 jurisdictions, plus a grant from the Army Corp of Engineers.

The "scope of work" closely matches the issues SOLA3 has identified as necessary to improve the environment and water quality of the lakes.

The Resilient Community Partnership (also reported by Evan Miller) is complementary to the management plan in that its goals ... "will help establish specific actions that we can take to improve water quality in our lakes and the ocean..." SOLA3 supported the application of the City of Rehoboth to be the lead in the partnership.

Our SOLA3 Board and a few long-time supporters had an opportunity to have lunch in Rehoboth with Lt. Governor Bethany Hall-Long to discuss SOLA3 and its mission. This led to the Lt. Governor organizing a meeting in her offices in Dover with her staff, and staffs from Speaker Schwartz-kopf's office and DNREC to discuss how we can work together on improving the lakes' environment. We greatly appreciate the outcome of that meeting and Lt. Hall-Long's article (p. 2) that reflects how she values Delaware's natural resources.

As you read through this newsletter it's easy to see why "it takes a village"—State and local officials and their staffs, volunteers, educators, our community, the generosity of many, and most importantly our dedicated Board of Directors — to accomplish SOLA3's mission. It's my belief that our shared vision and collaborative efforts will result in meaningful environmental improvements to our treasured lakes if the proposed plans and projects are successful.

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#### "Bethany from Bethany"

#### Bethany Hall-Long - Lt. Governor of Delaware

"Bethany from Bethany" is a phrase I've often used to introduce myself. I began using it when I was a young candy striper at Beebe Hospital, but also as an adult. I like it. It signals the bond I have with my family's farm and my Sussex County heritage. Growing up near our beaches, whether surfing with friends, fishing with my grandfather along the coast line, or attending camp at Cape Henlopen, made me appreciate not only the beauty of our beaches, but the importance they play in our local economy, health, and conservation. Now, as a nurse, policymaker, mother and your Lt. Governor, I have come to value our coastline, canals, and waterways for even greater reasons.

Our beach towns are the center of our state's tourism industry. No longer just a summer destination, many now call our beaches "home" year round. This steady increase has brought new jobs, and added economic growth. It has also brought its own challenges.

The natural resources of our coastline have felt the effects of an increased population and development. We've seen the reduction of our farmland and coastline along with greater challenges to protecting our inland bays. The Rehoboth lakes have long been a focal point and destination for residents and tourists alike. Silver Lake, Lake Gerar, and Lake Comegys, our state's only freshwater lakes, have served as a backdrop to the rich and historic character that makes this community so special. Now more than ever, we must remain vigilant and steadfast in our commitment to protect these natural treasures, and endeavor to protect our critical open space, increase our conservation activities, and reduce our overall carbon footprint.

As a policymaker, I have come to understand that the only way to directly impact these issues—for the positive—is to collaborate and work together to bring tangible solutions to the forefront. We must work collectively and as a community on these pressing issues to ensure our coastline remains the best in the nation, our bays and waterways are clean, our critical natural infrastructure remains pristine, and we work on recognizing our global impact. As Earl Nightingale once said, "Our environment, the world in which we live and work, is a mirror of our attitudes and expectations." I challenge you, as Bethany from Bethany, to look within yourself and ask, "What are our personal attitudes and expectations?" for our gems, our beaches.



Delaware Lt. Gov. Bethany Hall-Long, second from left, with SOLA3 board and supporters

#### **DNREC UPDATE ON LAKES' PROJECTS**

Kristin Barnekov-Short - Chief of Staff
Delaware Department of Natural Resources and
Environment Control

#### LAKES MANAGEMENT PLAN

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC) will have a support and facilitation role in the most current proposed Lake Management Development Plan. The City of Rehoboth is leading the initiative in partnership with the Town of Dewey Beach and Sussex County. DNREC will ensure that all involved understand DNREC's Subaqueous Permitting Authority and provide information or services should they be requested.

