



## August 2026 Newsletter

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### WCEBIA 2026 Meeting Dates

**\*\*The August 2026 meeting will be held August 8<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 PM hosted by Lou and Donna Buscemi , Hampton Road West side.** followed by annual Bay picnic

**Town Supervisor Dave Fantuzzo and Town Clerk Tammy Vezzose plan to attend the picnic and will bring water project easement documents for signatures.**

**September 12<sup>th</sup>** at Klem's , cohosed with Kalbfleischs **10:00 AM**

**-October 10<sup>th</sup> Dailey's barn 10:00 AM** followed by Pot Luck Luncheon

**Safe Harbor** Vice President Ray Seigfred

- The channel continues to be open deep and wide.  
*Our current digging permits expire in 2028.*
- *There was some conversation concerning the jetty and the damage it has sustained.* Cost is a big factor and repair possibilities are being explored .Ray and Dave met with the Proof Projects staff Monday, July 6<sup>th</sup> , to kick off their 3 year study of sediment, nutrients and the effect of wave action on the Bays. They did some drone surveys. The buoy that will be placed in the Lake just outside the East Bay channel will be placed soon.
- Proof Projects will need to recharge their drones and were looking for places to do that. Tom and Barb Boehly agreed to let them use their outdoor outlets.
- The grant from Sea Grant that Ray applied for was denied. Ray has requested info on why it was denied and what kinds of things were funded.
- Ray shared that Dave Fantuzzo – Town of Huron Supervisor- sent a request he received from Sea Grant is looking for people to assist with a cormorant study they are doing. Ray sent the info to

Secretary Wanda Klem who sent it out to our e-mail list and has included it in the Newsletter. Dave Dailey noted that cormorants can very destructive. They are, however' protected nationally and internationally.

- The pile of rocks left near the channel opening was left there to use to fill the channel in the Fall instead of dispersing down the bar.
- The Wayne County Times, Water District 10 sent out requests for bids for the work to be done. .These were to be in by July 10<sup>th</sup>

### Water Quality – Pres Dave Dailey

- The water level on the Bay is up a little – 247.38 inches.
- Dave surveyed the Sodus Bay Bridge area where the harvesters worked for a couple weeks. There is a grant for that work because it is removing water chestnuts also. There are still 1000s of water chestnuts there which pass under the bridge and out into the Bay daily. The only way to totally get rid of them is to pull them by the roots.
- Our water chestnut problem has been contained to an area up the creek – they are under control but need to be monitored and pulled by the roots when seen. Dave feels they are still our biggest concern.
- Dave shared that the live weeds in the Bay are coming from the creeks, The weeds on the surface are dead ones that are rising due to warning of the water. The surface water was 85\* and the bottom of the Bay was in the 50s in a recent survey by Dave.
- Jim Klem shared his concerns with the weeds based on his lifetime on the Bay – 21 of which he was a certified applicator and treated the weeds. He

believes there is a problem with the product we are using. It was mentioned that new weeds have come along. Jim acknowledged this and shared that this is why in the past, the product was changed at least every 5 years or so. Jim fears we are going to lose our Bay if we don't change things up. He has done extensive research on the current weeds we have and various products available to treat them. Cost can be a factor in what is chosen. Jim and others feel a committee should be making decisions about weed control on East Bay.

- Dave Dailey shared that a new invasive weed on the bay is Sego Pond weed. It has been in the Bay for 3 years and exploded this year. The current product used does well on them where is used but where not treated, they are flourishing.
- Weed Harvesters started on the Bay on 7/8. They were supposed to be here Wednesday the week before the 4<sup>th</sup> but were delayed due to breakdowns and illness of operators. They do not work on Fridays.
- Criteria for harvesting is up to Mike Walker who oversees the program .By Permit, they are supposed to harvest in the middle where we don't treat. The Association treats the perimeter. VP Ray Seigfred has contacted their manager – Ron Thorn -at Wayne County Soil and Water as well as Huron Town Supervisor – Dave Fantuzzo about our concerns. The Harvester Program was double funded this year and they have a new harvester for a total of four. The Program also now has to have permits from the DEC for harvesting weeds.



The 70”X80” quilt made by Jan Brewster’s client and donated to the Bay to raffle off as a fundraiser. Tickets are \$5.00 each. They were distributed with the Daily Numbers Tickets. Contact Patty Kalbeisch if you need more. Her contact info is in the Newsletter. Drawing will take place at the August 8<sup>th</sup> picnic.

#### Daily Numbers Raffle:

This raffle runs through the month of August. Get your ticket stubs (with name as as possible – preferably before August 1<sup>st</sup> . Patty’s contact info is:

Patty Kalbfleisch  
5895 Clark Road  
Newark, NY 14513  
(315)945-0990  
pakalbfleisch@ooutlook.com

- Raffle --Matching numbers from NYS daily drawing awarded as follows:
  - \$50.00 daily \_Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri., Sat., Sun.
  - \$ 200 Wednesdays
  - \$ 10 each – numbers on either side of the winning Wednesday number

**Apparel** Lou Buscemi/Sharon Brewster  
There are some items in stock . Special orders probably will need to wait until next season at this point.. If a special order is desired, it should be submitted to Lou or Sharon.

