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Adirondack Research Library

An Adirondack Chronology is intended to be a useful resource for researchers and others interested in the Adirondacks and Adirondack history. It is made available by the Adirondack Research Library (ARL), Kelly Adirondack Center (KAC), Union College, Schenectady, NY, where its collections are on ‘permanent loan’ from the conservation organization Protect the Adirondacks! (PROTECT). Union College Schaffer Library makes the Adirondack Research Library collections available to the public by appointment only as they have always been.

Adirondack Research Library is a a non-lending ‘special research library’. See http://libguides.union.edu/content.php?pid=309126&sid=2531789. Its holdings can be searched using the online catalog at Schaffer Library. It is hoped that An Adirondack Chronology may serve as a 'starter set' of basic information leading to more in-depth research.

Can the ARL further serve your research needs? To find out, visit our webpage, or even better, visit the ARL at the Kelly Adirondack Center, 897 St. David's Lane, Niskayuna, N.Y., 12309. (Phone: 518-377-1452). The ARL houses one of the finest collections available of books and periodicals, manuscripts, maps, photographs, and private papers dealing with the Adirondacks. The librarian will gladly assist you in finding answers to your questions and locating materials and contacts for your research project.

Introduction to An Adirondack Chronology

Is a truly comprehensive chronology of the Adirondacks events really possible? Is there any merit in attempting to record the beginning of every town; the opening date for every golf course, airport, factory, road, power line right-of-way, erection of every dam; the passing of every important meteorological event, earthquake, landslide, forest fire, wind storm, snow storm, and flood; the appearance of every alien species or biological pathogen; the extinction or extirpation of every native species; the promulgation of every law; the making of every work of art, which has occurred in the Adirondack region. Of course, we argue “yes” - because someone will want to know and because the resulting juxtaposition of these events will inevitably lead to new ways of thinking about our regional history and the causality of its events.

We think An Adirondack Chronology is a new way to depict history. We have attempted to compile all manner of entries, each restricted to one-line on a regular sheet of paper, but each telling a story. It was (and is) our intent to assemble enough entries about seemingly disparate topics until trends begin to appear or at least connections between cause and effect become apparent. We started with the Big Bang and we are now approaching some 20,000 individual entries. We hope that we have accumulated enough entries that those sorts of connections will now appear for those looking for them.

During our time with this work, we have discovered connections between and among various entries that we never expected: The discovery of iron in the Adirondacks led to deforestation when coke was needed to fire the forges to smelt the ore, removal of the trees from the Adirondack forest led to flooding in urban
areas outside the Adirondack region which subsequently led to the protection of the Adirondack forests, construction of railroads led to the necessity of standardizing clocks so that trains could safely operate on single tracks, this led to telegraph lines along the rail lines to start/stop trains at the appropriate times, and eventually to global standardization of time; improvements in bicycle technology led to “good roads” which surprisingly, led to the emancipation of women from their homes and eventually gave them the right to vote.

At the same time, significant events also often occur well outside of the Adirondack region, e.g. invention of the snowmobile, the erection of coal burning plants in the Mid-West, the growth of nickel-copper smelting in the Sudbury region of Ontario, the explosion of Mt. Pinatubo in the Philippines, the introduction in 1890 of the European starling in Central Park of New York City, the painting of a great picture or the writing of an inspirational poem which also influence events in the Adirondacks.

One of our greatest challenges thus far has been to determine the point where we break the “causal chain”. Without breaking it, we are faced with recounting much of the history of civilization (a huge problem), but breaking it too soon, we may miss a significant cause and effect of paramount importance to the Adirondacks. We are doing the best we can. We thus ask for the patience of the user on such decisions, and we suggest that they tell us immediately when we have run amuck.

The user may use the Find or Search mode (case sensitive detail may help) to extract any particular subject such as the natural history of the ‘moose’ or ‘beaver’, the history of the Association for the Protection of the Adirondacks (‘AfPA’) or PROTECT or AWFFP, the dates of establishment of the many ‘correctional facilities’ in the region, global climatic change (‘GCC’), or many other subjects.

In respect to the Haudenosaunee, i.e. the People of the Longhouse, we usually use this name rather than the more pejorative term Iroquois. The works of Stephen T. Jackson (1988, 1990) and Donald Whitehead (1990) have been especially useful in estimating the advent of the sylva. We use their first approximations. The Environment DEC Newsletter with its Issues of Environment is another especially useful resource. Finally, the works of Norman J. Van Valkenburgh, especially his masterful and detailed Land Acquisition for New York State: An Historical Perspective, have been crucial.

Representative works, i.e. not all of the works, of a particular author, poet or artist, are often given to suggest the period of his or her activity. References for many topics are presented, especially those dealing with more esoteric topics. Well-known events are cited-documented in many available sources – including electronic “search engines” - and these are usually not listed. Precise locations for events dealing with rare and endangered species are not presented as a matter of protection. Acronyms are commonly used toward conciseness and a special section explaining each follows. Details on dam locations are limited in accord with security measures introduced following the events of 11 September 2001, however the serial number for each dam is listed to permit further research with the NYSDEC. A number of authorities have been especially helpful with their guidance and they are listed with our profound thanks. Finally, we offer the inevitable disclaimer: The dates provided are the best that we have discovered. Some may be wrong. Do not place total faith in our offerings. Further, we would appreciate receiving guidance on dates and events which should be included or those which you find to be in error.
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Abbreviations, Acronyms and Definitions

Our self-imposed rule limiting each chronology entry to one line has forced the use of abbreviations and acronyms to make them fit. As the number of entries has grown, so has this list. It is now quite lengthy, but it is very helpful to understand the stories being told on each line. We have attempted to use standard and commonly used abbreviations and acronyms, but some are obscure and seldom used, a few we probably invented ourselves. We editors consult this listing often; even we cannot remember them all. We have come to realize that this list could probably stand-alone as a listing of important Adirondack abbreviations and acronyms. We hope you find it as useful as we do.

a. = acre, acres
AAA = American Automobile Association
AAAS = American Association for the Advancement of Science
AAC = An Adirondack Chronology
AACI = American Association of Conservation Information
AAHWF = Archer and Anna Huntington Wildlife Forest, Newcomb
AAF = (U.S.) Army Air Force
AAG = Assistant Attorney General (NYS)
AARCH = Adirondack Architectural Heritage
AATV = Adirondack Association of Towns and Villages
ABB = Atlas of Breeding Birds of New York State
ABRI = Adirondack Biomedical Research Institute
AC = Adirondack Council
ACA = American Civic Association
ACBS = Antique and Classic Boat Society (Lake Champlain Chapter)
ACC = Adirondack Conservation Council
ACC = Adirondack Community College
ACCSF = Asian Carp Control Strategy Framework
ACE = Army Corps of Engineers
ACE = Advanced Composition Explorer (satellite)
ACGA = Adirondack Common Ground Alliance
ACHT = Adirondack Community Housing Trust
ACL = Adirondack Cooperative Loon Program
ACM = Asbestos containing materials
ACNA = Arts Council of the Northern Adirondacks
ACTA = Adirondack Cuisine Trails Association
ACOD = Adjourn in contemplation of dismissal
AC&R = Adirondack Club and Resort (at Tupper Lake)
ACRCC = Asian Carp Regional Coordinating Committee (consortium of federal, state & local agencies)
ACS = Adirondack Cottage Sanitarium
ACSP = Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Program
ACT = Adirondack Community Trust
ACTC = Adirondack Camp and Trail Club
ACTION = Adirondack-Champlain Telemedicine Network
ACTLS = Community-based Trails and Lodging System (Paul Smith’s College)
ADA = Americans with Disabilities Act
ADAC = Adirondack Diversity Advisory Council
ADE = Adirondack Daily Enterprise (newspaper), Saranac Lake, NY
Adk = Adirondacks
Adks = Adirondacks, Adirondack Mountains, Adirondack region
ADK = Adirondack Mountain Club
AE = Adirondack Explorer (online magazine)
AEC = Adirondack Ecological Center, SUNY College of ESF
AEP = American Electric Power, Columbus, OH
AE&RR = Adirondack Estate and Railroad Company (1860-1863)
AESPI = ESPI = Adirondack Energy Smart Park Initiative
AFA = American Forestry Association
AFB = (U.S.) Air Force Base
AFI = Adirondack Forest Industries, Inc.
AfPA = Association for the Protection of the Adirondacks
AF&PA = American Forest and Paper Association
AFS = Adirondack Folk School
AFTA = Adirondack Fire Tower Association
AG = Attorney General
AHA = Adirondack Historical Association
AHP = Adirondack High Peaks
AHP = American Home Products (predecessor of Wyeth)
AI = Audubon International
AIA = Asbestos Information Association
AIC = Adirondack Interpretive Center (SUNY-ESF), formerly Newcomb VIC
AIC = Albany Indian Commissioners (1677-
AIHA = Albany Institute of History and Art
AIHS = Albany Institute and Historical Society
AIM = American Indian Movement
AIM = Aid and Incentives for Municipalities (New York State)
AIP = American Institute of Physics
AIPP = Aquatic Invasive Plant Program
AIS = alien invasive species
AISC = Adirondack Iron & Steel Co.
AJES = Adirondack Journal of Environmental Studies (PSC)
AL = Adirondack Life (periodical)
ALA = Adirondack Landowners Association
ALAP = Adirondack Lake Assessment Program
ALB = Asian longhorned beetle (Anoplophora glabripennis)
ALC = Adirondack League Club
ALF = Animal Liberation Front
ALG = American Legion
ALJ = Administrative Law Judge
ALSC = Adirondack Lakes Survey Corporation
ALT = Adirondack Land Trust
ALTEMP = Adirondack Long-term Environmental Monitoring Program
AM = Adirondack Museum, Blue Mountain Lake
AMC = Adirondack Medical Center, Saranac Lake, NY
AMC = Albany Medical College, Albany, NY
AMC = Appalachian Mountain Club, Boston, MA
AMR = Adirondack Mountain Reserve, St. Huberts, NY
ANC = Adirondack Nature Conservancy (Committee)
ANCA = Adirondack North Country Association
ANS = Advanced Network Services
AOC = Administrative Orders on Consent (U.S. EPA)
AP = Adirondack Park
AP = Associated Press (note italics)
AP = airport
APA = Adirondack Park Agency
APA = Asbestos Producers Association
APAINSMP = Adirondack Park Aquatic Nuisance Species Management Plan
APC = Adirondack Planning Commission
API = American Paper Institute
API = Adirondack Park Institute
APIPP = Adirondack Park Invasive Plant Program
APLGRB = Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board
APLUDP = Adirondack Park Land Use and Development Plan
APMA = American Paper Makers Association
APMBI = Adirondack Park Mountain Biking Initiative
APOAS = American Park and Outdoor Art Society
APPA = American Paper Producers Association
App Div = Appellate Division (state courts)
APRAP = Adirondack Park Regional Assessment Project (AATV and ANCA)
APRAR = Adirondack Park Regional Assessment Report (of the APRAP) (June 2009)
APRISM = Adirondack Partnership for Regional Invasive Species Management
APWA = American Public Works Association
ARA = Adirondack Regional Airport (at Lake Clear, a.k.a. ‘Saranac Lake’)
ARC = Adirondack Research Center (now Adirondack Research Library, see ARL)
ARC = Adirondack Research Consortium
ARCC = Adirondack Regional Chamber of Commerce (Glens Falls, NY)
ARISE = Adirondack Residents Intent on Saving their Economy
ARPANET = Advanced Research Projects Agency Network
ARPS = Adirondack Railway Preservation Society
ARRA = American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Federal stimulus money)
ARTA = Adirondack Recreational Trail Advocates
ASA = Adirondack Solidarity Alliance
ASBS = American Society of Bariatric Surgery
ASC = Adirondack Sky Center & Observatory (Tupper Lake, NY)
ASCE = American Society of Civil Engineers
ASCI = Adirondack Sustainable Communities Inc. (Saranac Lake)
asl = above (mean) sea level
ASPCA = American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals
AsRA = Ausable (sic) River Association
ASRC = SUNY Atmospheric Sciences Research Center
Assemb. = Assemblyman, Assemblywoman
ASLF = Atlantic States Legal Foundation
ASR = Adirondack Scenic Railroad (Tupper Lake to Lake Placid)
ASTC = Adirondack Ski Touring Council
ATA = non-asbestiform tremolite, anthophyllite, and actinolite; a.k.a. non-asbestiform ATA
ATCC = American Type Culture Collection
ATBI = All-Taxa Biodiversity Inventory
ATF = Adirondack Theater Festival (Glens Falls)
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ATF = (U.S.) Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives

ATV = All-terrain vehicle

ATV TDMF = All-terrain Vehicle Trail Development and Maintenance Fund

avg. = average, i.e. arithmetic mean

AWFFP = Adirondack Wild: Friends of the Forest Preserve

APWA = American Public Works Association

AWA = Adirondack Wilderness Advocates

AWI = Adirondack Watershed Institute (a.k.a. Adirondack Aquatic Institute)

AWOS = Automated Weather Observation System

AWPA = American Public Works Administration

AWPB P = Altamont Wood Products Business Park (Town of Tupper Lake, formerly Altamont)

AWRRC = Adirondack Wildlife Refuge and Rehab Center (Wilmington)

BAAS = British Association for the Advancement of Science

BANANA = acronym (UK): Build Absolutely Nothing Anywhere Near Anyone (Anything)

BBA = The Atlas of Breeding Birds of New York State

BBAII = Seconfd Atlas of Breeding Birds of New York State

bbl. = barrel

BBB = Bigger Bottle Bill (NYS)

BCA = Bird Conservation Area

BCAP = Biomass Crop Assistance Program (under USDA and SUNY ESF)

BCC = Boone and Crockett Club

bd. ft. = board feet (lumber)

BDI = Biodiversity Institute, Gorham, Maine

BETA = Barkeater Trails Alliance (Saranac Lake, NY)

BGN (NYS) = Board of Geographic Names of New York State

BIW = Burden Iron Works, Troy, NY

BLM = U.S. Bureau of Land Management

BMMI = Brake Linings Manufacturing Association

BMSB = Brown marmorated stink bug (*Halyomorpha halys* Stål)

BoS = board of supervisors

B.P. = before the present, using “uncalibrated” $^{14}$C dates

BP = British Petroleum

BPA = Brandreth Park Association

BRFC = Bear-resistant food container, a.k.a. bear-canister

BRI = Biodiversity Research Institute (at NYS Museum)

BRLC = Bouquet River Lodge Chaper (of the ADK)

BRVF WC = Black River Valley Four Wheeler Club

BRRD = Black River Regulating District

BSA = Boy Scouts of America

Bti = *Bacillus thuringiensis* subsp. *Israelensis*

BWA = balsam woolly adelgid

C2CC = Class 2 Community Connector (for snowmobile use)

CAA = Central Adirondack Association

CAA = Clean Air Act Amendment (1990)

CAES = Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station

CAMP = Citizens Agains More Prisons, a.k.a. CAMPA

CAMPA = Citizens Against More Prisons in the Adirondacks

CASTNET = Clean Air Status and Trends Network (U.S. EPA)

CAP-21 = Central Adirondacks Partnership for the 21st Century (Old Forge, NY)
CATFC = Commission on the Adirondacks in the Twenty-First Century
CBP = (U.S.) Customs and Border Protection
CBSA = Canadian Border Services Agency (Canada)
CC = NYS Conservation Commission (1911-1926)
C of C = Chamber of Commerce
CCA = copper, chromium and arsenic
CCD = colony collapse disorder (for honey bees)
CD = NYS Conservation Department (1926-1970)
CD = Consent Decree (U.S. EPA)
CDC = The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (U.S.)
CE = conservation easement
CERCLA = Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, aka Superfund
CESF = SUNY College of Environ. Science and Forestry at Syracuse, more commonly: SUNY ESF
CFA = Commission on the Future of the Adirondacks
CFAF = Conservation Fund Advisory Council
CFIA = Canadian Food Inspection Agency (Canada)
CFC = chlorofluorocarbons
CFFP = Center for the Forest Preserve (AfPA, Niskayuna, NY)
cfs = cubic feet per second
ch = chapter of New York State law
CICSS = Cornell Institute for Climate Smart Solutions
CG = Carl J. George, Professor Emeritus, Union College
CGAA = Common Ground Alliance of the Adirondacks
CHC = Creative Healing Connections (Saranac Lake, NY)
CHP = combined heat and power (referring to power generating plants)
CHPEI = Champlain Hudson Power Express, Inc.
CIAA = NYS Clean Indoor Air Act
CICCA = Cornell’s Institute of Climate Change and Agriculture
CIES = Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies, Millbrook, NY
CJ = Chief Justice (U.S. Supreme Court)
CLIR = Council on Library and Information Resources
CLO = Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology
CLPA = Canada Lake Protection Association
CO = Conservation Officer
COBE = Cosmic Background Explorer (satellite)
Comm. = committee or commissioner
CPMF = Canadian Provincial Marine Fleet (War of 1812)
CPHPCR = Cool Planet Carbon Retirement
CPI = Commonwealth Plywood, Inc. (of Canada and Whitehall, NY)
CPR = Canadian Pacific Railway
CPSC = Consumer Product Safety Commission
CS = Central School
CSAP = Citizens to Save the Adirondack Park
CSAPR = Cross-State Air Pollution Rule
CSLAP = New York Citizens Statewide Lake Assessment Program
CSX = Chessie, Seaboard and many times more (railroad company)
Ct App = Court of Appeals (New York)
CW = Chateaugay Woodlands, LLC (a subsidiary of Lyme Timber Co., est. 2004)
CWA = Federal Clean Water Act (1972, as amended)
CWCU = Consolidated Water Company of Utica (later named Mohawk Valley Water Authority)
CWD = chronic wasting disease
DAM = NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets
DANC = Development Authority of the North Country
DDNRL = NYS Dishwater Detergent and Nutrient Run-off Law
DDT = dichlorodiphenyltrichloroethane
DFWI = Darrin Fresh-water Institute, Lake George
D&H RR = Delaware and Hudson Railroad (after 1968, Railway)
DIJA = Dow Jones Industrial Average
d.b.a. = ‘doing business as’
dbh = diameter at breast height
DEC = NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (formerly NYS Conservation Department)
DED = Dutch elm disease
DEP = Department of Environmental Protection (of New York City)
des. = designed by
DFWI = Darrin Fresh Water Institute of RPI
DG = Daily Gazette (Schenectady, NY) newspaper
DGEIS = Draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement (SEQRA)
DHS = (U.S.) Department of Homeland Security
DLF = Division of Lands and Forests (of NYSDEC)
DMF = Deer management permit
DOB = NYS Division of the Budget
DOCF = Department of Correctional Facilities (New York State)
DOD = Christian ‘Doctrine of Discovery’, a.k.a. Discovery Doctrine, dating from ~1493
DOE = U.S. Department of Energy
DOH = NYS Department of Health
DOI = U.S. Department of Interior
DOT = Department of Transportation
DMV = Department of Motor Vehicles
DPS = NYS Department of Public Service
DRE = (volcanology) dense-rock equivalent, cubic kilometers
DST = Daylight Saving Time
EAB = Emerald Ash Borer, Agrilus planipennis Fairmaire
EANY = Environmental Advocates of New York
EAS = Essential Air Service program (U.S. DOT)
EASNA = Eastern Apicultural Society of North America
ECHS = Essex County Historical Society
ECL = Environmental Conservation Law (NYS)
ECO = Environmental Conservation Officer
ECNYSP = Empire Center for New York State Policy
ED = Executive Director
EDP = Energaïs de Portugal
EEA = New York State Environmental Excellence Award
EEC = Environmental Education Center
EFC = Environmental Facilities Corporation (NYS)
EHD = epizootic hemorrhagic disease
EHP = Environmental Health Perspectives
EHPW = Eastern High Peaks Wilderness
ELF = Earth Liberation Front
ENYMTA = Eastern New York Marine Trades Association
ENY = Environment New York
EPA = (Federal) Environmental Protection Agency
EPF = Environmental Protection Fund (NYS)
EPICA = European Project for Ice Coring in Antarctica
EPRI = Electric Power Research Institute
EPS = Energy Efficiency Portfolio Standard
EQBA = Environmental Quality Bond Act
ERP = Episodic Response Project (re. acid deposition)
ESA = Ecological Society of America
ESA = Endangered Species Act (of 1973)
ESD = Empire State Development Corporation
ESF = SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry at Syracuse
ESFPA = The Empire State Forest Products Association
ESPRA = Empire State Paper Research Associates
est. = established
ESU = Endangered Species Unit of the Department of Environmental Conservation
ESWG = Empire State Winter Games
EWC = endangering the welfare of children
EWM = European Water Milfoil (*Myriophyllum spicatum*)
FAC = Federal Appeals Court
FC = (NYS) Forest Commission (1885-1895)
FCI = Federal Correctional Institution (Bureau of Prisons)
FCPT = Franklin County Public Transportation
FCSWA = Frankin County Solid Waste (Management) Authority
FDA = (U.S.) Food and Drug Administration
FERC = (U.S.) Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
FFGC = (NYS) Forest, Fish, and Game Commission (1900-1911)
FGEIS = Final Generic Environmental Impact Statement (SEQRA)
FGFC = (NYS) Fisheries, Game, and Forest Commission (1895-1900)
FHA = Federal Highway Administration
FIBT = Fédération Internationale de Bobsleigh et de Tobogganig (Laussane, Switz.)
FIL = Federation of International Lacrosse
FJGRR = Fonda, Johnstown & Gloversville Railroad
Fl. = flight, e.g. airline flight, specifically the flight number
FLG = Fund for Lake George
FLP = Forest Legacy Program - of 1990 Farm Bill
FMBHCSP = Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp Program
FP = Forest Preserve
FPC = Finch, Pruyn & Co.
FPH = Finch Paper Holdings
FSC = Forest Stewardship Council
ft. = foot, feet
Ft. = Fort (in a proper name)
FWA = Federal Wilderness Act of 1964 as drafted by H. Zahniser
FWI = Fresh-water Institute, Lake George (Darrin FWI)
FWS = Fish and Wildlife Service (U.S.)
GALR = Golden Arrow Lakeside Resort (hotel, Lake Placid)
GCC = global climatic change
GE = General Electric Company
GEIS = Generic Environmental Impact Statement (SEQRA)
GFS = Glens Falls Symphony
GHG = greenhouse gases
GHSL = General Hospital at Saranac Lake, now Adirondack Medical Center, see also AMC
GIS = Geographical Information System
GISS = Goddard Institute for Space Studies, New York City
GLERL = Great Lakes Environmental Research Laboratory
GLO = General Land Office
GMUC = Grace Memorial Union Chapel (Sabbath Day Point)
GORR = Governor’s Office of Regulatory Reform
GPS = global positioning system
GRL = Geophysical Research Letters
GSC = Geological Survey of Canada
GSLFF = Great Sacandaga Lake Fisheries Federation
GSNENY = Girl Scouts of Northeastern New York
GVT = Genesee Valley Transportation Company, Inc., Batavia, NY
ha. = hectare
HBEF = Hubbard Brook Experimental Forest
HBRF = Hubbard Brook Research Foundation
HDTV = High Definition Digital Television
HF = High frequency
HFC = hydrofluorocarbon (c. 1,000 times CO₂ heat trapping potency)
HI = Heifer International
Hg = (L. hyrargyrum) mercury
HGA = Human Granulocytic Anaplasmosis (formerly Human Granulocytic Ehrlichiosis (HGE))
HHHN = Hudson Headwaters Health Network, North Creek, NY
HL = Highway Law (New York State)
HMBC = Hudson-Mohawk Bird Club
HP = High Peaks
HRA = Hudson River Almanac
HPAC = High Peaks Advisory Committee
HPAS – High Peaks Audubon Society
HRECONS = Hudson River Environmental Conditions Observing System (consortium of 17 agencies)
HRFSER = Hudson River Foundation for Science and Environmental Research
HRRA = Hudson River Recreation Area
HRRC = Hudson River Rafting Company
HTRG = Hancock Timber Resources Group
HW = Harper’s Weekly (periodical)
HWA = Hemlock woolly adelgid, Adelges tsugae Annand (insect)
HWF = Huntington Wildlife Forest (of SUNY ESF), Newcomb (same as AAHWF)
IBP = International Biological Program
ICC = Indian Claims Commission (federal)
IDA = Industrial Development Agency
IGARP = International Global Atmospheric Research Program
IHA = International Highway Association
ILWAS = Integrated Lake-Watershed Acidification Study
IMBA = International Mountain Biking Association
INCO = International Nickel Company
IP = International Paper Co.
IPH = Iowa Pacific Holdings (parent company of Saratoga & North Creek Railway)
IPCC = Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change
IPCNYS = Invasive Plant Council of New York State
IP&PC = International Paper and Power Company (a holding company for IP)
IRA = Individual Residential Alternative (NYS OMRDD)
IRC = Indian River Company
IRMP = Interim Recreation Management Plan
ISMA = International Snowmobile Manufacturers Association
ISTEA = Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act
ISTF = Invasive Species Task Force
ITC = (US) International Trade Commission
JBL = Johns Brook Lodge (Adirondack Mountain Club)
JEMS = Joy, Entertainment and Music Society
JLCNR = Joint Legislative Committee on Natural Resources
JRB = Joint Review Board (Town of North Elba/Village of Lake Placid)
KAC = Kelly Adirondack Center, Union College, Niskayuna,
KB = Kingbird (a regional ornithological journal)
kV = kilovolt (1000 volts)
L. = Lake
L. = Landing (as in Bolton Landing)
L.A.W. = League of American Wheelmen
LCBAISRRTF = Lake Champlain Basin Aquatic Invasive Species Rapid Response Task Force
LCBEAP = Lake Champlain Bridge Economic Assistance Program
LCBP = Lake Champlain Basin Program
LCLGRPB = Lake Champlain—Lake George Regional Planning Board
LCMM = Lake Champlain Maritime Museum
LEED = Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design
LFPPC = Lyons Falls Pulp and Paper Co.
LGA = Lake George Association
LGACRRTF = Lake George Asian Clam Rapid Response Task Force
LGBLC = Lake George Basin Land Conservancy
LGLC = Lake George Land Conservancy
LGPC = Lake George Park Commission, est. by NYS
LH = Large Hill, in Nordic combined skiing referring to the ‘big’, 120 metre, jumping hill
LIA = Little Ice Age (about 1300 AD to about 1850 AD)
LIHEAP = Federal -Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program
LIS = Laurentide Ice Sheet
LMR = Land Mobile Radio
LNT = Leave No Trace
LO&HR RR = Lake Ontario & Hudson River Railroad (1857-60)
LP = Long Path (of Vincent Schaefer)
LPC = Lake Placid Club
LPCA = Lake Placid Center for the Performing Arts
LPHA = Lake Placid Homeowners’ Association
LPMH = Lake Placid Memorial Hospital
LPRWSC = Lake Placid Regional Winter Sports Committee
LPVB = Lake Placid Visitor’s Bureau
LRC = Linear Recreation Corridor
LTC = Lyme Timber Co. of CT
LRTAPC = Long-Range Transboundary Air Pollution Convention
LTCQII = (NYS Dept. of Health) Long Term Care Quality Improvement Initiative
LTM = (U.S.) Long Term Monitoring Program (acid rain)
LWCF = Land and Water Conservation Fund
M = million
MA = Mohawk Airlines
Major Flood (Mohawk R.) = exceeding 17.5’ stage
Major flow (Hudson R.) = exceeding 20,000 cfs
M/A-COM = a business unit of Tyco Electronics (a part of Tyco International, Ltd.)
MBTA = Migratory Bird Treaty Act (of 1918)
mfgrs = manufacturers
MMA = New York City Metropolitan Museum of Art
MOU = memorandum of understanding
MWG = Molpus Woodland Group
mppcf = million particles per cubic foot
MRC = Mandate Relief Council (New York State)
MRWCCD = Mohawk River Coalition of Conservation Districts
MRWF = Marble River Wind Farm
MSP = Minimum Security Prison
MSSM = Mount Sinai School of Medicine
MV = motorized vehicles
MVHRA = Mount Van Hoevenburg Recreation Area
MVWA = Mohawk Valley Water Authority (Utica, NY)
N.A. = North America
NAAQS = National Ambient Air Quality Standard
NABB = North American Bird Bander
NAD = National Academy of Design (founded by C. C. Ingham)
NADF = National Arbor Day Foundation
NADP/NTN = National Atmospheric Deposition Program/ National Trends Network
NAPAP = National Acid Precipitation Assessment Program
NARR = Northern Adirondack Railroad
NAS = National Academy of Science
NAS = National Audubon Society
NASA = National Aeronautics and Space Administration
NASF = National Association of State Foresters
NASS = National Agricultural Survey Services
NCAA = National College Athletic Association
NCAR = U.S. National Center for Atmospheric Research
NCC = National Conservation Commission
NCCC = North Country Community College
NCCh = National Council of Churches
NCDC = National Climate Data Center (of NOAA)
NCLF = North Country Life Flight
NCM = North County Ministries
NCNST = North Country National Scenic Trail
NCPR = North Country Public Radio
NCREDC = North Country Regional Economic Development Council
NCS = Northville Central School
NCSU = North Carolina State University
NDDN = National Dry Deposition Network (U.S. EPA)
NEIWPC = New England Interstate Water Pollution Control Commission
NEJM = New England Journal of Medicine
NELA = Northeastern Loggers Association
NEP = Noble Environmental Power
NEPA = National Environmental Policy Act
NESCAUM = Northeast States for Coordinated Air Use Management
   NF = National Forest (US)
NFBA = National Frame Building Association
NFCT = Northern Forest Canoe Trail
NFC = Northern Forest Center (Concord, NH)
NFI = Northern Forest Institute
NFPA = National Forest Products Association
NH DFG = New Hampshire Department of Fish and Game
   NHL = National Hockey League
NHMA = Natural History Museum of the Adirondacks
NPIC = National Pesticide Information Center
NHP = Natural Heritage Program (New York State)
NHPTB = Nature and Historical Preserve Trust Board
   NHR = National Historic Register
   NHS = National Historic Site
NIAID = National Institute of Allergy & Infectious Diseases
NIMBY = acronym: Not in My Back Yard
NiMo = acronym: Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation, now National Grid
   NLC = National Lead Company
   NLI = National Lead Industries
NLMA = National Lumber Manufacturers Association
   NNL = National Natural Landmark
   NNY = Northern New York
NNYA = Northern New York Audubon
NNYADP = Northern New York Agricultural Development Program
NNYRR = Northern New York Railroad (there were two unrelated companies with this name: 1848-1850 and 1895-1897)
NOAA = US National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
   NORBA = National Off-road Bicycle Association
   NPS = National Park Service
   NPT = Northville-Lake Placid Trail (hiking)
   NPV = nucleopolyhedrosis
   NRCC = Northeast Regional Climate Center, Cornell
   NRDC = Natural Resources Defense Council
NRECA = National Rural Electric Cooperative Association
   NRHP = National Register of Historic Places
   NRIG = Nelson A. Rockefeller Institute of Government
   NSF = National Science Foundation
NSFHWAR = Nationa Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife-Associated Recreation
   NSIDC = National Snow and Ice Data Center
   NSR = New Source Review (of 1977 Clean Air Act)
   NTA = National Tuberculosis Association
NTE = Northern Tier Expressway
NTP = notice to proceed
NWA = National Wilderness Act of 1964
NYAES = New York Agricultural Experiment Station, Geneva, NY
NYANG = New York Air National Guard
NY App Div = New York Supreme Court, Appellate Division
NYBTT = New York Board of Trade and Transportation
NYCDEP = New York City Department of Environmental Protection
NYFGJ = *New York Fish and Game Journal*
NYHS = New York Historical Society
NYNPA = New York News Publishers Association
NYPA = New York Press Association
NYPA = New York Power Authority
NYPCA = New York Parks and Conservation Association
NYPIRG = New York Public Interest Research Group
NYPL = New York Public Library
NYS = New York State
NYS APA = New York State Associated Press Association
NYSAPG = New York State Association for the Protection of Game
NYSDHSES = NYS Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Services
NYSED = New York State Education Department
NYSEGC = New York State Electric & Gas Corporation
NYSERDA = New York State Energy Research and Development Authority
NYSFPB = New York State Forest Preserve Board
NYSFFLA = New York State Forest Fire Lookout Association
NYSHTA = New York State Hospitality and Tourism Association
NYSNM = New York State Museum
NYSNHC = New York State Natural History Conference. New York State Museum
NYSOEA = New York State Outdoor Education Association
NYSOGA = New York State Outdoor Guides Association
NYSOHOF = New York State Outdoorsmen Hall of Fame
NYSOPRHP = New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation
NYSORVA = New York State Off-highway Recreational Vehicle Association
NYSP = New York State Police
NYSOA = New York State Power Authority
NYSSA = New York State Sportsmen’s Association
NYSWRI = New York State Water Resources Institute (of Cornell Univ.)
NY Sup = New York Supreme Court. See also SSC
NYT = *New York Times* (newspaper)
NYTRO = New York Trail Riders Organization
OATN = Open Access Telecommunications Network
OEC = Outdoor Education Center
OFT = NYS Office of Technology
OGS = New York State Office of General Services
O&LC = Ogdensburg & Lake Champlain (Railroad), a.k.a. Northern Railroad
OMR = Old Mountain Road, a.k.a. Mountain Lane, Old Military Road, ‘Jackrabbit Trail’ (T. of N. Elba and Keene, Essex Co.)
OMRDD = Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities (NYS)
o.o.c. = oil on canvas (painting)
OPRHP = Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation
ORDA = acronym: Olympic Regional Development Authority
ORPS = (New York State) Office of Real Property Services
ORV = off-road vehicle
OSC = Office of the New York State Comptroller
OSCP = NYS Open Space Conservation Plan
OSHA = (acronym) Occupational Safety & Health Administration
OSI = Open Space Institute (not incorporated, 1967-1974)
OSI = Open Space Institute, Inc. (post-1974)
O. K. Slip Falls
OSP = NYS Open Space Plan
OW = Old World
OWB = Outdoor Wood Boiler
O.W.D. = Oval Wood Dish Corporation (Tupper Lake, NY)
PACE = Union of Paper, Allied Industrial, Chemical, and Energy Workers
PACT (Act) = Prevent All Cigarette Trafficking (federal law enacted 2010)
PAS = Paraaminosalicylic acid
PBB = post Big Bang
PCA = Paris Climate Alliance
PBS = Public Broadcasting Service
PCAO = President’s Commission on Americans Outdoors (Executive Order 12529)
PC = public campground
PCB = polychlorinated biphenyl
PDCNR = Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
PDRR = Plattsburgh and Dannemora Railroad
PFD = personal flotation device
PHRI = Public Health Research Institute
PILOT = acronym: payment in lieu of taxes
PLB = personal locator beacon
PLUDP = see APLUDP
PNAS = Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences
PO = Post Office, see also USPO
PPCPs = Pharmaceuticals and Personal Care Products (in water pollution)
PR = Press Republican
PRB = Population Reference Bureau
PRISM = (NYSDEC) Partnerships for Regional Invasive Species Management
PROTECT = official abbreviation of ‘Protect the Adirondacks! Inc.’
PSC = (NYS) Public Service Commission
PSC = Paul Smith’s College, Paul Smiths, NY
PSELPRRC = Paul Smith’s Electric Light and Power and Railroad Co.
PUA = Public Recreation Use Area (NYSDEC)
pub = publish or pub
PURPA = Public Utilities Regulatory Policies Act
PWC = personal water craft
PWG = Pharmaceuticals Working Group (NYSDEC)
Quad = $100 \times 10^{15}$ (15th power) British thermal Units
R. = River
RCC = Roman Catholic Church
RCDO = Roman Catholic Diocese of Ogdensburg
RCMP = Royal Canadian Mounted Police (Canada)
RCPA = Resident’s Committee to Protect the Adirondacks
re. = regarding
REDC = Regional Economic Development Council (New York State) See also NCREDC
Res. = Reservoir
RFP = Request for Proposal
RFS = Renewable Fuel Standard
RGGI = Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative
RIG = Rockefeller Institute of Government, Albany
RILWAS = Regionalized Integrated Lake-Watershed Acidification Study
RMP = Recreation Management Plan (NYSDEC)
ROD = Record of Decision (U.S. EPA)
ROI = Return on Investment (usually simple payback)
ROIP = Radio Over Internet Protocol
ROOST = Regional Office of Sustainable Tourism (formerly, Lake Placid/Essex County Visitors Bureau)
ROW = right-of-way
RPI = Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, NY
RPS = Renewable Portfolio Standard
RR = railroad
RT = Richard E. Tucker (AAC editor)
S.A. = Union of South Africa
SAC = (acronym) Strategic Air Command (US Air Force)
SAD = Sudden Aspen Decline
SAFETEA-LU = Safe, Accountable, Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for users
SABB = Second Atlas of Breeding Birds of New York State
SAR = Search and Rescue
SCA = Student Conservation Association
SCAR = Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research (Great Britain)
SCJ = Supreme Court Justice (New York State)
SCN = Sustainable Communities Network (EPA funded)
SD = sewer district
SED = State Education Department (New York State)
SEL = State Executive Law
SEQRA = acronym: State Environmental Quality Review Act
SES = State Engineer and Surveyor
SF = (NYS) state forest
SFI = Sustainable Forestry Initiative Program
SFTS = Severe Fever with Thrombocenia Syndrome
SH&E = Sackets Harbor & Ellisburgh (railroad)
SHP = Scenic Hudson Preservation Conference
SIAC = Statewide Interoperability Advisory Council (formerly Statewide Wireless Network)
SIB = Seaway International Bridge (Cornwall Island (Kawehnoke), Akwesasne)
SIO = Scripps Institute of Oceanography
SLAC = Saranac Lake Airport Commission
SLCBC = Saranac Lake Christmas Bird Count
SLMP = acronym: State Land Master Plan
SLPID = acronym: Saratoga Lake Protection and Improvement District
SLS = State Land Survey
SNCR = Saratoga & North Creek Railway (Iowa Pacific Holdings)
SOA = Shore Owners’ Association (of Lake Placid)
SOD = sudden oak death (*Phytophthora ramorum*)
SONYMA = State of New York Mortgage Agency
SPAC = acronym: Saratoga Performing Arts Center
SPB = Southern pine beetle, *Dendroctonus frontalis*
SPC = Sacandaga Protection Committee (c. 4,700 permittees of Great Sacandaga Lake)
SPDES = acronym: State Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (permit) (NYS)
SRI = Stanford Research Institute
SRMT = St. Regis Mohawk Tribe (Haudenosaunee)
SRMTC = St. Regis Mohawk Tribal Council (Akwesasne)
SRSD = Salmon River School District
SSC = New York Supreme Court. See also NY App Div and Sup Ct
SSCC = Snowmobile Safety and Certification Committee
SSECC = State Senate Environmental Conservation Committee
STB = Surface Transportation Board (successor to Interstate Commerce Commission) (federal)
STCC = Stihl Timbersports Collegiate Challenge
STP = sewage treatment plant
SUMI = Solar Ultraviolet Magnetograph Investigator (meteorological satellite)
SUNY = State University of New York
SUNYA = State University of New York at Albany (no longer used since rebranding in 2009)
SUNY ESF = State University College of Environmental Science and Forestry, Syracuse, NY
Sup Ct = Supreme Court (New York)
SuperAWOS = a pilot controlled, Automated Unicom (unified communications) and AWOS system
SWN = Statewide Wireless Network
TAP = The Adirondack Project
TAUNY = Traditional Arts in Upstate New York (Canton, NY)
TB = tuberculosis
TB = Town Board
TCTC = The Champlain Transportation Company
TCUMP = Travel Corridor Unit Management Plan
TDR = transferrable development rights (re. Commission on Adks in 21st Century)
TFG = The Forestland Group, LLC
TI = Trudeau Institute
TIME = Temporally Integrated Monitoring of Ecosystems (U.S.) (acid rain)
TIMO = Timberland Investment Management Organization
TIPP = Terrestrial Invasive Plant Program
TIS = Tick Identification Service, NYS Department of Health
TLERP = Tri-Lakes Electric Reliability Project
TMC = Trudeau Mycobacterial Collection, a.k.a. Trudeau Mycobacterial Cultural Collection
TMCC = Trudeau Mycobacterial Culture Collection
TNC = The Nature Conservancy
TMDL = Total Maximum Daily Load
TPL = Trust for Public Land  
*TPR* = *The Park Report*, Protect the Adirondacks!  
TR = Theodore Roosevelt (26th President of the U.S.)  
TRCP = Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership  
Tri-Lakes = Region surrounding Lake Placid, Saranac Lake and Tupper Lake  
TRP = Temporary Revocable Permit (NYSDEC)  
TSCA = acronym: Toxic Substances Control Act (U.S.)  
TSCFA = Temporary Study Commission on the Future of the Adirondacks  
TSCTFC = Temporary Study Commission for the Twenty-First Century  
TSE = Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathy  
*TU* = *Times Union*  
UAlbany = University at Albany (part of SUNY), never use UA, or U of Albany  
UBI = Upstate Biotechnology, Inc. (Saranac Lake, NY)  
UC = Union College (Schenectady, NY)  
UELPCO = Utica Electric Light and Power Company  
UHEAC = Upper Hudson Environmental Action Committee  
UHPCC = Upper Hudson Primary Care Consortium (of HHHN)  
UMP = Unit Management Plan (of NYSDEC)  
UNEP = United Nations Environment Program  
UNFCCC = United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change  
UOD = Utica Observer-Dispatch  
U.S.A. = United States Army  
USAEA = United States Atomic Energy Agency  
USBBS = United States Bureau of Biological Survey  
USBG = United States Bureau of Economic Research  
USBSF = United States Bobsled and Skeleton Federation (Lake Placid, NY)  
USCB = United States Census Bureau  
USCCSP = United States Climate Change Science Program  
USCG = United States Coast Guard  
USDI = United States Department of the Interior  
USDJ = United States Department of Justice  
USFS = United States Forest Service  
USGCRP = United States Global Change Research Program  
USLA = Upper Saranac Lake Association  
USMR&EFS = (Cornell) Uihlein Sugar Maple Research & Extension Field Station, Lake Placid  
USPO = United States Post Office  
USPS = United States Postal Service  
USSCS = United States Soil Conservation Service  
USSC = United States Supreme Court  
UTV = utility vehicle, a.k.a. side-by-side ATV  
UVM = University of Vermont at Montpelier  
VEI = (volcanology) volcanic explosivity index (1-7; where 7 is worst)  
VFD = volunteer fire department  
VHS = Viral Hemorrhagic Septicemia  
VIC = Visitor Interpretive Center  
vpd = vehicles per day  
VIS = Village Improvement Society (Saranac Lake)  
VOC = *De Vereenigde Oost-Indische Compagnie*, ((Dutch) East India Company)
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Adirondack Chronology - Event and Year