A consultant will be hired to develop the scope of work for the proposed project and DNREC will be involved in the discussion and process. The contractor will establish a process that is inclusive of public participation. The Department determined that since the physical boundaries for the lakes are shared by all three jurisdictions, having all participate in the process may help to facilitate a shared solution.

Funding for the Lakes Management Plan was needed and the Surface Water Planning Grant was identified as potential funding source. I am not aware that a timeline has been determined, however all parties continue to move forward. The Division of Watershed Stewardship has been the Division involved in the conversations.

#### PERMITTING FOR DOCKS AND PIERS REQUIRED

DNREC reviews applications for structures and shore-line stabilization in Silver Lake using policies established by the Wetlands and Subaqueous Lands Section (WSLS) in the Division of Water that are used throughout the State (7 Del. Code Chapter 72). In some cases, structures already existing in Silver Lake exceed the dimensions recommended in our policies. In such cases, we are allowing the repair and replacement of these structures to their existing dimensions. Any new structures would need a permit from WSLS and will need to comply with the current policies.

#### SILVER LAKE OUTFALL PIPE

The Silver Lake outfall pipe is not new. There are two issues associated with the existing outfall pipe and outfall pipe structure; 1) repairs needed to fix leaking joints, and 2) repairs needed to the outfall pipe structure that controls the water level in Silver Lake. With regard to the leaks, the Department is currently evaluating the costs as well as funding sources for the repair. The proposed Lake Management Development Plan process will provide an opportunity for stakeholders to weigh in on many issues, including the issue of the water level of the lake. It is DNREC's expectation that the process should include opportunities to find consensus amongst the many stakeholders as well as provide a roadmap to move forward. Currently, there are no plans to extend the outfall farther into the Atlantic Ocean. The Division of Watershed Stewardship has been taking the lead on the issue of the outfall pipe.

#### SILVER LAKE DREDGING

The dredging project [at the west end] of the lake was completed in 2018 by DNREC's Division of Watershed Stewardship. Staff have indicated that, at this time, no additional dredging is planned for Silver Lake. DNREC will continue to monitor the wetland benches to ensure the bulrush that has become established continues to flourish, and spray in the fall for phragmites control.



Egret on Lake Comegys dock eyeing SOLA3 awards plaque given to Lake Comegys HOA Photo Courtesy of Peggy Douglas

### CITY OF REHOBOTH BEACH TAKING LEAD IN DEVELOPING LAKES MANAGEMENT PLAN AND RESILIENT COMMUNITIES PARTNERSHIP

Evan Miller - Planning Coordinator - City of Rehoboth Beach

#### **Silver Lake and Lake Comegys Management Plan**

The City of Rehoboth Beach was successful in receiving a Surface Water Matching Planning Grant through the Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control's Division of Watershed Stewardship for a Silver Lake and Lake Comegys Management Plan. This grant supports planning, preliminary engineering, and feasibility analysis of surface water improvement projects and activities that focus on the developed landscape to improve water quality in impaired watersheds in Delaware. The City of Rehoboth Beach has partnered with Sussex County, Town of Dewey Beach, Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to provide up to \$200,000 towards the development of this plan.

Although the City is still in the scoping phase of the plan, all participating jurisdictions and entities agreed that the scope of work will need to address ownership and maintenance responsibilities, water quantity, water quality, and shoreline management. Currently, the State of Delaware has title to Silver Lake [and Lake Comegys] and subaqueous land. However, with several jurisdictional boundaries abutting the lake, each have different code enforcement requirements. Determining land ownership in and around the immediate buffer of the Silver Lake watershed will provide the jurisdictions with the ability to create comprehensive sediment and soil erosion control methods, as well as necessary maintenance to existing infrastructure. To provide for public safety and environmental protection, water quality will be addressed by performing a needs assessment for the watershed including the stormwater management systems, shorelines and the conservation area. The plan will also identify green infrastructure necessary to preserve soil stability, water quality, natural habitat, and fish and wildlife populations in and around the watershed.