**August Raffles** Patty Kalbfleisch

#### **Social Concerns -Kate Seigfred**

Let Kate know if there is a Bay neighbor you are aware of who we should reach out to with comfort, congratulations, or uplifting thoughts and she will send a card.

## **Social Media** Jim Pierce

- Newsletters and any other pertinent information are posted to the website as soon as they are received. - \* Website - <https://www.wcebia.org/>
- 1. Added a FAQ (frequently asked questions) page.  
<https://www.wcebia.org/faq>
- 2. Added a members only portal. This is the replacement for Nextdoor.  
<https://www.wcebia.org/groups>

## **Social Events** – Donna Buscemi

\* The 4<sup>th</sup> of July Golf Cart Parade had fewer participants but a number of spectators. Fun for all.

\* There were seven boats in the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Boat Parade. Many spectators. Weeds may have limited participation.

\* There were about 20 residents who enjoyed the Bay Crawl on July 25<sup>th</sup>. It was great to have among our attendees, Dave Daily, Sr. whom we haven't seen around much lately! His presence was a very pleasant surprise!! Thanks to the Brewsters, the Boehlys and the Pierce's who hosted the three legs of our fun. We were honored to join family and friends celebrating Roger Pierce's 84<sup>th</sup> birthday on our last stop!

### \* **Upcoming:**

- August 8<sup>th</sup>

WCEBIA Meeting - **3:00 PM** followed by the Annual East Bay Picnic - Buscemi's on Hampton Rd. Bring a dish to pass \*\*See attached flyer!!

- September 12<sup>th</sup>
  - WCEBIA Meeting at Klem's – 10:00 AM – Cline Shore – co-hosted by Kalbfleischs
  - Bowling at 3B in Sodus
- October 10<sup>th</sup>  
WCEBIA Meeting followed by End of the Season Pot Luck (bring a dish to pass).

## **Cormorant Study**

Dave Fantuzzo, Town of Huron Supervisor, received a request from Sea Grant requesting the assistance of people living in coastal areas with a study they are conducting on cormorants. Dave forwarded the request that includes more information about cormorants and the on-line reporting form they are using to Feel free to share it with your neighbors. Cormorants are federally and internationally protected. The study is attempting to find out where they are, what they are up to, and what effect they may have on the coastal areas where they are found.

Sea Grant is a Federal-University partnership program that brings science together with communities for solutions that work. The National Sea Grant College program was established by the U.S. Congress in 1966 and works to create and maintain a healthy coastal environment and economy. The Sea Grant network consists of federal-university partnerships between the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and 34 university-based programs in every coastal and Great Lakes state, Puerto Rico, and Guam. The network draws on the expertise of more than 3,000 scientists, engineers, public outreach experts, educators and students to help citizens better understand, conserve and utilize America's coastal resources. Use this site to find out more and to report any sightings of cormorants.

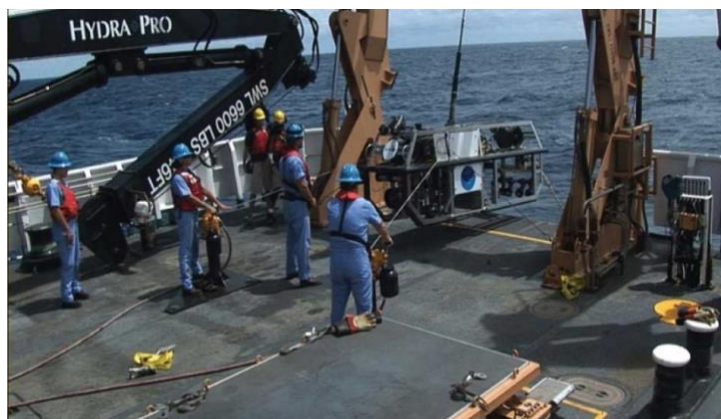
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### Board members:

Jan Brewster   Tom Boehly   Lou Buscemi  
Jim Pierce   Tim Wright



Last weekend- July 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>, the ship below was seen tracking back and forth in the Lake between Port Bay and west of Sodus Bay. It is the 208 foot long NOAA research vessel, Thomas Jefferson. Its mission is to map the bottom of the Lake in areas where this has not been done since the 1940s. From their website: Did you know that today only 17% of the Great Lakes are mapped? The seafloor is constantly shifting. Weather, currents, and melting ice up north shift the seafloor and bring in new obstructions—plus debris and shipwrecks all change the seafloor. NOAA's Office of Coast Survey acquires and processes the nation's bathymetry and is the authoritative source for all offshore depth data within the United States'. For the first time since 2022, the NOAA Ship Thomas Jefferson is underway in the Great Lakes. The vessel and its crew of NOAA Corps officers and professional mariners are working with NOAA scientists to map the waters of western and central Lake Erie and eastern Lake Ontario this year to improve navigation safety. The Thomas Jefferson is a key asset for NOAA's oceanographic research and surveys. It primarily conducts hydrographic surveys to support safe navigation. The vessel collects data on marine ecosystems and environmental conditions. It is equipped with advanced technology for mapping the seafloor and monitoring water quality. The ship plays a vital role in supporting fisheries management and habitat restoration efforts. It collaborates with various agencies and organizations for comprehensive marine research.