The Universe begins its expansion as the Big Bang
Quarks and gluons form a low-viscosity liquid (seconds Post Big Bang) 10^{-18} sec PBB
Particles form 10^{-1} sec PBB
Atomic nuclei form 3 min PBB
Helium is formed (in minutes and seconds Post Big Bang) 3 min 3.5 sec PBB
Era of Atoms 380,000 y. PBB
Era of Galaxies 1 bill y. PBB
The sun forms B.P. 5.0 bill
The earth and moon form B.P. 4.6 bill
An atmosphere of carbon dioxide and nitrogen gases forms on planet Earth B.P. 4.5 bill
A zircon granule is formed at a site now found Jack Hills (Outback), Australia B.P. 4.4 bill
The lithosphere (continental crust) of the earth forms B.P. 4.4 bill
Living organisms appear on earth; date based on altered carbon isotope ratios of organic matter B.P. 3.9 bill
Archaean Era begins B.P. 3.8 bill
Aquatic sedimentation begins B.P. 3.8 bill
Cyanobacteria (single-celled photosynthetic organisms) arise - as shown by ‘stromatolites’ B.P. 3.5 bill
Zircon is formed in the Superior Province NW of the Grenville Province (Protoadirondacks) B.P. 2.8 bill
Core of the North American continent forms as Archaean Era ends with stromatolites common B.P. 2.5 bill
North American Craton rifts and Huronian sediments are deposited B.P. 2.4 bill
Atmospheric oxygen increases B.P. 2.2 bill
Multicellular organisms appear B.P. 2.1 bill
Sexual organisms appear B.P. 2.0 bill
Vredeford Asteroid strikes South Africa forming crater 186 mi. in diameter and 3 mi. deep B.P. 2.0 bill
Meteorite, size of Mt. Everest, 2nd largest, hits earth near current site of Sudbury, Ontario, Can B.P. 1.9 bill
The Hudsonian orogeny of the Canadian shield occurs B.P. 1.7 bill
Anorthosite intrudes from below into most of the shields B.P. 1.7 bill
Mt. Marcy massif of anorthosite forms (based on K/Rb dating by R. C. Reynolds) B.P. 1.47 bill
Widespread formation of Adirondack anorthosite occurs B.P. 1.45 bill
Stromatolites form in the NW Adirondack region B.P. 1.4 bill
Tonalite (a kind of rock) forms in the SE Protoadirondacks B.P. 1.37 bill
Zircon grains etc. begin their deposition in a shallow, warm, inland sea covering the Protoadks B.P. 1.30 bill
Stromatolites colonize the shallow waters of an inland sea covering the Protoadirondacks B.P. 1.30 bill
The Grenville Orogeny of the Canadian Shield begins – the Elzevirian Phase B.P. 1.28 bill
Intrusion of anorthositic and granitic basement rock of the Adirondacks occurs B.P. 1.17 bill
James M. McLelland et al. age based on 13 anorthosite samples for Mt. Marcy massif B.P. 1.15 bill
Massive Grenville orogeny (Ottawan Phase) continues with deformation-metamorphism B.P. 1.08 bill
Erosion for next 0.4 billion yrs. removes 25 kms of rock establishing the Grenville Plain B.P. 1.00 bill
Seventy percent of the dominant Precambrian biota perishes in a great extinction B.P. 0.65 bill
Iapetus opens in Adks with much NNE rifting and jointing and formation of diabase dikes B.P. 0.65 bill
Rifting and graben displacement of c. 1,500’ forms the basin now hosting Lake George B.P. 0.65 bill
Vendian (Ediacaran) time begins with rapid end of global Marinoan glaciation B.P. 0.62 bill
Multicellular animal fossils form B.P. 0.62 bill
Igneous matter is injected into the faults of the Adirondacks forming diabase dikes B.P. 0.60 bill
Adirondack region is floor of Iapetus Ocean with thousands of feet of sediment deposition B.P. 0.56-0.45 bill
Altona Formation, cyclic marine & fluvial material (discovered 2006), is deposited B.P. 0.56-0.50 bill
Iapetus sediments become Altona Formation (discovered 2006) of Potsdam sandstone B.P. 0.56-0.50 bill
The Paleozoic Era opens, and modern phyla emerge B.P. 0.54 bill
The first of four mass extinctions occur during the Cambrian Period, the last in B.P. 0.51 bill. y. Trilobites appear in the shallow, sedimentary seas submerging the Adirondack region B.P. 0.52 bill

Trilobites found in the Potsdam Group (Potsdam sandstone) formed about 500 million years ago are sitting on the Hague Gneiss of the Grenville orogeny of about a billion years ago indicating “500 million years of missing time” in the geologic record. This unconformity can be seen in a road cut on US Rte 4 North of Fort Ann.

“Adirondacks "Missing Time" Formation,”

Iapetus sediments become Potsdam sandstone, Keeseville, and AuSable Formations B.P. 0.50-0.45 bill
Five known major fossil deposits form showing detailed anatomical structure B.P. 0.50 bill
Lester Park stomatolites, aka Petrified Sea Gardens, form, off Rte 29, Lester Park Rd., Saratoga B.P. 0.49 bill
Adirondack graben grow in depth forming the basins of future Lake George and Schroon Lake B.P. 0.48 bill
Tectonic activity ceases in a flat Adirondack region providing calm for 450 million years B.P. 0.47 bill
The shallow, tropical Iapetus Ocean covers eastern proto-North America B.P. 0.45 bill
Majority of life is destroyed in a global cataclysm B.P. 0.44 bill
Charcoal remains of Wales indicate occurrence of 1st fires on earth B.P. 0.42 bill
Green Mountains and Catskills form when North America and Europe collide B.P. 0.38 bill
A mass extinction occurs in the Devonian Period to establish the Frasnian-Famennian boundary B.P. 0.36 bill
Winged insects appear in the geological record B.P. 0.35 bill
Atmospheric oxygen levels reach 17% thus supprrting forest fires B.P. 0.35 bill
Magnetic pole of Earth reverses B.P. 0.34 bill
The Allegheny Mountains form B.P. 0.28 bill
Possible asteroid strikes NW Australia coast destroying majority of species to end Permian Era B.P. 0.253 bill
Shuzhong Shen, Nanjing Inst. Geol. Paleo., suggests this date for ‘Great Dying’ in China B.P. 0.252 bill
Possible asteroid strikes Wilkes Land, Antarctica ending the Permian Era (see NASA data) B.P. 0.250 bill
The Mesozoic era opens B.P. 0.25 bill
Flowers appear in the geological record B.P. 0.24 bill
The Triassic basins form, and rifting gives rise to the Atlantic Ocean B.P. 0.23 bill
Lake Manicouagan annular lake, central Quebec, forms by impact of 5 km diameter meteor B.P. 0.214 bill

Lake Manicouagan, Cote-Nord region of Quebec, Canada, is now a major reservoir of 1,942 km² area with a volume of 139.8 km³ (5th largest in the world) forming a ring around René-Levasseur Island. The hydroelectric facilities of this site provide some of the energy used to produce this chronology! Impact debris resulting from this event must have fallen on the Adirondacks.

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Manicouragan Crater forms in Quebec, c. now filled by circular lake/reservoir 750 mi²; 279’ d. B.P. 0.21 bill
The Adirondacks rise and their sedimentary mantle is lost through various forms of erosion B.P. 0.18 bill
Vulcanism/massive lava flows cause global temperature rise and widespread marine anoxia B.P. 0.94 mill
Vegetational fires peak on earth fostering various fire-resistance adapations B.P. 0.90 mill
Adk Mountains continue to rise, possibly due to a deep “hot spot” causing the expansion B.P. 0.70 mill
Major asteroid strikes Yucatan area, Central America, ending Cretaceous Era, Age of Dinosaurs B.P. 0.66 mill
The Cenozoic Era opens B.P. 0.66 mill
Vulcanism induces Paleocene-Eocene thermal maximum with global T 5-10 C above present B.P. 0.55 mill
Songbirds, Passerida (3,500 species), native to Australasia, begin worldwide spread B.P. 0.45 mill
Mammutidae (mastodons) emerge in North Africa; mastodon means ‘breast tooth’
Mammutidae (mastodons) spread from Africa into Eurasia
Mammutidae (mastodons) cross the Bering Isthmus from Eurasia to North America
San Francisco Volcano Field, Arizona, begins eruptive history, its effluvia widely impacting NA
American mastodon, *Mammut americanum*, now ranges from coast to coast in North America
White-tailed deer, *Odocoileus virginianus* Miller, emerges in fossil record with Pliocene close
Onset of Laurentide glaciation with lasting effects on Adirondack region
*Homo habilis* makes simple stone tools, Olduvai Gorge, Tanzania; hominid deforestation begins
Age of *Homo erectus* materials found Lantian County, China, by Zhaoyu Zhu *et al.*
Pleistocene epoch begins
Quaternary Period, the modern cycle of glaciation begins
Acheulian *Homo erectus* stone industry now includes chert bifacial tools in Africa
Brunhes-Matuyama magnetic field reversal of earth occurs
*Homo erectus* use hearths at Escale, near Marseilles, France, and use of wood fuel increases
Mt. Kilimanjaro, Tanzania, engages in eruption influencing global weather/climate
Wooden (yew), hunting spear is found at Clacton-on-sea, England
Neanderthals, *Homo neanderthalensis*, populations expand in Europe, western and central Asia
Mt. Kilimanjaro, Tanzania, engages in another significant eruption
Glacial maximum is dated by Milutin Milankovich (1941) on an astronomical basis
Riss Glaciation closes – with average temperatures 10 degrees F. colder than today
*Homo sapiens* appears in Africa
Glacial maximum is dated by Milutin Milankovich (1941) on an astronomical basis
Eemian interglacial period sea level is 6-9 meters (20-30’) above that of modern times
Mammoth (*Mammuthus primigenius*) teeth are carved and engraved, Tata, Hungary
Wisconsin Glaciation episode begins
Local glaciers form in Adk High Peaks when increased ‘lake effect snows’ do not melt
Laschamp magnetic field reversal of earth begins taking 250 years and lasting 400 years
Deep-sea sediment analysis indicates atmospheric temperatures fall 15 °F in Europe
Malaria as a serious human disease emerges as dated by John Hawks, Univ. Wisconsin
Ceramic ware incl. bowls and figurines are made in Pavlov Hills, Czech Republic
Neanderthals (*Homo neanderthalensis*) *et al.* disappear from Europe, *H. sapiens* remain
Laurentide ice sheet is at maximum extent eradicating all flora and fauna in this region
Bow and arrow are invented as based on remains found at Parpallo, Spain and the Sahara
*Homo sapiens* gathers and processes wild grains along the Sea of Galilee, eastern Mediterranean
Oil lamp and bow and arrow are invented
LIS begins building Wisconsin terminal moraine on Long Island, NY
Ice recession from Wisconsin terminal moraine on Long Island, NY, begins
Based on genetic evidence the domestic cat diverges from the European wild cat
Onset of human skin lightening to enhance UV uptake and Vit D production at higher latitudes
Southwestern Adirondacks begin emerging from beneath the ice sheet
Ice front recession at 0.027 km/yr reaches Albany region and Mohawk Valley
Local glaciers in High Peaks flow south into Glacial Lake Warrensburg, large delta forms
Onset of Erie interstade (warm), resulting glacial meltwater flows easterly via Mohawk Valley
Ice front retreats from Upper Hudson and Champlain Lowlands at 0.127 km/yr
Map making (on bone) begins at Mezhirich, Ukraine
Pits are dug into permafrost to store food, the beginning of refrigeration, Mezhirich, Ukraine
Cordage remnants found at Lascaux, France, mark advent of rope making
Onset of abruptly warm and moist Bølling-Allerød interstadial period as Heinrich stadial ends
Rapid retreat and melting of Laurentide ice sheet creates glacial Lake Vermont
Minor fluctuations of ice front in Finger Lakes region create Valley Heads Moraine complex.

Wisconsin Glacial ice sheet is in active recession from southern NY.

St. Lawrence Valley drainage of Glacial Lake Agassiz to Labrador Sea commences.

Spruce begins crowding out herb-shrub tundra surrounding Heart Lake, High Peaks.

Proglacial Lake Fort Ann in Champlain Lowlands forms from ice sheet meltwater.

Mastodon falls in pothole below Cohoes Falls and is ‘preserved’ as fut. ‘Cohoes Mastodon’.

Oceanic salt water enters St. Lawrence and Champlain lowlands creating Champlain Sea.

Eastern NY vegetation consists of spruce and fir with some tamarack and only minor alder.

Fish re-enter L. George/L. Champlain region of Adirondacks as Laurentide ice sheet recedes.

Aboriginal man (Clovis) of N. America extinguishes (hypothetical) 35 species of megafauna.

Rate of Laurentide ice sheet melting slows.

Freshwater layer spreads over North Atlantic disrupting thermohaline-based circulation.

Abrupt end of the Bølling-Allerød interstadial.

Meteorite strikes Canada (still hypothetical) initiating megafauna extinction.

Younger Dryas stadial is initiated by massive influx of glacial meltwater into N. Atlantic.

Younger Dryas (after Dryas octopetala) stadial, aka “the Big Freeze”, begins within a decade; c-yr B.P. 12,800.

Glacial ice sheet is in active recession from Adirondacks and Catskills.

Glacial Lake Iroquois begins drainage of melt waters through the Mohawk Valley.

Organic matter begins deposition in the Luzerne bogs, Saratoga Co. (14C).

Organic matter begins deposition in the Upper Wallface bogs, Essex Co. (14C).

Herb-shrub tundra prevails on landscape surrounding fut. Brandreth Bog.

Ontario lobe of Wisconsin ice sheet retreats sufficiently for fish to access Adk waters.

Lake Frontenac succeeds Lake Iroquois draining through the St. Lawrence Valley.

Pollen/macrofossils indicate arrival of Dwarf Birch, *Betula glandulosa*, in AHP.

Holocene ‘interglacial’ epoch begins.

Younger Dryas stadial ends.

Trees return to NY providing a firm basis for radiocarbon dating.

Younger Dryas, aka “Big Freeze,” ends, the transition taking place within a decade.

*Homo sapiens* is now well-established in temperate North America.

Pollen/macrofossils indicate arrival of the white spruce, *Picea glauca*, in AHP.

Paleoindian hunter-gather groups move to L. Champlain region as the ice sheet retreats north.

Paleoindians begin using small skin watercraft on Lake Champlain.

Paleoindians adapt to reductions of mammoth, mastodon, moose, elk, caribou & musk-ox.

Crustal changes isolate Champlain Sea from the ocean.

Glacial melting exposes the Lake George graben and Lake George fills with water.

Foraminifera suddenly change shell coil-direction indicating abrupt rise in sea-water temp.

Organic matter begins deposition on Ballston L. floor, Saratoga Co., former course Mohawk R.

Goats and sheep are domesticated in Iran (Persia) and Afghanistan.

Einkorn wheat is domesticated by Natufians in the region at north end of Dead Sea.

Clovis-type spear points are used and deposited in northeastern NY.

Pollen/macrofossils indicate arrival of the tamarack, *Larix laricina*, in AHP.

Pollen/macrofossils indicate arrival of the balsam fir, *Abies balsamea*, in AHP.

Pollen/macrofossils indicate start of decline of spruce (*Picea* sp.) in AHP.

Champlain Sea floor begins isostatic rebound following glacial off-loading.

Tundra declines and a spruce-rich boreal forest emerge in northern NY.

Boreal forest, mostly spruce, succeeds herb-shrub tundra at Brandreth Bog.

Animal husbandry expands number of breeds/varieties, incl. chicken, in the Near East.

Rapid retreat and melting of glaciers occurs.

Agriculture develops for the use of various cereals in the Middle East (and elsewhere).
Champlain Sea recedes from its bay and present fluvial system begins development B.P. 10,000
The mammoth, caribou and bison of NY become extinct B.P. 10,000
Blue-eyed people arising, linked to light skin, to commence say John Hawks, Univ. Wisconsin B.P. 10,000
Pollen/macrofossils indicate arrival of green alder, *Alnus crispa*, in AHP B.P. 10,000
Green alder, *Alnus crispa*, hosting nitrogen fixing symbionts, raises soil nitrogen B.P. 10,000
Pollen/macrofossils indicate quaking aspen, *Populus tremuloides*, arrival in AHP B.P. 10,000
Pollen/macrofossils indicate Bigtooth aspen, *Populus grandidentata*, arrival AHP B.P. 10,000
California condor is extirpated from NY; bones found at Hiscock Site, Genesee Co. B.P. 10,000
Pollen/macrofossils indicate arrival of paper birch, *Belula papyrifera*, in AHP B.P. 10,000
Gradual warm up occurs causing rapid retreat and melting of glaciers B.P. 10,000
Atmospheric CO₂ is 280 ppm having risen from 210 ppm during previous 7000 years B.P. 10,000
Global human population is estimated at fewer than 10 million B.P. 10,000
Neurotransmitter genes appear facilitates human mental acuity, dated by John Hawks, U. Wisc. B.P. 10,000
American mastodon (*Mammut americanum*) range from Alaska to Yucatan and coast to coast B.P. 10,000
Period of major extinctions of North American megafauna ends B.P. 10,000
Pleistocene epoch ends B.P. 10,000
Humans begin cultivation of sugarcane, *Saccharum officinarum*, in New Guinea B.P. 10,000
Boreal forest declines and pine-rich forest emerges in Hamilton Co. c-yr B.P. 9,600
A pine forest succeeds boreal forest at Brandreth Bog c-yr B.P. 9,600
J. M. C. Peterson, BBA (1988), notes this date for fossil remains common raven, Genessee Co. B.P. 9,500
Champlain Sea-Lake Champlain ‘transitional phase’ occurs B.P. 9,400-8,600
Paleo-Indian hunters with dogs prevail in NE North America B.P. 9,000
Pollen/macrofossils indicate arrival of white pine, *Pinus strobus*, in AHP B.P. 9,000
Goats and sheep are domesticated in Iran and Afghanistan B.P. 9,000
Paleoindians evolve into Archaic culture as forest reclaims the Lake Champlain valley B.P. 9,000
Archaic people live in specific watersheds and use watercourses for trade & transportation B.P. 9,000-2,900
Pollen/macrofossils indicate arrival of ground hemlock, *Taxus canadensis*, in AHP B.P. 8,800
Pollen/macrofossils indicate arrival of jack pine, *Pinus banksiana*, in AHP B.P. 8,500
Melting of the Laurentide ice sheet pauses in a so-called ‘stand-still’ for several centuries B.P. 8,500-5,000
Wooden sledges are invented for travel over snow in the region now known as Finland B.P. 8,000
Pollen/macrofossils indicate arrival of red pine, *Pinus resinosa*, in AHP B.P. 8,000
Plows for the cultivation of soil are developed in Mesopotamia B.P. 8,000
Lactase mutation facilitating milk digestion occurs northern Europe; John Hawks, U. Wisc. B.P. 8,000
Linen netting, cloth (Catal Huyuk, Turkey), rafting and sickles are invented and refined B.P. 8,000
Sugarcane is spread by trading ships to Indonesia, Philippines and India B.P. 8,000
Spores of *Sphagnum* spp. appear in lake sediment profiles and increase thereafter B.P. 8,000
Eastern North American *Abies* is single continuous population from Georgia to Newfoundland B.P. 8,000
PRB estimates human global population to be 5 million individuals B.P. 8,000
‘Supernatural’ natural gas seeps, ignited by natural causes, are noted in Iran B.P. 8,000-4,000
Pollen/macrofossils indicate arrival of eastern hemlock, *Tsuga canadensis*, in AHP B.P. 7,400
Pine-rich forests declines and hemlock-rich mixed forest emerge in NE America B.P. 7,000
A hemlock-rich mixed conifer-hardwood forest grows at Brandreth Bog c-yr B.P. 7,000
*Abies* range is broken into discontinuous populations as climate warms; taxa divergence begins B.P. 7,000
The wheel and axle combination appears in Mesopotamia B.P. 7,000
Semi-wild cattle are being herded in Turkey and parts of Africa B.P. 7,000
End of significant Laurentide Ice Sheet melting B.P. 6,800
Start of the Julian Day Count as used in current astronomy as set by J. J. Scaliger in 1583 B.P. 6,729
Ur (aka Erech and Warka), on Euphrates River, Mesopotamia, becomes world’s first city B.P. 6,500
Egyptians build boats of wooden planks, an advance over dugouts and reed water craft B.P. 6,500
Egyptians mine and smelt copper ore

Pollen/macrofossils indicate arrival of the yellow birch, *Betula lutea*, in AHP B.P. 6,500

Sundials, a vertical stick in the ground or an obelisk, for observing passage of time are developed B.P. 6,000

Maize emerges, through artificial selection, Tehuacan Valley and Oaxaca, Mexico B.P. 6,000

Early bronze-age commences B.P. 5,500

Archaic peoples prevail in major Adirondack drainages with further demise of big game B.P. 5,500

Osteology indicates human afflictions of TB, osteomyelitis, osteoporosis, congenital anomalies B.P. 5,500

The horse is domesticated in Middle East B.P. 5,500

Wheeled carts, river boats, and writing are developed B.P. 5,500

Egyptians import primitive sundial (shadow clocks) from Babylon B.P. 5,500

A simple potter’s wheel is developed in Mesopotamia further fostering human nutrition B.P. 5,500

Primitive flushing toilet system is developed at Neolithic settlement Skara Brae, Orkney c-yr B.P. 5,100

Cattle are now fully domesticated in Middle-east B.P. 5,000

Aboriginal man develops iron smelting with application to many/diverse products B.P. 5,000

Candles are invented bringing more light into an extended daily routine B.P. 5,000

Numerical symbols are used in Uruk, Mesopotamia B.P. 5,000

Hafted bronze and copper axes are developed in Mesopotamia with use for the cutting of wood B.P. 5,000

Eastern hemlock, *Tsuga canadensis*, experiences a massive and extensive dieback B.P. 4,800

Brewerton phase of Archaic Period ensues B.P. 5,000 to 4,500

Calender is developed fostering improved sense of time and the seasons B.P. 4,800

Hemlock is replaced by birch, maple, beech and pine in North America B.P. 4,700

Birch, maple, beech, and pine replace hemlock forest around Brandreth Bog c-yr B.P. 4,700

Egyptians build public toilet facilities hand-flushed w/ buckets of water into clay drain pipes c-yr B.P. 4,500

Adirondack region is populated exclusively by people speaking Proto-Algonquian dialects c-yr B.P. 4,500

Iroquoian speaking people begin migrating northward into SW section of fut. New York state c-yr B.P. 4,500

Dog bones are deposited at a NY Lamoka Archaic cultures site, and later are ¹⁴C dated c-yr B.P. 4,500

Rock carving at Rodoy, southern Norway, depicts skiing B.P. 4,500

Glass is discovered and formed into decorative items, storage and eating vessels B.P. 4,500

Egyptians and Babylonians use moving shadows of obelisks to indicate noon time B.P. 4,500

Sumerian merchants develop standard weights of the shekel (8.36 g) and mina (60x8.36g) B.P. 4,500

Dam 276’ long and 39’ high is briefly present on Wadi Gerraw (El Kofaro), Egypt B.P. 4,500

Animal skin is used sporadically used as a writing surface B.P. 4,500

Foot of Lagash (ruler of Gudea) statue becomes standard of length, 26.45 cm, 10.41”, 16 parts B.P. 4,100

Birch, beech, maple, pine trees are replaced by spruce and fir in NE America B.P. 4,000

Alfalfa is now cultivated in Persia (Iran) B.P. 4,000

Balance scales are used in Egypt and Mesopotamia B.P. 4,000

Spoked wheels are used in Mesopotamia B.P. 4,000

Middle bronze-age commences B.P. 4,000

Horses are domesticated B.P. 4,000

Spruce and fir increase near Brandreth Bog indicating reversal of warming trend c-yr B.P. 4,000

Iroquoian speakers displace or absorb Brewerton Archaic people in northern New York c-yr B.P. 4,000

Brewerton Archaic period comes to an end c-yr B.P. 4,000

An engineered roadway is built in England B.P. 3,800

Fermentation is applied to beverages and foods B.P. 3,800

Five planets, 12 constellations, seven-day week and the Zodiac enter astronomy B.P. 3,800

Bronze age commences B.P. 3,600

Writing is developed in Sumer, southern Mesopotamia B.P. 3,500-3,000

An alphabet is developed B.P. 3,500

Egyptians make glass bottles by forming molten glass around core of sand and clay B.P. 3,500
Pacific Islanders spread sugarcane across the Eastern Pacific and Indian Ocean islands B.P. 3,500
Pollen/macrofossils indicate the recovery of eastern hemlock, *Tsuga canadensis* B.P. 3,400
Egyptians are afflicted with spinal deformities indicative of tuberculosis B.P. 3,400
Charcoal use for smelting of copper in Cyprus consumes 4 to 5 square miles of forest per year B.P. 3,300
Fuel use for bronze, pottery, etc., reduce Mycenaean forests to Peloponnesian upland B.P. 3,300
Peloponnesian peninsula and islands suffer severe flooding, soil erosion and population change B.P. 3,200
Salt and ash, as an agricultural herbicide, is used by Biblical armies B.P. 3,200
Mycenaean cities fail and civilization collapses due to consequences of deforestation B.P. 3,100
Floods, mudslides and harbor silting resulting from deforestation suppress economy of Cyprus B.P. 3,100
Cypriot civilization collapses with 90% of settlements abandoned B.P. 3,050
Homer reports on the use of sulfur in fumigation and other means of pest control B.P. 3,000
Steel is developed and the Iron Age begins B.P. 3,000
Chemically refined sugar appears in northern India B.P. 2,500

*Shift from B.P. to B.C. dating*

A 12-month, 365-day calendar is developed in Egypt B.C. 2800
Engineered sewage systems are in use in the Indus Valley of South Asia B.C. 2600
Flush toilet systems are in wide use at Harappa and Mohenjo-daro, Indus Valley of South Asia B.C. 2500
Nebra Sky Disc, 12” diam, wooden, golden attachments, Anhalt, Germany, depicts sky B.C. 2000-1600
Flushing toilet systems are installed in the palace of Knossos, Isle of Crete B.C. 2000-1400
Santorini (volcano) at Thera ejects 60 km³ DRE into atmosphere impacting global weather c. B.C. 1613
Egyptians develop water clocks (clepsydras) B.C. 1500
Mesopotamian cuneiform is stripped down to a 30-character sound alphabet in Ugarit (Syria) B.C. 1500
Some cultures mark passage of time by the time it takes to burn oil, incense and candles B.C. 1400
Sunflower is domesticated in North America B.C. 1400
Widespread use of iron for many purposes gives rise to term “Iron Age” B.C. 1200
Phoenicians develop 22-character alphabet which is adopted by Greeks and Israelites B.C. 1000
Oats are cultivated in Central Europe B.C. 1000
Early period of Woodland culture prevails in northeastern North America B.C. 1000-300

Dates for the Early, Middle and Late Woodland Cultural Periods vary by 100 years or more from locality to locality in Eastern North America and thus our dates are best “adjusted” to each site in question. Regardless the above, the Woodland period in eastern North America is characterized by the widespread use of ceramics; agriculture had become an important means of subsistence, and ritual burial of the dead in mounds was practiced.

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Early Woodland people begin staying at the same village site longer than a single season B.C. 1000
Early Woodland people complete transition from hunting-gathering to agricultural culture B.C. 1000
Haudenosaunee establish dominance over Brewerton Archaic people west of Champlain valley B.C. 900
Productive use of natural gas is noted in China, discovered when boring for salt B.C. 900
The Romans use hellebore for control of rats, mice, and insects B.C. 900
Sandstone stele at the place of Nimrud lists native and introduced plants and animals B.C. 813
Egyptians develop accurate sundial (shadow clock) dividing daylight into 10 equal parts B.C. 800
Agriculture begins in the New York region B.C. 800
The making of sugar, “manufactured honey”, from sugar cane is developed in India B.C. 800
King Sennacherib establishes a garden at Nineveh with plants and animals B.C. 700
King Assurbanipal establishes a library at Nineveh – eventually to hold 22,000 clay tablets B.C. 700
Come now! What is the rationale for including Aristotle in our Adirondack chronology? Simply, he taught us how to observe the natural world and then to record and illustrate detailed observations. Some 30 of his books survive marking him as a polymath having great investigative skill and interest in all matters dealing with our world. Further, as student of Plato learning many features of the past and mentor of the great botanical Theophrastus, he was a major historical bridge and inspiration for Charles Darwin who described him as one of the greatest observers who ever lived. He travelled and collected widely to return to Athens to establish his own school on the grounds of the Lyceum in Athens. He delighted in relationship and coaction and thus was one of the first ecologists and natural historians of a new era. Sadly, this essential intellectual craft, so essential to conservation and land/environmental management, fades in much of our educational system – from kindergarten to our graduate schools. We need well-trained naturalists to wisely protect our Adirondack region. There is profound need to be able to recognize loss of species, changes of habitat and the awkward gain of aggressive invasive forms such as Japanese knotweed, Eurasian milfoil, forest pathogens and many others. Few Americans can tell one kind of tree from another.

Carl George, Editor

Theophrastus, “father of botany”, is born Eresos, Island of Lesbos, Aegean c. B.C. 372
Philip of Macedonia, father of Alexander, takes northern Greek coast city of Amphipolis B.C. 356
Macedonian control of Greek forests leads to continued decline of Athens B.C. 350
Greek innovators improve water clocks, weight clocks, candle clocks, lamp clocks, etc. B.C. 325
Chinese introduce colonies of ants into citrus groves to control damage from caterpillars B.C. 324
Aristotle dies, island of Euboea, Aegean, at age of 62 B.C. 322
Theophrastus, Greek, student of Aristotle, writes systematic botany books covering 550 species c. B.C. 320
Alpha Claudius, Roman Republic Censor, builds an all-weather road from Rome to Brindis  B.C. 312
Euclid, Greek, authors *The Elements*, one of the most influential works of the western world  c. B.C. 300
One-time Aegean harbor of Myus is landlocked due to sedimentation following loss of forests  B.C. 300
Athenian forests are exhausted and Macedonia becomes a prime source for wood  B.C. 300
Plato and Aristotle write about *spiritus* (natural gas)  B.C. 300
Middle Woodland Period of human culture prevails in northeastern North America  B.C. 300 to A.D. 600
Aristarchus of Samos calculates circumference of Earth at 25,000 miles  B.C. 250
Greek scientists & mathematicians studying sundials make strides in geometry and early calculus  B.C. 250
Chinese make land relief maps of wood and rice  B.C. 250
Cresibius of Alexandria improves water clock, its accuracy serving for 2,000 years  B.C. 240
Standard system of year numbering is established  B.C. 240
Eratosthenes est circumference of earth using angular height of sun and distance between 2 cities  B.C. 240
Glass bottles are made by blowing glass into molds in Egypt, Persia, and China  B.C. 200
Gears are developed and applied to ox-powered waterwheels used in irrigation  B.C. 200
Some of the streets of Rome are paved  B.C. 170
Parchment is developed  B.C. 170
Rome conquers Macedonia taking full control of forest resources of the northern Greek coast  B.C. 167
A Roman consul proclaims that the year will begin January 1st  B.C. 156
Chinese make paper using mulberry bark and hemp fiber (some say this was B.C. 105)  B.C. 150
Claudius Ptolemy pub the *Almagest*, a map of the stars  B.C. 140
Chinese make paper for packing, clothing, personal hygiene, etc. – but not for writing!  B.C. 140
Theodosius of Bithynia is said to have developed universal sundial suitable for all regions  B.C. 100
Phoenician of the Levant develop glassblowing – one of the greatest sources of modern litter!  B.C. 100
Lake Champlain is the boundary between Haudenosaunee (west) and Western Abenaki (east)  B.C. 100
People of Paracas, Peru, make especially fine textiles of cotton and the wool of llama and vicuna  B.C. 100
Romans of Naples use puteoli (volcanic ash) to make superior concrete able to set under water  B.C. 100
The Greek Asclepius (Asclepiades) accents importance of nature healing in Rome  B.C. 90
Waterwheel is developed  B.C. 85
Poet Virgil, naturalist, author of the *Georgic*, opens the literature of man in rural nature  B.C. 70-19
The Gauls introduce soap to Rome  B.C. 50
Julius Caesar introduces “Julian calendar” of three 365 days and leap year of 366 days  B.C. 45
Virgil reports on the treatment of seeds with nitre and amurca  B.C. 25
Marcus Vitruvius Pollio pub master-work on architecture, engineering astronomy and much more  B.C. 25
Chinese drill wells 4,800 feet deep for water and gas  B.C. 0
A bog mat has closed over the Brandreth Lake basin  B.C. 0
Pollen and macrofossils, indicate the recovery of spruce (*Picea* sp.) in the Adirondacks  4 A.D. onward
Pollen and macrofossils indicate existence of current Adirondack flora and plant zonation  20
Earth’s climate zones are named  25
Steam power is developed for work  50
Moldboard plough is developed in Gaul (see also entry for year 600)  50
Pliny the Elder describes oxen-powered grain harvesting machine  50
Roman public hot-water baths proliferate and consume massive amounts of wood fuel  50
Roman architecture, metallurgy, ceramics, heating, and agriculture deplete Italian forest resources  50
Pliny the Elder notes “sickness of the lungs” in slaves wearing asbestos clothing  60
Rome burns again and is rebuilt in brick, one cord of wood used to fire one cubic foot of brick  64
Mt. Vesuvius, Bay of Naples, Italy, explodes destroying Pompeii/Herculaneum, and killing Pliny  79
Lou-en Heng describes magnetic iron spoon turning on a polished bronze surface, i.e. a compass  80
Chinese invent a fan-based winnowing machine for separation of grain and chaff  90
Hopewell Mound Building Culture of the Ohio Valley disappears  c.100
Chinese use dried chrysanthemum flowers to kill insects; based on (biodegradable) pyrethrum
Streets of Fontaine Ardent, near Grenoble, France, are lit with natural gas lamps
Glass windowpanes of the modern type are used in homes of early Roman Empire.
The Chinese court official Ts’ai Lun uses textile waste to make paper
Zhang Heng invents a bronze-figured seismograph indicating direction of quake propagation
Geo-centric universe is proposed
Chinese Mandarin system begins testing of citizens for placement in governmental positions
Chinese apply “magical compass” to navigation
Human global population is estimated at c. 400 million (PRB)
Romans use salt for road stabilization and dust control
Metal stirrups are developed
Chinese use coal instead of wood in casting iron
Sand-filled hour-glass is used to measure passage of time
Roman lead smelting, Rio Tinto area, SW Spain, results in small lead pollution
Emperor Constantine convenes Council of Nicaea to state that world was created 1,384 years ago
Indian chemists learn to make crystallized sugar from sugarcane starting profitable trade
Krakatoa (volcano) erupts: thundering noise, fiery glow, earthquakes, tsunami, heavy storms, rain
Wheelbarrow is developed
Chinese forge cast and wrought iron to make steel
Overshot waterwheel for power is now applied in the Roman Empire
Hypatia, wondrous woman of Alexandria, develops the hydrometer, also the astrolabe
Rome develops ‘Law of Nations’ to deal with crimes and civil complaints of non-Romans
Major eruption at Krakatoa (volcano) in Java-Sumatra region impacts global weather
Earthquakes are experienced worldwide
Major El Niño strikes Peru causing catastrophic flooding to imperil Moche culture (GCC)
Pope St. John assigns Dionysius Exiguus role of defining the Anno Domini Era (AD)
Chinese women (Northern China) invent the match for starting fires
Moldboard plow is invented
Persians invent and apply the windmill for use in grinding grain
Two-tined forks are used by the elite of the Middle East
Late Woodland Period of human culture prevails in northeastern North America
Disastrous floods occur on the Yellow R. (Huang Ho) transporting great amounts of sediment
Papermaking is introduced to Japan initiating spread to India, Central Asia, etc.
Japanese use “burning water”, probably petroleum as a fuel for lamplight
Petroleum, called “burning water”, is used in Japan
Champlain Valley becomes home to Haudenosaunee, Western Abenaki, and Mahigan people
Greek physician Paul of Aegina lists symptom of lead poisoning
Arabs invade Persia, find sugarcane, and learn sugar making; it spreads to N. Africa/Spain
Water mills are in wide use in England and Europe
Chinese paper makers are captured in Samarkand and teach their Arab captors how to make paper
Arabic numerals, of Indian origin, are now used in Baghdad
Horseshows begin to appear
Art of paper making spreads from Samarkand to Baghdad
Government establishes paper mills in Baghdad
The word forata appears in the lexicon being applied to royal game preserves

The word forata appears for the first time in the laws of the Longobards and the capitularies of Charlemagne. Referring not to woodlands in general but only to the royal game preserves. The word has an uncertain provenance. The most likely origin is the Latin foris, meaning “outside”. The obscure
Latin word *forestare* meant “to keep out, to place off limits, to exclude.” In effect, during the Merovingian period in which the word *foresta* entered the lexicon, kings had taken it upon themselves to place public bans on vast tracts of woodland in order to insure the survival of their wildlife, which in turn would insure the survival of a fundamental royal ritual – the hunt.