More information on the plan will be made available once the initial scoping meetings have been held. Additionally, the City of Rehoboth Beach will be requesting public feedback during the development of the plan. Should you have any questions regarding this plan, please do not hesitate to contact Evan Miller, Projects Coordinator with the City of Rehoboth Beach at (302) 227-6181 or emiller@cityofrehoboth.com. Con'td on page 5.



#### **Resilient Communities Partnership**

In July 2018, the City of Rehoboth Beach was successful in receiving a Resilient Communities Partnership (RCP) Grant through the Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control's Delaware Coastal Programs Office. The RCP program leverages federal funding provided by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) to help Delaware communities improve their planning and preparation capabilities for responding to coastal hazards. The Resilient Communities Partnership will provide technical assistance in the amount of roughly \$75,000 to focus on two main deliverables:

- 1. To provide a summary of mitigation options (best management practices) that will increase stormwater infiltration and reduce impervious surface coverage;
- 2. Develop model ordinances for each Municipality in the partnership to control impervious surface coverage.

The partnership is made up of the City of Lewes, Town of Henlopen Acres, City of Rehoboth Beach, Town of Dewey Beach, Town of Bethany Beach, Town of South Bethany, and the Town of Fenwick Island. The municipalities have brought on two consultants, AECOM and KCI to assist with this partnership. AECOM will perform best management practices while KCI develops an ordinance for each community.

The coastal communities in the Inland Bays watershed provide a myriad of benefits to both residents and visitors alike," said City Manager, Sharon Lynn. "Within their Comprehensive Plans, municipalities have identified goals and actions to prevent and reduce flooding and to protect the water quality of nearby natural resources, including the Inland Bays and the Atlantic Ocean. By utilizing the Resilient Communities Partnership grant, we can fund initial actions that help to accomplish these goals," she continued.

In addition to the two main deliverables, the partnership will also involve comparing and analyzing the increase of impervious surfaces from 2007 to 2017. The information will help the communities understand how growth and development has impacted stormwater runoff and what impact it could have in the future. "As the City gets closer towards a possible MS4 designation, this information, in addition to what this partnership will provide, will help establish specific actions that we can take to improve water quality in our lakes and the ocean," said Kevin Williams, Rehoboth Beach's Director of Public Works. The partnership is still in its initial phases, however, funding through NOAA has been authorized and research on best management practice has begun. Should you have any questions regarding this plan, please do not hesitate to contact Evan Miller, Projects Coordinator with the City of Rehoboth Beach at (302) 227-6181 or emiller@cityofrehoboth.com.





#### TEN YEARS OF WORKSHOPS TO EDUCATE "FUTURE ECO-ACTIVISTS"

Jacquie Kisiel, 5<sup>th</sup> grade science teacher

Rehoboth Beach Elementary School

For the past 10 years, Rehoboth Elementary's 5<sup>th</sup> grade students have engaged in a water quality study in their outdoor classroom, Silver Lake. Thanks to SOLA3 sponsorship, students were able to conduct and compare this year's results with previous years under the direction of Todd Fritchman from Envirotech.

"I learned how to use a dichotomous key to identify macroinvertebrates. This is important because depending on the type of macroinvertebrate, we can tell if the water is good or poor," reports 5<sup>th</sup> grader Cooper Nathan as he studied two samples of water. The first sample was named Unknown on the students data sheets. Mr. Fritchman collected this from a freshwater lake in Sussex County. Cooper and his classmates isolated and quantified damselfly and mayfly nymphs as well as grass shrimp, crayfish, beetles, and numerous snails. These types of macroinvertebrates are considered moderately pollution-sensitive organisms.

With the 2<sup>nd</sup> sample from Silver Lake, it was a bit more difficult for the 5<sup>th</sup> grade students to locate and identify macroinvertebrates due to the high turbidity in the sample. With help from SOLA3 volunteers, the students inputted the midge fly larvae and worms that they collected on their data sheets. The students noticed that there was certainly a lack of biodiversity with the Silver Lake sample. Mr. Fritchman informed the 5<sup>th</sup> graders that certain macroinvertebrates are considered tolerant to pollution and can indicate low dissolved oxygen level or nutrient-enriched waters.