# August

"Let the sunshine of August  
inspire you to shine your  
brightest." – Unknown

## Membership

As of July 27, 2026. The Wayne County East Bay Improvement Association has 56 paid members. Encourage your neighbors to become members and support the Association as we work to maintain and improve our Bay.

|    | Member                            | Paid  |
|----|-----------------------------------|-------|
| 1  | Albanese, Charlie & Michelle      | 25-27 |
| 2  | Boehly, Tom & Barbara             | 25-28 |
| 3  | Brewster, Jan & Sharon            | 23-26 |
| 4  | Buscemi, Frank & Danielle         | 24-26 |
| 5  | Buscemi, Louis & Donna            | 26-28 |
| 6  | Buscemi, Louis & Veronica         | 24-26 |
| 7  | Bushnell, Jeff & Kelli            | 26    |
| 8  | Cutaia, David & Jennifer          | 25-27 |
| 9  | Dailey Jr., Dave & Kim            | 25-27 |
| 10 | Dailey Sr., David & Charlotte     | 26-28 |
| 11 | Dailey, Pete                      | 24-26 |
| 12 | Damico, Bryan                     | 24-26 |
| 13 | Darrow, Richard & Deb Aufderheide | 26-28 |
| 14 | Finn, Michelle & Jeremy Stoner    | 25-27 |
| 15 | Godfrey, Kim                      | 25-27 |
| 16 | Godfrey, Roger                    | 25-27 |
| 17 | Groeschel, Mark & Donelle         | 25-27 |
| 18 | Hopping, Raymond & Cynthia        | 26    |
| 19 | Isselhard, Alan & Mary            | 26-28 |
| 20 | Jakymowycz, Eileen & Steve        | 25-28 |
| 21 | Jessop, Terri & Lawrence Thorek   | 26-28 |
| 22 | Kalbfleisch, Larry & Patty        | 26    |
| 23 | Klem, Jeff & Wanda                | 24-26 |
| 24 | Klem, Jim & Eileen                | 24-27 |
| 25 | Kopin, David & Laurie             | 25-27 |
| 26 | Kujawa, Aili & Nevin Maffett      | 24-27 |
| 27 | Kujawa, Dolly                     | 25-27 |
| 28 | LaForce, Darryl & Anna            | 24-26 |
| 29 | Latone, Dorothy                   | 26-28 |
| 30 | Latone, Lawrence & Betty          | 24-28 |
| 31 | Link, Bob & Robin                 | 24-27 |
| 32 | Link, Jim & Debbie                | 26-29 |
| 33 | Merchant-Borna, Kian & Rachel     | 24-26 |
| 34 | Myhers, James                     | 26    |
| 35 | Pierce, Jim                       | 26-31 |
| 36 | Pierce, Roger                     | 25-26 |
| 37 | Piperata, Anthony & Linda         | 26    |
| 38 | Plucinik, Peter & Tamara          | 26-28 |

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| 39 | Schalberg, Jeremiah & Carrie Nelson | 24-26 |
| 40 | Schlosser, Gary                     | 26-28 |
| 41 | Schmitt, Jim & Kathy                | 26    |
| 42 | Seigfred, Greg & Kim                | 25-27 |
| 43 | Seigfred, Marc & Kelsie             | 25-27 |
| 44 | Seigfred, Ray & Kate                | 25-27 |
| 45 | Sloan, Bob & Diane                  | 25-27 |
| 46 | Stam, George & Gretchen             | 24-26 |
| 47 | Staub, Paul & Diane                 | 25-27 |
| 48 | Straubing, Tammy                    | 23-26 |
| 49 | Tahou, Alex & Jeanette              | 25-27 |
| 50 | Triplett, Roger & Janet             | 24-27 |
| 51 | Troia, Bill & Dawn Vanderwater      | 25-27 |
| 52 | Van Cura, Joe & Maureen             | 26    |
| 53 | Watts, Rick & Lois                  | 24-27 |
| 54 | White, Diane                        | 24-27 |
| 55 | Wright, Tim & JoAnne                | 24-26 |
| 56 | Young, Dan                          | 26    |

"Cooperation is the thorough conviction that nobody can get there unless everybody gets there."

Virginia Burden —

Our friend, Tango Kalbfleisch enjoying a beautiful East Bay Sunset!