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Centre for Ice & Climate, U. Copenhagen, notes increase in glacial ice lead in Greenland ice sheet 800

Blast furnaces are used for making cast iron in Scandinavia 800

Forerunners of Haudenosaunee enter SW New York from lower Ohio Valley c. 800

Lake Chichancanab, Yucatan, dries, with Mayan collapse, driest period of last 8,000 years 800-1,000

Zero is added to our numerical system 810

Arabs develop system of numbers: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 0 815

*Saxon Chronicle* makes first mention of coal in British Isles 825

Zheng Yin, Chinese, describes primitive gun-powder warning of its explosive character 850

Johannes Scotus Erigena compiles an encyclopedia of nature 870

Candles with time markings are used to measure passage of time in Europe 885

Paper is manufactured in Cairo 900

Horse collar is developed 900

Northern Haudenosaunee are living in compact settlements of longhouses 900

Printed paper money is used as medium of exchange in Szechuan Province, China 900

The Haudenosaunee adopt cultivation of corn as a dietary staple and become less nomadic 900-1,100

Haudenosaunee use extracts of beaked hazel and pennyroyal to repel mosquitoes and blackflies 900-1,100

The Medieval Warm Anomaly (WMA) of Europe opens, British Isle temperatures rising 0.8 °C. 900-1,400

Medieval Warm Period, a.k.a. Medieval Climate Anomaly, occurs in Northern Hemisphere 900-1,250

Islamic Egypt suffers drought and starvation with 600,000 dying 967

Eirikr Thorvaldsson (Erik the Red) explores west coast of Greenland during exile from Iceland 982-984

Eirikr Thorvaldsson (Erik the Red) establishes two Norse colonies on west coast of Greenland c. 985

Bjarni Herjólfssson, sailing to Greenland, is blown off course, sights east coast of North America 985 or 986

Pontiff Sylvester II promotes use of Arabic-Hindu concept of ‘zero’ in Western World 999-1003

Chinese perfect gunpowder 1000

Gears for use in waterwheels and water clocks become common in Arab world 1000

The moldboard plow, drawn by horses and oxen, is developed in Europe 1000

Haudenosaunee tribes occupy most of (fut.) NYS, developing from resident indigenous cultures c. 1000

Coal begins to replace wood and charcoal as preferred fuel in British Isles c. 1000

Leif Eiriksson (Leif Eriksson) explores east coast (Newfoundland) of North America 1002

Leif Eiriksson (Leif Eriksson) explores east coast of Baffin Island, Labrador and Newfoundland 1002

He calls these lands Helluland, Markland & Vínland; he overwinters at Leifsbúdir, Vínland 1002

Eriksson lands at Helluland, Markland & Vinland; overwinters at Leifsbúdir (L’Anse Aux Meadows) c. 1002

If Norse ships carried house mouse, *Mus musculus domesticus*, to N.A., it did not survive 1000-25

Norsemen living at Leifsbúdir travel south to Notre Dame Bay for jasper and butternut wood 1000-45

In a time before accurate maps and when much of the world was unknown, exploration was a dangerous business. Further, the Vikings had little incentive to take risks. They were not, for example, interested in finding a new route to China like the Portuguese would be many years later. Therefore, most of their discoveries were actually accidents. They did not have access to modern navigational equipment, or even the compass (*AC editor: This is not true. By this time, Norse sailors had developed quite sophisticated compasses to keep them on latitude.*) Understandably, they often got lost at sea. (*AC editor:
That is true, but it was because of being ‘blown off course’, not because they did not have compasses.) In the process of trying to find their way home, they sometimes encountered new territory. If they did make it back to civilization, they told others what they had seen. This, in turn, motivated adventurous Norsemen to try to find this new land. It was the search for known landmasses, not the charting of the unknown, which motivated most of the Nordic exploration efforts.

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| Date given by Hodell et al. as end of sporadic drying of Lake Punta Laguna, central Mexico | 1020 |
| A spinning wheel as used in China is pictured | 1035 |
| Movable type as used in printing is invented in China | 1041 |
| Crossbow is developed | 1050 |
| Chinese record a supernova, the remains of which are the clouds of the Crab Nebula | 1054 |
| William the Conqueror introduces the word “rover” to England leading to “ranger” | 1066 |
| Adam of Bremen reports a land beyond Greenland where grapes and wheat grow (Vínland) | 1075 |
| Su Sung develops a sophisticated water-driven mechanical clock tower in China | 1088 |
| Crusaders returning from the Holy Land bring sugarcane and sugar back with them | 1095-1291 |
| Pre-Columbian, new world humans are afflicted with mycobacterial disease (TB) | 1100 |
| A form of lacrosse is played by Haudenosaunee in the Great Lakes area | 1100s |
| Late Woodland materials of the Canandaigua digs are dated by 14C | 1120+/−100 |
| Dendrochronology suggests a medieval maximum global air temperature (GCC) | 1120-1280 |
| Alexander Neckam provides an account of the mariner’s compass | 1125 |
| Tree ring data mark major drought for Chaco Canyon Anasazi lands, SW US (GCC) | 1130-1180 |
| Dekanawida, Hiawatha and Jingosaseh declare Haudenosaunee Great Law (see 1570) | 1142 |
| The Seneca ratify Haudenosaunee Confederacy Law at Gonandaga (31 Aug) | 1142 |
| Haudenosaunee (Seneca) tradition reports total eclipse at Gonandaga (now Victor, NY) | 1142 |
| Mohawk Nation controls lands from Utica-Waddington line to E. side of L. Champlain | 1142 |
| Influenza epidemic kills tens of thousands of people in Europe | 1174 |
| Glass windows are used in English private houses | 1180 |
| Vertical sails are used in European windmills | 1180 |
| England begin systematic mining of coal for fuel | 1180 |
| Magnetic compass is invented | 1180 |
| Human waste in London is emptied into open pits, moats, rivers, and streams; disease is rampant | 1189 |
| Leonardo Pisano Fibonacci introduces Arabic numerals to Europe and pub 13 books of Liber Abaci | 1202 |
| St. Francis of Assisi dies | 1226 |
| Coal is mined in Newcastle, England, and used widely for industry, heating and cooking | 1233 |
| Record breaking winds and seas flood North Sea coasts killing hundreds of thousands (GCC) | 1240 |
| Gunpowder is used in Europe | 1249 |
| Vincent de Beauvais pub Encyclopedia Speculum Naturale Historiale, Doctrinale | 1250 |
| Water-powered machine saw is developed in France | 1250 |
| Toll roads are instituted in England | 1269 |
| Magnetic poles are described | 1269 |
| “Great Drought” strikes Anasazi lands, western America, causing major cultural decline | 1276-1299 |
| London experiences a destructive episode of smog caused by the burning of soft coal | 1285 |
| Lenses for the correction of vision (eye glasses) are invented in Pisa, Italy | c. 1285 |
| Spinning wheel is introduced to Europe | 1298 |
| Long bow is invented | 1298 |
| Genghis Khan’s warriors develop powdered milk | 1200s |
Italian papermakers improve on Arab techniques using rag waste 1200s
Deep-sea cores indicate the onset of the Little Ice Age 1300s
Weight-driven mechanical clocks appear in northern Italy 1300s
Warm summers become unreliable in northern Europe, portending onset of Little Ice Age c. 1300
Distilled liquors become a favorite beverage 1300
Dense coal smog descends upon London; Parliament complains to King Edward III 1316
Royal proclamation against the use of coal in London as a ‘noisome smell’ is issued 1316
Berthold Schwartz, German friar, “invents” gunpowder also sees role of Chinese in its development 1313
A pound of granulated sugar in London costs two shillings ($109 in 2017 dollars) 1319
Explosive powder as invented by the Chinese earlier is used in guns of western world 1325
The sawmill is developed 1328
Bubonic plague or Black Death begins in Europe 1328
Black Death devastates Europe with millions dying 1332
Mechanical clocks become a household item 1335
William Merlee, Oxford, makes “scientific” weather forecasts 1337
Blast furnace for smelting of iron is developed in Belgium 1340
Black Death continues reducing population of England by one-third 1347
Jan de Langhe, a Fleming, pens *The Travels of John Mandeville*, later enticing Columbus et al. c. 1351-60
Black Death reappears in Europe 1361
Record breaking winds and seas again batter North Sea coasts killing hundreds of thousands (GCC) 1362
Jacobus Cnoyen summary of *Inventio Fortunata* later inspires Behaim, Mercator, Columbus et al. 1364
Mechanical clocks appear in England 1368
Ullman Stromier builds a paper mill near Nuremberg as staffed by Italian workers 1390
Johannes Gutenberg develops printing using movable type 1396
Dendrochronology indicates the Sporer Minimum of global air temperature (GCC) 1400-1510
Little Ice Age peaks, with greatest cooling in extratropical Northern Hemisphere 1400-1700
Haudenosaunee villages are generally comprised of some 200 inhabitants in longhouses c. 1400
A quarantine for the control of disease is imposed 1403
Rudimentary street lighting by oil is tried in London 1414
Window glass in invented in England as per contract discovered by Horace Walpole 1439
England to Alps experience severe winters, dry, hot summers, very wet springs and falls 1430s
Munjong, son of Sejong the Great, king of Korea, invents a standardized rain gauge (Apr) 1441
Leon Battista Alberti invents a swing-plate anemometer to measure wind speed 1450
Nicolas Cryfts describes the hygrometer for measuring atmospheric humidity 1450
The shadow of a total solar eclipse passes over Pennsylvania 1451
In accord with P.A.W. Wallace, Haudenosaunee Confederacy laws are now codified (28 Jun) 1451
Pope Nicholas V issues papal bull (*Dum diversas*) for subjugation of non-Christian peoples 1452
Johannes Gutenberg, German, Holy Roman Empire, develops printing press c. 1454
Pope Nicholas V issues papal bull (*Romanus pontifex*) on Christian seizure of discovered lands 1455
Leonardo DaVinci improves upon Cryfts’s hygrometer 1481
Cast iron stoves using coal and wood-fuel are introduced in Alsace region, Germany/France 1490
Martin Behaim of Nuremberg develops the terrestrial globe 1492
Christopher Columbus, sailing for Spain, begins his voyages of discovery for the New World 1492
C. Columbus lands Guanahani Island, W Atlantic, taking possession for king and queen of Spain 1492
C. Columbus arrives in the Americas (Oct 12) 1492
Pope Alexander VI issues papal bull (*Intera caetera*) on Christian conquests 1493
C. Columbus, 2nd voyage, brings sugarcane to Hispaniola whence it spreads rapidly 1493
*Dum diversas, Romanus pontifex, Intera caetera* together est. Christian ‘Doctrine of Discovery’ 1493
Giovanni Caboto (John Cabot) sailing for England lands on east coast of Canada (24 Jun) 1497
G. Caboto (John Cabot), sailing for Henry II (England), returns to east coast of Canada 1498-1500
William Weston, sailing for Henry II (England), explores “New Found Land” and Labrador Sea 1499
Haudenosaunee villages now contain some 2000 inhabitants living in some 10 longhouses c. 1500
Granulated sugar is a rare and expensive ‘spice’ c. 1500
Gaspar Corte-Real, sailing for Portugal, enslaves 57 Newfoundland/Labrador natives in Europe 1501
Portuguese begin transatlantic slave trade to bring labor for sugar plantations in Caribbean & Brazil 1501
America is recognized as a ‘new’ world 1502
European settlers bring house mouse, Mus musculus domesticus, to N.A.; it thrives in settlements 1500s
European paper mills can produce about 9 paper reams during 13-hour working day 1500s
Aztecs sacrifice some 20,000 people per year to please their gods 1500s
Martin Waldseemuller proposes use of the name “America” commemorating Amerigo Vespucci 1507
Johannes Ruysch of Antwerp/Utrecht prints global map showing America and Newfoundland 1507
August Kotter invents the spirally grooved ‘rifled’ gun barrel 1520
Zahuatl (smallpox) strikes Aztecs of Mexico killing five to eight million people 1520-21
Giovanni da Verrazano explores coastline of N. Carolina to Cape Breton for King François I of France 1524
Rudimentary street lighting by oil is in place in Paris 1524
Evidence of Haudenosaunee Mohawk contact with Europeans appears in Mohawk Valley, NY 1525
Epidemic brought by Spanish to Florida passes thru trade routes routes to Seneca Nation in western NY 1525
Paracelsus sets forth the basic tenets of toxicology 1530s

What is there that is not a poison? All things are poison and nothing is without poison. It is only
the dose that makes a thing not a poison.

Paracelsus, the father of modern toxicology (1493-1541)
More properly known as Theophrastus Philippus Aureolus Bombastus von Hohenheim

Human waste in London continues to be major source of stench and disease 1530
Zahuatl (smallpox) again strikes Aztecs with millions dying 1531-32
Jacques Cartier explores coast of Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick (Jul) 1534
Jacques Cartier, at Gaspe Penninsula, claims the land for France in name of King François I (24 Jul) 1534
Jacques Cartier kidnaps two sons of Iroquoian chief Donnacona and returns to France with them 1534
J. Cartier discovers maple syrup as used by Mi’kmaq/Haudenosaunee to sweeten European palates! 1534-41
J. Cartier returns, sails up St. Lawrence River to Stadacona and Hochelaga; names the land ‘Canada’ 1535
J. Cartier notes Mohawk-speaking Haudenosaunee from Stadacona (Québec City) to Hochelaga 1535
J. Cartier returns kidnapped sons to their father, Iroquoian chief, Donnacona (7 Sep) 1535
At Hochelaga, Jacques Cartier is introduced to dried tobacco leaves for ‘smoking’ (2 Oct) 1535
J. Cartier expedition, trapped by winter ice in St. Lawrence R., is forced to winter over at Stadacona 1535
Jacques Cartier sights Adirondack Mountains from “Mount Roaill”, Hochelaga (fut. Montréal) 1535
Haudenosaunee Mohawk are expelled from Eastern Canada by Mi’kmaq Nation ca. 1535-1600
Cartier’s men avoid scurvy by ‘secret’ Iroquoian tea made from extract of white cedar tree bark 1535-36
Cartier returns to France, kidnapping Iroquoian Chief Donnacona & his two sons plus others (May) 1536
Chief Donnacona & sons, Dom Agaya & Taignoagny, and other Iroquoians die in France 1536-41
The Christmas tree is introduced at Strasbourg Cathedral 1539
Peter Apian pub Astronomicum Caesarium with 114 hand-colored 18” pages with moving parts 1540
Jacques Cartier (3rd voyage) returns to Stadacona, Canada, w/o Chief Donnacona, sons & others 1541
Cartier lies to Iroquoian Chief Agona: Donnacona had died, sons & others married rich & stayed 1541
Hostility among Iroquois force Cartier to depart Stadacona and found fort at Charlesbourg-Royal 1541
J. Cartier realizes that the Lachine Rapids are a daunting impediment to further discovery 1541
Polish astronomer/cleric Nicolaus Copernicus pub *De Revolutionibus Coelestru* - on heliocentrism 1543
The anatomist Vesalius pub *Fabrica* 1543
Iroquois steadily & consistently harass Cartier’s fort at Charlesbourg-Royal until French abandon it 1543
A botanical garden is developed at Padua 1545
Girolamo Tracastoro pub *De Morbis Contagiosis* explaining that TB is contagious 1546
Fleming geographer Gerardus Mercator notes presence of earth’s gravitational field and poles 1546
Papal debates decide that American Indians are human beings and entitled to rudimentary rights 1550
Papal debates argue that sovereigns gain title to any unoccupied lands (*terra nullius*) discovered 1550
Konrad von Gesner pub *Historia Animalium* 1552
Georges Agricola in *De Re Metallica*, says “The air in mines is pestilential and produces asthma” 1556
Work on mineralogy by George Agricola is posthumously pub 1556
Giovanni Battista Ramusio pub *La Nuova Francia*, map 9 ¼” x 13 3/8”, east coast of North America 1556
A windowglass factory is est London – now allowing the building dweller to better see the world 1557
An influenza epidemic strikes Europe 1557
André de Thévet claims French discovery of sweet tasting sap in American tree (sugar maple) 1557

This tree called *Cotony* (sugar maple) was considered for a long time as useless and without profit until one of our people wanted to cut one. As soon as it was cut to the quick a liquor came out of it in quantity. This being tasted, was found to be of such good taste that some thought it to be equal to the goodness of wine—so that some people collected an abundance of this liquor and helped refresh our people. And to see and experiment on the source of this drink, the said tree was sawed down and its trunk being on the ground a miraculous thing was discovered in the heart of the tree: a *Fleur-de-lis* well pictured which was admired by all. About this some said that it was a very good presage for the French nation, which in the passage of time through the diligence and zeal of our kings could conquer and someday bring to Christianity this poor barbarous people. Captain Jacques Cartier . . . assured me that the thing was very true. The Canadians (Haudenosaunee, Mi’kmaq, Algonquin) will not forget the excellence of this liquor and will remember always those who discovered use of it, considering the excellence of this beverage—better certainly than that which they and their neighbors had used previously.


Yes, we realize that André de Thévet is notorious for historical inaccuracy, misrepresentations and even fanciful elaborations in his writings. Yet, we suggest that his description of the maple tree and its sap is mostly correct and that his writings introduced the idea of drinking tree sap (maple water) to Europeans.

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With no disrespect intended toward historians, oral tradition of the so-called Eastern Woodland Indians, including the Abenaki, the Haudenosaunee (Iroquois) and the Mi’kmaq suggests that all were collecting and processing maple sap using primitive tools and methods well before European contact. They carved v-shaped notches into the tree trunks using sharp stones, they diverted the sap flow with concave pieces of bark or reeds into birch or hemlock bark buckets or hollowed out sections of logs. The sap was subsequently concentrated by freezing the sap and removing the frozen water, or by dropping hot stones into these containers to evaporate the water. Whether they ended up with what we now call syrup is conjecture, but it would seem they were indeed concentrating the sweetness to make a desirable product.

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Conienga branch of the Haudenosaunee and the Algonquin begin their Long War 1560
Sir Francis Bacon is born to accent the beauty, significance and meaning of the English garden

Diego Gutierrez - Hieronymus Cock map of ‘the 4th part of the world’ calls Adk region Avacal

Galileo Galilei is born (15 Feb)

Gerardus Mercator, Flemish, presents his “Mercator’s geography” of the earth

Geographer Abraham Ortelius’ influential map of America shows Adirondack region as Avacal

Dekanawida, Hiawatha and Jingosaseh declare Haudenosaunee Great Law (see also 1142)

Johann Kepler is born in the Imperial Free City of Weil der Stadt, Germany (27 Dec)

Connection with the Adirondacks? Johann Kepler in in his laws of planetary motion, as first published in 1609, describes the correct trail of the Adirondacks and their host planet Earth in its path through space. He is indeed author of one of the finest trail guides ever written!

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Tycho Brahe, Danish, records De Nova Stella, a supernova, in constellation Cassiopeia (11 Nov)

A ‘great war’ breaks out between Mohawk Nation and the Algonquin Nations of Canada c. 1575

Mohawks scornfully label Algonquin enemies, incl. Montagnais, as atirútaks, tree eaters c. 1575

Republic of the Seven United Provinces (Dutch Republic) declares independence from Spain 1581

Pope Gregory the 13th devises new calendar to replace Julian calendar in all Catholic countries 1582

Joseph Justus Scaliger (1540-1609) develops Julian day count used in modern astronomy (1 Jan) 1583

M. de Hoyarsabal, Basque ship captain, borrows funds to buy 100 copper kettles to trade in America 1584

Giovanni de Verrazano, under patronage of King Francis I of France, enters Bay of New York 1584

Abraham Ortelius, Flemish, cartographer, 1527-1626, pub Thesaurus Geographicus; plate tectonics 1587

Sir John Harington invents a flush toilet, Kelston, England 1589

Mohawk Nation is forced southward along Lakes Champlain & George to Mohawk Valley c. 1590

A paper mill is built at Dartford, England 1590

Microscope is invented 1592

Galileo Galilei (1564-1642), Italian, invents a primitive thermometer 1592

John Manwood pub A Treatise of the Laws of the Forest. . . 1592

Petrus Plancius is awarded patent for a navigation solution to determine longitude at sea 1594

Global map of Gerardus Mercator is published posthumously 1595

Sir Walter Raleigh describes lake plain of asphalt on Trinidad I. and uses tar to caulk his ships 1595

German astronomer Johannes Kepler pub treatise on heliocentrism with elliptical planetary tracks 1596

Dutch sailors land on uninhabited island of Mauritius and find very friendly bird Didus ineptus 1598

Dutch of Beverwijck provide Haudenosaunee with guns, lead shot and black powder early 1600s

Movable type printing and the Protestant Reformation greatly increase use of paper 1600s

The dandelion, Taraxacum officinale, is introduced to America as a food and herbal plant 1600s

Settlers bring European earthworms to NE North America adding various species to our farms 1600s

Adrian Van der Donck describes harvest of passenger pigeons at a roost in the Hudson Valley 1600s

PRB estimates human global population at 500 million 1600

Giordino Bruno (b 1548), proposes infinite universe, stars as suns, burns at stake for heresy (17 Feb) 1600

William Gilbert, English, Father of Electricity, pub De Magnete . . ., proposing earth as a magnet 1600

The Company of New France is chartered after English and Dutch models for trade in ‘East Indies’ 1602

Samuel de Champlain begins exploring North America as observer under François Gravé Du Pont 1603

Algonquins and Montagnais are still battling Haudenosaunee for control of St. Lawrence Valley 1603

German astronomer, mathematician, Johannes Kepler, observes a supernova 1604

Samuel de Champlain joins 2nd expedition to North America under Pierre Dugua de Mons 1604

Samuel de Champlain picks St. Croix Island, St. Crois River, where a disastrous winter is spent 1604-05
The winter of 1604-05 proved exceedingly rigorous. – commencing early with snow the first week of October, approaching in its depth the extremes possible for the region with river and bay icebound and the ground covered with a very deep snow, and continuing unusually late to the end of April. It was so cold that all beverages except Spanish wine froze – cider was given out by the pound! Thirty-five of the 79 colonists died in that bitter winter.

David M. Ludlum (1966)
(from the diary of Samuel de Champlain, expedition geographer)

Samuel de Champlain est. settlement of Port Royal across the bay for 2nd winter in North America 1605
Edmund Gunter develops the surveying chain 1606
Virginia Co. of London is granted a royal charter to send 120 colonists to Virginia 1606
The Englishman John Norden pub The Surveyor’s Dialogue, a manual on surveying 1607
Marc Lescarbot observes Mi’kmaq collection of maple sap and "distillation" to an agreeable liquid 1607

Nowhere does Lescarbot mention the Mi’kmaq’s making of maple ‘syrup’ or maple ‘sugar’. Most scholars suggest that maple sap was distilled to some degree by Native Americans to increase its sweetness by placing red hot stones in wooden kettles to boil off the water. They also concentrated sap by freezing it and removing the ice. The sugar remained in the solute, so multiple freezings would eventually result in syrup. While maple syrup was undoubtedly made on rare occasions, it would have been limited to small quantities. Production of maple ‘sugar’ prior to the introduction of European metal kettles would have been difficult and time consuming, but not impossible.

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Marc Lescarbot observes the Mi’kmaq trading for metal pots and other European products 1607
After exploring Atlantic coast as far south as Cape Cod, Samuel de Champlain returns to France 1607
English establish a colony at Jamestown (now Virginia) 1607
English establish a short-lived colony at Sagadahoc, Kennebec River (now Maine) 1607
Royal Blackheath Golf Club, surviving today, is established in London 1607
Hans (Johann) Lippershey, Dutch, invents telescope 1607
P. Dugua de Mons sends S. de Champlain back to North America to establish a French colony 1608
Milky Way and moon are seen by telescope and planetary orbits are defined as ellipses 1609
Directors of VOC sign H. Hudson to contract to seek sea route to fur trade in Siberia (8 Jan) 1609
Petrus Planicius who supplied all charts and maps to the VOC supplies charts to H. Hudson 1609
Samuel de Champlain est. l’Abitation de Québec, now Québec City, at Cap Diamant (3 Jul) 1609
Samuel de Champlain enters the lake now bearing his name (28 Jun or 4 July?) 1609
S. de Champlain, Huron (Wyandot) & Algonquin warriors engage Iroquois at Ticonderoga (29 Jul) 1609
Samuel de Champlain using arquebus kills 2 Mohawk chiefs & wounds 3rd at Ticonderoga (29 Jul) 1609

This action, taking but a few seconds by Samuel de Champlain, set the tone for poor French-Iroquois relations for the rest of the century.

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Samuel de Champlain reports snow on mountains east of the lake eventually to bear his name (Jul) 1609
Atirotanta, chief of the Arendarhonon tribe, goes to Québec City to make alliance with the French 1609
Samuel de Champlain observes snow on the mountains of Vermont (Aug) 1609
Defying orders, H. Hudson, aboard Halve Maen (Half Moon), explores Hudson River (3 Sep-22 Oct)1609

Henry Hudson and his crew “found this Noort Rivier (North River) a good place for cod-fishing, as also for traffic in good skins and furs, which were to be got there at a very low price.”
Emanuel Van Meteren, 1611
Consul to Flemish (Dutch) merchants, London, and the man
who instigated Hudson’s voyage to America under Dutch flag

Robert Juet, aboard *Halve Maen*, keeps daily weather observations during Hudson’s 3rd voyage  1609
Wild parsnip, *Pastinaca sativa*, Eurasian, is introduced to America at the Jamestown colonization  1609

And thus begins one of the most ‘successful’ plant invasions in American botanical history with an
‘awkward presence’ in most of the country. It produces furanocoumarins that on contact with the human
skin, followed by sunlight activation, cause a severe dermatitis. It is the forebear of the edible parsnip and
has been cultivated since Roman times. It is common along the rural roads and fields of much of New York
but is yet to become abundant along the byways of the Adirondacks – and was unlisted in Michael
Kudish’s *Adirondack Upland Flora* of 1992. See the study by May R. Berenbaum *et al.* Furanocoumarins
in seeds of wild and cultivated parsnip, *Phytochemistry*, volume 23, issue 8, 1984, pages 1809 to 1810. It is
now present in the more open, rural areas of the southern Adirondacks and promises to range much more
widely.

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Using telescope, Galileo makes systematic observations sunspots, four “little stars” of Jupiter, etc.  1609
Using telescope, Galileo draws moon map with relief comparable to modern observations (18 Dec)  1609
Galileo observes the planet Venus by “telescope” noting its topographic relief and dark-light phases  1610
Galileo and Thomas Herriot (Herriott) independently continue observations on sunspot activity  1610
Arnout Vogels dispatches Flemish ship *de Hoope* to America to find Hudson’s river for fur trade  1610
Cows arrive in North America at Jamestown Colony  1611
Jesuits arrive in New France at Port Royal and begin to learn local languages (11 May)  1611
Vogels enters into partnership with two Frenchmen to trade in ‘Canada,’ i.e. Hudson River (24 Jun)  1611
Arnout Vogels returns on Dutch ship *St. Pieter* to trade with Mohawks on Hudson River  1611
Don Alonso de Velasco map of N. Amer. east coast depicts L. Champlain & George, Hudson River  1611
A lighthouse with a revolving beacon is developed in France  1611
Cartographer Samuel Argall sees buffalo herds on the Chesapeake Bay shore  1612
Vogels makes two trips on the *Fortuyn* to trade with Hudson River Mohawks  1612

These Flemish (Dutch) fur traders operating in New France under their French partnership had
found a brisk business where liquor, cloth, firearms, and trinkets could be traded with the Mohawks for
beaver and otter pelts. They found it curious that the Mohawks had shown up already knowing the worth
of their furs and requesting certain European goods in exchange. They did not realize that the Mohawks
had nearly a hundred years’ history bartering animal furs for European goods in chance coastal meetings
with explorers, adventurers, and fishermen.

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The Dutch begin developing Manhattan Island as a fur-trading center  1612
Word of profitable trading with Mohawks spreads through Flanders’ sailing merchants  1612

Other Flemings followed, sometimes literally in their wake (Vogels’). Oftentimes there were so
many Flemish ships trading with the Indians in the same waters of the Hudson River at the same time that
gun battles between the ships broke out. At least once that we know of (from the notarial record) Petrus
Plancius had to be called in to arbitrate an agreement between these Antwerp natives.

Simon Hart
Adrian Block and his companions build rude huts and winter over in the Hudson Valley
Santorio Santorre develops progenitor of hair hygrometer to measure atmospheric humidity
Captain John Smith explores the coasts of Massachusetts and Maine
Flemish fur traders est. The New Netherland Co. with 3-yr monopoly on Hudson Valley trade
New Amsterdam is settled by the Dutch on Manhattan Island
Dutch fur traders est. Fort van Nassoueen (Fort Nassau), trading post and warehouse at Albany
Sylvius de la Boe, Holland, describes tubercles, tuberculous cavities and tuberculous lymph nodes
Haudenosaunee begin buying firearms from the Dutch at Fort Orange (Albany)
Willibrord Snellius (Snell), Dutch astronomer, uses triangulation from prominent sites to make maps
John Smith pub. A Description of New England
A major epidemic, possibly chicken pox, kills an estimated 95% of New England native people
Willebrord Snellius establishes the techniques of trigonometrical triangulation in cartography
Freshet damages Fort van Nassoueen on Westerlo Island; new fort built at Normans Kill
The New Netherland Company’s monopoly on Hudson River Valley fur trade expires (31 Dec)
Samuel de Champlain describes and pictures a weir used for an Indian deer drive
Freshet destroys Fort van Nassoueen on mouth of Normans Kill, it is abandoned
Africans, on a Dutch man-of-war, arrive in Jamestown, VA, and are traded as slaves for food
Beverwijck Dutch begin trading guns, shot & black powder with Haudenosaunee for furs
Samuel de Champlain is sent to New France by Louis XIII as its de facto governor
Ship Mayflower, c. 130 aboard, after 66 days at sea, anchors off coast of Cape Cod, MA (9 Nov)
Ship Mayflower makes landfall, domesticated honeybees aboard (11 Nov)
Plymouth Plantation is founded in Cape Cod Bay
Ferdinando Gorges erects a grist mill on Piscataqua River, South Berwick, ME
Sir Francis Bacon, 1561-1526, proposes continental rifting; coastlines of Africa and South America
Dutch Republic grants “West India Company” (WIC) a charter to Dutch fur trade merchants (3 Jun)
Eastern America experiences a summer drought of 21 days
Haudenosaunee Mohawks and Algonquins begin peace talks
French missionaries find Haudenosaunee igniting natural gas in western New York
English settlers introduce honey bee, Apis mellifera, to Virginia; ref. Tom Turpin, Purdue Extension
The Englishman Experience Miller introduces tanning of hides to America
D.B. Rechnagel est. a saw mill at New Amsterdam

On March 29, 1624 the ship, Nieuw Nederlandt (New Netherland) departed with the first wave of settlers, consisting not of Dutch but rather of thirty Flemish Walloon families. The families were spread out over the entire territory claimed by the company. To the north a few families were left at the mouth of the Connecticut River, while to the south some families were settled at Burlington Island on the Delaware River. Others were left on Nut Island, now called Governor’s Island, at the mouth of the Hudson River, while the remaining families were taken up the Hudson to Fort Orange (Albany). Later in 1624 and rough 1625 six additional ships sailed for New Netherland with colonists, livestock, and supplies.
The Dutch WIC est. settlement on Manhattan Island with Flemish & Walloon families 1624
WIC est. Fort Orange (fut. Albany), a fur trade / military outpost, w/ Flemish & Walloon families 1624
Dutch “West India Company” exports 7,246 beaver and 850 otter pelts from New Netherlands 1624
Haudenosaunee establish a treaty with the French (Jul) 1624
Iroquoian (Haudenosaunee) Beaver Wars, a.k.a. French & Iroquois Wars, begin 1624
The Mohawks and Mahicans are at war, signaling start of the so-called ‘Beaver Wars’ 1624
Hudson’s River is called Groote Riviere, Noordt Riviere, the Mauritius, the Manhattas, etc. 1624
Nieuw Nederland (New Netherland) becomes a province of the Dutch Republic 1624
Nicolaes van Wassenaer reports Hudson River at Rensselaerswijck freezes over by end of November 1624

Nicolaes van Wassenaer, writing in February 1624.

John Smith pub *A General History of Virginia, New England and the Summer Isles* 1624
Cows arrive at Plymouth Colony 1624
Gases are studied and named 1624
Dutch settlers bring hops (*Humulus lupulus*) to Nieuw Nederland to make beer and other uses c. 1624
Dutch settlers report a great abundance of passenger pigeons on Manhattan Island 1625
Henri de Lévis, Duc de Ventadour, buys vice-royalty of Canada and dispatches Jesuits to Canada 1626
Pieter Minuit replaces Willem Verhulst as WIC director-general of New Amsterdam 1626
*Jardin des Plantes* is established in Paris 1626
Francis Bacon, 1st Viscount St. Albans, author *Novum Organum*, d., 65 y, Highgate, England (9 Apr) 1626
Plymouth Colony legislates an ordinance re. timber export (29 Mar) 1626
Mahicans attack Dutch & Mohawk settlements in vicinity of Fort Orange 1626
N. van Wassenaer records trading with Orankokx, Achkoks and others (Haudenosaunee) 1626
Dutch “West India Company” imports 11 enslaved Africans to New Netherland 1626
The aurochs, progenitor of the modern cow, become extinct c. 1626
Company of New France (*Compagnie des Cent-Associés*) is formed by Cardinal Richelieu 1627
Fr. L’Allemant reports well-established trading process of most desirable French products for furs 1627

During the six months, more or less, spent near the French settlements on the St. Lawrence, the Montagnais traded the furs they took during the winter. In return they got such French goods as cloaks, blankets, nightcaps, hats, shirts, sheets, (iron) hatchets, iron arrowheads, bodkins, swords, (iron) picks for breaking the ice in winter, knives, kettles (mostly copper), prunes, raisins, Indian corn, peas, sea biscuit, and tobacco. In exchange for these goods the Indians gave hides of moose, lynx, fox, otter, marten, badger, muskrat, and, especially, beaver.

Fr. Charles L’Allemant,
*Lettre dv Pere Charles L’Allemant*,
Bovcher, Paris, 1627

Anglo-French War ensues; English navy blocks St. Lawrence R. until Québec surrenders (20 Jul) 1627-29
Dutch trade during Anglo-French War gives Iroquois Mohawk arms lead over Algonkin & Huron 1627-32
Mohawks push Mahicans east of Hudson River denying them access to trade at Fort Orange 1628
Haudenosaunee Mohawks complete dominance over Hudson Valley and New England tribes 1628
Endicott Voyage brings European hops (to Puritans at Massachusetts Bay Colony 1628
Company of New France is granted lands from Florida to Arctic Circle and fur-trade monopoly 1628
Beaver skin trade at Fort Orange exceeds 10,000 pelts per year 1628-38
Puritans at Plymouth Plantation and Massachusetts Bay Colony abandon idea of terra nullius 1629
Major failure of monsoon in India with millions starving (GCC) 1629-31
Haudenosaunee are ravaged by epidemic diseases spread from Huron Nation; population is halved 1630s
Fort Orange Dutch greatly increase Haudenosaunee power by providing guns 1630s
Dutch leaders in Hudson Valley brutalize Haudenosaunee to clear way for European farmers 1630s-1645
The estimated European population of New York colonies is 350 people 1630
Eastern America experiences a drought of 41 days without rain 1630
Johann Kepler, one of the greatest scientists, dies and is buried Regensburg, Germany, (15 Nov) 1630
Massachusetts Bay Colony court restricts burning of the ground 1631
Vesuvius explodes impacting weather globally 1631
French do not return to Quebec until Treaty of St. Germaine-en-Layé is signed (29 Mar) 1632
Samuel de Champlain draws and publishes a grand map of NE North America showing Adirondacks 1632
Plymouth Colony legislature limits “firing of the woods” 1633
Dutch “West India Company” exports 8,800 beaver/1,383 otter pelts from New Netherlands 1633
Galileo forced, Rome, to renounce heliocentrism as presented in his Dialogue (22 Jun, Wednesday) 1633
The New World Jesuits report the extirpation of beaver by the Hurons 1634
William Wood notes increasing use of iron, brass, and copper kettles by Haudenosaunee et al. 1634
Haudenosaunee peoples decline 75% due smallpox & other diseases originating in Europe 1634

The Montagnais were amused by the high value Europeans placed on furs. One man said that the English, during their occupation of Québec, gave twenty beautiful knives for (only) one beaver skin.

Fr. Paul Le Jeune,
Relation de ce qui s’est passe en la Nouvelle France, en l’annee 1634, Cramoisy, Paris, 1635

Population of Huron (Wyandot) Nation is halved due by European diseases such as small pox 1634-39
Plymouth Plantation and Massachusetts Bay colony hit by apocalyptic Great Colonial Hurricane 1635
William Pynchon est. fur-trading post at Springfield, MA, fostering native trapping of beaver 1636
Jesuit missionary and ethnographer Jean de Brébeuf describes Haudenosaunee game of lacrosse 1636
The Pequot War decimates the native peoples of New England 1637
A strong earthquake occurs in the St. Lawrence Valley 1638
King Charles I in Fundamental Orders charters Connecticut as most democratic & free colony 1638
Haudenosaunee (Mohawks) drive Wenro from their territory with survivors joining the Huron 1638
Court of Exeter, NH, restricts “firing of the woods” 1639
A great abundance of passenger pigeons is noted at Fort Orange (future Albany) 1639
The Boston Commons is established 1639
A printing press is erected in Cambridge, MA 1639
James Howell pub Dodona’s Grove, or The Vocall Forest, a dendrology manual 1640
John Parkinson pub Theatricum Botanicum, an herbal 1640
Beaver is thought extirpated from New Netherlands with exception of Adirondacks 1640
The colonists and Indians agree to a treaty regulating the use of fire in hunting 1640
Coke is produced using coal as source material 1640
Haudenosaunee are now heavily armed with Dutch guns and have become expert gunmen 1640
Mohawk captives, Thomas Godefroy & François Marguerie De La Haye, are taken S. via L. George 1640
Jean-François Régis, Jesuit priest, dies after tireless work among poor and disadvantaged (30 Dec) 1640
A community of some 200 fur traders north of Fort Orange is informally called Beverwijck 1640s
The French construct Fort Richelieu at the mouth of the Richelieu River 1641
New England experiences a severe “landmark” winter as reported by Noah Webster 1641-42
Father Isaac Jogues et al., ‘discover’ and explore Lake George by canoe (Aug) 1642
Mohawks capture Isaac Jogues, René Goupil, Guillaume Couture and Hurons (2 Aug) 1642
Jesuit Father Isaac Jogues et al., as Haudenosaunee tortured captives, pass through L. Champlain 1642
A Mohawk kills the French physician René Goupil with a tomahawk at a Mohawk R. village 1642
Arendt van Curler visits the future site of Schenectady on the Mohawk R. 1642
David DeVries describes an Indian deer drive along the Hudson R. 1642
Montreal is founded 1642
Galileo dies, Arcetri, Italy (8 Jan) 1642
Isaac Newton is born, England (25 Dec) 1642
Darby Field, New Hampshire, climbs White Hill, aka Agiochook, Mt. Washington; highest NE 1642
Arendt Van Corlaer et al. assist Isaac Jogues’ escape from Haudenosaunee for return to France 1643
Puritan Society bans beaver hats as ‘rivolous and vain’ 1643
Evangelista Torricelli invents the mercury barometer 1643
Galileo makes 25-day study of the sun to reveal rotation and spotting 1643
Haudenosaunee, mostly Mohawk, but some Huron, own some 300 to 400 Dutch muskets 1643
Dutch firearms allow Haudenosaunee Mohawk Nation to achieve superiority over all its enemies 1643
Johannes Megapolensis, a Dutch minister living with Mohawks, reports decline of game 1644
Johannes Megapolensis visits and describes Cohoes Falls on the Lower Mohawk River 1644
Isaac Jogues returns to New France for ministry at the Montreal colony 1644
Bishop of Geneva leads members of his faith to pray for cessation of rapid glacier movement 1644
Roxbury Russet apple is discovered in a cider orchard near Boston 1645
Reverend John Campanius records weather conditions twice-a-day at New Sweden, DE 1644-45
Maunder Minimum (sunspot) coincides with middle of the “Little Ice Age” 1645-1715
Sunspots disappear, and Earth enters a prolonged period of cooling with glacial expanse (GCC) 1645-1850s
Haudenosaunee burn Fort Richelieu and widely destroy farms and towns of New France 1646
Isaac Jogues is sent as a peace ambassador to the eastern Haudenosaunee (Mohawks) (May-Jul) 1646
Fr. Isaac Jogues applies name Lac du St. Sacrement to Andia-ta-rock-te, Iroquoian for L. George 1646
Isaac Jogues and Jean de la Lande are sent to make peace with Haudenosaunee Mohawks (27 Sep) 1646
Isaac Jogues and Jean de la Lande die by tomahawk blows in the Mohawk Valley (18 Oct) 1646
News of the deaths of Isaac Jogues and Jean de la Lande reaches Québec (Jun) 1647
Massachusetts Bay Colony est. standard wood cord of 8 ft. x 4 ft. x 4 ft. 1647
After 2-yrs of diplomacy with Huron Nation, Haudenosaunee resort to total war to acquire more fur 1647
The First Council of New France is formed (27 Mar) 1647
Haudenosaunee disperse the Huron westward, leading to its ultimate destruction 1648-50
A Royal Warrant is issued to reconfigure the constitution of the Council of New France (5 Mar) 1648
Dutch approve direct gun sales to Mohawks instead of through traders; 400 are sold immediately 1648
The Tobacco Nation grants dominion to the Haudenosaunee 1649
South American natives are found to be using rotenone in capture of fish 1649
Connecticut Colony Code of Laws forbids setting fires in woods 1650
Double star is observed, and age of earth based on Bible is proposed 1650
The Neutral Nation grants dominion to the Haudenosaunee 1650-51
Haudenosaunee pottery tradition is phased out in favor of European metal kettles 1650-99
Maps of northern lands are pub by Nicholas Visscher in Amsterdam 1651-55
England passes 1st of Navigation Acts to restrict Dutch shipping & est. British control (9 Oct) 1651
WIC est. control of lands north of Fort Orange, incl. Beverwijck and makes the name official 1652
Jesuit Joseph Poncet, as Iroquois captive, keeps a journal of his Adirondack trip 1653
Izaak Walton, English, pub The Complete Angler; see Union College collection of its many editions 1653
Fr. Simon LeMoine (LeMoyne) names the Adk uplands the Saint Margaret Mountains (20 Jul) 1654
Jesuit Father LeMoine reaches Onondaga via St. Lawrence, L. Ontario (Jul) 1654
Jesuit Fr. LeMoine notes salt-water springs and salt making by Onondaga (Jul) 1654
British navy begins cutting of “mast pine” in New England 1654
Robert Boyle experiments with illuminating gas generated by fermentation of organic matter 1654
Natural gas is discovered in England 1654
Haudenosaunee dominate the Erie Nation in competition for the fur trade with the Dutch 1654-56
Alexander Lindsay Glen secures patent for Scotia lands at Schenectady 1655
Adriaen Van der Donck describes deer habitat management by Indians using fire 1655

The beaver is the main foundation and means why or through which this beautiful land was first occupied by people from Europe.