Being able to study Silver Lake's unique ecosystem offers RES students an opportunity to connect their science curriculum to their community. "I enjoyed finding macroinvertebrates in water samples from fresh water lakes. It was fun to find a cool looking macroinvertebrate and then being identify its true name and type," stated Cooper.

Editor's Note: *Delaware Beach Life's* April, 2019 issue featured an article in its "Kids stuff: Young achievers" section written by Jeanne Shook – "Testing the Waters: Fifth-graders get their feet wet as environmental researchers, thanks to SOLA3 program" that reports on our 2018 workshop, with great quotes from Ms. Kisiel and her students and outstanding photos.





Our Future Eco-Activists

## LAKE GERAR IMPROVEMENTS DEFERRED FOR SECOND YEAR BETTER SEQUENCING OF PROJECTS IN THAT AREA SOUGHT

Stan Mills - Rehoboth Beach Commissioner

Two years ago it seemed that improvements to the southwest finger of Lake Gerar – removal of vegetation and dredging – might be on the horizon and expected to be completed by the time you read this! However, after further discussion by the Rehoboth Beach Commissioners over two budget years the authorization to initiate remediation was put on hold.

The project deferment the first year was reasoned to allow for a more holistic "health screening" of the entire lake, not just the SW finger. Rationale offered at the most recent budget year for a second year of deferment was to allow for a major roadway improvement project in the area abutting the lake to precede the cleanup of Lake Gerar.

Phase Two of the Lake Avenue streetscape project seeks to improve pedestrian and vehicular traffic flow in the area bound by Maryland and Olive Avenues and Second and Third Streets, an area abutting the SW finger of Lake Gerar and which has catch basins emptying into the lake. This project would be performed in two phases sequenced to avoid construction in the tourist season with initial construction starting in early 2020 and second phase completion of the roadway improvements project expected prior to summer 2021.

And so we'll keep an eye on the realization of the pending Phase Two Lake Avenue streetscape project to give us a hint of when the City might finally initiate the cleanup of the southwest finger of Lake Gerar. While there still is nothing budgeted to date, the Gerar Lake Improvements project has been placed in the 2021 Capital Improvement Plan with potential funding to be decided on during next year's budget sessions.

#### What will Rehoboth look like in 10 years?

By Susan Gay\*

The state-mandated revision of the Rehoboth Beach Comprehensive Development Plan is underway! The Planning Commission is currently finalizing a survey that will go to both residents and visitors, seeking input on transportation, city services, environment, economic development, land use, quality of life, and other issues.

Then, over the summer this year and through the fall, a series of public workshops is planned to seek input on key topics, all revolving around the central idea of envisioning an ideal future for Rehoboth Beach.

SOLA3 was an active contributor to the previous CDP (2010) by making recommendations that would improve the lakes environment, and expects to actively participate in development of the 2020 Plan. Your input is encouraged!

\*Disclosure: Susan Gay currently serves as Vice Chair of the Rehoboth Beach Planning Commission, in addition to her role as a SOLA3 board member.



Lake Gerar Shortly After 2005 Renovation

# SOLA3 Awards First Lakes Improvement Grant New Applications Invited for 2019

Tom Childers - Vice President, SOLA3

Congratulations to Sandy Bieber and Linda Rosenzweig as the winners of SOLA3's first annual grant created to encourage projects that enhance the health of Silver Lake, Lake Comegys and Lake Gerar. They improved their property along the shoreline of Silver Lake in accordance with environmental best practices to control erosion and storm water run-off and provide natural habitat for local flora and fauna. Our thanks to Wes Allen, Environmental Scientist for Solitude Management, who was SOLA3's environmental expert on the project.

As part of its ongoing commitment to promote the health of the lakes and lake environs, SOLA3 will continue this competition in 2019 by awarding one or more cost-sharing grants.

Maybe you have been considering removing invasive phragmites from your shoreline, would like to add an environmentally engineered riparian buffer, wish to redirect storm waters that normally run from your property into a rain garden, or install pervious surfaces. These and other projects may be eligible for our support. The deadline for receiving applications is September 30, 2019 and projects must be completed by December 31, 2019. Con'td on page 9.



Sallie Forman, Diane Hansen, Wes Allen (Solitude Management), Tom Childers In front of shoreline improvements that received the first SOLA3 Lakes' Improvement Grant

Guidelines, criteria, location of properties eligible to apply, and an application form are available for download from our Web site, <a href="www.SOLA3.org">www.SOLA3.org</a>. The grants competition is open to individual homeowners, homeowner associations, or groups of two or more homeowners (e.g., neighbors) working together.

Upon successful completion of an awarded project, SOLA3 will reimburse 50% of documented out-of-pocket costs, up to \$3,000. Smaller scale projects are also welcome – for example, a project costing \$500 could be eligible for a \$250 SOLA3 grant.

If you have any questions about the grant competition, you may email them to saveourlakes3@aol.com

#### HOW YOU CAN BE A GOOD STEWARD OF THE LAKES

Much of the lakes' pollution can be attributed to runoff from properties surrounding the lakes and over 40

Rehoboth storm drains flowing into the lakes. Here are some solutions to remedy this:

- For driveways, sidewalks, patios, and other "hard" surfaces, install pervious surfaces to allow rainfall to drain into the ground. These include porous concrete, asphalt, pavers, crushed stone or shells.
- Determine if your soil needs fertilization, and if so use minimal amounts of natural or organic products that can be purchased at most hardware stores and garden centers.
   Fertilize your lawn only in the fall with one application.
- Leave grass clippings on the lawn to provide nutrients and use your composted yard wastes for gardens.
- Pull weeds or spray full strength vinegar on your leaves, then pour boiling water over them, rather than using chemical solutions.
- Direct roof runoff to grassy areas or gardens; or use rain barrels to collect roof runoff and allow to drain slowly into your gardens. Use splash blocks or drainage tiles at rain spouts.
- Install rain gardens to capture runoff.
- To control pests, lessen the use of chemicals with organic or natural products. And do not apply these products or fertilizers prior to a rain storm.
- Plant vegetated filter strips of closely growing grasses or other dense vegetation at the perimeter of impervious or disturbed areas to catch and filter runoff.
- Install a riparian buffer of native trees, shrubs, flowers and grasses along the lakes' shorelines to filter out polluted runoff, control erosion and provide habitat for wildlife.
- Dispose of all hazardous wastes paints, solvents, used oil, antifreeze, etc. properly at recycling centers. DO NOT POUR DOWN THE DRAIN OR ON THE LAWN.
- Support policies that integrate storm water management best practices.

#### **FUN HISTORY FACTS: Did you know?**

Before Rehoboth Beach became "the nation's summer capital", the Nanticoke tribe had regular summer encampments around Silver Lake to gather shell fish from the Ocean, that they smoked to be preserved for the winter.

Until about 200 years ago, Silver Lake and Lake Comegys were conjoined. The separation took place early in the 1800's to contain the pollution from the tannery located there, when it was then named Tan Vat Cove.

The Lake Gerar area, until the 1930's, was basically a swamp -- with shallow water in rainy periods. A branch of the DuPont family, with homes on the north side, agreed with the City of Rehoboth Beach, to clean up the wetland and make it a proper lake, in exchange for nearby lands.





Did you know that SOLA3 has received two Governor's OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER organization Awards and was listed among Delaware's top 50 eco-activists in *Delaware Today*.

#### **SOLA3 REALLY, REALLY NEEDS YOU**

SOLA3 is the only organization dedicated to improving our Rehoboth Lakes. As we begin our next five years, we realize that our future success will depend on expanding the SOLA3 organization to include more volunteers to maximize our effectiveness.