Adriaen van der Donck, 1655

Beaver trade of eastern New York exceeds 40,000 pelts per year 1656
Pendulum clock is invented 1656
Saturn’s rings and one of its satellites are discovered 1656
Eastern America experiences a drought of 75 days without rain 1656
Long-term recording of air temperature using a thermometer begins in central England 1659
Only after Dutch and Indians are at war at Esopus is a palisade is built at Beverwijck (Nov-Dec) 1659

They (the Mohawks) come like foxes through the woods. They attack like lions. They take flight like birds, disappearing before they have really appeared.

Jesuit Fr. Jerome Lalemant, 1659-60
Jesuit Relations, 45: 197

Andrius Cellarius pub *Harmonia Macrocosmica* brilliantly depicting Copernican solar system 1660
Dutch purchase the *Groot Vlachte* from the Haudenosaunee to settle Schenectady 1661
Arendt van Curler and fellow Dutchmen est. Schenectady for fur trade west of Rensselaerswijck 1661
A strong earthquake occurs in the St. Lawrence Valley 1661
Louis XIV becomes King of France 1661
John Evelyn is critical of air pollution in London 1661
Christiaan Huygens invents the u-tube manometer, a modification of Torricelli’s barometer 1661
Gov. Stuyvesant denies Schenectadians the right to trade with Haudenosaunee Mohawks 1662
Robert Boyle announces *Boyle’s Law of Gases*, i.e. relationship of pressure and volume 1662
A major earthquake occurs in area between the St. Lawrence River and the Adirondacks 1663
Population of New France is <2,500 persons, while English Atlantic coast colonies have >80,000 1663
Compagnie des Cent Associés cedes all rights to New France to Louis XIV (Mar) 1663
Compagnie des Cent Associés (Company of 100 Associates) is dissolved 1663
Louis XIV makes New France a royal province, sends new governor, troops, intendant, and settlers 1663
The Sovereign Council of New France is established (18 Sep) 1663
The French rebuild Fort Richelieu at mouth of Richelieu River 1664
Athanasius Kircher pub *Mundus Subterraneus* depicting flares other solar features 1664
English capture New Amsterdam/New Netherland (27 Aug) 1664
Robert Hooke re-invents Alberti’s swing-plate anemometer 1664
King Charles II grants New Netherland to his brother James, Duke of York, to rule as he pleases 1664
With capture of New Netherland from the Dutch, the province is renamed New York 1664
Richard Nicoll assumes control (governorship) of New Netherland (Province of New York) (8 Sep) 1664
Now under English control, Beverwijck is renamed Albany 1664
Jesuits map valleys circling the Adirondacks. (V. 49 Thwaite ed. Jesuit Relations) 1664
James, Duke of York, in province of New York defines punishment for damage due to forest fires 1665
Richard Nicolls invokes the ‘Dukes Laws’ (1 Mar) 1665
Louis XIV sends Jean Talon to Québec as intendant of New France (12 Sep) 1665
French build additional forts along Champlain corridor prompting Haudenosaunee peace proposal 1665
Cellular character of organisms is discovered 1665
Rotation of the planets is measured 1665
Christiaan Huygens, a Dutch scientist, develops a pendulum clock 1665
Tracy and Courcelles, gov. of Canada, lead 2 French raids against Iroquois in Mohawk Valley 1666
Capt. de Chazy et al. are killed/scalped by Mohawk during hunting trip near Fort Ste. Anne (May) 1666
French build Fort Ste. Anne on small island (Isle La Motte) at north end of Lake Champlain (Jul) 1666
Treaty of Breda affirms England’s 1664 taking of New Netherland from the Dutch (21 Jul) 1667
Robert Hooke pubs. his ‘invention’ of anemometer in 1664, but which is really Alberti’s of 1450 1667
Mohawks and French adopt a treaty at the French provincial capital Québec (Jul) 1666
I. Newton describes the spectral character of light 1666
Gov. Courcelles of Canada leads French, Huron and Algonquin war expedition to Mohawk (Oct) 1666
General Court of Exeter, NH, reserves mast-quality white pine trees 1667
Jesuits establish large and successful mission at Caughnawaga, on the St. Lawrence River 1667
Charles II initiates Hearth Tax on fireplaces, in response to widespread use of coal for heating 1667
Arendt van Curler drowns in Lake Champlain 1667
Christian Förner, organ builder, adapts manometer to measure wind pressure in pipe organs c. 1667
Nicolaus Steno outlines the basic concepts of modern structural geology 1668
Pasteur disproves spontaneous generation of life. 1668
Sir Thomas Shirley pub gas generation and illumination experiments in Trans. of Royal Society 1669
Calcylum is invented 1669
The minute hand is added to the watch 1669
French abandon Fort Ste. Anne on a small island (Isle la Motte) in southern Lake Champlain 1670
John Flamsteed, Brit. Royal Astronomer, computes variance between sun time and clock time c. 1670
New France Gov. de Courcelles reports beaver and elk extirpation south of Lake Ontario 1671
John Josselyn pub New England’s Rarities Discovered, a biological treatise 1672
The Third Anglo-Dutch War begins (Apr) 1672
Samuel Pufendorf proposes that lands acquired in a ‘just war’ might be permanently retained 1672
Charles II grants charter to Hudson Bay Co. for fur marketing 1673
Dutch fleet recaptures New Netherland (Province of New York) (Jul) 1673
Father Louis Hennepin discovers coal on bluffs of Illinois River 1673-80
New Netherland (Province of New York) is traded to England by Treaty of Westminster (Feb) 1674
Eastern America experiences a drought of “45 days in succession” 1674
Antony van Leeuwenhoek (1622-1733) discovers microscopic organisms (7 Sep) 1674
“Great Blowdown” occurs in white pine stand on Easy Street near Paul Smiths c. 1675
With copper kettles now extant, Haudenosaukees et al. in Amer. Northeast are making maple sugar c. 1675
Haudenosaukees have established iron forges to make repair parts for Dutch/English firearms 1675
King Phillip’s War against the Algonquin begins in New England 1675
The Andaste nation recognizes Haudenosaukee dominion 1675
Speed of light is measured 1675
C. Le Clercq reports Mi’kmaq distilling maple sap to maple sugar for shipment to France 1675

Maple water is now converted to maple sugar to be sent to France: “Maple water . . . is as appreciated by the French as it is by the Indians, who harvest it in the spring. . . One thing that is really noticeable about maple water is that during the cooking process it is reduced by a third and becomes a real

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syrup, which hardens and looks like sugar and takes on a reddish colour. They make rolls with it, which are sent to France as a curiosity...”

Chrétien Le Clercq, Missionary and Récollet friar, *Nouvelle Relation de la Gaspésie*, Paris, 1691

Fort Orange is abandoned in favor of newly constructed Fort Frederick 1676
Microorganisms are seen using the microscope 1676
Silver Covenant Chain is noted in negotiations between Haudenosaunee and England at Albany 1677
Albany Indian Commissioners are organized to regulate fur trade and relations with Haudenosaunee 1677
A smallpox epidemic devastates the native peoples of New England 1677-78
Wave theory of light is proposed 1678
New York Council resolves that Indians in New York shall not be held as slaves 1679
Annual export of beaver pelts from New Netherland is about 80,000 1680s
Moderate eruption at Krakatoa (volcano) sends huge ash plume high into atmosphere (May-Nov) 1680
New England experiences a severe “landmark” winter as reported by Noah Webster 1680-81
Anton van Leeuwenhoek discovers *Giardia lamblia*, pathogen of giardiasis 1681
William Penn orders that for every five acres of forest cut one must be left intact 1681
William Penn appoints a woodsman or forester to care for the forests of Pennsylvania 1682
Comet (to be called Halley’s Comet: IP/1682 Q 1) is seen from Maryland (24 Aug) 1682
The Duke of York appoints Thomas Dongan to govern the English Province of New York 1682
John Ray (1627-1705), British, describes (New Method of Plants) sexual reproduction of plants 1682
NY provincial assembly under Dongan creates representative system of government (Oct) 1683
NY provincial assembly enacts “A Charter of Liberties” and Gov. Dongan signs (30 Oct) 1683
Jan Griffier the Elder paints the Great Frost Fair on the Thames River, England 1683
Royalty are discovered and desacribed 1683
Gov. Dongan obtains treaty with Haudenosaunee who promise loyalty to King Charles II 1684
Gov. Dongan encourages Haudenosaunee actions against the French 1684
New York adopts the Massachusetts Bay Colony standard wood cord 1684
A buffalo herd is reported in southwestern Georgia 1686
Modern classification of plants is established 1686
Printing press prohibition is lifted in the American colonies 1686
Edmund Haley (1656-1742) using naval records and flow charts demonstrates global wind patterns 1685
Duke of York is crowned King James II; province of New York becomes Royal province (6 Feb) 1685
Duke of York approves New York’s Charter of Liberties, but does not notify Gov. Dongan 1685
King James II disallows New York’s already enacted Charter of Liberties 1685
Loss of Charter of Liberties causes bitter struggles between Orangists & English in New York 1685-91
French under Marquis de Denonville destroy 1.2 mil. bu. corn in raids against Haudenosaunee 1686-87
English Gov. Andros plunders French village on Penobscot Bay opening King William’s War (Apr) 1688
William of Orange & his wife Mary, daughter of James II, are crowned king and queen (11 Apr) 1689
King William III of England joins the League of Augsburg and declares war on France (May) 1689
The French declare war on the English, thus beginning ‘King William’s War’ 1689
New York English incite 1500 Haudenosaunee to pillage Lachine, 24 French are massacred (5 Aug) 1689
French build small fort, The Pickets, near south end of Lake Champlain, fut. T. of Fort Ann 1689
As tea and coffee drinking become habits, granulated sugar comes into general usage c. 1690
Jacobus de Warm est. English fort on E. shore of L. Champlain across from Crown Point (Mar) 1690
English forces attack the French at Otter Creek and Fort St. Louis on the Richelieu River (Mar) 1690
Provinces of Massachusetts, Connecticut and New York join to staff an expedition to Canada 1690
English exped. of 1400 soldiers and Indians is aborted at Wood Ck. (Whitehall) for lack of canoes 1690
Capt. John Schuyler of Albany leads white and Indian attack on La Prairie, near Montréal (Aug) 1690
The Mohawk, Onondaga and Seneca join with the British to fight the French 1690
French war party of 210 men, incl. 96 Indians, burns Schenectady, killing 60 residents (8-9 Feb) 1690
French forces begin using Crown Point as a staging area for raiding parties (King William’s War) 1690
Northern and western Europe experience extreme cold and famine 1690s
The Onondaga chief Black Kettle leads an attack on the French at Montreal 1691
Maj. Peter (Philip) Schuyler leads English/Indian attack via Champlain corridor into Canada (Jul) 1691
Colonel Henry Sloughter is appointed governor of province of New York 1691
Leisler’s Rebellion in New York ends with hanging of Jacob Leisler (May), but turmoil continues 1691
NY provincial assembly under Gov. H. Sloughter reenacts A Charter of Liberties 1691
British navy begins reserving 24”+ diam. mast pine and oak with “broad arrow” in New England 1691
Modern animal classification begins 1691
Onondaga war chief Black Kettle raids village on Montreal Island carrying off 18 prisoners (15 Jul) 1692
Englishman Fitz John Winthrop erects Stone Fort at fut. Town of Fort Ann 1692
Haudenosaunee and Netherlands establish a treaty of peace in the Covenant Chain 1692

. . . as long as the sun shines upon the earth; as long as the waters flow; as long as the grass grows green, peace will last.

Guswenta or Two-row Wampum
Covenant Chain Treaty

Count de Frontenac conducts successful raids against English and Haudenosaunee villages 1693-96
Baron LaHontan reports absence of roe-buck and turkey in Haudenosaunee lands 1694
The German, Rudolf Camerarius, describes plant sexuality 1694
Eastern America experiences a drought of 62 days 1694
French forces attack the Onondaga, find empty villages, but decide to burn their crops 1696
The Onondaga leader Black Kettle is killed in a raid promoted by the Governor of Canada 1697
England and France suspend hostilities (King William’s War) with the Treaty of Ryswick 1697
King William III disallows New York’s Charter of Liberties 1697
New England experiences a severe “landmark” winter as reported by Noah Webster 1697-98
“The terriblest winter” strikes - with extreme, prolonged cold and much snow 1697-98

If by providence the last winter had not been the severest that ever was known in the memory of man, the French would have certainly destroyed both Albany and Schenectady. . . . The French were supposed to have 1500 pairs of snowshoes at Mt. Royal, but the snow was deeper than the height of a man, so invasion plans of the Hudson Valley settlements had to be abandoned.

The Earl of Bellomont
Governor of New York
28 October, 1698
David M. Ludlum, 1966
Earl of Bellomont, New York provincial governor, prohibits cutting of white pine trees 1698
NYS population now includes some 2,000 black, African slaves 1698
Paper manufacture begins in North America 1698
The New York Act fixes penalties for unlawful cutting of timber 1699
Population of New York colonists is 19,107 but some groups are not counted 1700
The bathroom commode is now common in the homes of the American upper class 1700
Publication of newspapers is allowed in the American colonies 1700
Haudenosaunee militarily control 90% of the Province of New York 1700
Moose and Oswegatchie River plains are used as burning grounds for deer drives 1700s
Settlers to the Adirondack fringes bring European earthworms and disperse them on their farms 1700s
Englishman John Metcalf builds 180 miles of technically advanced roads in Yorkshire 1700s
Jethro Tull invents a horse-drawn seed drill in England 1701
Settlers attempt buffalo domestication at James River Colony, Roanoke 1701
Earl of Bellomont, NY Crown governor, urges planting 4 or 5 young trees for each large tree cut 1701
Louis-Hector de Callière, Gov. of New France, over 2 yrs, brokers Great Peace of Montréal (4 Aug) 1701

In July 1700, delegates from 4 of the Haudenosaunee nations (the Mohawk were absent) met with Gov. Callière of Montréal to initiate peace talks between the French and their native allies. A meeting of all the nations was scheduled for the following summer in Montréal. (At that time) thirty nations sent a total of 1300 delegates to discuss over several weeks, at great expense to the French hosts, terms of collective action. The Iroquois protocol of the condolence ceremony, the exchange of gifts and the exchange of prisoners preceded the solemn "signing" of accords, whereby the several nations undertook to remain at peace with each other.

The Haudenosaunee League undertook to remain neutral in the event of a war between England and France. All agreed that in the event of disputes among them they would resort to the governor general of New France to mediate their differences. This in fact recognized a special kinship relationship with the French and virtually undermined the effectiveness of the Covenant Chain with the Anglo-American colonies. The Montréal peace accord assured France superiority in dealing with native issues and freedom to expand its military presence on the continent during the next half century.

The French do not attack Province of New York for fear of arousing the Haudenosaunee 1702
Province of New York does not attack New France for fear of interrupting fur trade 1702
Queen Anne’s War (War of Spanish Succession) starts; French w/ Indian allies attack New England 1702
Haudenosaunee remain neutral during the hostilities of Queen Anne’s War 1702-1713
British Parliament act reserves “naval stores” in New York province 1704
John Ray (1627-1705), British, concludes 3-part (1686, 1688, 1704) History of Plants 1704
The Northeast experiences a severe winter, one of the “back-to-back” winters 1704-05
Sampson Broughton obtains license to buy Mohawk hunting ground of Kayadrossera 1703
First hunting season, August 1 to January 1, is established for deer in NY province 1705
Dogs running deer out of season can be shot and killed in NYS 1705
Lord Weymouth ships white pine seedlings to England – leading to US introduction of WPBR 1705
Role of the air in plant nutrition is proposed 1705
Eastern America experiences a drought of 40 days 1705
Cotton Mather et al. report on giant human (mastodon) tooth and other bones disc. Claverack, NY 1705
The Northeast experiences a severe winter, second of the “back-to-back” winers 1705-06
The Swedish explorer Peter Kalm reports a heavy snow for the region 1705-06
Kingdom of Great Britain is formed under Treaty of Union (1706) and Acts of Union (1 May) 1707
Cadwallader Colden emigrates to America from Scotland 1708
Patent for Mohawk hunting ground of Kayadrossera is granted 1708
A stockade is built near Fort Edward during Queen Anne’s War 1709
English military force led by Francis Nicholson erects Fort Schuyler, near fut. village of Fort Ann 1709
Coke is used in iron smelting 1709
Jesuit missionary Petrus Jartoux observes harvest of Asian ginseng in China near Korea 1709
Gabriel Daniel Fahrenheit (1686-1736), German physicist, invents the alcohol thermometer 1709
Abraham Darby I develops method of smelting pig iron using coke 1709
British army expeditions against French at Montreal and Québec reach only as far as Crown Point 1709-11
A special act imposes a forty-shilling fine for fires set in New York colony 1710
British Parliament further acts to reserve mast-quality New York white pine 1710

It is doubtful whether any historian of the United States has recognized the important influence of British legislation interfering with the natural resource exploitation of American forests, in shaping the forces that led to the Revolution of 1775.

J. P. Kinney, 1916

Pieter Schuyler takes 3 Mohawk chiefs and 1 Mahican chief to meet Queen Anne of England 1710

‘Four Kings of the New World’ were three Mohawk chiefs of the Iroquois Confederacy and a Mahican of the Algonquian peoples. The three Mohawk were: Sa Ga Yeath Qua Pieth Tow of the Bear Clan, called King of Maguas, with the Christian name Peter Brant, grandfather of Joseph Brant; Ho Nee Yeath Taw No Row of the Wolf Clan, called King of Canajoharie (“Great Boiling Pot”), or John of Canajoharie; and Tee Yee Ho Ga Row, meaning "Double Life", of the Wolf Clan, also called Hendrick Tejonihokarawa or King Hendrick. The Mahican chief was Etow Oh Koam of the Turtle Clan, mistakenly labeled in his portrait as Emperor of the Six Nations. The Algonquian-speaking Mahican people were not part of the Iroquois Confederacy. Five chiefs set out on the journey, but one died in mid-Atlantic. The four Native American leaders visited Queen Anne in 1710 as part of a diplomatic visit organized by Pieter Schuyler, mayor of Albany, New York. They were received in London as diplomats, being transported through the streets of the city in Royal carriages, and received by Queen Anne at the Court of St. James Place. They also visited the Tower of London and St. Paul’s Cathedral.

In addition to requesting military aid for defense against the French, the chiefs asked for (Anglican) missionaries to offset the influence of French Jesuits, who had converted numerous Mohawk to Catholicism.

To commemorate the visit, the Crown commissioned Jan Verelst to paint the portraits of the Four Kings. These paintings hung in Kensington Palace until 1977 when Queen Elizabeth II had them relocated to the National Archives of Canada. She personally unveiled them in Ottawa.

“Two-Row Wampum,” Covenants, Untold History at Rotinonshonni ónhwe – Tkanatáhere (blogspot) of Ka-nyen-geh-ha-kah (Mohawks) of Grand River

Utrecht Treaty recognizes Haudenosaunee aboriginal rights and allows free travel across border 1713
France loses Hudson Bay Territories, Newfoundland and Acadia to Great Britain 1713
Gabriel Daniel Fahrenheit (1686-1736) invents the mercury thermometer 1714
Longitude Act (UK) gives monetary rewards for new methods of finding longitude at sea (8 Jul) 1714

The rewards increased with the accuracy achieved: £10,000 (worth over 1.33 million in 2016) for anyone who could find a practical way of determining longitude at sea to an accuracy of not greater than one degree of longitude (equates to 60 nautical miles (110 km; 69 mi) at the equator). The reward was to be increased to £15,000 if the accuracy was not greater than 40 minutes, and further enhanced to £20,000 if the accuracy was not greater than half a degree. Other rewards were on offer for those who presented methods that worked within 80 geographical miles of the coast (being the most treacherous part of voyages) and for those with promising ideas who needed help to bring them to readiness for trial.


Eastern America experiences a drought of 46 days 1715
Schenectady becomes the foot of western navigation for the Mohawk R. 1715
“Rangers” become the foragers and scouts for English colonial exploration 1716
Fathers Jartoux/Jos. Francois Lafitau discover American ginseng, Panax quinquefolius, Montreal 1716

And thus opens the grand story of American ginsing as discovered near present-day Montreal. This species is a close relative of Asian ginsing, one of the most important plants of Chinese herbal medicine, the roots being the crucial part. ‘Sang hunters’ quickly focused on its harvest and by the 1750s it had become rare in much of the Northeast US. DEC has regulated its harvest and commercial production is now underway, Wisconsin being the leading state in its production. A 50 lb bag costing some $2,500! Regardless of NYS rules sang hunters still work the woods treasuring secret areas where they ‘cultivate’ small populations which they harvest.

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Dr. Cadwallader Colden begins American thermometry, Philadelphia 1717
Lady Mary Wortley Montague begins smallpox inoculation in England 1717
Albany County is adjusted to gain an indefinite amount of land from Dutchess County (27 May) 1717
The “Great Snow” falls in the Northeast (Feb-Mar) 1717

The storm continued so long and severe, that multitudes of all sorts of creatures perished in the snow drifts. We lost at the island and arms, above eleven hundred sheep, besides some cattle and horses, interred in the snow. And it was very strange that twenty-eight days after the storm, the tenants at Fisher’s Island, pulling out the ruins of one-hundred sheep out of one snow bank in a valley, (where the snow had drifted over them sixteen feet) found two of them alive in the drift, which had laid on them all the time, and kept themselves alive by eating the wool off the others that lay dead by them: As soon as they were taken out of the drift they shed their mown fleeces and are now alive and well and fat; and I aw them at the Island the last week, and they are at your service.

John Winthrop, Esq. of New London
From a letter to Rev. Dr. Mather, Boston,
12 September, 1717

The Northeast experiences a severe winter (see Ludlum) 1719-20
British Parliament prohibits American colonists from making ironware from raw material 1719
The French Canadians now export Adirondack ginseng at about five dollars per pound 1720s
Benjamin Marten conjectures that TB could be caused by “wonderfully minute living creatures” 1720
Father Jartoux arranges, with great success, export of American ginseng to China 1720
Road commissioners are appointed for western Albany Co. and the region is defined 1721
Swiss immigrants introduce the rifle to North America 1721
Tuscarora are formally admitted to the Iroquois League as the Sixth Nation 1722
Alexander and James Robinson move to Albany to est The Albany Post Boy (newspaper) 1722
NY Governor Codwallader Colden urges that a white pine be planted for every tree cut 1723
Jesuit Fr. Joseph F. Lafitau describes the orderly character of Haudenosaunee councils 1724
Jesuit Fr. Joseph F. Lafitau defines meaning of ‘rontaks’, formerly atrirú:taks, as ‘eaters of trees’ 1724
Chapter 451 of NYS law requires a permit for the removal of timber (24 July) 1724
William Bradford est. The New York Gazette, the first newspaper in the Colony of New York 1725
Haudenosaunee tell Albany Indian Commissioners they oppose a French-English war (11 Apr) 1725
Haudenosaunee request AIC to prohibit sale of alcohol in the Six Nations (10 Oct) 1725
Deism is influential in America 1725-1810
Claude-Thomas Dupuy is appointed Intendant of New France (Sep) 1726

The intendant (of New France), Claude-Thomas Dupuy, had plunged the finances into a confused morass of large deficits, jumbled accounts, and doubtful dealings. Dupuy had not been trained in the marine and he apparently regarded the details of financial administration as a proper field for unimaginative clerks. Moreover, his economic proposals, which he elaborated without first gaining knowledge of or experience in Canada, were seldom tempered by considerations of financial feasibility.


Schenectady receives belated permission to trade with the Haudenosaunee 1727
Cadwallader Colden pub History of the Five Indian Nations of Canada 1727
Isaac Newton, English naturalist and mathematician, dies 1727
Eastern America experiences a drought of 61 days 1728
Gilles Hocquart is selected commissaire-ordonnateur ‘acting’ Intendant of New France (8 Mar) 1729
French seize British fort at Crown Point to found a hamlet and trading post 1730
John Bartram est. a botanical garden in Kingsess, now a suburb of Philadelphia, on the Schuylkill 1730
Eastern America experiences a drought of 92 days 1730
Gilles Hocquart is made full-rank Intendant of New France (Mar) 1731
Gilles Hocquart initiates road building program to tie farm regions to town markets in New France 1731
French forces erect small, wooden stockade fort at Chimney Point, VT, across from Crown Point 1731
John Henry Lydius builds fur trading post at site of future Fort Edward, Washington Co. 1731
Monseiur Anger, Surveyor to the King of France surveys Lake Champlain 1732
King George II outlaws importation of hops from America into Ireland, hence, England 1732
Earthquake, magnitude 6.2, causes significant damage in Montreal and St. Lawrence Valley 1732
The Northeast experiences another severe winter (see Ludlum) 1732-33
Influenza epidemic in NYC and Philadelphia impacts 3/4ths of the population 1733
French est. trading and missionary post at Crown Point (Pointe à la Chevelure), a population buffer 1733
John Peter Zenger est. The New York Weekly Journal, 2nd newspaper of the New York Colony 1733
William Johnson (19 y.o.) arrives Mohawk Valley from Ireland 1734
Fort Saint Frederic is constructed at (now named) Crown Point, Lake Champlain (see remains) 1734
NYC enacts law limiting means of capture of fresh-water fish 1734
G. Hocquart’s road from Québec City to Montreal lowers travel time from 30 by boat to 4 ½ days 1737
French build Fort St. Frédéric at the narrows, a site now called Crown Point, Lake Champlain 1734-37
An iron forge is erected in Lime Rock section of Salisbury, CT mid-1730s
Britain imposes Molassas Act to protect its sugar trade; instead it promoted smuggling 1733
Carolus Linnaeus, a.k.a. Carl von Linné, pub the first edition of *Systema Naturae* 1735
An earthquake of Mag. 5.0 (Mod. Mercalli VII) at NYC is felt throughout most of NE (18 Dec) 1737
Pope Clement XII canonizes Jean-François Régis (5 Apr) 1737

Even though St. Jean-François Régis (St. Regis) never set foot in North America, his name is perpetuated in the Adirondack Region where there is a St. Regis Lake, a St. Regis River and a St. Regis Mountain. The Haudenosaunee Mohawk Nation and the Jesuits established the St. Regis Mohawk Reservation, now called Akwesasne, in 1755 and it continues today as the largest self-governing Mohawk community anywhere.

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Instrumental weather records are begun by J. Lining in Charleston, South Carolina 1738
J.F. Gronovius pub *Flora Virginica* 1739
France and Gr. Britain begin hostilities in Europe starting War of the Austrian Succession (15 Mar) 1739
Charles Le Moyne *et al.*, discover bones and teeth of elephant-like animal on trip down Ohio River 1739
Systematic precipitation measurement is begun in Charleston, SC 1738
French build stone windmill on L. Champlain shore to grind flour for soldiers of Fort St. Frédéric 1739-40
Northern and western Europe experience cold and famine 1740
Haudenosaunee Confederacy is plagued by famine, epidemics and economic disasters 1740s
An “old-fashioned winter” dominates upstate NY and Northeast (see Ludlum) 1740-41
Eastern America experiences a drought of 72 days 1740
Crop failure leads to rise in prices for bread & other staples, lack of work among habitants 1741
Gilles Hocquart orders road built from Montreal to Lake Champlain to facilitate movement of goods 1741
Gov. Benning Wentworth claims lands west of Connecticut River for New Hampshire (3 Jan) 1741
Anders Celsius, Swedish, develops a temperature scale: 100 degrees freezing, 0 degrees boiling 1742
Benjamin Franklin develops and iron stove for use within a room for heating with a chimney exhaust 1742
John Winthrop collects detailed weather data on passage of hurricane through NE US 1743
Abbé François Picquet holds Haudenosaunee Confederacy to neutrality during inter-colonial strife 1743-48
Systematic air temperature measurements begin in Boston, MA 1743
G. Hocquart is granted 115,000 a. seigneurie at Chimney Pt/Fort St. Frédéric by Louis XIV (7 Oct) 1743

Around 1743, Gilles Hocquart began inducing French farmers to settle permanently on his 115,000 acre seigneurie at south end of L. Champlain. They (habitants) were given long narrow tracts of land (rotures), bordering the lake for ease of travel and safety reasons. There they cleared land on both sides of the lake for three or four miles north of Fort St. Frédéric. They built houses and barns, they planted apple and pear trees, berries, and gardens, they planted fields with wheat, corn, other grains, and peas. As an incentive from the King of France, they were able to procure some supplies and livestock from Fort St. Frédéric. By 1753 there were 21 French families on the east side of the lake and 19 families on the west side. It came to be called the Hocquart (HAH core) settlement.

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The Royal Society of Upsala pub Gov. Codwallader Colden’s *Plantae Coldenhamia* 1744
Benjamin Franklin (1706-90) invents fuel-efficient “Pennsylvania Fireplace”, aka Franklin Stove 1744
Onondaga chief Canasatego urges English colonists to unite in union similar to Haudenosaunee 1744
Hostilities btw France and Gr. Britain in N. America start King George’s War (May) 1744
French forces from Fort St. Frédéric begin raids on British settlements in New York 1745
French army with their Indian allies attack and destroy settlement of Saratoga (28-29 Nov) 1745
Timber report (Cross and Potter) uses name “Saranac” (Lake of Falling Stars) 1745
Carolus Linnaeus reverses Celsius’s 1742 temperature scale: 0 degrees freezing, 100 degrees boiling 1745
Gov. George Clinton appoints William Johnson head of Indian affairs 1746
John Peter Zenger, pub of New York Weekly Journal, dies his wife continuing publication 1746
British and Haudenosaunee forces engage French soldiers outside Fort St. Frédéric 1747
Hocquart extends well-built road from Fort Saint-Jean to Fort St. Frédéric to supplement the ferry 1747
The Northest experiences a winter of deep snows (see Ludlum) 1747-48
Treaty of Aix-la-Chapelle ends King George’s War, French-British tensions remain in N. America 1748
A map published in Québec shows Chassy, St. Amant, Au Sable, Boquet Rivers 1748
Gilles Hocquart is recalled to France where he resumes a career in marine service (Nov) 1748
Gov. Wentworth tells Gov. Clinton he ‘may’ begin issuing grants west of Connecticut R. (17 Nov) 1749
Francis Picquet est. Fort of the Presentation, La Presentation, Ogdenburg for Christian Mohawks 1749
Abbé François Picquet est. La Présentation mission to care for Christian Mohawks (fut. Ogdenburg) 1749
Capt. P.T. Joncaire and Picquet erect palisaded fort, 70 ft square, at La Présentation mission (Jun) 1749
The Swedish botanist Peter Kalm traverses the eastern edge of Adirondacks 1749
Peter Kalm reports American chestnut on shores of Lake George 1749
Peter Kalm notes “immense numbers” of passenger pigeons at Fort Ann 1749
Peter Kalm observes passenger pigeon at Crown Point and the Narrows of Lake Champlain 1749
Peter Kalm notes flesh of passenger pigeon “most palatable of any bird’s flesh I have ever tasted” 1749
Peter Kalm notes iron-bearing sand along Lake Champlain shore near Fort St. Frédéric 1749
Eastern America experiences a drought of 108 days 1749
George-Louis Leclerc de Buffon (1707-1788) speculates on evolution 1749
Systematic recording of sunspots begins in Brussels, Belgium 1749
Estimated number of New York colonists is 76,696 persons 1750
Conestoga wagon is developed in Lancaster, PA, with a capacity of 1.5 to 1.7 tons 1750

For the next twenty-five years, the governors of both provinces (NY and NH) claimed all of present-day Vermont, all the while issuing conflicting land grants and deeds. New York, a late-comer to settling these lands, began forcing settlers/owners with NH grants to re-purchase their land from NY or vacate it.


British Iron Act prohibits colonists from erecting or operating iron mills, forges, furnaces, etc. 1750
CO2, CH4, N2O, are estimated, resp., at 280 ppm, 715 ppb, 270 ppb (Climate Change, 2007) 1750
Englanddispatches de facto ambassador to conduct regularized relations with Haudenosaunee 1750
B. Franklin suggests that colonies ought to form a union similar to Haudenosaunee (20 Mar) 1750 or 51
Iceland experience “brutally cold” winters, 17,000 dying of starvation, cold and maladies (GCC) 1750-58
British Currency Act prohibits New England provinces (MA, CT, NH, RI) from issuing currency 1751
Conn. General Assembly protects floating wood products on Connecticut River 1752
RCC Mission of The Holy Trinity at La Presentation Fort, Ogdenburg, is established (25 May) 1752
British Empire and its colonies in America officially adopt the Gregorian calender (14 Sep) 1752
Son of John Peter Zenger, founder of New York Weekly Journal, ends publication 1752
Benjamin Franklin proposes the ‘lightening rod’ in Poor Richard’s Almanac; it is quickly adopted 1752
Carolus Linnaeus writes about the use of predatory arthropods to control arthropod pests on crops 1752
French and Indian War starts with open hostilities betw. Brit. & French forces in N. America (Apr) 1754
Albany Congress meets to discuss treaty with Haudenosaunee, especially Mohawks (19 Jun-11 Jul) 1754
Albany Congress meets to discuss defense against French (19 Jun-11 Jul) 1754
Colonists and Haudenosaunee sign Albany Treaty promising native neutrality from hostilities (9 Jul) 1754
B. Franklin’s Plan of Union based upon Haudenosaunee Confederacy fails when colonies reject it 1754
Albany Congress with Benjamin Franklin et al. adopt Plan of Union (10 Jul) 1754
Sir W. Johnson’s militia builds 16-mile road from Fort Edward to Fort William Henry 1754
The Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews is founded in Scotland 1754
Joseph Black, Scotish chemist (1728-1799) details character of CO₂ and CaCO₂ 1754
Haudenosaunee (St. Regis Mohawk) begin a permanent village at Akwesasne 1754
Albany becomes gathering point for colonial troops preparing for battle at Lake St. Sacrament 1755
Britain builds Fort Edward some 45 miles north of Albany 1755
British army establishes fortified camp, fut. Fort George, ½ mile southeast of Fort Wm. Henry 1755
Contrecoeur ambushes & defeats 3000 British army regulars under Braddock at Ft. Duquesne (9 Jul) 1755

When word of the destruction of the largest British army ever sent to America flashed through frontier settlements, what impressed many colonists was that the British could be beaten. Most American had never imagined such an outcome, a possibility Ethan Allen would remember twenty years later.


Sir Major General William Johnson departs Fort Edward with 2200 colonial troops, 300 Indians 1755
Sir Wm. Johnson renames Lake George discarding older names to honor King George II (Sep) 1755
British build Fort William Henry at the south end of Lake George 1755
Lewis Evans, English cartographer, pub General Map of the Middle British Colonies in America 1755
Col. William Johnson and 2,000 men build road from Fort Edward to Lake George in two days 1755
British forces led by William Johnson defeat French at Lake George (Lake St. Sacrament) (8 Sep) 1755
Mohawk Chief Hendrick is killed by the French in the Battle of Lake George (8 Sep) 1755
Col. Eph Williams (see Williams College) is killed at Bloody Pond by French and allies (8 Sep) 1755
Gov. Marquis de Vaudreuil est. Fort Carillon at Ticonderoga, west shore of L. Champlain (Sep) 1755
P. Lyman erects a fort at Lydius’ trading post in Washington Co. 1755
William Johnson names P. Lyman’s Fort in Washington Co. “Fort Edward” 1755
Eastern America experiences a drought of 42 days 1755
New Jersey Colony General Assembly redefines “Navigable waters” 1755

Be it enacted . . . That if any Person or Persons without first obtaining an Act of the General Assembly for that Purpose, shall, after the publication of this act, erect any Dam, Bank, Sluice or other thing which shall obstruct or prevent free and uninterrupted Navigation of any River, Creek or Stream of Water within the Colony, which is used for the Navigation of Boats or Flats or for the transportation of Hay, Plank, Boards, or Timber, or shall fall any Trees across such Creek, or throw Brush or other Filth in any part thereof, between the Mouth thereof and the uppermost Place Thereon, now or of late used as a landing, he, she, or they so offending shall severally forfeit the sum of Five Pounds, Proclamation Money.

General Assembly
Colony of New Jersey, 20 Aug 1755

The diary of Major Roberts indicates scarcity of WTD in the eastern Adirondacks 1755-60
Gr. Brit. and France declare war formalizing French and Indian War after 2-yrs hostilities in N. Am. 1756
French build sawmill on north bank of LaChute River to cut timbers for Fort Carillon 1756

“Captain Jackson” drafts a bathymetric survey of Lake George 1756

French troops establish large gardens near Fort Carillon to supplement their rations 1756

The Englishman Edmund Burke pub “Philosophical Enquiry into the Sublime and Beautiful” 1756

The Norway maple is introduced to the US in the Philadelphia area c 1756

*Universal Magazine*, London, pub *A New and Accurate Map of the Present War in North America* 1757

C. Linnaeus (1707-1778) pub. 10th ed. of *Systema naturae* . . . est. binomial nomenclature (24 Jun) 1757

This date might be considered one of the most important entries to *An Adirondack Chronology* giving us a standard set of “scientific names” allowing us to communicate on many of the species constituting the biota of the Adirondack Park! The enhanced 12th edition of 1766-1768 is another crucial milestone. The full title of this magnificent work is *Systema naturae per regna tria naturae, secundum classes, ordines, genera, species, cum characteribus, differentiis, synonymis, locis.* Linnaeus provided annotations for each of the 10 editions dating this work 24 May, 1757, but the given date, i.e. 24 June, 1757, is usually accepted as the publication date. Ms. Karen Beil has kindly given this guidance.

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English army rebuilds Fort Anne (named after daughter of George II) which had fallen into ruins 1757

French forces, 8000 strong, under Marquis de Montcalm, begin siege of Fort William Henry (3 Aug) 1757


After 6-day siege, Ft. Wm. Henry surrenders to Marquis de Montcalm at SW end of L. Geo. (8 Aug) 1757

Ft. Wm. Henry soldiers/citizens on way to Ft. Edward are killed, scalped, seized by Indians (9 Aug) 1757


Fort William Henry is torn down and burned 1757

A ferry across Lake Champlain is operated on an informal basis at Ticonderoga 1757

*Gentleman’s Magazine* (vol. 27) pub *Map of that Part of America which was the Principal* . . . 1757

English gardener Lancelot “Capability” Brown ‘perfects’ the modern residential lawn 1757

Robert Rogers and 20 men escape Canadians and Indians at “Rogers’s Rock”, Lake George (Mar) 1758

British Royal Navy dispatches James Cook to survey and map the Gulf of St. Lawrence 1758

Sabbath Day Pt. is named as Abercrombie and troops stop on way to battle French at Ticonderoga 1758

Abercrombie, w/ 15,000 British troops, foolishly attacks entrenched French near Ft. Carillon (8 Jul) 1758

Montcalm, outnumbered nearly 3:1, decisively defeats British army near Fort Carillon (8 Jul) 1758

British General Jeffrey Amherst and co. finally displace French from Fort Carillon (26 July) 1758

British and colonial forces sink 260 bateaux, two radeaux, row galleys and other warships 1758

The iron-clad warship. *Radeau* is sunk in 107 feet of water in southern Lake George 1758

William Gilliland, native of Ireland, discharged from the British 35th regiment, moves to NYC 1758

British make peace with Iroquois, Shawnee and Delaware at Fort Bedford (21 Oct) 1758

Jane Colden, Cadwallader Colden’s daughter, lists 400 kinds of plants in eastern NY 1758

Henri Louis Duhamel du Monceau pub *La Physique des Arbres* 1758

Halley predicts returns of comet of 1682 marking onset of mathematical astronomical prediction 1758-59

Over 31 years, John Harrison develops accurate marine chronometer to determine longitude at sea 1759

Sabael Benedict and family, Abenaki Indians, settle on shore of a small lake (fut. Indian Lake) 1759

British forces scatter the Christian Mohawks from the vicinity of La Presentation Fort 1759

Edward Jessup serves as captain under Gen. Amherst in the campaign for Lake Champlain 1759

Peter Kalm arrives at Fort St. Frédéric after narrowly escaping a band of Indians (2 Jul) 1759

John Knox’s journal describes fishing boat decoys for enemy survailence (2 Jul) 1759

Gen. Amherst lays siege to Fort Carillon, 3-days later, French delaying force abandons it (26 Jul) 1759

French forces destroy redoubt and windmill at Fort St. Frédéric before retreating northward (31 Jul) 1759

Fort St. Frédéric at Crown Pt. is razed by British and replaced with new fortifications 1759
British army builds fortified outpost, Grenadier Redoubt, at French windmill site, Crown Point 1759
Amherst and co. displace French from Ft Ticonderoga and Ft St. Frédéric, Lake Champlain 1759
Departure of French from Forts Carillon and St. Frédéric marks end of active hostilities in the region 1759
Montcalm & Wolfe die in pitched battle at Plains of Abraham, Québec, ending hostilities (18 Sep) 1759
Lt. Gov. J. de Lancy proclaims Lake George/Upper Hudson regions to be ‘safe’ for settlers (Oct) 1759
After 2 mo. prep. Gen. Amherst begins operations on Lake Champlain to expel French fleet (11 Oct) 1759
Amherst erects ‘His Majesty’s Fort at Crown Point’, 3.5 sq. mi. in extent, largest in North America 1759
Philip Skene, British army officer, settles Whitehall area after serving in French and Indian War 1759
Jeffrey Amherst orders construction of a fort at site of Fort George 1759
British troops continue the gardens at Fort Ticonderoga to supplement their rations 1759

The gardens’ extensive size (about 40 acres), depicted on period maps, is larger than the footprint of the Fort itself. The garrison gardens were located inside a line of protective redoubts that stretched across the peninsula; the gardens themselves were fenced to keep out wild and domesticated animals. Regiments were typically assigned specific plots that they would care for and consume. Soldiers who volunteered to tend the gardens received extra pay for their work.

Fresh vegetables were an important supplement to daily rations, providing essential nutrients to help prevent sickness and disease. Cabbage was an important crop, valued for its high vitamin-C content and could be eaten fresh or stored whole for winter use. Leafy greens such as spinach, lettuce, mustard greens, and cresses were eaten in season. Root vegetables like turnips, beets, onions, and carrots could be stored for later consumption.

“Our story: Garrison gardens,” Fort Ticonderoga—America’s fort.

Potash industry is underway in New England and New York; hardwood forests are being clear cut 1760s
New France ceases to exist as Canada is ceded to England at Montreal (15 Sep) 1760
Jeffrey Cowper settles in Fort Amherst, fut. Queensbury, after troops move to Crown Point c. 1760
Job and William Wyatt patent method of making blunt-end wood-screws, Staffordshire, England 1760
John Mitchell, English, develops theory on volcanism and earth quakes est. field of seismology 1760
British settlement of central New England greatly increases 1760
Philip Skene, a professional soldier, builds an ironworks at Skenessborough (modern Whitehall) 1761
C. Linnaeus is granted nobility by Swedish king Adolf Frederick and becomes Carl von Linné 1761
Leopold Avensbrugger, Austria, pub on tuberculosis, pathological changes and clinical signs 1761
Philip Schuyler is impressed by the canals of England as a means of transport 1761-62
Provincial Township of Queensbury is incorporated by patent (20 May) 1762
Eleven families settle at south end of Lake George (site later known as Caldwell) 1762
Sir Wm. Johnson has ‘fishing camp’ built at union of Vlaie Crk and Sacandaga R., fut. Fish House 1762
William Brassier surveys Lake Champlain, Lake George, Crown Point, and St. John; see 1777 map 1762
Eastern America experiences a drought of 123 days 1762
Little reliable information on American colonial economy exists due to rampant smuggling 1763-1775
Treaty of Paris ends French and Indian War, France ceding NA, except N. Orleans 1763
King George III, in Proclamation of 1763, sets province of Québec at 45° North Latitude (7 Oct) 1763
King George III prohibits settlements west of Allegheny Mountains 1763
John Glen, Jr., erects a mill at Glens Falls 1763
Abraham Wing erects a sawmill with seven blades at Wing’s Falls, later named Glens Falls 1763
Josef Gottlieb Kolreuter (1733-1806), German, studies wind and insect pollination 1763
Jean Laframboise, applegrower, settles at Baie des François (now Chazy, NY) 1763
NY Acting Gov. Colden declares NY right to (fut.) Vermont lands (28 Dec) 1763
Britain imposes American Revenue Act (Sugar Act) to pay for Seven Years’ War (5 Apr) 1764
Britain widens Currency Act of 1751 to all American colonies banning local currencies 1764
King George III declares border of New York/New Hampshire is Connecticut River (20 Jul) 1764
Connecticut is the most densely populated province in America with some 150,000 residents 1764
Boston merchants forego import of English lace & ruffles, America’s earliest trade boycott (Aug) 1764
Edward & Ebenezer Jessup sell their interests in Dutchess County and move to Albany 1764
Ed. & Eben. Jessup erect sawmill on Hudson R. at ‘Big Falls’ (Palmer Falls) fut. Jessup’s Landing 1764
Gilles Hocquart sells his seigneury at Lake Champlain to Michel Chartier de Lotbinière 1764
William Gilliland surveys Essex Co. lands around present-day Westport and calls it Bessboro 1764
W. Gilliland now owns some 4,000 a along Boquet R. 1764
The Northeast experiences a severe winter (see Ludlum) 1764-65
W. Gilliland begins important diary on Westboro area, L. Champlain 1765
W. Gilliland records his visit to the gorge, “a most admirable sight”, now known as AuSable Chasm 1765
W. Gilliland founds a tenant system on his vast Boquet River lands, west shore of L. Champlain 1765
Albert Baker erects 1st mill on Hudson R. at Baker’s Falls, c. 68 feet high, Hudson Falls area 1765
Atlantic salmon are seen (by whom?) spawning in Au Sable Chasm 1765
King George III grants Philip Skene et al. royal patent for 25,000 a. at Skenesborough (13 Mar) 1765
W. Gilliland est. Willsboro, named after himself, and Elizabethtown, named for his wife (8 Jun) 1765
Sons of Liberty, an organization of radical colonists opposing the Stamp Act, is formed (Aug) 1765
Britain imposes the Stamp Act, a tax on all printed paper, legal documents, newspapers (1 Nov) 1765

Items taxed included all legal and business documents, bills of lading, dice and playing cards, mortgages and liquor licenses, printed pamphlets, newsprint and newspaper advertisements, almanacs, calendars, surveying documents and college diplomas. . . Colonists in NYC signed a nonimportation agreement imposing economic sanctions banning the purchase of any English goods until Parliament repealed the Stamp Act. . . All business in the American colonies effectively came to a halt on 1 November, the day the act took effect. . . Before year’s end, however, business resumed without the stamps, in open violation of the new law. In England, the decline in exports to America from £2.5 million in 1764 to £1.9 million in 1765 spoke louder than any colonial resolutions. English merchants organized to work for repeal. . .


James Duane begins decades-long feud with Ethan Allen et al. re. New Hampshire Grants 1765
Lt. Gov. Cadwallader Colden grants charter to Schenectady 1765
Britain repeals Stamp Act after violent opposition by colonists and English merchants (18 Mar) 1766
Britain passes Declaratory Act affirming its control and right to impose taxes on colonies (18 Mar) 1766

On 11 April 1767, the Board of Trade (London) ruled that under no circumstances was New York to disturb any resident on the Grants who held a valid New Hampshire deed. The power to grant lands was intended to “accommodate not distress settlers,” especially “the poor and industrious.” The reform-minded Lord Shelburne personally chastised New York’s governor (Sir Henry Moore) for dispossessing poor New Hampshire grant holders and ordered him to stop all legal proceedings involving the Grants until officials in London had time for further study.

Boundaries of the Mohawk Nation and American colonies are fixed at Fort Stanwix (5 Nov) 1765
Cheever iron mine at Port Henry becomes active 1766
Philip Skene’s slaves mine iron ore from beds at Port Henry for shipment south to Skenesborough 1766

This iron-rich mine later became well-known as the Cheever iron mine at Port Henry

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Cumberland County (later, Vermont) is set off from Albany Co. of New York province (3 Jul) 1766
Henry Cavendish, English (1731-1810) discovers “fire air”, now called hydrogen 1766
Lt. Gov. Colden ignores London’s instructions and continues evicting settlers and issuing new grants 1767
Captain/count Ch. de Fredenburgh receives 30,000 a. from Crown at site of modern Plattsburgh 1767
Edward & Ebenezer Jessup begin purchasing land in Adirondacks (fut. T. of Luzerne) (14 Aug) 1767
Charles de Fredenburgh builds sawmill on Saranac R. thus naming Fredenburgh Falls 1767
Captain/Count Charles de Fredenburgh and 19 associates receive warrant of survey at Fort George 1767
Albany County regains all of Cumberland County (26 Jun) 1767
Townshend Acts impose new taxes in colonies, punish New York, assert British authority (20 Nov) 1767
Ed. & Eben. Jessup et al. buy 7550 a. on E. side of Hudson R. in (fut.) T. of Luzerne (25 Dec) 1767
Ed. & Eben. Jessup et al. buy 4100 a. (Jessup Patent) in (fut.) T. of Luzerne (28 Dec) 1767
American colonial economies are mired in a long economic recession (Jan) 1767-70
Sir William Johnson and the Six Nations draft the Fort Stanwix Boundary Treaty 1768
William Gilpin pub an essay “Upon Prints” defining the aesthetics of the “picturesque” 1768
White settlers discover anthracite coal in Pennsylvania 1768
Albany County is re-partitioned restoring Cumberland County (19 Mar) 1768
Proposal to est. Town of Crown Point is forwarded to British authorities; no action is taken 1768
Mohawks ratify purchase agreement for Kayadrossera patent under influence of Wm. Johnson 1768
King George III confirms grant of 7550 a. on E. side of Hudson R. to Jessups et al. (20 May) 1768
King George III confirms grant of 4100 a. on E. side of Hudson R. to Jessups et al. (21 May) 1768

So much injustice and consequent ill-feeling and mischief had resulted from land deals made direct between individuals and the Indians, that the king had decreed that all such transactions must be sanctioned by the Crown. The Indian right and title to any desired lands had first to be vested in George III, whereupon he would issue his patent to the purchaser. He would do so only upon the recommendation of his representatives (the Governor), and on this account their friendship (William Johnson, Gov. John Murray (Lord Dunmore), Gov. William Tryon and many others) was of substantial value to the Jessups.


Manhattan millionaire Theophilus Anthony builds summer camp at (Anthony) pond near Long Lake 1768
Hugh Willaimson reads paper on climate change before American Philosophical Society (17 Aug) 1768
Gov. Henry Moore calls for improvement of Mohawk R. for shipping (16 Dec) 1768
John Brown of (R.I.) amasses large amounts of black powder to support the American Revolution 1770
Mr. Wolfe, Moravian Missionary, collects labradorite from Isle of Paul, coast of Labrador c. 1770
Ebenezer Jessup builds well-appointed log mansion 2 mi. S. of Lake Luzerne hamlet near his mills c. 1770
Edward Jessup builds lavish log mansion in what is now the hamlet of Lake Luzerne c. 1770
Edward & Ebenezer Jessup make plans to escape should they fall into disfavor as ‘Loyalists’ early 1770
Moses Stickney purchases most of the lands of fut. Town of Horicon, Warren Co., 25¢ per acre late 1770
Philip Skene builds a rough road from Skenesborough to Salem 1770-75
Edward Raymond establishes a settlement in Bessboro, near present-day Camp Dudley 1770
N.H. governor Benning Wentworth, makes large, controversial land grants to Ethan and Ira Allen 1770
Britain repeals the Townshend Acts (5 Mar) 1770
Britain amends Currency Act of 1764 to allow New York its own currency 1770
Colonists and British troops clash in Boston; five colonists incl. Crispus Attucks are killed (5 Mar) 1770
Albany County is partitioned to create Gloucester County (16 Mar) 1770
James Duane in Small v. Carpenter argues that all NH grants & land titles were null & void (28 Jun) 1770
Jos. Totten & Stephen Crossfield petition Gov. Dunmore to buy 800,000 a. in central Adks (10 Apr) 1771
Gov. Dunmore approves petition for J. Totten & S. Crossfield to proceed with land purchase (7 Jun) 1771
N.Y. Gov. Tryon posts £20 reward ea. for arrest of E. Allen, S. Warner, R. Baker et al. (27 Nov) 1771
Major Philip Skene, British, receives land patent for iron-ore rich Bald Peak tract, near L. Champlain 1771
Hugh Williamson pub paper on climate change in 1st vol. Transaction of the Amer. Phil. Soc. 1771
Archibald Campbell ascends Snowy Mtn while scouting (fut.) Totten & Crossfield tract (summer) 1771
Ethan Allen mockingly offers £15/£10 reward for arrest of James Duane & John Kempe (5 Feb) 1772
King George III confirms grant of 2000 a. to Jessup bros. (10 Apr) 1772
Eben. Jessup & Moses Crane survey baseline of 55 ‘mile-trees’ NW from Jessup’s Landing (Spring) 1772
Moses Crane climbs (fut.) Crane Mountain while running T&C baseline 1772
Mohawk and Caughnawaga sell lands to Jos. Totten & S. Crossfield c/o Sir Wm. Johnson (Jul) 1772
Edward and Ebenezer Jessup buy Totten and Crossfield tract for £1,135 ($188,410 in 2016) (Jul) 1772

This immense and well known tract (purchase of) was evidently intended to extinguish the Mohawk title to all such lands as they might possess north of the west branch of the Hudson River.

Ethan Allen proposes new county of Ticonderoga & Crown Point at Manchester convention (31 Jan) 1774
Manchester delegates authorize E. Allen to proceed with new province for NH Grants (31 Jan) 1774
St. Regis Mohawk Chief Joseph Brant (Thayendanegea) joins Guy Johnson on a trip to England 1774
Capt. Thomas Davies paints o.o.c. View of the Lines at Lake George including image of bald eagle 1774
Albany County is partitioned again to create Ulster County (1090 sq. mi.) (9 Mar) 1774
Antoine Laurent Lavoisier, French, names Priestley’s “gas oxygen”, meaning “acid producer” 1774
NY Assembly passes “Bloody Acts” to crack down on ‘radicals’ in New Hampshire Grants (9 Mar) 1774
On advice of NY Assembly, Gov. Tryon raises reward for arrest of E. Allen and R. Baker to £100 1774
The King claims mast trees in the Adirondacks, text in ARL; see “Albany Act” (6 Apr) 1774
Sir William Johnson dies; his wife and heirs remain loyalist (11 July) 1774
1st Continental Congress assembles in Philadelphia to adopt Declaration of Rights and Grievances 1774
King George III confirms grant of 40,000 a. called Hyde Tract to Jessups et al. (10 Sep) 1774
Colonists at Jessup’s Landing threaten Jessup bros with death, burn mill and destroy ferry (Jan-Mar) 1775
Albany Co. gives 60 sq. mi. to Charlotte Co. which gave such to Cumberland Co. (1 Apr) 1775
Colonists and British engage in battles at Lexington and Concord, 73 British soldiers die (19 Apr) 1775
Continental Congress receives assurance that Haudenosaunee and allies will remain neutral 1775
Haudenosaunee and allies agree to remain neutral in upcoming hostilities with Gr. Britain 1775
Philip Skene, in London, is appointed Lieut. Governor of new county of Ticonderoga & Crown Point 1775
Quebec Act nullifies Massachusetts, Connecticut & Virginia’s rights to westward expansion (1 May) 1775
Frantic to cross L. Champlain, Allen’s Green Mtn Boys take large oar-boat from P. Skene (9 May) 1775
Green Mtn Boys capture P. Skene’s son, 50 dependents, 12 slaves, schooner & small boats (10 May) 1775
Ethan Allen, Benedict Arnold & 83 Green Mtn Boys take Fort Ticonderoga and its cannon (10 May) 1775

My party who followed me into the fort, I formed on the parade in such a manner as to face the two barracks which faced each other. The garrison being asleep, (except the sentries) we gave three huzzas which greatly surprised them.” Allen then ran up the steps and pounded on the door of the commanding officer, Captain Delaplance, ordering him to surrender the fort. When asked by what authority had they entered His Majesty’s fort, Allen is supposed to have bellowed “In the name of the great Jehovah and the Continental Congress!” This is probably apocryphal even if Allen did write it himself later in his memoirs. Others, who were there, say that he yelled, “Come out, you damned old rat,” while others, Allen’s own men, insisted that more in his character he yelled, “Come out of there, you goddam old rat.” Thrusly, the mightiest fortress in North America in colonial America had been taken with no shots fired and no casualties.


Col. Seth Warner and co. take British fort and some 100 cannon at Crown Point (11 May) 1775
Benedict Arnold & co. depart N. from Crown Pt. to capture British vessels, arms and men (14 May) 1775
B. Arnold & 50 men aboard Skene’s armed schooner Betsey raid Fort Saint-Jean, Quebec (17 May) 1775
Benedict Arnold and co. return to Crown Pt. with a British schooner renamed Enterprise (18 May) 1775
Edw. & Eben. Jessup flee to Fish House to join Col. Guy Johnson, thence to Canada (late May) 1775
Loyalist Col. Guy Johnson, his family and 150 others flee Johnstown for safety in Canada (Jun) 1775
B. Arnold assigns P. Skene’s 12 slaves to dig ore to be forged into parts for war ships (13 Jun) 1775
George Washington becomes commander-in-chief of the Continental Army (17 Jun) 1775
2nd Cont. Congress names Philip Schuyler major general, commanding Northern Dept. (19 Jun) 1775
B. Arnold builds fleet of naval vessels at Skenesborough (Whitehall) est. U.S. Navy 1775

Returning from England, Philip Skene is arrested as a ‘loyalist’ after J. Adams reviews his papers 1775

Gen. Richard Montgomery and 3,000 N.Y. and N.E. troops capture Montreal (13 Nov) 1775


Gen. Richard Montgomery is killed in Québec (31 Dec) 1775

Alexander Cumming, Scotland, patents a flush toilet with S-trap to retain water in the bowl 1775

James Watt perfects the steam engine, a primary event in the opening of the Industrial Revolution 1775

William Gilliland’s private kingdom includes some 60,000 a., 28 homes, 2 school 2 grist mills, etc. 1775

Hans Egede Saabye, Danish, reports severe winters for Greenland with much starvation 1775

Henry Knox and company move 59 artillery pieces from Fort Ticonderoga to Boston (winter) 1775-76

General William Howe and his 14,000 Redcoats evacuate Boston 1776

First naval battle of American Revolution occurs at Valcour Island, Lake Champlain 1776

Capt. James Cook, uses Harrison’s marine chronometer, with high praise, on his 2nd & 3rd voyages 1776

Oneida and Tuscarora join colonists to fight against the British 1776

Chief Joseph Brant retreats to Niagara with loyalist Haudenosaunee 1776

Benj. Franklin, Sam. Chase and Ch. Carroll traverse L. George, L. Champlain to Montréal (Apr) 1776

Ch. Carroll makes diary describing passage through L. George, L. Champlain to Montréal (Apr) 1776

Smallpox devastates American troops as they return southward to mouth of Richelieu R. (May) 1776

Thomas Jefferson begins recording weather observations in Philadelphia 1776

Thomas Jefferson recruits volunteer weather observers throughout Virginia 1776

The remains of Fort Edward are burned by the Americans (1-3 May) 1776

Kommando Homes gives 200 a. of land at Sabbath Day Point to Col. Jeduthan Baldwin (8 May) 1776

Col. Jed. Baldwin “takes the infection,” i.e., is vaccinated, for smallpox at Fort Chambly (17 May) 1776

. . . about 10 O’clock this morning I was inoculated for the Small pox with Col. Bond, Col. Alden, Majr. Fuller, Majr. Loring, The Rev’d. Mr. Barnham, Docr. Holbrook & Lieut. Oldham together in a mess by Dr. McKensey.

Journal of Jeduthan Baldwin
Fort Chambly, 17 May, 1776

Congress authorizes engagement of 2,000 Indians to fight the British (25 May) 1776

Sir J. Johnson, 170 tenants & friends escape Mohawk Valley to safety in Canada (21 May-18 Jun) 1776

Sir John Johnson and company abandon a pile of raquettes (snowshoes) at Raquette Lake (Jun) 1776

Col. Jeduthan Baldwin is mostly recovered from smallpox inoculation received 17 May (11 Jun) 1776

Brig. Gen. John Sullivan attacks British at Trois-Rivieres and is badly defeated (8 Jun) 1776

Haudenosaunee attend Continental Congress in Philadelphia to affirm formation of US (11 Jun) 1776

Benedict Arnold retreats from Montréal to join with Sullivan’s forces at Chambly (15 Jun) 1776

Hundreds of American troops die of smallpox and are buried at Isle aux Noix (Jun) 1776

Canadian Campaign ends at Crown Point with 5,200 troops present, 2,800 ill, 200+ buried (Jun) 1776

New York is recognized as a state of the United States (9 Jul) 1776

Continental Congress offers men a bounty of $20 and a land grant to raise 88 battalions (16 Sep) 1776

Cannon aboard American gunboat New York explodes at Valcour I. sinking the vessel (11 Oct) 1776

Edward, Eben. & Jos. Jessup return to Jessup Patent to recruit loyalist supporters (early summer) 1776

The Jessups recruit 24 local loyalists and flee to Crown Point to meet with Gen. G. Carleton (Oct) 1776

Gen. Carleton dispatches the Jessups and their recruits to Châteauguay, near Montréal (Oct-Nov) 1776

General Schuyler enters and marches through lands of the Six Nations 1776

Benedict Arnold declares W. Gilliland ‘artful villain’ and outlaw and issues award for his arrest 1776

John Trumbull visits Lake George to find it “a splendid gratification” 1776

Royalist Mohawks flee their lands following defeat of the British 1776
American agriculture experiences the Revolutionary War boom 1776-83

Albany Co. is again partitioned, giving up 300 sq. mi.) to create Vermont Republic (15 Jan) 1777

New York State Constitution is ratified at Kingston, NY, thus becoming a state (20 Apr) 1777

The King’s Loyal Americans corps is est. under Lt. Col. Eben. Jessup; Ed. Jessup is captain (7 Jun) 1777

British forces of Gen. John Burgoyne fortify Mt. Defiance to oversee Fort Ticonderoga 1777

P. Skene sways Gen. Burgoyne to improve ‘Skene’s Road’ to Salem on way to Saratoga (Jul) 1777

The British displace General Arthur St. Clare from Fort Ticonderoga (7 July) 1777

St. Clair’s forces retreating from Ticonderoga, set fire to Skenesboro nearly destroying it (7 Jul) 1777

St. Clair’s forces nearly surround and capture Burgoyne’s vanguard troops at Fort Anne (8 Jul) 1777

Gen. Gates sends militia to Jessup’s Landing, a Loyalist area, to destroy all but the mill (summer) 1777

Joseph Brant and company defeat the American militia in the Battle of Oriskany (6 Aug) 1777

British et al. ambush, kill 450 Tryon Co. militia, Oneida & Tuscarora allies at Fort Stanwix (6 Aug) 1777

Americans defeat the British at the 1st battle of Saratoga (18 Sep) 1777

“The King’s Garden” (40 acres) first appears on British map of Fort Ticonderoga 1777

After returning to England, Philip Skene enlists under Gen. J. Burgoyne with rank of Colonel 1777

Americans use rifles to defeat the British in the 2nd battle at Saratoga (7 Oct) 1777

General Benedict Arnold is wounded in the leg at the 2nd battle of Saratoga (7 Oct) 1777

Gen. John Burgoyne and 5,000 troops surrender to General Horatio Gates, Saratoga (17 Oct) 1777

Ed., Eben, & Jos. Jessup are taken prisoner at Saratoga, paroled & returned to Canada (Oct) 1777

Moses Harris becomes a patriot spy 1777

Capt. William Pierie paints o.o.c. Views of America – Narrows at Lake George 1777

George Washington is the guest of John Glen at Sanders Mansion in Scotia 1777

Samuel Miller of England invents the circular saw – his idea applied in the 19th century 1777

Louis Brion drafts Carte du Theatre de la Guerre Entre et les Americans – Adirondacks as a void 1777

Sayer and Bennett, London, pub map: A Survey of Lake Champlain Including Lake George, . . . 1777

Sayer and Bennett of London publish the first detailed survey map of Lake Champlain: A Survey of Lake Champlain Including Lake George, Crown Point and St. John, 27 ¾” height by 20 ½” width. Such map is now owned by Calvin Welch of Scotia, NY.

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Le Rouge, Paris, pub map Cartes des Troubles de l’Amerique 1778

London Magazine pub map Parts of the Counties of Charlotte and Albany in the Province . . . 1778

William Gilliland’s colony at Essex is reduced to ashes during the British-American hostilities 1778

The Albany Post Boy (newspaper), est. by Alexander and James Robinson, ends publication 1778

Haudenosaunee chiefs state that United States does not have authority to draft its men into war 1778

Claude Joseph Sauthier pub, in London, a map of New York Province 1778

Major General Philip Schuyler is tried for treason in surrender of Fort Ticonderoga (1 Oct) 1778

NYS Act of Attainder assigns British Crown lands (9 million a.) to the people of NYS (9 Jul) 1779

Absolute property of all . . . lands . . . which next and immediately before the 9th day of July in the year of Our Lord 1776, did vest in, or belong, or was, or were due to the Crown of Great Britain be and the same and each and every of them hereby are declared to be, and ever since the said 9th day of July, in the year of Our Lord 1776, to have been, and forever after it to be vested in the people of this State, in whom the sovereignty and seigniory thereof, are and were united and vested, on and from the said 9th of July in the year of Our Lord 1776.

Chapter 25 of the Laws of 1779

New York State
NYS Act of Attainder voids NYS land titles of those who had remained loyal to the Crown (Jul) 1779
Gen. George Washington orders total destruction of Haudenosaunee 1779
Gen. James Clinton leads surprise attack against Haudenosaunee, burning Onondaga villages 1779

When they came to the Onondaga Town (of which I was one of the principal Chiefs), they put to death all the women and children, excepting some of the young women that they carried away for the use of their soldiers, and were put to death in a more shameful and scandalous manner; yet these rebels calls themselves Christians.”

Council at Niagara, December 11, 1782, in The Haldimand Transcripts (Series B), The Public Archives of Canada, Ottawa, B.119, p. 172

Major General J. Sullivan and force of 4,000 destroy 41 Haudenosaunee villages 1779
Major General Philip Schuyler resigns 1779
Jan Ingenhousz, Dutch, discovers that plants consume CO₂, release O₂ in light, consume O₂ in dark 1779
NYS confiscates Jessup properties and condemns them to death if they appear in the state (22 Oct) 1779
NYS seizes and confiscates property >56,000 a. from Philip Skene at Skenesborough (22 Oct) 1779
Loyalist Haudenosaunee acknowledge defeat at Second Treaty of Fort Stanwix 1779
New York State Land Commission is established to sell off excess property 1779
“The Hard Winter” hits with extreme cold, much snow and late spring 1779-80
Systematic weather recording begins in New Haven, CT 1780
Gervinus produces another version of the circular saw (see Samuel Miller, 1777) 1780
Chickens throughout the northeast roost during the day because of heavy forest fire smoke 1780
Number of New York colonists is set at 210,541 persons 1780
A hunting season for heath hen is established in NYS 1780
German geologist, A. G. Werner, describes Labradorstein 1780
NYS offers men a grant of land (a bounty) to raise two regiments for 3-years’ service (20 Mar) 1781
Bennington Co., VT, tries to annex eastern Albany Co., NY, to form ‘The West Union’ (26 Jun) 1781
Gen. Cornwallis surrenders British Forces to the Americans at Yorktown (19 Oct) 1781
‘Jessup’s Rangers’, a corps of Loyal Rangers, is formed under Maj. Edward Jessup (12 Nov) 1781
Peter Beckford pub Thoughts on Hunting 1781
St. John de Crevecoeur pub (in London) Letters from an American Farmer 1782
Mt. Unzon of Japan erupts causing local devastation and impacting global weather (GCC) 1782
ENSO causes L. Patzcuaro, central Mexico, to subside greatly exposing much controversial land 1782-83
Continental Congress adopts bald eagle as the national symbol of the United States (20 Jun) 1782
The bald eagle population of North America is roughly 500,000 1782
Graumann pub treatise proving tuberculosis and syphilis are not identical 1782
King George III officially acknowledges independence of the United States of America (6 Dec) 1782
North West Company (fur trade) is est. by 23 investors in Montréal to compete with Hudson Bay Co. 1783
NYS legislature approves giving federal line soldiers same bounty of land as NY soldiers (27 Mar) 1783

The Adirondack region was at a disadvantage when compared other regions of the state. Sales were slow and settlers reluctant to move in, not surprising when the high mountain plateau already had a reputation as “a dismal wilderness, . . . a broken and intractable tract.”

Thomas Pownall
Geographer and former British official, 1784

George Washington visits Fort George at south end of Lake George on way to Crown Point (Jul) 1783
George Washington and NY Gov. Clinton inspect ‘His Majesty’s Fort at Crown Point’ 1783
George Washington tours Mohawk Valley to reach Fort Stanwix est. impetus for Erie Canal 1783
Revolutionary War ends with the Treaty of Paris and independence of 13 original colonies (3 Sep) 1783
Mid-Atlantic Ridge fissure, Iceland, erupts releasing much lava/dust impacting weather (GCC) 1783
Horace Bénédict de Saussure refines hygrometer by using human hair to measure humidity 1783
Benjamin Franklin proposes comet, meteor or Icelandic vulcanism to explain dull sun, cold (GCC) 1783
Mt. Asama volcano, Japan, erupts (GCC) 1783-84
Laki, Lakagigar (Craters/Fissures of Laki), S. Iceland erupt, 14 km³ basalt, SO₂, hydrofluoric acid 1783-84
Long, snowy and cold winter settles over North America with Chesapeake Bay freezing (GCC) 1783-84

The winter of 1783-84 earned the reputation of being the longest such season in our period of study, and in addition ranked close to the top for extremes of deep snow cover and low temperatures. Here were some of its achievements: produced the greatest seasonal snowfall ever known in northern New Jersey, the longest spell of below-zero readings on record in southern New England, shut up the harbors and channels of Chesapeake Bay longer than any other interruption, and received recognition by the dean of early historians of Maine as the longest and coldest winter since the area had been settled by white-men.

David M. Ludlum
*Early American Winters: 1604-1820*
American Meteorological Society, 1966

Benjamin Franklin sarcastically conceives the notion of Daylight Saving Time while in France 1784
B. Franklin suggests Lakagigar (Craters of Laki), Iceland, volcanism as cause severe US/Eur winters 1784
Charlotte County is renamed Washington County, to honor Gen. George Washington 1784
Tryon County is renamed Montgomery County, after Gen. Richard Montgomery 1784
Chap 60, NYS Law is passed “encouraging settlement of waste and unappropriated lands” (10 May) 1784
Chap 64, NYS Law is passed fostering “speedy sale of confiscated and forfeited estates” (12 May) 1784
American agriculture experiences post-war depression, deflation, as maritime commerce prospers 1784-88
Coal mining begins in the Pittsburgh area of Pennsylvania 1784
*Empress of China*, 360 tons, sails from US for China with ginseng cargo (22 Feb) 1784
Night hunting of WTD is abolished in the Carolinas 1784
Philip Freneau pub the poem “The Dying Indian” 1784
Tree-of-heaven, *Ailanthus altissima*, enters a Philadelphia garden from China 1784
NYS Board of Regents is established with Philip Schuyler appointed a member 1784
Legislature finds Christopher Colles’ Mohawk River improvement plan too expensive 1784
The British and Six Nations agree to a second treaty at Fort Stanwix (22 Oct) 1784
Haldimand Treaty establishes Six Nation Country Reserve centering on Grand River, Ontario 1784
Thomas Pownall pub a *Topographical Description* for a reissue of the Lewis Evans map of 1755 1784
Simeon DeWitt, Surveyor General, begins major Adirondack surveys 1784
Zephaniah Platt buys the future lands of Plattsburgh at mouth of the Saranac River 1784
John James Audubon is born in Les Cayes, San Domingo (26 April) 1785
The New York law of 1784 fostering sale of “waste” and “unassigned lands” is repealed 1785
Hezekiah Barber establishes permanent settlement at present-day Westport, Lake Champlain 1785
NYS law fosters settlement of public lands through auction 1785
NYS creates a “land office” with the governor and other senior officials as members 1785
France sends Andre Michaux and son Francois-Andre to America to study forest resources 1785
Philip Skene requests return of his Skenesborough lands under Articles of Peace, but to no avail 1785
The Schenectady Academy is founded in Schenectady 1785
Thomas Jefferson pub., in French, *Notes on the State of Virginia*; following ’81, ’82, ’83 versions 1785
Thought to be the most important book published in America prior to 1800, its 23 chapters (published anonymously) range widely in subject matter and demonstrate his exceptional naturalist, observational and note-making skills. He was an obsessional diarist recording much and in great detail. This work served as a model for many later naturalists including those serving the Adirondack region. The first English version appeared in 1787.

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Charles Willson Peale founds a natural history museum in Philadelphia 1785
John Jacob Astor arrives NYC from Germany to work as a butcher with his brother 1785
Chap 66 of NYS Law is passed repealing Chap 60 of NYS Law (1784) (11 Apr) 1785
Chap 66, NYS Law is passed “to facilitate settlement of waste and unappropriated lands” (11 Apr) 1785
Chap 66, NYS Law exempts NYS lands bought from the land office from taxes for 7-years (11 Apr) 1785

Being that Chap 60 of NYS Laws (1784) was attended with great delays in its execution, and did not meet the salutary purposes, thereof, it was repealed in 1785. It was replaced with Chap 66 of NYS Laws which was also to “facilitate settlement of waste and unappropriated lands,” but this time with added provisions for carrying out its objectives: creation of a land office with a board of commissioners including the governor, whose responsibilities were to provide equal opportunity for all persons to obtain grants or patents of land, to describe and publicly advertise such land as was available. They were also to identify lands owned by native Indians who might be willing to sell such lands to the State. They were to administer all grants and patents, including settlement of all claims by native Indians. In order to encourage sales, all land grants and patents would be tax exempt for seven years after its sale.

Chap 66 of NYS Laws, passed by Eighth Legislative Session, 11 Apr 1785

The Northeast experiences an unusually late arrival of winter (see Ludlum) 1785
Mohawk Village is built on a bend of the Grand River in Ontario 1785-87
Columbia County is set off from Albany County (4 Apr) 1786
Town of Westfield (fut. Town of Fort Ann) is organized in Washington County 1786
Chap 67 of NYS Laws is enacted for “speedy sale of unappropriated lands within this state” (5 May) 1786

“Whereas experiment has evinced that the settlement of the unappropriated lands in this State, in the manner directed by former acts, is subject to great embarrassment and inconvenience and productive of controversy. For prevention whereof,” the legislature, repealed Chap 66 of NYS Laws (1785) as well as several clauses in pertinent laws of 1782 and 1784, and replaced them with Chap 67 of NYS Laws (1786) which attempted to clarify roles and responsibilities of the land office and to simplify the process for acquiring confiscated and military bounty lands. They also extended the time allowed for settling on the land for up to seven years after the sale.”

Chap 67 of NYS Laws, passed by Ninth Legislature Session, 5 May 1786

Zephaniah Platt acquires Township 45, Totten & Crossfield tract 1786
NYS Legislature est “ten townships” on south side of St. Lawrence River, fut. St. Lawrence County 1786
NYS orders survey of Military Tract (665,000 a.) for sale to Revolutionary Army veterans 1786
Not one veteran of the Revolutionary Army accepts lands in the Adirondack Military Tract 1786
Philip Freneau pub the poem “The Wild Honey Suckle” 1786
Michael-Gabriel Paccard, French (1757-1827), porter Jacques Balmat, climb Mt Blanc winning prize 1786
Squire Stoddard builds a sawmill at Mill Dam Falls in the Trenton Gorge 1786
The American James Ramsey designs a mechanically driven boat
The Northeast experiences three “Big Snows” in early December (see Ludlum)
John Fitch launches a steamboat on the Delaware River
Jacob Ferris builds first notable saw mill at mouth of Saranac River
Thomas Jefferson pub., in English for the first time, *Notes on the State of Viriginia*
Federal Constitutional Convention begins deliberations (14 May)
The federal Constitution is signed (17 Sep)
Alex Macomb and silent partners buy 640,000 a., “Ten Towns” in (fut.) St. Lawrence Co. (7 Jun)
Gen. J. Caldwell buys 1595 a. of land at south end of L. George (site later known as Caldwell)
*Primitive wagon track, Northwest Bay to Hopkinton, is cut to access Macomb’s Purchase c. 1787*

Traveling from the east, the Northwest Bay-Hopkinton Road began as a track in what is now Westport on Lake Champlain, and traveled west through what is now Elizabethtown, Keene, Lake Placid, Ray Brook, Saranac Lake, Gabriels, Paul Smiths, McColloms, Santa Clara, and St. Regis Falls. At the time, some parts were barely more than a blazed trail through the woods. The road ended in Hopkinton in St. Lawrence County.