In all cases, your commitment would involve only as much time as you can spare. We know you would enjoy your time with our dedicated board, who make working and playing together fun, and you would experience a greater connection to our environment and our community.

So please sign up using the enclosed "Friends of SOLA3" form and return in the enclosed envelope. Or send an email to <a href="mailto-saveOurLakes3@aol.com">SaveOurLakes3@aol.com</a>. While "operators are not standing by" we promise to be in touch asap.

#### **BEACH WALK UPDATE**

This development is located on the current site of the Rehoboth Beach Plaza on Rt. 1, consisting of 7.78 acres. The current plan calls for 63 units, as a condominium complex, with a pool, parking and recreation center. The Rehoboth Planning Commission ruled unanimously that the development meets all the criteria for a major subdivision, not a condominium, which was upheld by the Board of Commissioners. The owner of the property appealed those decisions to the Delaware Superior Court.

As the result of the Superior Court Judge's decision to deny the motion by the City of Rehoboth to dismiss the case, Rehoboth's Board of Commissioners voted 6-0\* to appeal that decision. At the same time, they also voted (unanimously) to move forward at a later meeting to codify an ordinance that passed in 2016 that will clarify the applicability of zoning changes relating to this development.

Many residents were present at the Commissioner's meeting to speak in opposition to this development, as currently planned.

\*Mayor Paul Kuhns has recused himself from participating in this case.

#### **SOLA3 BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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Mabel Granke & Mike Boyd SOLA3 is grateful for its partnership with the following organizations:

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#### **OUR GIVING COMMUNITY - THANK YOU!**

As a non-profit, all-volunteer organization, SOLA3 does not receive any government funds nor grants, but must rely on our generous donors to support the work we do "to protect, preserve and maintain ... Silver Lake, Lake Comegys and Lake Gerar." This support allows us to provide educational opportunities through workshops for children and adults, we work with state and local officials to improve the lakes environment, we inform through our newsletter, Website and media, that has resulted in our activities being reported by the Cape Gazette, Beach Life, Delaware Today, and WBOC.

Our success to date is due to the dedication of our volunteers and to our generous donors who are "Friends of SOLA3." Whether you are currently or plan to be a "Friend", we ask that you be as generous as possible with your gift to SOLA3 so that we have adequate funds to continue our important environmental work. Please complete the attached form when sending your gift. You may give with a check or a gift of stock. Gifts are tax-deductible based on IRS rules.

#### **RESPONSE TO MYSTERY PHOTO OF "LILLY LAKE"**

Editor's note: In our 2018 newsletter we ran a request from Mr. John Fillmore for more information about a glass plate photo he provided with words "Lilly Lake" that he thought might be Silver Lake.

We thank Marnie Laird for her response, that we shared with Mr. Fillmore:

"Yes, Silver Lake used to be full of water lilies. Many people thought they were beautiful, others thought they clogged up the lake. To me they were a lovely sight and I wish they were back.

"When I was a child spending the summers at my grandparents, whose house was on Silver Lake, there were many, many water lilies. This would have been in the early to mid forties. My grandfather gave me a small rowboat, which I kept tied to an under structure of the Silver Lake Bridge. Many days I took a crab net and rowed out, tugging lilies loose with the net. I had some water in the bottom of the boat so the lilies were happy.

"I would row home, tie up, and bring my little red wagon to the lakeshore. I then scooped water into it with a pail and put the lilies into the wagon. Then I would pull it around the neighborhood, knocking on doors and selling the lilies to obliging housewives for a nickel a piece.

"This would have been the Silver Lake areas of Lake Drive, Queen St, Rodney St. and surrounding neighborhood. I did quite well financially, no doubt due to those kindhearted women who always seemed happy to buy my lilies. Many of the ones I remember were old time Rehoboth families: the Scotts, Layton's, Rodney's, Cannons, and Horstmullers, and so on."



Lilly Lake