J. Madison, A. Hamilton & J. Jay write *Federalist Papers* urging ratification of US constitution
Clinton County, in honor of Gov. George Clinton, is set off from Washington County (7 Mar)
NYS refuses to recognize the existence of Vermont, hence the loss of Cumberland Co. (7 Mar)
Town of Crown Point is established (23 Mar)
Onondaga Nation ‘assigns’ 96% of their New York lands, ~2 million a., to NYS in ‘Salt Treaty’
John Thurman of NYC buys Township #12 (25,200 a.) in T&C Purchase, fut. T. of Johnsburg
New York ratifies the United States Constitution, thus becoming 11th US state (26 Jul)
Closed season is est. for white-tailed deer with proscription of hounding (Aug-Dec)
Federal Constitution becomes effective (4 March)
C.A.S. Hoffman describes hypersthene – later to be known as Labradorite
Haudenosaunee Good Peter speaks affirming importance of women’s counsel
Haudenosaunee (Mohawk) and US sign treaty ending war at Fort Harmer
The Northeastern US experiences an especially warm winter
Monsoon fails in India with severe drought and famine (GCC)
Capt. Platt Rogers surveys and cuts ‘old State road’, now Rte 9, along Schroon and Boquet valleys
Elkanah Watson moves to Albany and begins speculating in lands of northern New York
Elkanah Watson et al. organize the Bank of Albany
Ralph Earl paints portrait of William Gilliland (collection of the NY Historical Society)
Antoine Lavoisier, French, demonstrates that respiration and combustion ‘consume’ oxygen
The first U.S. Census is conducted
The Naturalization Act extends citizenship to white, male immigrants – “free white persons”
“Norway Pine” (Red Pine) and Oak logs are floated from Essex Co. to Québec City
Indian Trade and Intercourse Act is passed by US Congress (22 Jul)
For a fee of $30,000, NYS relinquishes its rights to the Vermont area (28 Oct)
Haudenosaunee and the colonists sign the Peace Treaty of Tioga Point
NYS population is 340,000 with density of 7.1 persons/sq. mi. and 89% rural
J.W. Goethe pub *Versuch die Metamorphose der Pflanzen zu erklären.*

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Census population of Washington County is 183 families totaling 1,081 persons including one slave
1790
Acadian Catholic immigrants begin settling around Corbeau (now Coopersville, Clinton Co.) 1790
Platt Rogers est. ferry from Basin Harbor and builds a road from landing to Split Rock 1790
Platt Rogers bridges the Boquet River at Willsborough (Willsboro) Falls 1790
Platt Rogers constructs road from Willsborough (Willsboro) to Peru 1790
Platt Rogers lays out ‘Rogers Old Rd.’ from Washington Co. to Canadian Border, now Rte. 9 1790
Saratoga Co. is formed from Albany Co. (7 Feb) 1791
Albany Co. is again partitioned to form Rensselaer and Saratoga Counties (7 Feb) 1791
Herkimer Co. is formed from Montgomery Co. (16 Feb) 1791
Albany Co. transfers Town of Cambridge to Washington County 1791
Gerrit Boon buys 110,000 acres near (present day) Boonville for maple sugar business 1791
Zephaniah Platt acquires Township 48, Totten & Crossfield tract 1791
NY Society for Promotion of Agriculture, Arts and Manufactures urges Adirondack forestry 1791
A hunting season for ruffed grouse is established on Long Island 1791
William Bartram pub a report, *Travels*, on his explorations of southeastern North America 1791
NYS appropriates St. Regis Mohawk lands for sale (in part) to Alexander Macomb (22 Jun) 1791
Queens, Kings and New York counties establish a closed Woodcock season (20 Feb-1 Jul) 1791
Joint committee proposes water route from Rensselaerwyck, Hudson R., to Lake Champlain 1791
Philip Ginter discovers anthracite coal at Sharp Mt., Carbon County, PA 1791
Dr. Addams pub 1st American tract on Yellow Fever 1791
Eastern America experiences a drought of 82 days 1791
Viscount Chateaubriand tours the southern sector of the Adirondack region 1791
Surveyor O’Hara notes a 100 a. Indian cornfield in Arthurboro Patent, fut. Hamilton Co. 1791
Thomas Jefferson and James Madison tour Lakes George and Champlain 1791

Lake George is, without comparison, the most beautiful water I ever saw; formed by a contour of mountains into a basin thirty-five miles long and from two to four miles broad, finely interspersed with islands, its water limpid as crystal and the mountain sides covered with rich groves of Thuja, silver fir, white pine, aspen, and paper birch down to the water’s edge, here and there precipices of rock to checker the scene and save it from monotony.

Thomas Jefferson

Elkanah Watson reports to the NYS legislature that a canal could be built across the state 1791
René de Chateaubriand spends part of the winter in northern New York 1791
Alexander Macomb’s purchase of 3,635, 200 a. is finalized, largest ever made in NYS (22 Jan) 1792
Alexander Macomb, now bankrupt, assigns land to W. Constable and D. McCormick 1792
The Northeast experiences a severe January (see Ludlum) 1792
Northern Inland Lock Navigation Co. is est. to build canal from Hudson R. to L. Champlain 1792
Northern Inland Lock Navigation Co. surveys a Waterford-Lake Champlain canal route 1792
NYS law, Chapter 8, 2nd session, defines canal lock size to be at least 70 ft by 10 ft 1792
Robert Kerr, of Scotland, describes the American Mastodon as *Elephas americanus* 1792
Constable and McCormick subdivide their 3,635,200 a. of Act-of-Attainder land 1792
Philip Schuyler and Elkanah Watson plan canal from the Hudson R. to L. Ontario 1792
Panic of 1792 follows Duer & Macomb credit scheme and run on Bank of the United States (Mar) 1792
Western Inland Lock Navigation Co. is est. for shipping from Hudson R. to Ontario 1792
Mt. Unzen volcano, Kyushu I., Japan’s most ominous, erupts with dome collapse killing 14,524+ 1792
Western Inland Lock Navigation Co. surveys Schenectady-Wood Creek sector of Mohawk R. 1792
The elder Michaux, sylvan botanist, investigates the forests of upstate NY 1792
Caughnawaga and St. Regis Mohawk claim land between Mohawk and St. Lawrence 1792
Companie de New York est. Castorland, 210,000 a., in the Black River Valley 1792
New York Stock Exchange is established 1792
U.S. Mint is est. in Philadelphia by Coinage Act with Alexander Hamilton Secr. of Treasury (2 Apr) 1792
NYS legislature est. Town of Thurman in Washington County, (fut.) Warren County (10 Apr) 1792
Postal Office Act establishing U.S. Post Office Department becomes law 1792
A bridge now spans the Hudson R. at Glens Falls 1792
William Murdock (1754-1839), English, develops coal-gas illumination 1792
Simon Dejardins and Pierre Pharoux explore the French colony of Castorland 1793
Boardman’s grist mill is est. on Hudson R. at Jessups’ Landing, later renamed Corinth 1793
Copper ‘cents’ (11,178) are struck by U. S. Mint; America’s first native currency (Mar) 1793
Some French aristocrats escape the Reign of Terror to settle Castorland 1793
Chapter 59 of NY Law incorp. NY Society for Promotion of Agriculture, Arts and Manufactures 1793
Improvements of a water route to Lake Champlain begin at Stillwater 1793
Samuel Williams provides chapter on American climate for *Natural and Civil History of Vermont* 1793
Work begins on a Mohawk Valley canal at Little Falls (Apr) 1793
Eastern North America is struck by a plague of yellow fever 1793
Benjamin Franklin pub *(TAPS) Conjectures Concerning the Formation of the Earth* 1793

“. . . the internal part (of the earth) might be a fluid” and that the solid crust “might swim in or upon the fluid. Thus the surface of the earth would be a shell, capable of being broken and disordered by any evident movement of the fluid on which it rested in which the fundamental movements of the earath are driven by an inner heat”.

Benjamin Franklin
*Transactions of the American Philosophical Society*
Issue 3, 1793, pp. 1-5

Nathaniel Platt writes that High Bridge has been established across Au Sable Chasm (29 Oct) 1793
Gerritt Boon installs gravity troughs in 17 a. sugar bush to convey maple sap to boiling vats 1793
Philadelphia-Lancaster Turnpike (macadam, 62 mi.) is rebuilt to John Loudon McAdam’s standards 1793
Samuel Latham Mitchell, M.D., NY senator, (1764-1831) pioneers the geology of NY 1793-96
Work begins on construction of a canal from Schenectady to Lake Ontario 1793
US-Six-Nation, Canandaigua or Pickering Treaty, establishes Indian reservations 1794
Jay Treaty defines eastern border between the United States and Canada 1794
Laurie & Whittle, London, pub *A New and General Map of the Middle Dominions Belonging to . . .* 1794

Laurie and Whittle of London publish one of the most detailed maps of North America of the era with dimensions of 21 1/8” height by 28 5/8” width: *A New and General Map of the Middle Dominions Belongng to the United States of America.* Much attention is given to the roads, towns, relief and hydrography of the NE United States, but the Adirondack region remains undescribed. A copy of this fine map appears in the map collection of Calvin Welch of Scotia, New York.

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Philip Schuyler begins promotion of Champlain Canal 1794
Gerrit Boon spends $15,000 to produce $3,000 of maple sugar for Holland Land Co. 1794
John Francis, son-in-law of John Brown (of R.I.), “acquires” 210,000 a. of Adk lands c. 1794
The northeast U.S. experiences an especially warm winter 1794-95
Trapping efficiency increases through adoption of the steel trap 1790s
Andrew Edmunds and family settle at Boonville 1795
Nathaniel Mallory and 34 others settle 640 a grant at Au Sable River Falls, site of future town of Jay 1795
Union College is established in Schenectady (Feb) 1795
Philip Schuyler provides funds to buy books and equipment for Union College 1795
John Leslie invents wet/dry bulb psychrometer to improve accuracy of atmospheric humidity 1795
Elkanah Watson is fired from Bank of Albany for ‘radical’ promotion of canals, turnpikes, schools 1795
Albany Co. is again partitioned to form Schoharie County (1 Jun) 1795
The Haudenosaunee cede New York lands in a second treaty receiving $1,600 1795
Forest fire on West Branch of Penobscot R., ME, burns 200 square miles 1795
W. Gilliland, now impoverished by the war, is found frozen to death near L. Champlain (2 Feb) 1796
James Watson buys 61,433 acres adjacent to Castorland 1796
John Woodward purchases land near Warrensburg that eventually becomes part of Pack Forest 1796
Major Philip Skene, British, forfeits, after Revolutionary War his Bald Peak tract to John Williams 1796
Italian fireworks makers of M. Amboise Co. experiment with gas illumination in Philadelphia 1796
A stagecoach road is built between Albany and Lake Champlain 1796
Canal begins transport of boats of 16-ton burden from Schenectady to L. Ontario 1796
The “Old French Road” is built from Cape Vincent to High Falls on the Black River 1796
Albany becomes the capital of New York State (1 Jan) 1797
Major fire burns 200 structures in Albany greatly impacting regional trade (4 Aug) 1797
Benjamin Payne and wife, of Westport, settle in Keene Valley 1797
John Chapman (Johnny Appleseed) begins Ohio Valley apple distribution for food and drink 1797
Surveyor Charles Broadhead et al. ascend Giant Mt., 4,626’, 6 others exceeding 4,000’ asl (2 Jun) 1797
Thomas Jefferson proposes a national network of volunteer weather observers 1797
John Brown (of R.I.) acquires clear title to 210,000 a. of Macomb Purchase, Fulton Chain Lakes 1798
Schenectady is incorporated as a city 1798
Alois Senefelder, of Munich, Germany, develops the lithographic technique of printing 1798
Town of Elizabethtown is set off from the Town of Crown Point 1798
J.N.L. Roberts builds a flat-screen paper making machine 1798
Zephaniah Platt erects a Catalan iron forge on L. Champlain at mouth of Saranac R. 1798
Community of Au Sable Forks is established 1798
Isaac Kellog builds a dam at the north end of Lake George causing flooding of lake shore 1798
Responding to flooded residents Isaac Kellog modifies his dam at north end of L. George 1798
Town of Jay, named after Gov. John Jay, is established in Clinton Co. (1 Apr) 1798
Albany Co. is re-partitioned to add 90 sq. mi. to Ulster County (5 Apr) 1798
Oneida County is set off from Herkimer County 1798
The Northeast experiences an unusually long winter (see Ludlum) 1798-99
Baron Georges Cuvier describes the mastodon based on elephant-like bones found by Ohio R. 1799
Seneca Chief Sganyadaiyoh, Handsome Lake, envisions Gaïwiyo, the good message 1799
The Fort Ticonderoga Ferry is established on Lake Champlain at Ticonderoga 1799
Willsborough, on Lake Champlain, is established 1799
Essex County is formed from Clinton Co. (1 Mar) 1799
Towns of Bolton (on Lake George) and Chester are taken from Town of Thurman (25 Mar) 1799
Samual Lane’s chronology of NH winters begun in 1737 concludes (see Ludlum) 1799
Col. James Smith describes freeze production of maple syrup by natives of (now) Ohio 1799
William Smith, English (1769-1839), begins pub on geological strata noting their diverse character 1799
John Brown (of R.I.) serves as a representative in Congress 1799-1801
William H. Wollaston proposes standard time, i.e. using same clock-time throughout a region early 1800s
PRB estimates human global population at 978 million 1800
John Todd of eventual importance Long Lake history is born Vermont to Dr. and Mrs Timothy Todd 1800
Shakers settle in vic. of Arietta making furniture, barrel staves, bowls, and baker’s peels 1800
Road is opened from Plattsburgh through the Chatagua Wood to Malone 1800
Mohican House, rooms for 90 guests, $15/week, $3/day, is established at Bolton Landing, L George 1800
Abolitionist John Brown is born in Torrington, CT (9 May) 1800
William Hershel, British (1738-1822), detects the “infrared” in temperature studies of spectrum 1800
Old Lake House (hotel), Lake George village, opens to visitors 1800
Elijah (one armed) and Rebecca Bennet (with 5 young children) settle North Elba near Lake Placid 1800
William Jarvis imports 4,000 merino sheep to Vermont beginning 30 years of “sheep fever” 1800
TB mortality peaks accounting for one in four deaths in Europe and North America 1800
The beaver is now extinct in central New England 1800
Albany County is re-partitioned to set off 360 sq. mi. to create Greene County (25 Mar) 1800
Stephen Spaulding and his brothers explore the Crown Point section of Essex Co. 1800
John McIntosh of Schenectady moves to Dundas Co., Ontario, and discovers special apple variety 1800
Sir Humphrey Davy discovers hemlock bark as a source of tannin c. 1800
William Herschel discovers by prism infrared component of spectrum; J. W. Ritter the ultraviolet 1800-01
The papermaking industry becomes mechanized 1800-60
‘John Brown’s Song’ emerges as American marching song, melody of ‘Battle Hymn of Republic’ e. 1800s
Londoners prefer stench, filth, disease over higher taxes to install underground sewer system e. 1800s
Alien earthworms, e.g. *Lumbricus terrestris*, ‘fungivores’ enter the Adirondack region 1800s
Julio Buel develops artificial fishing lures for use in Lake Bomoseen, L. George, L. Champlain 1800s
Tanning, charcoal, lumber, iron, potash, paper and farm industries and fire decimate Adk forests 1800s
Joseph Beman explores Salmon River region and surveys lots for Richard Harison (fut. Malone) 1801
Albany Co. gains 10 sq. mi. when all New York counties are redefined (3 Apr) 1801
New York State Constitutional Convention convenes without change of Constitution 1801
Younger Michaux reports sledge transport of pine sawn at Skanesborough (Whitehall) to Albany 1801
Charles Willson Peale and son, Philadelphia Mus., extract mastodon skeleton at Newburgh, NY 1801
C. W. Peale’s mastodon skeleton is reconstructed at Philadelphia Museum attracting thousands 1801
Entire mammoth body is recovered from ice in Siberia giving us more complete view of Adk form 1801
Elder Michaux, Andre, pub *Histoire des Chines de l’Ameirque* 1801
Levi Highby & George Throop est. foundry to make ship anchors at Willsboro Falls, L. Champlain 1801
Johann Wilhelm Ritter, German, using strips of paper dipped in silver nitrate detects “ultraviolet” 1801
Liberty Newman erects an iron works at the upper falls in Ticonderoga 1801
George Perkins Marsh, to become premier US conservationist, is born in Woodstock, VT (15 Mar) 1801

Many workers consider George Perkins Marsh and his writings to be two of the crucial forces in the establishment of the Adirondack Park.

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Westport’s Main Street is laid out 1802
St. Regis Mohawk select 3 trustees and a clerk to represent their interests at state & federal gov’ts 1802
An iron works is established in New Russia, Essex Co. 1802
300-ft hewn-timber bridge across Sacandaga R. 2 mi. below Fish House provides access to Edinburg 1802
John and Nathan Wood settle in what would become village of Malone in future Franklin Co. 1802
It takes six days to travel from Plattsburgh to Malone via Chateaugay Road, beyond that it got harder 1802
William Bailey erects iron forge on Chateaugay River, 5 mi. below Chateaugay L. outlet 1802
Benjamin Healy exhibits manufactured (illuminating) gas, Haymarket Gardens, Richmond, VA 1802
Enos, Nathan, and John Wood of St. Albans, VT, settle in Malone on Harrison’s lots 1802
St. Lawrence Co. is formed from portions of Clinton, Herkimer & Montgomery Counties (3 Mar) 1802
Luke Howard (1772-1864), British pharmacist, meteorologist, est., Latin cloud naming system (Dec) 1802
Boonville in western Adirondacks opens a school 1802
Great storm blankets east coast with snow in late winter (see Ludlum) 1802
Philip Schuyler designs lock and other improvements for the western canal 1802
Tim Dwight records deer hunting using dogs and canoes by Indians at L. George 1802
Rev. Thomas Malthus pub his essay on population 1803
Garrison Grounds at Fort Ticonderoga (546 a.) are deeded to Columbia Univ. and Union College 1803
Thomas Moore insulates a ‘box-within-a box’ for preserving food and calls it a refrigerator 1803
Johann Wilhelm Meigen (1764-1845), German, describes the beloved deer fly genus Chrysops 1803
J.J. Audubon bands, for 1st time any NA bird, eastern phoebe with silver threads, Valley Forge, PA 1803
Nathaniel Lyon settles at the foot of Lyon Mountain, Clinton County 1803
Jefferson-Napoleon Treaty for the Louisiana Purchase (825,000 sq. miles) is signed in Paris 1803
Andre Michaux pub Flora Boreali-Americana (Paris) incl. description of upstate NY trees 1803
Thomas Telford builds some 900 mi. of technically advanced, unasphalted roads in Scotland 1803-21
Scot-American Alexander Wilson walks from Philadelphia to Niagara Falls and back, 1,300 miles 1804
Open-pit iron ore mining begins at Mineville near Port Henry in eastern Essex Co. 1804
Germaine de Stael-Holsten inherits 23,000 a. in the Town of Clara, St. Lawrence Co. 1804
Stephen Thorn surveys lands of North Elba (Townships 11 & 12) and names Lake Placid 1804
James Constable reports Robertson dam and grist mill destroyed by freshet, French Mills (Apr) 1804
A road is opened from Westport to Pleasant Valley (Elizabethtown) 1804
A nearly impassible road is built connecting Lewis, Jay and Keene 1804
James Warren establishes a tavern and store at the future site of Warrensburg 1804
“Snow hurricane” strikes New England (see Ludlum) 1804
William Bailey fails to complete the erection of a paper mill at Chateaugay 1804
Paul’s Band of Mohawk est. the Michel Reservation on Athabasca R., Edmonton 1804
Elkanah Watson founds the State Bank (of Albany) 1804
Ira Haskins erects sawmill at Palmer Falls, c. 70 feet high, Jessup’s Landing (fut. Corinth) 1804
Nicholas de Saussaure discovers that plants grow using atmospheric CO₂ and soil nitrogen 1804
Samuel Latham Mitchell remarks on excellence of Lake George fishery and uniqueness of black bass 1804
Elisha Risdon maintains a hunting diary for the Parishville area in St. Lawrence Co. 1804-33
Town of Wells, fut. Hamilton Co., is set off from parts of Towns of Mayfield and Northampton 1805
New York City is struck by a heavy and extensive snowstorm (26-28 Jan) 1805
Town of Malone is est., having same acreage as all 19 towns of fut. Franklin County (2 Mar) 1805
Lewis Co. is formed from Oneida Co. (28 Mar) 1805
New York experiences a snowstorm lasting for 48 hours (see Ludlum) 1805
LouisNicolas Vauquelain (1763-1829), French, isolates amino acid asparagine from asparagus 1805
Gov. Lewis signs law creating Great Northern Turnpike Co. for road from Sandy Hill to Champlain 1805
Great Northern Turnpike (future Rte 9) would be a substantial road with toll-gates and mile-posts 1805
Town of Johnsburg is taken from Town of Thurman (6 Apr) 1805
Loggers from Stratford, CT, arrive Nicholsville, Fulton Co., changing name to Stratford (10 Apr) 1805
Northeast experiences a severe winter (see Ludlum) 1805-06
NYS law permits use of Salmon River as a log-drive highway 1806
Frederic Tudor ships 130 tons of lake ice from Boston to the Island of Martinique 1806
Samuel Baker discovers the Arnold ore bed at Ferronia, Town of AuSable 1806
Bernard McMahon of Philadelphia pub the American Gardener’s Calendar in 11 editions 1806
Lewis and Clark return from their expedition to the mouth of the Columbia R. on the West Coast 1806
Eliphalet Nott describes Great Eclipse: total 11:07:30 PM, 4½ min. duration, Schenectady (16 Jun) 1806
Noah Webster supplements his paper on winter climate change as read to Ct. Acad. Sciences 1799 1806

From a careful comparison of these facts, it appears that the weather, in modern winters, is more consistent, than when the earth was covered with wood, at the first settlement of Europeans in the county; that the warm weather of autumn extends further into the winter months, and the cold weather of winter and spring encroaches upon the summer; that the wind being more variable, snow is less permanent and perhaps the same remark may be applicable to the ice of the rivers. These effects seem to result necessarily from the greater quantity of heat accumulated in the earth in summer, since the ground has been cleared of wood, and exposed to the rays of the sun; and to the greater depths of frost in the earth in winter, by the exposure of the uncovered surface in the cold atmosphere.

Noah Webster
A Collection of Papers on Political, Literary, and Moral Subjects, p. 162, 1843

The surveyor Rykert (first name unknown) ascends Dix’s Peak 1807
Robert Fulton’s steam paddleboat Claremont travels from NYC to Albany (18-19 Aug) 1807
Following runs of Claremont stage coaches begin operation between Albany and Lake George 1807
“April Fools Day snowstorm” dumps three feet of snow in the NE 1807
A U.S. embargo stops shipments from NY to Montreal impacting Adirondack economy 1807
Report by Benjamin DeWitt lists a road running from Plattsburgh to Chateaugay 1807
Elkanah Watson ‘retires’ and moves to Pittsfield, MA to become a farmer 1807
1st noted US outbreak of eastern spruce budworm, Choristoneura fumiferana, occurs in Maine 1807
Elkanah Watson invites local citizenry of Pittsfield, MA to see his merino sheep; 800 show up 1807
US Congress enacts Embargo Act defying rulings by Gr. Brit. and France during Napoleonic Wars 1807
Chief Joseph Brant dies at his home in Burlington, Ontario (24 Nov) 1807
Gen. Walter Martin erects a hand-process paper mill in Martinsburg, Lewis Co. 1807
Influenza epidemic strikes New York 1807
Winter begins late in the Northeast (see Ludlum) 1807
Chapter 191, NYS law, prohibits cutting of public woods abused by the iron industry, Essex Co. 1808
NYS law preserves the “public woods” of Essex Co. against cutting for charcoal 1808
Judge J. Fell burns anthracite coal at his home in Wilkes-Barre, PA (11 Feb) 1808
Judge Joshua Forman offers a resolution to the NYS Assembly for a Hudson-Erie canal (4 Feb) 1808
Town of Moriah is formed from T. of Crown Point, tenth town organized in Essex Co. (12 Feb) 1808
Washington County Town of Westfield is renamed Town of Fort Ann, without the “e” 1808
Franklin County, after Ben Franklin, is formed from Clinton Co.; Malone is county seat (11 Mar) 1808
High prices foster illicit potash export from Essex Co. to Canada despite embargo 1808
A landslide occurs on the Lake Placid side of Whiteface Mountain 1808
Given the duplication, the village of Rochester on Lake George is renamed Hague 1808
James Geddes is appointed to survey a route for a Hudson-Erie canal 1808
John Arthur builds a woolens factory at Ticonderoga 1808
Solomon Northup is born in Minerva, Essex Co., later to be enslaved, freed and publish an account (Jul) 1808
Town of Northfield, Saratoga County, is renamed Town of Edinburgh 1808
The Town of Keene is founded (19 Mar) 1808
RCC Diocese of New York is est. incl. the Mission of The Holy Trinity at La Presentation Fort 1808
A hostel, called Simmond’s Cottage, is built in Elizabethtown 1808
A road is built from Colton (Harewood) to Chester (Essex Co.) 1808
A dam to power a sawmill is built on the Au Sable River at Anderson Falls, Keeseville 1808
Madison County, NY, farmers begin growing commercial quantities of hops (Humulus lupulus) 1808
J. LeRay and family est. a briefly prosperous business at LeRayville, St. Lawrence Valley 1808
John Winans builds the world’s second steamboat, the Vermont, at Burlington 1808
Alexander Wilson publish his richly illustrated American Ornithology in 9 quarto volumes 1808-14
Steamboat ferry Vermont launched on Lake Champlain captained by accident-free pilot Hiram Ferris 1809
NYS legislature charters John Jacob Astor’s American Fur Co. 1809
Talmadge Edwards begins production of leather gloves in Johnstown 1809
Schenectady Co., 230 sq. mi., smallest in NYS, is set off from Albany County (7 Mar) 1809
Germaine Stael-Holsten purchases eastern part of Town of Clara, St. Lawrence Co. 1809
George-Louis Leclerc de Buffon (1707-1788) completes/publishes 24th volume Histoire Naturelle 1809
Perhaps one of the most significant biological studies ever published, richly illustrated, wide ranging in subject matter, and serving as a prime resource for many authors for more than 100 years – including those concerned with the Adirondacks. It stimulated Thomas Jefferson’s response to the deprecations on North America calling upon the moose, one of the Adirondack’s most awesome animals in response. See Jefferson’s Notes on the State of Virginia, chapter six.

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Bridge across Saranac River to access lands of Great Tracts #1 & #2 is washed out 1809
Adirondack Iron Works acquires Township 45, several owners after Zephaniah Platt, for mining 1809
Surveyor Gen. S. De Witt hires John Richards to fix township lines in Totten & Crossfield Tract 1809
Francisco Jose de Caldas, Astronomical Observatory of Bogota, reports cold, clouded weather (Feb) 1809
Date reported by Cole-Dai et al. for volcanic event 3X bigger than Tambora and 2X Pinatubo 1809
G.A. Purmort & Co., with dam, forge and mill, is est. at Jay 1809
William Maclure (1763-1840), Scot, “founder of American geology”, pub chart of US by rock type 1809
Allen Penfield builds a sawmill and grist mill at a site below modern-day Ironville 1809
J. Thurman, founder of Johnsburg, age 79, is run through and killed by enraged bull, Bolton (27 Sep) 1809
William Constable Jr. builds a fine mansion on the eastern edge of Tug Hill Plateau 1809
Federal Non-intercourse Act lifts embargo on US shipping except for British and French ports 1809
Alexander Wilson, Scot-American, pub his epic poem “The Foresters . . .” in the Port Folio 1809-10
Gov. Morris, De Witt Clinton et al. are appointed to Hudson-Erie Canal Commission 1810
New England experiences an especially cold Friday; see Ludlum (19 Jan) 1810
Legislature funds rebuilding of NW Bay Road, Westport to Hopkinton via Keene and N. Elba 1810
Common raven is common at Seneca Lake, New York (J.M.C. Peterson, BBA) 1810
Surveyors scouting Old Albany Road, St. Lawrence Co., experience wild compass behavior 1810

The strange behavior of surveyors’ compasses on Old Albany Rd. eventually leads to explanation by the geologist Ebenezer Emmons 30 years later: a massive magnetite-hematite deposit, 80% pure – prompting investment by the Pennsylvanian oil prospector Byron David Benson and the rest is history.

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Dr. William Meade discovers wollastonite, a form of calcium silicate, at Willsboro, Essex Co. 1810
Elkanah Watson conceives the idea of an agricultural exhibition to promote farm products 1810
C.H. Merriam reports harbor seal in Lake Champlain as noted for this year by a qualified observer 1810
David Melville installs gas lighting at Newport, RI 1810
Luther Marsh begins publishing The Reveille, a weekly newspaper at Elizabethtown 1810
Asa Gray, the great American botanist is born in Sauquoit, NY (18 Nov) 1810
The Raquette River from its outlet to the first falls is designated a public highway 1810
The St. Regis River is designated a public highway for the floating of logs 1810
William Hawkins builds new dam and grist mill at Robertson’s site on Salmon River, French Mills 1810
T. of Caldwell, south end of L. Geo., is formed of Towns of Queensbury, Bolton & Thurman (6 Apr) 1810
NYS population is 959,000 with a density of 20.1/square mile 1810
The population of Franklin County remains less than 1,500 1810
Commercial manufacture of blunt-end screws using English machines is est. in Rhode Island 1810

Beginning in 1837, a series of patents addressed the problem of manufacturing gimlet-pointed screws, but it took a decade of trial and error to get it right.

Witold Rybczynski

Francois-Andre Michaux pub Arbres Forestier de l’Amerique Septentrionale 1810-13
Luther Marsh, Elizabethtown, pub The Reveille, newspaper edited by Ezra Gross/Willaim Ray 1810-14
Mapmaker John Eddy figures Long Lake, Lake Placid and Lake Pleasant 1810s
Mapmaker John Eddy documents building of state-funded roads in Adks 1810s
John Bachman kills a wolverine in its rocky den in Rensselaer Co. c. 1811
Fifty men organize the Crown Point Library Society with 74 books (23 Oct) 1811
De Witt Clinton’s internal navigation bill for New York becomes law (8 Apr) 1811
Robert Fulton is appointed commissioner for trans-Adirondack canal 1811
John McIntosh replants wild apple trees to establish the “McIntosh Red” so named by his son 1811
Michael Hogan buys Township 1 of Macomb’s Purchase, Franklin Co. (fut. Town of Bombay) 1811
William Cullen Bryant pub the poem “Thanatopsis” 1811
State Comptroller Archibald McIntyre et al. est. Elba Iron & Steel Mfg. Co. at North Elba 1811
An influenza epidemic strikes New York 1811
Honore Flaugergues disc. The Great Comet (C/1811 F1) in southern sky; vis. 260 days (25 Mar) 1811
Major series of earth quakes begins in mid-west; see New Madrid, Missouri Territory (16-18 Dec) 1811
The hamlet of Wells on the Sacandaga R. pays bounties for the killing of wolves 1811
Montgomery County announces a bounty on wolves 1811
Elba ironworks dams Chubb River and mines ore at Cascade Lakes for two forges at N. Elba 1811
Two cold storms and a hard winter strike the Northeast (see Ludlum) 1811-12
New Madrid earthquakes, most severe in US history, shake 2/3 of country (16 Dec – Mar) 1811-12
Robert Fulton surveys chain of eight lakes, middle branch of Moose River c. 1812
Surveyor John Richards et al. ascend Big Slide Mountain 1812
Northeast experiences a heavy snow (May) (see Ludlum) 1812
John James Audubon (1785-1851) becomes an American citizen (3 July) 1812
Eliphalet Nott, Union College president 1804-1866, begins studies on stove design 1812
Hudson-Erie Canal commissioners propose purchase of the Western Company 1812
Massachusetts, Tennessee, Vermont and Ohio pledge financial support for Hudson-Erie Canal 1812
A NY commission proposes a canal route from the Hudson R. to Lake Champlain 1812
Great Britain impresses some 10,000 American mariners and a thousand American ships 1812
US congress declares war on Great Britain and the War of 1812 begins (18 Jun) 1812
U.S. Army and Navy est. defense of the northern frontier from headquarters at Sackets Harbor 1812
The Haudenosaunee attempt neutrality during the War of 1812 1812
Reuben Sanford settles and establishes an ironworks and sawmill in Wilmington, NY 1812
Simmond’s Cottage at Elizabethtown becomes a hospital during the war 1812
St. Lawrence Turnpike is built connecting the St. Lawrence and Mohawk Rivers 1812
Essex Co. potash export to Canada falls as war nullifies the Non-intercourse Act 1812
Great delay in onset of spring extends snow and cold into May 1812
Ezra Ames (1768-1836) paints oil-on-wood Perspective Painting of Lake George (with the Fort) 1812
Dr. William Beaumont, Plattsburgh, studies digestive processes of wounded soldier A. St. Martin 1812-15
Albany Road (Fish House-Johnstown-Russell) is surveyed and constructed 1812-15
Board of trustees is est. and a school district is founded at Keene Valley; classes held in homes 1813
Famine strikes St. Regis Mohawks at Akwesasne after April & May snowstorms wreck crops 1813
NY justices of the peace are authorized to issue arrest warrants for deer poachers 1813
Duties of sheriffs, constables and other police are extended to include game-law enforcement 1813
NYS legislation prohibiting fishing with nets and spears in waters of Lake George 1813
Wood covered bridge is built across the Sacandaga River at Hadley 1813
Town of Thurman is divided into Towns of Athol and Warrensburg and disappears (12 Feb) 1813
Norman and Alanson Fox begin fast-water log driving from Loon Lake on the Schroon River 1813
Moses Stickney and son, Frank, begin driving logs down Schroon R. to Hudson and to Glens Falls 1813
Log driving delivers lighter woods to Glens Falls, Sandy Hill (Hudson Falls) and Fort Edward 1813
Samuel Wilson’s meat packing plant in Troy gives rise to the name “Uncle Sam” 1813
Warren Co. (after Gen. J. Warren of Revolutionary War) is set off from Washington Co. (12 Mar) 1813
The British briefly invade the Plattsburgh region (July) 1813
John Cunningham founds the Warren County Patriot, a newspaper 1813
Samuel Pauly invents the gun cartridge 1813
Samuel Mitchell describes brook trout, *Salmo fontinalis* (1 Jan) 1814
Surveyor John Richards *et al.* ascend 4,865’ high Whiteface (named after white slide) Mountain 1814
Levi Higby and Essex County Militia defends Willimsoho from British flotilla (13 or 14 May) 1814
American Six Nations meet the Canadian Six Nations at Battle of Chippewa (5 July) 1814
Captain T. Macdonough defeats British navy in the Battle of Plattsburgh (11 Sep) 1814
General Macomb with 4,700 Americans defeats 14,000 British at Plattsburgh 1814
British & U.S. forces engage deception to complete/thwart delivery of naval supplies to Sackets 1814
British blockade forces U.S. naval supplies be sent by oxen, incl. manual carrying of Great Cable 1814
The British-American War of 1812 ends 1814
Frederick Pursh pub *Flora Americae Septentrionalis* in two volumes 1814
Mathieu Orfila pub *Traite des Poisons* re. the harmful properties of materials 1814
Castorland charter expires & majority of land auctioned to James LeRay 1814
A. McIntyre builds road from North Elba to Wilmington for iron ore transport (winter only) 1814
The marsh plant purple loosestrife, *Lythrum salicaria* L., is introduced to North America 1814
John T. Headley (T. = Tyler) is born Walton, NY (a community NW of NYC) (30 Dec) 1814
Compagnie de New York fails and is disbanded 1814
Joseph Bonaparte buys 150,000 a. from James LeRay 1815
Cossayuna Lake Outlet Dam (242-0337B) is built or reconditioned 1815
Indian leader Kaniatario, a.k.a. Handsome Lake, dies at Onondaga (10 Aug) 1815
Tambora (volcano), Sumbawa I., erupts killing 92,000 (incl. starvation) (5 Apr) 1815
Tambora (volcano) blasts 50 km$^3$ of DRE into the atmosphere, global temperature drops (5 Apr) 1815
When magma rises, it releases gases that are dissolved in it. In a cataclysmic eruption like Tambora, volcanic aerosols are created and catastrophically released to the atmosphere. During the 1815 eruption, the volcano released 60 Tg (teragram) sulfur, 100 Tg chlorine (as HCl) and 70 Tg fluorine.

Klemetti, Erik, “Tambora 1815: Just how big was the eruption?” Science, 10 Apr 2015. Retrieved 3 Dec 2018 from https://www.wired.com/2015/04/tambora-1815-just-big-eruption/

Charles Wood discovers graphite on his farm while chasing cattle, Lead Mtn (Hill), Essex Co. 1815
The ‘Great September Gale’ devastates the Adirondacks and New England (23 Sep) 1815
Treaty of Ghent restores rights and treaties est. prior to 1811 to all U.S. indigenous peoples 1815
US Army, 2nd Infantry Regiment, begins construction of Madison Barracks, Sackets Harbor 1815
The Western Museum of Science is founded in Cincinnati 1815
Samuel Latham Mitchell (1764-1831), M.D., NY senator, pub book on the NY fishes 1815
Th. DeKay records St. Regis Indians taking 300 beaver pelts on Oswegatchie River 1815
Natural gas is discovered in U.S. while digging a salt brine well in Charleston, VA 1815
Gravel-dust roads, Bristol, England, are built following ideas John Loudon MacAdam (1756-1836) 1815
John Stevens (1749-1838), American, secures 1st charter (but unexecuted) for a railroad 1815
The steam boat Vermont is sunk in Lake Champlain, engine later in James Caldwell 1815
Elizabeth Cady Stanton (womens rights movement) is born in Johnstown 1815
Stage service with two round trips/week opens between Plattsburgh and Montreal 1815-16
Land values collapse, banks fail, and US experiences its 1st major recession 1815-21
Peter Comstock starts the Red Bird Stage Line between Whitehall and Troy 1816
Dust of Mt. Tambora, Indonesia, eruption causes “year without a summer” in New England/Europe 1816
Typical growing season of 160 days for New England is reduced to 60 days causing emigration 1816
Leaves fall from the trees, ice forms and sleighs are used in Schenectady (9 Jun,) 1816
Famine strikes St. Regis Mohawks at Akwesasne after April, May & June snowstorms wreck crops 1816
A blizzard strikes Schenectady dropping 12 to 18 inches of snow (17 Jul) 1816

All summer long the wind blew steady from the north in blasts of snow and ice. Mothers knitted wooly warm mittens and socks of double thickness for their children. Farmers who worked out their taxes on the county roads wore greatcoats, and hearth fires were indispensable. July came in with winter ferocity. On Independence Day, ice as thick as window glass formed throughout New England, New York, and parts of Pennsylvania. Crops which in some areas had struggled through May and June gave up the ghost. And to the surprise of all, August proved the cruelest month: icy fingers of blight and bane spread as far as England. Newspapers from overseas reported a snowfall at Barnet, 30 miles from London on August 30th.

Mary MacKenzie
“Year without a summer”
Adirondack Life, Summer, 1972

NYS corn crop fails, stems and leaves being cut for fodder with seed corn set at $5/bushel (Aug) 1816
Ice forms on NY ponds and lakes and winter clothing is worn in much of state (Aug) 1816
Matthieu Orfila pub Toss in India 1816
Ice strata of Greenland and Antarctic ice cores reflect major volcanism and SO2 deposition 1816
NYS and Mohawks begin land deals without US Congress approval (see 1845) 1816
Keeseeville Rolling and Slitting Mill begins producing nail-plate for horseshoe nails 1816
The lower Oswegatchie River is designated a public highway for the floating of logs 1816
Baltimore, MD, builds manufactured gas plant for lighting of residences, streets and businesses 1816
Abolitionist John Brown studies for ministry but eye disease causes him to end this effort 1816
Elkanah Watson ‘retires’ and moves back to Albany to promote county agricultural societies 1816
Bridge over Hudson River at The Glen connects Johnsburg, Chester, Thurman and Warrensburg 1816
Surveyor John Richards notes treeless “Indian Plains” on south branch of Moose River 1816
Gov. of Puerto Rico Salvadore M. Bruno restricts sale of wood key to shipbuilding 1816
Hamilton Co. is formed from Montgomery Co., but remains unorganized (12 Apr) 1816
A farm is established at Newcomb – the heart of the Adirondacks 1816
Charles LeSueur, the French artist-naturalist, travels widely and reports on the fauna of America 1816-17
Illustrator-naturalist Jacques Milbert illustrates and collects in the Adirondacks 1816-18
Northern and western Europe experience extreme cold and famine (GCC) 1816-19
Thomas Nuttall pub his seminal *Genera of North American Plants* 1817
Extensive luminous snowstorm with St. Elmo’s Fire passes through NE (17 Jan) 1817
Northeast experiences an especially wintery February (see Ludlum, GCC) 1817
Town of Fort Covington is erected from T. of Constable in NW corner of Franklin County (28 Feb) 1817
French Mills is renamed Fort Covington to honor Gen. Leonard Covington (28 Feb) 1817
Ice-cover record for Lake Champlain begins (see Glens Falls Times, 16 Apr 1904) 1817
Lake George Steamboat Co. is est. with launching of the steam boat James Caldwell (15 Apr) 1817
Elba Iron & Steel Mfg. Co. terminates business; its forges continue operation under E. Darrow 1817
Karl von Drais, Germany, tests what he calls ‘a running machine’, an early form of bicycle (12 Jun) 1817

Hans-Erhard Lessing (Drais’ biographer) found from circumstantial evidence that Drais' interest in finding an alternative to the horse was the starvation and death of horses caused by crop failure in 1816, the ‘Year Without a Summer’ following the volcanic eruption of Tambora in 1815. On his first reported ride from Mannheim on June 12, 1817, he covered 13 km (eight miles) in less than an hour. Several thousand copies were built and used, primarily in Western Europe and in North America.

“History of the Bicycle,” Wikipedia, 5 Apr 2019

Pres. J. Monroe visits Malone via ‘execrable’ Chatagua Road and orders repair by US soldiers 1817
Pres. J. Monroe inspects construction progress at US Army’s Madison Barracks, Sackets Harbor 1817
Ground-breaking ceremony is held at Rome for Hudson–Erie canal marking funding approval (4 Jul) 1817
Construction of Champlain Canal begins with connection to Waterford and Whitehall planned 1817
Pierre-Joseph Pelletier and Joseph-Bienamé Caventou isolate chlorophyll 1817
“Year without a summer” (1816) destroys hop crop in Britain, NYS farmers ship hops to England 1817
NYS legislature passes ‘Act of 1817’ freeing all enslaved people of NY by July 4, 1827 1817
Thomas Gilpen makes paper mill at Brandywine, DE, introducing machine-made paper to US 1817
U.S. Navy is authorized to establish and protect hardwood forest reserves 1817
Baldwin, Rhode Island, Greening & Ben Davis apple orchards are devastated by cold, Clinton Co. 1817-18

Histoire des Arbres Forestier de l’Amerique Septentrionale is transl. as *North American Sylva* 1817-19
Joseph Bonaparte visits Lake Dana, now Lake Bonaparte, in NW Adirondacks 1818
Prof. Eaton, of Troy, pub *Manual of Botany* 1818
Thomas Cole (1801-1848) at the age of 24 migrates to Ohio from Lancaster, England 1818
Canvass White, American, discovers ingredients for hydraulic cement 1818
New York State Library is est, Albany 1818
New York Horticultural Society is founded with Thomas Storm as its first president 1818
Alpine glaciers grow rapidly 1818-1820
Jacob Smith Moody (lumberman-guide) and wife settle, clear 16 a., build cabin at Saranac Lake 1819
Jacob Smith Moody and wife bear son, Cortis (aka Cortez) who becomes famous Adk guide 1819
NYS institutes a quality inspection law for hops similar to one in Massachusetts 1819
Joseph Seligman is born in Bairsdorf, Germany (22 Nov) 1819
Bass Otis uses lithography in his illustration “A Water Mill” pub in Atlantic Magazine 1819
The lower Schroon R. is designated a public highway for the floating of logs 1819
Charles Herreshoff fails in mining development at Old Forge and commits suicide 1819
Fort Edward and Lake Champlain are connected by the Champlain Canal 1819
William Constable founds Constable Hall, Constableville 1819
Town of Palmer’s Falls holds its first meeting 1819
John Farrar describes moving hurricane, ‘Great September Gale’, as a “moving vortex” 1819
Joe Call, the ‘Lewis Giant’, lumberman, storeowner, town justice, moves to Lewis from Keeseville 1819
Edwin L. Drake is born in Greenville, NY - eventual founding father of petroleum era (29 Mar) 1819
Englishman by the name of Bell introduces dental amalgams, including mercury 1819
‘Era of Good Feeling’ ends as financial panic plunges US into a two-year depression 1819
Edwin H. Ketchledge (Ed Ketch) gives this date as the beginning of the Adirondack logging era 1820
Lehigh (Pa) Coal Co. delivers anthracite coal to E. Nott, Union College, to dev burning technology 1820

Eliphalet Nott, president of Union College 1804 to 1866, began his work on stove design in 1812 becoming known as ‘The Philosopher of Caloric’. In 1815 his sturdy stoves were a feature of Union’s dorms and then working with Nicholas Vedder and Jospheph Horsfall of Schenectady, he was awarded patents for base-burning and other kinds of stoves including marine boiler systems, in 1826, 1828, 1832, 1833, and on – some 26 patents in all. Nott’s leadership in American education and technology is recognized in Christian Schussel’s grand group portrait of 19 men, Men of Progress now held by the National Portrait Gallery. Copies of this work are shown by the college. The fine Henry Inman (1801-1846) portrait of Nott (96” x 60”, oil-on-canvas, executed in 1839), hangs in the Nott Memorial of Union College. It figures Nott, full length, holding a shief of papers, perhaps some of his patents. Eliphalet, “God is Deliverance”, Nott is thus a key contributor to the American Industrial Revolution providing a major source of the needed energy and thus a great influence on the Adirondack Region.

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Steam generation using anthracite coal begins in Philadelphia following inventions of lishapealt Nott 1820
Lewis, Essex, Clinton and Warren Counties burn 43,210 cords of wood for potash 1820
N. VanValkenburgh, Land Acquisition for New York State, reports last trout taken at Saratoga L. 1820
John James Audubon and James Mason begin full-time field studies leading to Birds of America 1820
Capt. Moses Follensby (an original spelling) settles at the lake eventually named for him 1820
Amos Rice settles at Burnt Ground (now McColloms) six miles from Paul Smith’s 1820
Washington County village of Fort Ann is incorporated 1820
Canvass White patents a cement that hardens under water – essential to canal building (1 Feb) 1820
William Ferris Pell buys ruins of Fort Ticonderoga and surrounding garrison grounds 1820
William Ferris Pell builds a house he called Beaumont near ruins of Fort Ticonderoga 1820
A dam, as part of the Champlain Canal system, is built at Fort Miller Falls 1820
Navigation, with tolls, begins in the middle section of the Hudson-Erie Canal 1820
W.G. Wall paints o.o.c. Hadley Falls, later named Jessup’s Great Falls and Palmer Falls 1820
South American nutria, aka coypu, Myocastor coypus, fur enters the market substituting for beaver 1820
Oneida are driven from their NY lands to relocate in Wisconsin 1820
William Henry Seward graduates Phi Beta Kappa Union College: (US Secretary State, Alaska) 1820
Town of Keene erects Keene School in Keene Flats just north of Johns Brook 1820
Champlain Canal opens southern markets to “finer articles of lumber” of Essex Co. 1820s
Population of Franklin County nearly triples, the greatest growth period in its history 1820s
Accommodations are built on summit of Mt. Holyoke overlooking the Connecticut R. in MA 1820
Hudson Bay Co. and North-west Co. unite as Hudson’s Bay Co. 1821
The feeder dam at Baker’s Falls is badly damaged by high water before completion 1821
Survey for the Glens Falls feeder of Champlain Canal system is made and approved 1821
William Constable Sr. dies 1821
Town of Dansville (now Wilmington) is formed on separation from Town of Jay (27 Mar) 1821
Following an epiphany, Charles G. Finney of Adams, NY, begins preaching 1821
New York State Constitutional Convention is convened; see 1777 (28 Aug) 1821
The lower Black River is designated a public highway for the floating of logs 1821
L. Vanuxem reports on the rock “table spar”, Williboro, L. Champlain 1821
Steamboat *James Caldwell* burns mysteriously at Caldwell, Lake George 1821
John Hill engraves W. G. Wall’s painting *Glenns Falls*, aquatint (NYHS coll.) 1821-22
J.R. Smith aquatints painting of W.G. Wall’s *Little Falls at Luzerne* (NYHS coll.) 1821-22
John Hill engraves *Rapids Above Hadley’s Falls* (NYHS coll.) 1821-22
Voters ratify new New York State Constitution, 74,732 to 41,402 (15-17 Jan) 1822
Captain Pliny Miller settles on Saranac River at site of future Saranac Lake village 1822
Captain Isaac Henry Curtiss builds sawmill near Ballston Spa 1822
To foster erection of grist and saw mills NYS offers free land in Essex and adjacent counties 1822
New York State Constitution is ratified in a vote of 74,732 to 92,436 (3 Nov) 1822
Champlain Canal opens from Lake Champlain to Waterford 1822
Champlain Canal enables exchange of fish species between Hudson R. and Lake Champlain 1822
C.F. Hammond & Co. is established as a lumbering and mercantile operation at Crown Point 1822
Blacksmith Henry Foster forges weathervane “Old Gabriel” for White Church at Crown Point 1822
F. Tudor’s company for shipping ice from Boston to Charleston, Savannah, New Orleans prospers 1822
The mineral ‘table spar’ is renamed wollastonite to honor William Hyde Wollaston 1822
Elkanah Watson purchases 5,500 acres of land along L. Champlain near (present day) Port Kent 1822
Rev. John Sherman acquires 60 a. of land on West Canada Creek at Trenton Falls 1822
Franklin B. Hough is born in Martinsburg, NY (20 Jul) 1822
Asa Eddy est. passenger ferry service on Champlain Canal connecting Lakes George and Champlain 1822
Rev. John Sherman builds the Rural Resort Hotel at Trenton Falls NE of Rome 1822
Jean Baptiste Jos. Fourier, French, pub *Theorie Analytique de la Chaleur* stating greenhouse effect 1822
Peter Solomon Townsend presents evidence that first attack of Yellow Fever confers immunity 1822
Major J. Balliba and J. D. Dickenson erect pig iron furnace, Moriah, Port Henry; 15-20 tons weekly 1822
English hermit Moses Follensby (original spelling) disappears from his pond campsite 1823
Collins, a trapper, discovers the Chateaugay iron ore body, globally superior quality, Lyon Mountain 1823
USSC CJ John Marshall cites Christian ‘Doctrine of Discovery’ in Johnson v. McIntosh 1823
David Graves opens *The Graves Hotel*, later Elm Tree Inn, in the center of Keene 1823
Eli Hull and sons run iron forge on the Au Sable River south of Keene Center using ore from Jay 1823
David Graves and R.C.R. Chase run iron forge on the Au Sable River in Keene using ore from Jay 1823

He left Plattsburgh every Tuesday morning and arrived in Ogdensburg on Thursday evening. Though his route led over the road that earlier had been ‘the terror of all those whose business led them through the Chateaugay Woods’, by now the road was in good condition.

Gertrude L. Cone
“Early Stage Routes in the Champlain Valley”
*North Country Life*, Fall, 1949, 3(4):39
Canal boat *Gleaner of St. Albans* reaches Whitehall via Champlain Canal (10 Sep) 1823
Montgomery Co. (eventually giving rise to Hamilton Co.) begins payment of bounty for wolves 1823
James Fenimore Cooper pub *The Pioneers*, opening his series of five *Leatherstocking Tales* 1823

In the light of (James Fenimore) Cooper’s strong and continued arguments for the conservation of natural resources, we must accept him, along with Dr. Nicholas Collin, as one of the very early authorities who had the vision to realize that even the seemingly inexhaustible riches of the New World were limited.

Hans Huth
*Nature and the American* (p. 35), 1959

Rensselaer School is established in Troy, NY (fut. Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, a.k.a. RPI) 1824
Erastus Corning forms Albany City Bank, crucial to much regional development 1824
Sidewheel paddleboat *Mountaineer* (length of 100’) begins service in Lake George 1824
The Peru Iron Co. begins operating forges and rolling mills along the Saranac River 1824
Natural gas is discovered in Fredonia, NY 1824
Thomas Jefferson calls for climate measurement to assess impacts of major forest and marsh loss 1824
Joseph Fourier suggests that the atmosphere plays a role in warming the earth 1824
John J. Audubon travels by steamboat from NYC to Albany (15 Aug) 1824
John J. Audubon paints common merganser and Cohoes Falls at Cohoes, lower Mohawk R. 1824
John J. Audubon pub, his 1st, on overwintering of swallows in US, *Annals of the NY Lyceum* 1824
The lower Grasse River is designated a public highway for the floating of logs 1824
American chestnut of southern US is infected by the root fungus *Phytophthora cinnamomi* 1824
Gov. of Puerto Rico Miguel de la Torre decrees tree planting to stabilize watersheds 1824
Portland cement is developed and demand for wood in building is reduced 1824
Yale president Tim Dwight notes the fish are abundant and visitors eat of them frequently 1824
Celebratory cruise and ceremonies opening the Erie Canal begin at Buffalo (26 Oct) 1825
13,110 boats and rafts and over 40,000 people traverse the Erie Canal 1825

De Witt Clinton built the Erie Canal with a budget of $7M ($107.4 billion in 2015 dollars) without any federal funding (Pres. James Madison had vetoed a bill passed by Congress authorizing federal funding). Over eight years workers both human and bovine (and perhaps equine) had labored to construct a 363-mile long ditch that was 4 feet deep and 40 feet wide and traversed hills and swamp land with a towpath beside it—an extraordinary achievement (Thomas Jefferson had characterized the mere idea of it as ‘a little short of madness’).

The explosion of trade prophesied by Governor Clinton began immediately, spurred by freight rates from Buffalo to New York of $10 per ton by Canal, compared with $100 per ton by road. In 1829, there were 3,640 bushels of wheat transported down the Canal from Buffalo. By 1837 this figure had increased to 500,000 bushels; four years later it reached one million. In nine years, canal tolls more than recouped the entire cost of its construction.


Thomas Cole, now a resident of the Hudson valley, est. The Hudson River School (of painting) 1825
Migration of eastern and western fish through the Erie Canal commences 1825
Gov. De Witt Clinton proposes a Black River Canal link to the Erie Canal 1825
Japanese knotweed, *Fallopia japonica*, syn *Reynoutria japonica*, *Polygonum cuspidatum*, enters UK 1825
Elkanah Watson moves into newly built mansion and becomes ‘first citizen’ of Port Kent, Essex Co. 1825
Dr. Jacob Bigelow proposes a scenic cemetery for the outskirts of Boston (Nov) 1825
Thomas Cole relocates from Philadelphia to New York 1825
Henry Burden, BIW, Troy, patents machine to make horseshoe, railroad and other kinds of spikes 1825
Fossils (stromatolites) are reported at a site, now known as Lester Park, west of Saratoga Springs 1825
Commercial hop production begins in Franklin county 1825
Alexander Walker grows 1200 lbs of hops near Malone and sells them in Montréal for huge profit 1825
William Ferris Pell’s home, Beaumont, at Ticonderoga burns 1825
William F. Pell replaces Beaumont with replica of King George IV’s Royal Pavilion 1825
George Stephenson demonstrates steam locomotive to pull 38 cars, 12-16 mph, England (17 Sep) 1825
Hans Christian Orsted (1777-1851, Danish, isolates aluminum, 3rd most common element 1825
Peter Dobson, Vernon, CT, proposes iceberg transport of erratic boulders 1825
The Rensselaer School, later called R.P.I., is founded in Troy (3 Jan) 1825
Nathaniel Wyeth develops an ice plow and pulley machine facilitating large-scale ice harvest 1825
Thomas Mears buys Sanborn, formerly Hawkins’, dam and grist mill, Salmon River, Fort Covington 1826
Commercial hops growing begins in Franklin Co. (to peak in 1880 at more than 1 million pounds) 1825
Efficient paper making machines increase paper volume - but not quality 1825
Forest fire in Maine burns 1,300 square miles (started 7 October) 1825
Horseback begins major decline as primary means of long-distance travel in America 1825
Nat Foster kills 25 Adirondack wolves making $1,250 in bounties 1825
James Fenimore Cooper publishes The Last of the Mohicans, as set in the Lake George area 1826
Abnaki Lewis Elijah Benedict shows David Henderson major iron ore beds near future Newcomb 1826
David Henderson and John McIntyre explore/affirm merits of the Benedict iron-ore deposits 1826
Lewis Elija, son of Sabael, leads exploration of iron veins in Mt. Colden area 1826
Archibald McIntyre, brother of John, Duncan McMartin and D Henderson est. Adk Iron & Steel Co. 1826
Adirondac (aka Adirondak and McIntyre) is settled, site of AISC, to mine and process iron ore 1826
Allen Penfield moves from Pittsford, VT, to his mill sites on discovery of iron ore to est. Ironville 1826
Hull, Hopper and Baker build forge in Saranac to smelt ore from Arnold Ore Bed 1826
John Walker, English, develops the ‘Lucifer’ a malodorous friction match 1826
Thomas Cole visits Ticonderoga and makes studies for the painting Mount Defiance 1826
Abolitionist John Brown and wife Dianthe leave Ohio to settle in Randolph, PA 1826
Two blast furnaces begin making pig iron and ironware at Clintonville 1826
Lighthouse is built on Juniper Island, Lake Champlain, the first lighthouse on the lake 1826
Champlain Transportation Company is chartered with Luther Loomis as president (26 Oct) 1826
Heinrich Schwabe, German, determines a sun-spot cycle of about 11 years (GCC) 1826
Col. Samuel young presents important lecture on political economy at Union College 1826
Jacques Milbert publishes Picturesque Itinerary of the Hudson R. . . . 1826
Joseph Bonaparte, brother of Napoleon Bonaparte, buys 160,000 a. of Adk Land c. 1827
Slavery is abolished by the New York state legislature 1827
Eleazar Darrow permanently closes mines at North Elba 1827
T. of Edinburgh builds floating bridge across Sacandaga R. to replace destroyed original 1827
J. Balliba and J. Dickenson restrict Port Henry production to stoves and hollow-ware 1827
Gould, Ross and Low build a rolling mill to make bars and iron plates at Port Henry 1827
John Richards visits Avalanche Lake while surveying the gore around Lake Colden 1827
Adirondack Iron & Steel Co. begins mining iron ore at Adirondac’s Upper Works (Tahawus) 1827
Adirondack Iron & Steel Co. est. two farms, a grist and a sawmill at Tahawus mining operation 1827
APA records also note the presence of a blast furnace, forge, puddling furnace, charcoal kiln, brick, kiln, trip hammer, school, church, 16 homes, a meeting place, and eventually the Adirondack’s first bank.

Adirondack Iron & Steel Co. brings ore from Tahawus to forges along L. Champlain for processing 1827
Captain Pliny Miller erects dam and sawmill on Saranac R. creating Mill Pond, future Lake Flower 1827
‘Act of 1817’ takes effect setting all NYS slaves free (4 July) 1827
Benoit Fourneyron (1802-1867), French, builds and demonstrates 6 hp water turbine 1827
Robert Wilson (1803-1882), British, dev/dem stern-mounted screw propeller replacing paddlewheel 1827
Isaac McLenathan & William Wells est. sawmill and iron forge at McLenathan Falls, Saranac R. 1827
The Champlain Transportation Company launches steamer Franklin on L. Champlain (10 Oct) 1827
Newspaper report of panther attack on Native American as he was fishing on a Lake George Island 1827
James Fenimore Cooper pub The Prairie, 3rd in the series of five Leatherstockings Tales 1827
Thomas Cole paints o-o-c Landscape, Scene from the Last of the Mohicans (The Death of Cora) 1827
Mill w/ Fourdrinier machine for making roll paper from linen and rags is built at Saugerties, NY 1827
Jean Baptiste Jos. Fourier, French mathematician, describes the atmospheric greenhouse effect 1827
Edward B. Budding and John Farrabee of Stroud, England, develop the lawnmower 1827-30
Cedar Point Road across T. of Moriah to Tahawus iron mine is authorized by NYS legislature 1828
A cable and ship anchor factory is established at Clintonville 1828
A four-fire forge is built on Putnam’s Creek six miles west of Crown Point 1828
Black River Canal Co. surveys route for proposed Black River Canal, 77 mi. long with 109 locks 1828
Timothy Taft oversees construction of dam est. Penfield Pond of 100 a. with 18,500 a. watershed 1828
Herman Smith and Josiah Wilcox build an iron forge at Morrisonville 1828
Gov. DeWitt Clinton accents importance of forestry in his annual address to the NY legislature 1828
William James Stillman is born in Schenectady, NY (1 Jun) 1828
Samuel Partridge builds forge on east side of Raquette R. (Colton) to make flat and square iron 1828
Burt and Vanderwhacker build Au Sable Forks four-fire forge to smelt Palmer Hill Ore 1828
Simmond’s Cottage, Elizabethtown, burns, its remains moved 300’ to est. the Mansion House 1828
The Glens Falls Feeder Canal, 7 miles long, opens for navigation 1828
Navigation on the Erie Canal is open for 269 days (27 Mar - 20 Dec) 1828
Jos. Bonaparte, older brother of Napoleon, builds lodge at L. Bonaparte, NW Adks 1828
Unknown artist lithographs Bridge and Hudson Falls Near Luzerne (NYPL col.) 1828-29
Solomon Northup and Ann Hampton marry to reside in Old Fort House, Fort Edward (25 Dec) 1829
NYS legislature authorizes funding for the Port Kent and Hopkinton Turnpike 1829
NYS legislature passes law to protect bass and trout during their spawning seasons 1829
Settlement of Alder Brook, Town of Belmont, is established 1829
Hiram Pierce purchases the Partridge forge at Colton 1829
Karl Baedeker (1801-1859) begins publication of a series of guidebooks in Germany 1829
John Duer et al. complete revision of existing New York State statute laws 1829
New York State Agricultural Society is est in Albany with Jesse Buel as president 1829
Thomas Cole tours England, France and Italy 1829-32
John Cheney begins guiding in the Adirondacks 1830
Joseph Dixon Company begins the mining of graphite near Ticonderoga 1830
Guy C. Baldwin develops the graphite pencil industry at Ticonderoga 1830
Redford Crown Glass Works is founded at Redford on the Saranac River 1830

The Saranac river had, in the term of a few years before 1830, been the scene of several destructive freshets, but in that year it was visited by a flood unparalleled before or since in its force and wide devastation. An uninterrupted downfall of rain, in immense volumes, prevailed several days. The rise of
the river was gradual but steady. The freshet soon was swollen beyond the banks of the river and it was apparent that a terrific inundation was impending. No power in nature is so terrific and irresistible as a bad flood.

Winslow C. Watson
"The great freshet of 1830: Leaves from the recollections of my life," Plattsburgh Republican (Plattsburgh, NY), 30 Nov 1878, p. 1.

Freschet on St. Regis R. washes out bridges, dams and mills at Nicholville and Fort Jackson 1830
The Smith & Wilcox forge at Morrisonville is washed away in by freshet, ending iron industry here 1830
“Big Slide Mountain” is named after a landslide on east Johns Brook side near Keene during freshet 1830
Major freshet destroys vast amount of property along East Branch of Au Sable River (24-25 Jul) 1830
Freshet destroys dams, sawmill, kilns and furnace built by Jacob Sax on Salmon River (24-25 Jul) 1830
Elizabethtown, Westport, Lewis are especially damaged by freshet (24-25 Jul) 1830

In the summer of 1830 Elizabethtown received a temporary setback. Reference is here made to the great freschet, then which no more disastrous flood ever visited this section. Saw logs, trees, fences, houses and everything imaginable, except the "everlasting hills," came down Water Street. The Little Boquet, swelled to overflowing banks, swept along with the besom of destruction, striking the old Ross whiskey distillery, (then being superintended by the late David Benson, Sr., a veteran of the War of 1812) and the old grist-mill by the bridge. The distillery was ruined and the grist-mill was so badly worsted that it never ground any grain after that fatal summer day. It was afterwards made over into a store and is to-day the front part of the store of Harry H. Nichols. The red store of Ira Marks which stood just below the bridge by the grist-mill was carried downstream, goods, Masonic records and all. Mr. Marks went down to the city and told the people from whom he bought goods just what had happened, stating that he wanted some credit, for which he could give good security. When asked what security he could give, he replied: "My note, it's good." Credit was given him and he returned to Elizabethtown and arranged a new place in which to conduct mercantile business and went ahead as though nothing had happened.

George Levi Brown
Pleasant Valley: A History of Elizabethtown
Post & Gazette Print, 1905, pp. 324-25.

Boston landscapes its commons converting it from a cow pasture into a park 1830
Edwin Budding, English, develops the rotary, shearing lawn mower 1830
A steam-powered saw mill is built in Tioga Co. 1830
Isaac Jackson, professor of mathematics, UC, est 1st cultivated American college garden 1830
Jesse Corey builds a cabin near Wawbeek on west shore of Upper Saranac Lake 1830
Patrick Hackett Hardware Co., a ships chandelry and hardware store, is formed at Ogdensburg 1830
NYS population is 1,919,000 with a density of 40.3/sq. mi. 1830
David Burr pub. an atlas of New York including cultural features of Adirondacks 1830
First American passenger railroad begins construction between Albany and Schenectady (29 Jul) c.1830
Guide Orson Schofield Phelps and his father arrive in the Adirondacks Salt works at Salina (later Syracuse) burns 3,000 cords of wood/year 1830s
The American felling axe is ‘perfected’ 1830s
The Six Nations yield 800 a. for the founding of Brantford, Ontario 1830s
Eliphalet Nott, President of Union College, patents anthracite burning home stoves 1830s
Henry W. Herbert, aka Frank Forester, pub books and essays on crafts of hunting and fishing 1830s
Slowness, insects, poor food, noise and other factors close the American era of scenic canal travel 1830s
Household iceboxes using harvested lake ice appear and gradually come into common use 1830s
Gastrointestinal problems called ‘summer complaints’ rise with increased use of iceboxes 1830s
Red Bird Stage Line now connects Grand Street (The Bowery), NYC with Danbury, CT 1830s
Charles Lyell (1797-1875), English, pub *Principles of Geology* in 3-volumes; “uniformitarianism” 1830-33
The Great Snowstorm blankets the Adirondacks and New England (16 Jan) 1831
Peter Comstock adds Asa Eddy’s canal boats to his small passenger fleet on Champlain Canal 1831
A tornado passes through Clinton Co. (11 Jun) 1831
W. L. Marcy, Troy Lawyer and U. S. senator, becomes NYS governor 1831
J. & J. Rogers begin making iron at Black Brook using iron ore from Arnold Hill 1831
Michael Faraday (1791-1867), English, dev/dem electric generator, electric transformer 1831
Charles Sauria, French, produces friction match based on phosphorus but deadly to manufacture 1831
James C. Ross (1800-1862), Scottish, finds N magnetic pole 2,100 mi from N geographic pole (1 Jun) 1831
William C. Redfield (1789-1857), American, pub on counterclockwise rotation of N cyclonic storms 1831
Allen Penfield uses Joseph Henry’s electromagnet at, Irondale Iron Works, Ironville, Crown Pt 1831
Heinrich Wilhelm Ferdinand Wackenroder (1798-1854), German, discovers carotene 1831

A monument to Wackenroder should be erected by those who enjoy fall foliage. The Adironacks glow for their presence and tens of thousands of us visit to see this glory. The molecular structure of the carotenes is a delight as well. See the fine history of carotene by Theodore L. Sourkes of McGill University appearing in *The Bulletin for the History of Chemistry*, Volume 34, No. 1, 2009.

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*DeWitt Clinton* runs from Schenectady to Albany on first passenger and cargo railroad (3 Aug) 1831
William Campbell pub *Annals of Tryon County* 1831
Alexis DeTocqueville travels in America and pub *Democracy in America* 1831
Common carp, *Cyprinus carpio*, is introduced to the United States 1832
Haudenosaunee Samuel Jacob establishes the Six Nations Temperance Society 1831
USSC cites DOD, in Cherokee Nation v Georgia, that Indian nations are not fully sovereign 1831
Mt. Auburn (scenic) Cemetery, four miles west of Boston, is consecrated (24 Dec) 1831
Maximilian, Prince of Weid, and the Swiss painter Karl Bodmer tour the Rocky Mts. 1831-34
Louis Seymour (a.k.a. French Louie) is born near Ottawa, Canada c. 1832
George Rockwell establishes an Adirondack-style hotel at Lake Luzerne 1832
Investors form a mining company and buy the Averill ore beds at Dannemora 1832
George Catlin travels the Missouri Valley, paints native peoples and proposes a national park 1832
Cholera, introduced for the first time from Canada, strikes the Keeseville area 1832
Cholera epidemic spreads through the Au Sable River valley causing many fatalities 1832
Eliphalet Nott, Pres. Union College, invents, installs boiler using anthracite coal, *SS Novelty* 1832
Cholera epidemic in Schenectady causes 42 fatalities (18 July – 19 Sep) 1832
Cholera epidemic in NYC results in 5,835 cases and 2,251 deaths (5 Jul-29 Aug) 1832
Cholera outbreaks prompt concern for improved water supply for urban areas 1832
Ticonderoga & Schroon Turnpike Road Co. is incorporated 1832
A tannery begins operation on Mill Creek at Wevertown 1832
Beaver hats go out of style and silk hats become the new fashion 1832
New Hampshire Historical Society pub John Pike’s NH winter chronology of 1682-1700 1832
Iddo Osgood operates a travelers’ inn at North Elba 1833
Guy C. Baldwin patents process for making pencils using graphite 1833
A scenic cemetery is consecrated in New Haven 1833
Port Kent and Hopkinton Turnpike opens with a single toll gate mid-way 1833
Crawcour brothers, French, introduce mercury-containing dental amalgams to the US 1833
William Beaumont pub classic Plattsburgh study of Alexis St. Martin’s gastric fistula 1833
Herman Smith and Cyrus Cady build a forge at Cadyville 1833
A railroad is established between Albany and Saratoga Springs 1833
George Catlin promotes western parks in a letter pub in NY Daily Commercial Advertiser 1833
Saranac Hollow and Carthage road via Crown Pt and Newcomb is built 1834
Anselme Payen (1795-1871), French, extracts from cell walls of wood and names cellulose 1834
Joel Plumley, father of “honest John”, and family settle near Long Lake 1834
The old military road from Chestertown (Igerma) to Russell is extended to Canton 1834
Hutchinson’s “blue line” maps are completed as part of Champlain Canal studies 1834
Adirondack Iron & Steel Company abandons its iron mining efforts at Adirondac Upper Works 1834
Ebenezer Emmons maps ore beds at Adirondac Upper Works and convinces AI&SC to reopen 1834
Philip Church reports the killing of a stag elk at Bolivar, Allegany Co. 1834
Funds of Six Nations are illegally used to establish Grand River Navigation Co. 1834
Funds of Six Nations are used to est. McGill University and University of Toronto 1834
Pres. Andrew Jackson signs Indian Removal Act forcing Native Americans to reservations (29 Dec) 1835
Indian Removal Act begins relocation of native peoples to west of the Mississippi River 1835
Gaspard-Gustave de Coriolis (1792-1843), French, describes mass (water/air) movement on sphere 1835
Henry Burden (Apr 22, 1791 – Jan 19, 1871) invents machine to make 60 horseshoes per minute 1835

Henry Burden arrived in Troy in 1822, his arrival facilitated by a letter of introduction by Stephen van Rensselaer. Eventually, he established the Burden Iron Works/Co. His wondrous horseshoe making machine was invented in 1835 leading to his becoming the prime supplier of the Union Army and thus an element in the Union victory given the importance of horses in combat. The iron came from Adirondack mines located near Lake Champlain. Production of shoes reached some 600,000 kegs per year having a market value of c. two million dollars. Burden’s success led to his inclusion in the group portrait Men of Progress (ooc 88 7/8” x 64”) as commissioned by Jordan Mott and completed by Christian Schussel in 1862. The original hangs in the National Portrait Gallery and copies are on view at Union College.

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Bonaparte estate at Lake Dana is sold and its regal splendor ends 1835
Champlain Transportation Co. buys remaining rivals and makes 8-yr deal with P. Comstock 1833-36
The Roman Catholic church of the Immaculate Conception is established at Keeseville 1835
Thomas Doughty, 1793-1856, paints ooc, 24 1/4x30” “In Nature’s Wonderland,” Detroit Inst. of Arts 1835
Reuben Rist and family settle in Township 15 near Indian Lake 1835
Two half toll gates are installed at end points of the Port Kent and Hopkinton Turnpike 1835
Erie Canal proves to be too small; project to widen it to 70 feet with 7-foot draft begins 1835
Gustave-Gaspard de Coriolis explains curvature of trajectory in global movement 1835
Hermit Beach claims to have shot at a stag elk on north branch of the Saranac River 1836
The ‘Big Snow’ dumps 30-40 inches on the Adirondacks (10 Jan) 1836
Major rainstorm, Texas coast, Gulf of Mexico, shapes American-Adirondack history (Jul) 1836
Mr. Vaughn claims to have killed a stag elk on the north branch of the Saranac River c. 1836
The Constable brothers establish the now classic Old Forge-Saranac canoe route 1836
Gov. W.L. Marcy & NY Legislature, authorize Geological and Natural History Survey of NYS 1836
NYS Assembly document #9 defines plans for the NYS Geological Survey 1836
James E. DeKay is named state zoologist for the NYS Natural History Survey 1836
Prof. Ebenezer Emmons is named geologist for NYS Natural History Survey 1836
Luther Hager sells 3.62 a. to U.S. gov. for $398.20 to est. site of Cumberland Head Lighthouse 1836
Stoddard’s sawmill at Mill Dam Falls in the Trenton Gorge ceases operation 1836
Ashbel Parmalee and 39 others form the Malone Anti-Slavery Society (MASS) 1836
Town of Franklin is set off from Town of Belmont, Franklin County (20 May) 1836
Sailly and Averill erect a forge on Saranac R. between Morrisonville and Cadyville 1836
The “infamous” Ogden Land Co. becomes the agency for the Treaty of Buffalo Creek 1836
NYS legislature appropriates $4000 to build bridge across Hudson R. at Athol, Warren Co. 1836
Bridge over Hudson R. at Athol connects towns of Johnsburg, Chester, Athol & Warrensburg 1836
John James Audubon, Robert Havell, Jr, et al. complete printing of The Birds of America (1836)
Meteorologist Wm. C. Redfield records sighting of ‘high peak of Essex’ now Mt. Marcy (19 Aug) 1836
The 1st of 3 early snows hits the Northeast, 4” falling at Hamilton, NY (28 Sep) 1836
Scenic cemeteries are consecrated in NYC and Philadelphia 1836
Dubos-Bonnel, French, patents drawing, spinning and weaving of glass strands; fiberglass 1836
Ralph Waldo Emerson pub, anonymously, his essay Nature; “nature is God’s work made visible” 1836
The Transcendental Club is founded under influence of Ralph Waldo Emerson 1836
David Henderson, Archibald McIntyre et al. explore and name Avalanche Pass 1836
Mt. Colden, 11th highest (4,715’) High Peak, is named after David S. Colden, McIntyre Iron Works 1836
The British author William Howitt pub Book of the Seasons 1836
Thomas Cole completes The Course of Empire, a four-part o.o.o. series 1836
Otis Arnold and his family convert the old Herreshoff manor into a sporting camp 1837
Sally and Averill Forge burns and is replaced by 2 forges, 2 hammers and rolling mill 1837
T. Davenport, Brandon, VT., patents electric motor after visit to Penfield-Taft works (25 Feb) 1837
The Francis Johnson band of North Elba performs for Queen Victoria 1837
Adirondack Iron & Steel Co. est. puddling furnace and trip hammer at Tahawus to reduce costs 1837
J. & J. Rogers Co. begins making iron at Au Sable Forks 1837
Joseph Seligman, Jewish, arrives penniless in U. S. from Germany 1837
Route for road from Carthage to Champlain via the Blue Ridge Rd. is surveyed 1837
Panic of 1837 begins 5-year depression as NYC banks stop payment in gold and silver (10 May) 1837
Thompson’s stage begins mail delivery between Ogdensburg and Plattsburgh 1837
The Trenton & Sackets Harbor RR Company is chartered, but is never built 1837
Charles Fenno Hoffman’s Scenes at the Source of the Hudson appears in The Mirror 1837
Charles F. Hoffman applies name “Tahawus” to Mt. Marcy 1837
W.C. Redfield, E. Emmons and others make earliest documented ascent of Mt. Marcy (5 Aug) 1837
E. Emmons sketches High Peaks showing peaks now called Mt. Marcy and Mt. McIntyre (5 Aug) 1837
W.C. Redfield, E. Emmons and others ascend Mt. Algonquin (8 Aug) 1837
Ebeneser Emmons and others ascend Nippletop Mountain (30 Aug) 1837
E. Emmons describes Labrador feldspar of Essex Co. in New York Geological Survey 1837
Prof. Ebenezer Emmons names “Mt. Marcy” in honor of the Governor 1837
John Burroughs, to become “father of the nature sasy”, is born Roxbury, T (3 Apr) 1837
First Long Lake town meeting is devoted to road building and a bounty system for wolves 1837
Town of Long Lake is formed from parts of Towns of Arietta, Morehouse, L. Pleasant, Wells 1837
John H. Bufford lithographs an Ebenezer Emmons drawing of the Adirondacks for publication 1837
Carl Christian Rafn, Antiquitates Americanæ, suggests Norse settlements in North America are real 1837
The John Jay begins service on Lake George 1837
Work commences on construction of Black River Canal as fed mostly by rivers of western Adks 1837
Charles F. Hoffman, with wooden leg, fails in attempt to climb Mt. Marcy 1837
Charles Cromwell Ingham (NAD) paints o.o.o. The Great Adirondack Pass, Painter on the Spot 1837
William D. Stewart and artist Alfred Miller travel to Oregon on behalf of American Fur Company 1837
Ralph W. Emerson urges Henry D. Thoreau to begin his journal (Oct) 1837
George Catlin shows his pictures of, and lectures on, the peoples of the western US in NY 1837
First patent for DC motor is granted to T. Davenport, of the Penfield-Taft Ironworks 1837
First Presbyterian Church of Plattsburgh hosts meeting of Clinton Co. Anti-slavery Society 1837
Lehigh Coal & Navigation Co., Mauch Chunk, PA, smelts iron with anthracite 1837
A forest fire on the East Branch of the Penobscot River, ME, burns 200 sq. mi. 1837
Rebellion of 1837 against British colonial gov’t begins with fighting in Lower Canada (23 Nov) 1837
Rebellion reaches Upper Canada where rebels force retreat at Montgomery’s Tavern (8 Dec) 1837
Rebels retreat south into U.S. (NNY) whence they conduct raids into Canada 1837-38
Thomas Cole shows his painting *Schroon Mountain* at National Academy of Design in NYC 1837-38
Thomas Doughty paints o.o.c. *Anthony’s Nose, Lake George* 1837-38
Hamilton Co. is recognized as being ‘sufficiently organized’ for self-government (1 Jan) 1838
E. Emmons draws “View of the Adirondack Mountains,” lithograph pub by J.H. Bufford 1838
E. Emmons uses terms “Adirondack group” and “Adirondacks” in Geological Survey report 1838
J.H. Buffard’s lithographs of Ingham’s work appear in geological survey publications of NY 1838
Matthias Jacob Schleiden (1804-1881), German, describes cellular nature of plants 1838
Important mineral deposits are discovered at Balmat; eventually zinc, lead, talc, etc. 1838
Mary Katherine (Kate) Keemle Field is born journalist, foremost leader of women into Adirondacks 1838
Town of Horicon, Warren County, is set off from Towns of Bolton and Hague (29 Mar) 1838
Fulton County is set off from Montgomery County (18 Apr) 1838
Zebulon Howell Benton marries Caroline de La Folie of the Joseph Bonaparte family 1838
Pres. Van Buren and his son, John, visit Jefferson County on a ‘tour of the state’ 1838
Harriet Martineau of London pub an account of travels in the Lake George area 1838
Port Kent and Hopkinton Turnpike is dissolved, maintenance transferred to local towns (20 Mar) 1838
A school is built at Saranac Lake 1838
By this time, Moses Stickney has sold most of his Horicon holdings to Judson Barton, his nephew 1838
The Haudenosaunee and the United States government sign a treaty at Buffalo Creek, NY 1838
William Redfield repub. “Some Accounts . . . .” in the *Family Magazine* 1838
Thomas Cole paints o.o.c. *View of Schroon Mountain, Essex Co.*, *New York, 1838* 1838
Peter Comstock builds the Split Rock Lighthouse, 2nd light on Lake Champlain, at Essex 1838
Peter Comstock builds Cumberland Head Lighthouse, vic. Plattsburgh, L. Champlain for $3,325 1838
Naval Lieutenant C.T. Platt report recommends est. of lighthouse at Crown Point, L. Champlain 1838
Caroline Gilman pub *The Poetry of Travelling in the United States* 1838
Last run of the Atlantic salmon occurs in the Au Sable River, Lake Champlain 1838
The sidewheeler *William Caldwell* (140-foot length, 10 knots) begins service in Lake George 1838
Height of Mt. Marcy is set at 5,344 feet by Prof. Farrand N. Benedict of the University of Vermont 1839
Mount Clinch, now Blue Mountain, is named in honor of Charles Powell Clinch 1839
Puerto Rice, dominion of Spain, develops comprehensive forestry laws 1839
Henry R. Schoolcraft pub a collection of Ojibwa stories – later to influence H.W. Longfellow 1839
Village of Glens Falls is incorporated 1839
NYS farmers produce approximately 32% of US-grown hops 1839
Theodor Ambrose Hubert Schwann (1810-1882), German, describes cellular character of animals 1839
Louis-Jacques-Mande Daguerre (1789-1851), French, using silver salts, develops photography 1839
Charles Goodyear (1800-1860), American, adding sulfur to rubber on hot stove, disc flexible rubber 1839
Burr pub 2nd edition of *Atlas of New York* showing Mt. Marcy 1839
E. Emmons pub letter by Farrand N. Benedict predicting climate change in Adirondacks 1839
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William Havell (Audubon’s printer) paints, o.o.c., *View of Lake George, North America* 1839
Pres. M. Van Buren & son cross corners of the Adks to visit Jefferson Co. on a ‘tour of the state’ 1839
Esther McComb, age 15, climbs her namesake mountain, Mount Esther, 4,240 ft, Wilmington 1839
And not to be confused with Macomb Mt. (el. 4,405’), 21st tallest of the High Peaks. Named after General Alexander Macomb (1782-1841).

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At least 28 anti-slavery societies in Adk region provide aid to fugitive slaves heading north 1839
Joel T. Headley graduates from Union College, Schenectady, NY 1839
Louis Jacques Mande Daguerre of France invents photography (19 Aug) 1839
News of the invention of photography reaches the US in an issue of the London Globe (20 Sep) 1839
Charles Fenno Hoffman pub Wild Scenes in the Forest and Prairie (German translation 1845) 1839-40
William H. Seward (1801-1872) is 12th governor of NYS (Jan 1, 1839 – Dec 31, 1842) 1839-42
Gov. William H. Seward signs laws advancing black rights incl. those for fugitive slaves 1839-42
Adirondackers begin earning extra cash by opening homes and log cabins to boarders and guests 1840
Earthquakes occur at Johnstown (Jan 16) and Potsdam and Malone (May 11) 1840
Iron ore blast furnace of 3-4 ton daily capacity is built at Lake Sanford, Essex Co. 1840
E. Emmons, J.E. DeKay, and J. Hall visit the Eckford and Fulton Chains and Raquette Lake 1840
Buckthorn, Rhamnus cathartica, is “first found in the highlands (of NY) by Dr. Barratt” 1840
John James Audubon et al. pub the 8vo, octavo edition of The Birds of America 1840
Lewis Henry Moprgan graduates from Union College 1840
Nathaniel Parker Willis pub American Scenery - as illustrated by William Bartlett 1840
Christian Friedrich Schönbein (1799-1868), German, identifies/names ozone as atmospheric gas 1840
Emeneser Emmons hires Sabael Benedict’s son, Lewis Elija, as guide 1840
Emmons names Mt. Seward in Assembly Doc. No. 50 (24 Jan) 1840
Trout fishing on Lake George described as chumming waters near a buoy for private use 1840
About 270 tanneries now operate in the Adirondack region, 1,414 for entire state 1840
American Society of Dental Surgeons prohibits use of mercury-containing dental amalgams c.1840
Jacob Caleb Ward paints o.o.c. Outlet of Lake George (Roger’s Rock in the Distance) c.1840
NYS produces c. thirty million bushels of potatoes, more than half of US production 1840
T. of Black Brook delineates three road districts, fut. Port Kent-Hopkinton highway (22 May) 1840
Prof. Eaton and John Wright publish the 8th edition of their Manual of Botany 1840
The Natural History Survey, begun in 1836, is concluded 1840
Joseph Seligman and his two brothers, newly arrived from Germany, est store in Selma, Alabama 1840
Fugitive slave Moses Viney becomes coachman-valet for Dr. Eliphalet Nott, pres of Union College 1840
James Fenimore Cooper pub The Pathfinder, 4th in the series of five Leatherstocking Tales 1840
John Banvard paints a three mile-long picture of the Mississippi River! 1840
Scattered beaver colonies survive in Hamilton Co., St. Lawrence Co. and Essex Co. 1840
William Ferris Pell converts his large summer home into hotel to serve Lake Champlain tourists 1840
William Freeman Fox is born Ballston Spa, Saratoga Co. NY (11 Jan) 1840
Caterville Dam, a.k.a. Caterville Pond Dam, (091-0320) is built or reconditioned 1840
NYS passes law against kidnapping & enslavement of free citizens; re. Solomon Northup (14 May) 1840
Rural population peaks, farm abandonment begins with migration to Ohio Valley and points west 1840
M. Van Buren et al. visit Keeseville during 2nd campaign using huge wooden canoes (11 Sep) 1840
John Dimick moves fugitive slaves from Malone to Fort Covington & Canada in his lumber wagon 1840
Great Western Railway adopts London Mean Time as ‘railway time’ throughout England (Nov) 1840
US census reports that NY farmers lead the US in production of hops 1840
Spirit of the times is the leading weekly sporting newspaper extolling the Adirondacks 1840s
Adirondack Iron & Steel now employs some 400 men to produce c. 14 tons of iron per day 1840s
Refrigerated railroad cars come into use for transport of milk and butter 1840s
Potato and tomato late blight, Phytophthora infestans, devastates NE US (see Irish Potato Famine) 1840s
John Todd, Pittsfield, MA, begins annual visits to Long Lake to “spread the word of the Lord” 1840-43
Professor Farrand Benedict (geologist) buys land surrounding Raquette Lake 1840-50
Jabez Parkhurst, Fort Covington, Franklin Co. Liberty Party leader, serves ‘underground railroad’ 1840-60
Wood pulp displaces rags as the primary medium for paper production 1840-80
George Washington Bethune et al. form the short-lived Lake Piseco Trout Club 1841
Thomas C. Durant graduates from Albany Medical College 1841
Solomon Northup, Saratoga Spr., is seduced to Washington, DC, and kidnapped into slavery (Mar) 1841
J. Richards Jr. et al. are commissioned to build a road between Gilmantown and Johnsburg (27 Apr) 1841
Solomon Northup arrives New Orleans aboard brig Orleans and renamed Platt Hamilton (24 May) 1841
Solomon Northup combines small pox and is taken to Charity Hospital, New Orleans (2 Jun) 1841
Solomon Northup is sold to plantation owner William Prince Ford, LA (23 Jun) 1841
Town of Harrietstown is founded and Captain Pliny Miller becomes supervisor 1841
James Fenimore Cooper pub The Deerslayer, 5th and last of the Leatherstocking Tales 1841
Six Nations yield 20,000 a. on advice of S.P. Jarvis, Chief Super. of Indian Affairs 1841
Champlain Transportation Co. ends contract with Peter Comstock 1841
John Todd makes first visit to Long Lake, some ten families scattered along head of the Lake (Sep) 1841

John Todd wrote that upon his arrival at Long Lake in 1841, “two young ladies sprang into a little boat and rowed around the lake to let the families know that a minister had arrived.”

John Todd in John Todd: The Story of His Life Told Mainly by Himself, Harper, 1876, p. 478

Route is surveyed for railroad between Lake Champlain and Ogdensburg (the NNYR) 1841
Thomas J. Sloan invents method to make gimlet-pointed screws in NY 1841
New and enduring furnace opens at Adirondac for McIntyre Iron Works 1841
Joseph Whitworth, English, introduces standard screw thread – for eventual use in the Saranac boat 1841
The Lake Champlain-Carthage Road is enlarged as a state route 1841-44
James DeKay pub Zoology of New York or the New York Fauna 1842
James DeKay reports discovery of American elk antlers at mouth of Raquette R. 1842
John Bennet Lawe, (1814-1900), English, develops chemical fertilizer “superphosphate” 1842
NYS legislature passes Stop & Tax Act requiring public works be paid from taxes, not borrowing 1842

This act by the NYS legislature brought most public works projects in the state to a halt, including the enlargement of the Erie Canal. It was not until five years later in 1847 when work on the Erie Canal Enlargement Project re-commenced.


Seneca and Quakers recover Cattaragus and Allegany Reservations 1842
Cullen Whipple, Providence, RI, invents a machine to make blunt-end screws automatically 1842
Crawford W. Long, Jefferson, GA, removes 2 neck tumors from patient using ether (30 Mar) 1842
Mt. St. Helens volcano, now Washington State, American Cascades, erupts (22 Nov) 1842
Saily and Averill buy Averill ore beds at Dannemora, open mine and build separator 1842
Elah Beach Jr., age 16, et al. drown as suspension bridge collapses, Keeseville, NY (13 or 15 Sep) 1842

At Keeseville, under the weight and measured tread of a company of soldiers attending a "general muster" of a battalion of the State militia, the new suspension bridge, nearly finished, gave way precipitating spectators and soldiers into the raging waters beneath. Nine persons lost their lives,
among them two little friends, eight-year old sons of Martin Pope and Richard Peabody. The bodies were found the next spring near the lake and were laid in one grave.

Excerpted from James P. Millard
Lake Champlain, Lake George, and Richelieu River
History Timeline, Part VII (b)-1814 and Beyond: Peace and Prosperity 1815-1859

Eliphalet Hall builds an iron ore separator using water jigs at Moriah, near Mineville 1842
Andrew Jackson Downing pub. *Treatise on the Theory of Landscape Gardening* 1842
Joel T. Headley tours Europe 1842
James E. Dekay suggests that the wolverine (carcajou) survives in the Adirondacks 1842
NYS Lunatic Asylum opens near Utica, featuring landscaped grounds and rural setting in therapy 1842
Ebenezer Emmons pub *Geology of the Adirondacks*, illustrated by J.W. Hill 1842
Solomon Northup, enslaved in LA, is sold to Edwin Epps, plantation owner (9 Apr) 1843
Saxon Keller develops a means for grinding wood pulp for paper making 1843
John Otis and family settle at Cascadeville near Keene 1843
William Henry Jackson is born in Keeseville, later to become prominent photographer of west 1843
Franklin B. Hough of Lowville, NY, graduates from Union College, Schenectady, NY 1843

Franklin B. Hough graduated from Union College in 1843, as rough and uncouth a boy as seldom shows himself inside Union College walls . . .” And, two years later: “No man will ever dig out the marrow of a heap of old books or manuscripts sooner or more thoroughly than he . . ., like a ‘singed cat’, is better than he looks”.

Diary of Jonathan Pearson
As selected by Edith Pilcher
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Wooden bridge crossing Au Sable River at Keeseville, NY, is removed for stone arch replacement 1843
Solomon Thompson erects stone arch bridge of cast iron, sandstone, limestone at Keeseville, NY 1843
Stone arch bridge at Keeseville, NY, is seriously damaged during construction by flood 1843
Town of Colton is set off from the T. of Parishville, St. Lawrence Co. (12 Apr) 1843
Prof. George Davidson sees eruption of Mt. Baker in the area now Washington State 1843
George Perkins Marsh serves as US representative for Vermont 1843-49
John Torrey pub, in two volumes, *A Flora of the State of New York* 1844

Hence I was induced to put the matter of my report in the form of a Flora. Having adopted this plan I could not hesitate for a moment as to the system which ought to be used; for the artificial classification of Linnaeus having accomplished the objective for which it was designed, may be considered as more than useless in the present advanced state of Botany. The natural arrangement has therefore been followed.

John Torrey
*A Flora of the State of New York*
Page VI, 1843

NY Sportsman’s Club is founded in NYC by socially prominent sportsmen (20 May) 1844
New York Association for the Protection of Fish Game is founded 1844
John Cheney reports that he knows of a single colony of beaver remaining in the Adirondacks 1844
Spaulding and Parson build a forge at Russia in the central Adirondacks 1844
James E. De Kay reports woodcock abundant in all NYS counties 1844
James E. DeKay reports mourning dove as summer resident of NYS but not overwintering 1844
J.J. Audubon visits Union College to sell *Birds* and *Quadrupeds* to its president, Eliphalet Nott 1844
William Tolman Carlton paints o.o.c. *View of Caldwell, Lake George* 1844
William Cullen Bryant pub an article in the *Evening Post* proposing “A New Park” for NYC 1844
E. Darwin Jones, Keeseville, graduates AMC and practices homeopathic medicine in Clinton Co. 1844
Peter Comstock launches steamer *Francis Saltus* under Capt. Tisdale on L. Champlain 1844
Ralph Waldo Emerson pub “The Young American” (promoting park preservation) in *The Dial* 1844
Lewis Henry Morgan writes *The League of the Ho-dé-no-sau-nee*, later pub 1851 1844
Adirondack Iron & Steel Co. est. blast furnace at McIntyre Iron Works, Tahawus 1844
The Crown Point Iron Co. is formed three miles west of Ironville at Hammondville 1844
Seneca Ray Stoddard is born in Wilton, Saratoga Co. (13 May) 1844
A steam saw mill is built in St. Lawrence Co. 1844
Frederick Edwin Church (1826-1900) moves to Catskill, NY, from Hartford, CT 1844
Samuel F.B. Morse and Alfred Vail string/operate telegraph line between Washington, Baltimore 1844
Jacob Perkins builds a practical refrigeration machine using the vapor-compression cycle 1844
Theodore S. Faxon *et al.* of Utica install a telegraph line between NYC and Buffalo 1845
Tornado path leaves thousands of acres of windfall across St. Law., Franklin, Essex Cos. (20 Sep) 1845
Tornado with egg-sized hail gives rise to names of Windfall House and Windfall Farm (20 Sep) 1845
John Todd publishes *Long Lake*, the first printed book dealing exclusively with the Adks 1845
NYS supports 7,000 sawmills and 1,500 tanneries statewide 1845
The Langenheim brothers photograph Niagara Falls 1845
Wells House is built on Route 9 in Pottersville 1845
Last full grand council meeting of the Six Nations occurs at Tonawanda Reservation 1845
Floating bridge traversing Sacandaga R. is replaced with a permanent structure 1845
Potato blight appears in Ireland and is followed by massive starvation and migration 1845
Wild Turkey is extirpated in NY with last birds appearing in the Catskill lowlands 1845
Clinton Prison, now the Clinton Maximum Security CF, is built at Dannemora, Clinton Co. 1845
German translation of Charles Fenno Hoffman’s *Wild Scenes in the Forest and Prairie* appears 1845
Lord Rosse presents drawing of our spiral galaxy at meeting of BAAS 1845
Henry David Thoreau begins his stay at Walden Pond 1845
Mill Creek Dam, Garnet Lake outlet (NYSDEC #186-0574) is built 1845
French scientist Ducros describes formation of nitric acid and *pluie acide* by lightning 1845
Covered bridge crossing Boquet River is built at Whallonsburg at cost of $925 1845
T. of Edinburgh builds fixed bridge across Sacandaga R. near Fish House replacing floating bridge 1845
A dam is built on Indian River to connect 2 or 3 small lakes (fut. Indian Lake) for log drives 1845
Hammond and Bogue erect Crown Point furnace and ship iron to Bessemer Steel, Troy 1845
Hobart and Hedges build a six-fire Catalan forge on the Saranac River at Plattsburgh 1845
Jackson and Stearns build a six-fire Catalan forge at Russia 1845
Charles Lanman, artists and author of books and essays on travel, visits the Adirondacks 1845
NYS and Mohawks to date complete 7 land deals without US Congress approval 1845
Industrialist David Henderson dies in pistol accident Duck Hole, now called Calamity Pond (3 Sep) 1845
Inmates of the Clinton Prison work in local mines and make iron 1845
*American Whig* review describes perch spawning in March not to recover until June 1845
A modern saw mill (framed with multiple saw blades), i.e. a gang mill, is built at Fort Edward 1845
Hudson R. School, with many landscapes of the Adirondacks, achieves peak popularity 1840s
NY Wolverine population is now confined to the Adirondacks north of Raquette L. 1840s
Samuel Hammond reports that beaver survive in Bog River to end of this decade 1840s
Saranac River and its branches are declared a public highway open to log transport 1846
Raquette River and its branches are declared a public highway open to log transport 1846
F.N. Benedict proposes Port Henry-Boonville communication by railroad and canal 1846
Harbor seal is noted in Lake Champlain by a qualified observer reports C. H. Merriam 1846
Clinton, Essex, Franklin, Warren & Washington Cos. support state referendum on negro suffrage 1846
Gerritt Smith gives 40 a. plots of North Elba to free black residents of NYS; 120,000 a. available 1846
“The Great Windfall” cuts a mile-wide swath of downed trees and destruction across T. of Colton 1846
Wm. McLean & J. Fitzgerald resuscitate abandoned sawmill, but not forge at McLenathan Falls 1846
Thomas J. Sloan and Thomas W. Harvey patent methods to make gimlet-pointed screws (26 Aug) 1846
William Wood and Matthew Beach settle at Raquette Lake 1846
NYS claims responsibility for the education of Haudenosaunee children in NY 1846
J.T.R. Robinson invents spinning-cup anemometer of 4 hemispherical cups on a vertical axis 1846
Ralph W. Emerson pub A Report on the Trees and Shrubs Growing . . . MA 1846
New York State Constitutional Convention is convened (1 Jun) 1846
New York State Constitution is ratified in a vote of 221,528 to 92,436 (3 Nov) 1846
Hemlock plank road (4” thick x 8’ wide) runs from Syracuse to Central Square, NY 1846
Covered bridge crosses East Branch of Au Sable River at Jay 1846
Franklin B. Hough pub. A Catalougue of Indigenous, Naturalized, and Filicord Plants of Lewis Co. 1846
John Cheney and others kill a moose near the summit of Mt. Seward c.1847
John Chapmen (Johnny Appleseed), distributor of apple seed in the Mid-West, dies 1847
Congressman George Perkins Marsh of VT promotes conservation of forested lands 1847
George W. Bethune pub first American edition of Isaac Walton’s Complete Angler 1847
Railway Clearing House, U.K., recommends using Greenwich Mean Time as ‘railroad time’ (Sep) 1847
Francis Parkman pub “The Oregon Trail” in the Knickerbocker Magazine 1847
P. Comstock abandons L. Champlain under stiff competition from TCTC’s steamer Saranac 1847
O. Richards buys area around Lower Saranac Lake in Township 24 for lumbering 1847
Walden Pond, MA, as studied by H. D. Thoreau, yields 1,000 tons of lake ice during winter harvest 1847
Methodists begin worship services at North Elba 1847
William Reid, Barbadoa, creates a hurricane warning system for Northern Hemisphere 1847
RCC Diocese of Albany is established, incl. the Mission of the Holy Trinity at La Presentation Fort 1847
Organization of Hamilton Co. is completed with its formal detachment from Montgomery Co. 1847
Verplanck Colvin is born at home on Western Ave in Albany (4 Jan) 1847
Oliver Keese and T.A. Tomlinson acquire interest in sawmill at McLenathan Falls 1847
The Port Henry iron smelting furnace is replaced with a larger one 1847
Black bass appear in Mohawk R. at Schenectady, arriving from the west via the Erie Canal 1847
Andrew Porteus, AISC, stocks pickerel from Schroon Lake (originally L. Champlain) in L. Sanford 1847
Hamilton Co Jail est south side of L Pleasant: minimum security, home-cooked meals, warm room 1847
Education programs are instituted at Clinton Prison in Dannemora 1847
2nd Lt. U.S. Grant & wife, Julia Dent Grant, are stationed at Madison Barracks, Sackets Harbor 1848-49
2nd Lt. U.S. Grant races his horse to Watertown from Sackets Harbor to play checkers, Sat. nights 1848-49
Captain Pliny Miller sells his sawmill and erects a hotel on the Saranac River, fut. Saranac Lake vill. 1848
A.A. Smith rents Loverin Inn from J.R. Merrill as sportsmen’s lodge, Loon Lake, T. of Franklin 1848
Asa Gray pub his “Manual of Botany” – the first of many editions and still published (Feb) 1848
G. Conklin builds a tannery at the site now known as Conklingville 1848
Chapter 207, NYS Law incorporates Sackets Harbor & Saratoga RR Co. (but never actualized) 1848
Sackets Harbor & Saratoga RR Co. is allowed to buy up to 250,000 a. in Adks, at 5 cents/a. 1848
Ch. Lanham describes spearing large, spawning lake trout, Salvelinus namacush, at Lake George 1848
Town of North Hudson is set off from the Town of Moriah, Essex County (12 Apr) 1848
A Mr. Fay builds a sawmill at Vermontville, Town of Franklin 1848
P. Comstock heads McLean-Fitzgerald mill (w/ Keese & Tomlinson) at McLenathan Falls (Feb) 1848
Asher B. Durand paints o.o.c. Hurricane Mountain, a Keene Valley scene 1848
Lanham writes the days of fishing in Lake George are nearly at an end due to poor fishing practices 1848
Attempts to catch live moose spread following capture and sale to menagerie 1848
Powdered derris root (containing rotenone) is used as an insecticide in Asia 1848
Apollos A. Smith & bro. Lewis rent Lovering Place, Loon Lake, T. of Franklin as sportsmen’s lodge 1848
Construction begins on Plattsburgh-Ogdensburg sector of the NNYRR 1848
Town of Caroga Lake is established 1848
Joseph Seligman, a German Jew, est. clothing store in NYC 1848
Franklin B. Hough receives M.D. from Western Reserve Univ. 1848
William James Stillman graduates from Union College, Schenectady, NY 1848
F.G. Crosby buys United States Hotel at Lake George 1848
U.S. Post Office (USPS) is established at Adirondac (Tahawus) (3 Aug) 1848
African-American Willis Augustus Hodges est short-lived 200 a AA community near Loon Lake 1848
George Brown builds Halfway House on road between Lake George village and Glens Falls 1848
Toll plank road is built between Glen Falls and Lake George along old military road route 1848
Town of Northfield (now Edinburg) refuses to pay access tax of North River bridge at Hadley 1848
M. Bellanger claims to have brought French dauphin to N. Y. for adoption by up-state Indians 1848
American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) is founded 1848
McIntyre and Robertson build ‘McIntyre’ furnace to smelt iron ore at Tahawus 1848
Asa Gray notes presence of Purple loosestrife, Lythrum Salicaria, in Orange Co., NY, ME, MA 1848
Franklin B. Hough practices medicine at Somerville, near Gouverneur 1848-52
Reduced version of C.J. Sauthier map of New York is published in Albany, NY 1849
Benjamin T. Wells settles in Town of Horicon at what would become Mill Brook, fut. Adirondack 1849
A plank road is built from Amsterdam to Fish House through Broadalbin 1949
Orson S. Phelps, Almeron Oliver and George Estey ascend Haystack Mountain (Aug) 1849
Orson Schofield Phelps names Haystack Mountain 1849
U.S. Post Office is est. in Town of Harrietstown, Franklin Co. (11 Aug) 1849
An outbreak of cholera, the second, occurs in Schenectady 1849
Cholera strikes New York City killing more than 5,000 in Manhattan alone 1849
Father Comstock of Lewis, NY, organizes a Congegational Church at North Elba 1849
Joseph Henry of Smithsonian Institution establishes volunteer weather observation network 1849
Railroad enters western Lake Champlain shore disrupting the economy 1849
Abolitionist John Brown and wife from MA settle 244 a. farm, Gerritt Smith’s ‘Timbuctu’, N. Elba 1849
Construction of St. Sacrament Episcopal Church at Bolton Landing is completed 1849
Rev. Joel T. Headley (New York Tribune reporter) pub The Adirondack; or, Life in the Woods 1849

The Reverend Joel Tyler Headley, Union College graduate of 1839, frail and stressed, sought better health by going into the Adirondacks and under their bracing influence gained in both mind and body to write one of the first Adirondack works spurring visitation of the Adirondack region. In his long life of 84 years he served as Presbyterian minister, political figure, author, historian, associate editor of the New York Times, and wilderness advocate serving as a model for Henry David Thoreau. He has been overlooked as one of the important influences fostering respect for wild places.

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William F. Martin leases Captain Pliny Miller’s hotel on the Saranac River 1849
Asher Durand paints o.o.c. Kindred Spirits (William Cullen Bryant and Thomas Cole) 1849
Hadley Falls Co. builds a major hydropower dam on the Connecticut River 1849
Henry David Thoreau pub his (poorly received) A Week on the Concord and Merrimack Rivers 1849
U.S. Department of the Interior is established 1849
Beech bark disease is identified in Europe with a scale insect as proposed pathogen 1849
Cullen Whipple, Providence, RI, patents method of making gimlet-pointed screws automatically 1849
The California Gold Rush is on! 1849
The Hudson River Boom Association agrees to build a sorting boom (Big Boom) at Glens Falls 1849
The Big Boom is constructed at the Big Bend of the Hudson R. near Glens Falls 1849-51
Late blight severely impacts Maine potato crop affecting Boston and NYC markets 1849-52
George Perkins Marsh serves as US Minister to Turkey 1849-53
Railroad building based on foreign capital and discovery of California gold fosters business boom 1849-56
William H. Seward is US Senator from NY (Mar 4, 1849 – Mar 3, 1861) 1849-61
Caleb Chase establishes a shop to make guideboats at Newcomb 1850
NYS leads the nation in lumber production 1850
The Maine Company buys township 20 of Great Tract One, and begins logging operations 1850
Benjamin T. Wells erects a tannery on Mill Brook; 5 years later, a thriving community exists there 1850
A telegraph line is installed along the right-of-way of the Erie Railroad 1850
Adirondack iron bloomers are among the most efficient iron-makers in the world 1850s

Compared with the Catalan furnace technologies employed in southern France and bloom smelting in Europe, Adirondack bloomers were using 24 percent less charcoal, 32 percent less ore and 86 percent less labor to make their blooms. Their fuel to iron ratio was 2.1 in 1865. No one else in the world was doing this, let alone in a bloomery forge. It is no wonder that they were among the best in the world.


Workers of Great Northern Railway strike and are jailed in Ellenburg 1850
Arthur Fitzwilliam Tait, English, comes to NY to paint the Adirondacks 1850
Joseph Vernon Nash settles on the west shore of Mirror Lake 1850
The Town of North Elba is set off from the Town of Keene (5 Mar) 1850
George Washington est. headquaters at Newburgh (later becoming 1st NYS historic site) 1850
Thomas Meacham, hunter, dies after killing 2,550 deer, 219 bear, 214 wolves, and 77 mountain lions 1850
The NNYRR begins ‘through-train’ service between Rouses Point and Ogdensburg (20 Sep) 1850
Elizabethtown and Westport Plank Road, incorporated 30 Oct 1849, is opened with two toll gates 1850
J.W. Finch and his father purchase Hamilton Co. Township 15 for timber on the Indian River 1850
Plank road is built from Port Henry to the Moriah ore beds halving transport costs 1850
‘Western’ plank road covering 14 mi. from Black Brook to Franklin Falls is formed (11 Feb) 1850
Telegraph service is extended from Watertown, Jefferson Co. to Ogdensburg, St. Lawrence Co. 1850
Thompson’s Plattsburgh-Ogdensburg stage line closes with est. of NNYRR 1850
John Taylor plagiarizes Joel T. Headley’s *Letters from the Backwoods* 1850
Piseco Lake Trout Club disbands after pillaging 6,356 lbs of trout, 15 lbs/day/man 1850
S.F. Baird collects fish from Lake George, becomes earliest entry in the Smithsonian fish collection 1850
NYS population reaches 3,097,000 with a density of 65.0/square mile 1850
Robert Clarke and Alexander (Sandy) Ralph ascend Mt. Colden via the Trap Dike (July) 1850
Gutta percha tree, *Isonandra percha*, is discovered in Indonesia and is used in cable insulation 1850
Steamship *John Jay* (140 ft. long, cruising at 11 knots) begins service in Lake George 1850
A large gang-mill with about seventy saws is erected on the east bank of Raquette River, Colton 1850
A dam is built on Tupper Lake 1850
Chapter 249, NYS Law, attempts to protect the Raquette River as a navigable waterway 1850
William James Stillman visits Europe to study works of Ruskin, Turner, Rossetti, Millais *et al.* 1850
A steam lithographic press is invented in France 1850
Some 150 glaciers are present in area of future Glacier National Park, Montana

Jeptha R. Simms pub *Trappers of New York* 1850

Constable guides seven women and seven men to a camp at Raquette Lake 1850

Alexander Parks (1813-1890), American, creates “Parkesine”, hard, transparent, flexible material c. 1850

Alfalfa snout beetle, *Otiorhynchus ligustica*, is introduced to US from Europe at Port of Oswego c. 1850

Linus Yale builds an octagonal, limestone home at Newport on West Canada Creek c. 1850

Deep sea core provides evidence for close of “Little Ice Age” – “Mother of history changing events” 1850s

R. Swanson, PSC, *AE*, date for US arrival edible, ornamental, Eurasian goutweed (Sep-Oct) 1850s

Keene Valley becomes summer art center attracting many notables 1850s

As patents lapse, commercial manufacture of lawn mowers becomes widespread in the UK 1850s

Commercial white pine resources of the Adirondacks are exhausted 1850s

French Canadian loggers working for the Finches begin settling in Township 15 1850s

Henry David Thoreau proposes that ‘wilderness’ is worthwhile and in need of preservation 1850s

Ellen (Swallow) Richards attends MIT and uses ideas of “oekologie” in her writing 1850s

Thomas Chambers paints *o.o.c. Lake George and the Village of Caldwell* 1850s

Passenger pigeon nesting site of 180 square miles is noted for Cattaraugus and Erie Cos. 1850s

Henry Hudson Barton, NYC jewelry store clerk, is offered garnets from Adks; he rejects them c. 1850s

Virgil C. Bartlett leases Captain Pliny Miller’s hotel 1850-1852

Alpine glaciers world-wide grow rapidly (GCC) 1850-1855

Mean global temperature is c. 13.6 degrees (GCC) 1850-1870

Franz Joseph Glacier, New Zealand Southern Alps marks end undergoing recession (GCC) 1850-1893

Volcanic activity averaging 5 major eruptions per prior centuries subsides (GCC) 1850-1893

A road is built to connect Chestertown to Mill Brook, T. of Horicon c. 1851

Telegraph service is extended from Burlington, VT, to Rouses Point and Ogdensburg 1851

A broom factory is built in T. of Stony Creek 2-miles west of Creek Center, Warren Co. c. 1851

Dr. Benjamin Brandreth purchases Totten & Crossfield Township 39 (24,038 a.) 1851

AAAS urges Gov. Hunt and legislature to fund an accurate triangulation survey of the state 1851

A post office is established at Mill Brook, fut. Adirondack, Town of Horicon, Warren Co. (1 May) 1851

L.H. Morgan pub *League of the Iroquois* and a map of the nation’s 1769 distribution 1851

Henry David Thoreau gives lecture “Walking”: “In Wilderness is the preservation of the World” 1851

William James Stillman exhibits an oil painting of Adirondacks at National Academy of Design 1851

A.C. Downing writes an essay proposing a 500 a. park for NYC 1851

An act for the acquisition of land for construction of a central park in NYC passes 1851

Rural Resort Hotel at Trenton Falls becomes Moore’s Hotel, a.k.a. Trenton Falls Hotel 1851

Capt. U.S. Grant, wife and son, return to Madison Barracks, Sackets Harbor for a second tour 1851

Mile Squares 1, 6, and 12 are annexed to T. of Colton from T. of Parishville (Nov) 1851

The Big Boom begins operation at Glens Falls stopping some 130,000 logs for milling 1851

O. Keese & T.A. Tomlinson build sawmill 3-mi. west of (future) Paul Smith’s hotel (T. of Duane) 1851

McLenathan Falls hamlet on Saranac River in T. of Franklin is renamed Franklin Falls 1851

*Middletown Republican* reports the export of 1.8 million passenger pigeon to various markets 1851

Bernard E. Furnow, eventual first professional US forester, is born in Prussia 1851

Logging begins on Moose River Plains 1851

Father Olivetti est. settlement of sixteen log cabins & church at Tirrell Pond (Town of Indian Lake) 1851

Artist-naturalist John James Audubon, born 1785, inspiration for National Audubon Society dies 1851

Herman Melville pub, *Moby Dick, or, The Whale*, in NYC (Nov) 1851

Moose, Chateaugay and Schroon rivers are opened to log rafting 1851

A ship canal is proposed to connect Lake Champlain and the St. Lawrence River 1851

Jonas Wilder, Rouses Point, invents refrigerated railcar to ship NNY butter to Boston 1851

John and Stevenson Constable kill 2 moose on Independence Creek at Big Moose Lake 1851
H.D. Thoreau offers that “in Wildness is the preservation of the World” 1851
Erastus Corning founds the New York Central Railroad 1851
A.A. (Pol) Smith builds Hunters’ Home (sportmen’s lodge) on North Br. Saranac R, T. of Franklin 1852
House sparrow is “successfully” released by the directors of Brooklyn Institute 1852
Franklin Falls hamlet comprises 23 dwellings, a ‘pretentious’ hotel, a large store and a sawmill 1852
Forest fire burns all but a single cabin at Franklin Falls; rebuilding starts immediately (29 May) 1852

So rapidly and fiercely did the flames spread that fowls, dogs and cattle perished in the streets, and the inhabitants themselves barely escaped with their lives. Household goods, merchandise in the store, large quantities of lumber, and even the unsubmerged parts of wagons that had been hauled into the river had been destroyed.

Frederick J. Seaver, 1918. Historical Sketches of Franklin County, pp. 360-361.

Franklin Falls owners, P. Comstock, JB Dickinson, Keese & Tomlinson, suffer severe financial loss 1852
To save their interests, P. Comstock & Wm. McLean lead rebuilding of Franklin Falls hamlet 1852

“My own knowledge of this town,” says Mr. George Tremble, “is from July 15, 1852, at which date I came to this place (Franklin Falls). It was then a new burnt-out village. Peter Comstock was rebuilding the mills, stone hotel, barns and ten dwellings. James H. Totman, the millwright, with about 60 men were at work about a new sawmill and other works on the then burnt village. The mill was finished in October, consisting of Yankee gang, English mill, slabbing-gang, block-gang, and edger, and ran night and day teams, often taking loads of plank and boards in the morning made from trees that eighteen hours before were standing in the forest, six miles from the mill, and in thirty-six hours were nicely piled on the Port Kent dock, all under the general management of that old veteran, Peter Comstock. The cost of rebuilding the village was about $30,000.”


Samuel Bass and Solomon Northup begin construction of Edwin Epps plantation home, LA (Jun) 1852
John P. Bowman builds tannery at Creek Center, now Stony Creek; 25 men process 40,000 hides/yr 1852
A.C. Downing drowns attempting to save others as Henry Clay burns on Hudson R. (22 July) 1852
Samuel Bass writes three letters crucial to freeing of Solomon Northup in LA (15 Aug) 1852
William F. Martin erects Martin’s Hotel for the leisure class on Lower Saranac Lake 1852
Isaac Walton et al. catch 483 lbs. of trout in one week at Piseco Lake 1852
NNYRR takes NNY butter to Boston via floating swing-bridge across L. Champlain at Rouses Pt 1852
Robert A. Smith describes formation of sulfuric acid by burning coal in Manchester, England 1852
Frank W. Woolworth, later of 5 &10 cent store fame, is born on a Watertown farm 1852
A moose is seen near Wells on the Sacandaga R. 1852
Cullen Whipple, Providence, RI patents a single machine for making gimlet-pointed screws 1852
Edward Sabine (1788-1883), British, links sunspots to activity of magnetic field on earth 1852
Sole remaining tract of valuable timber of Essex Co. survives in the Wilmington-N. Elba area 1852

This enormous consumption of timber (white pine, spruce, hemlock) has nearly exhausted the primitive forest, and the business may be regarded as approaching its termination.

No climate is more salubrious, or better calculated to secure enjoyment and comfort to man, the atmosphere clear, elastic and invigorating, bears no miasmatic exhalations. The winters of this climate are often severe but equable. The summers are warm, and yield a rapid impulse to vegetation, that
promotes an early maturity. The heat of summer is modified by the cool and exhilarating breezes of the lakes and mountains . . . .

Winslow C. Watson, Esq.
1853, pp. 813, pp. 753

Leached ashes at ruins of potash asheries are used as fertilizer by Essex Co. farmers 1852
Jedidiah Vincent Huntington pub *The Forest*, a novel set in Adks siting Lewey L. and L. Pleasant 1852
A natural asphalt pavement is placed on a French highway, probably the first in Europe 1852
Henry J. Raymond founds *The New York Times* 1852
Iron mining at Mineville now includes many tunnels, some 300’ deep 1852
Atlantic salmon is last reported in Lake Champlain, as noted by C.L. Smith in his monograph 1852
Arthur Fitzwilliam Tait Builds shanty on Upper Chateaugay Lake 1852
Harriet Elizabeth (nee Beecher) Stowe pub *Uncle Tom’s Cabin* 1852
A second gang-mill with sixty saws is erected on the west bank of Raquette R., Colton 1852
Transport of log by railroad in New York begins in Steuben Co. 1852
Town of Athol becomes (new) T. of Thurman and Town of Stony Creek and disappears (3 Nov) 1852
Concept of the polar vortex, “air maps”, is described: *Littell’s Living Age* No. 495, (12 Nov) 1853
NYS Gov. Washington Hunt appoints H.B. Northup agent for release of Solomon Northup (23 Nov) 1852
William Gilliland, Irish, pub his Champlain valley diary covering events of middle 1700s 1852
Adirondack guide Les Hathaway dies at age 90; shoots a deer the day before (Dec) 1852
Robert Angus Smith coins term “acid rain” and discusses its origins & impacts on British Isles 1852
Zadok Thompson pub a *Natural History of Vermont* 1853
Winslow Watson pub history and agricultural survey of Essex County 1853
Franklin Hough pub a *History of St. Lawrence and Franklin Counties* 1853
William James Stillman becomes fine arts editor at W. C. Bryant’s *Evening Post* 1853
New York State Agricultural Society petitions legislature to fund a scientific state survey 1853
Sackets Harbor & Ellisburgh RR Co. begins running from Pierrepont Manor to Sackets Harbor 1853
Proposed route of Sackets Harbor & Saratoga RR Co. is mapped 1853
ROW for Sackets Harbor & Saratoga Railroad is surveyed (Jan) 1853
Henry B. Northup, John Wadill, Sameul Bass find, Epps’ Plantation, LA (3 Jan) 1853
Edwin Epps signs Solomon Northup release papers; Solomon and H.B. Northup leave LA (4 Jan) 1853
Solomon Northup begins proceedings for trial of James Burch for enslavement, Wash., DC (17 Jan) 1853
*New York Daily Times* reports on the rescue of Solomon Northup by H.B. Northup *et al.* (20 Jan) 1853
Solomon Northrup unites with family, Glens Falls, after 12 years of enslavement in LA (21 Jan) 1853
Earthquake of Mag. 4.8 (Mod. Mercalli VI) is recorded for Jefferson & Lewis Counties (12 Mar) 1853
Navigation on the Erie Canal opens 20 April and ends 20 December, 245 days 1853
USPS renames Harrietstown PO as ‘Saranac Lake’ & moves it to Col. Baker’s store (18 Jun) 1853
Solomon Northup pub *Twelve Years a Slave*, with editorial assistance of David Wilson (Jul) 1853
Olivetti’s settlement at Tirrell Pond (Town of Indian Lake) is abandoned 1853
The plank road from Au Sable Forks to Black Brook is ‘put through’ 1853
Fish House-Russell and Chestertown-Russell roads deteriorate and are rarely used 1853
Conductors using different local times put 2 trains on same track; head-on crash ensues (12 Aug) 1853

As a result of this accident on the Providence & Worcester Railroad in New England, fourteen people died and the public was outraged. The railroads subsequently ordered more reliable watches for
their conductors and issued stricter rules for running on time and most all New England railroads agreed to synchronize their clocks and watches to a single standard time obtained by telegraph from the Harvard College Observatory. This was the beginning of “railroad (railway) time” in the U.S.

“Train wreck,” and “Railroad time,” (n.d.). On Time—How America Has Learned to Live by the Clock, National Museum of American History (Smithsonian Institution)

Black and Beaver Rivers are opened to log rafting

Peter S. Palmer pub History of Lake Champlain

The total parkland of NYC is estimated at 117 a.

Katie Wicks, G. Crum’s sister, “invents” potato chip at Moon’s Lake House, Saratoga Springs

Potato chips, a.k.a. Saratoga chips, increase in popularity and spread quickly from Saratoga Springs

Three women and their maid are guided to the top of Mt. Marcy

Abraham Gesner (1797-1864), British, extracts/names inflammable fluid “kerosene” from asphalt

Anthracite replaces charcoal for the firing of renovated furnaces at Port Henry

Crude iron ore production for Moriah, Essex Co. is projected at 107,500 tons

S. H. Hammond kills a moose at Rock Pond, south of Little Tupper Pond

Alonzo Wood and Ed Arnold kill 2 moose and find a 3rd dead at Seventh Lake Mt.

A power plant is built at Niagara Falls further fostering general deterioration of the site

Overshot wheel (40’ dia. and 20’ width) of the Burden Iron Works at Troy begins operation c. 1853

Robert Smith of Syracuse pub Adirondack county wall maps

John Morrissey (“Old Smoke”) is U.S, heavyweight boxing champion

Theodatus Garlick and H.A. Ackley succeed in artificial propagation of brook trout (22 Jan)

Work begins on Sackets Harbor & Saratoga Railroad at various disconnected sections

Samuel H. Hammond notes the presence of a big passenger pigeon nesting area at Tupper L.

William J. Stillman and Henry Kirke Brown visit Tupper’s Lake area guided by a Moody

Georgian snail (Viviparus georgianus) is found in the Mohawk R. (Lewis)

Asa Fitch is appointed NYS entomologist (4 May)

J. Ordway, owner Totten and Crossfield Township 34, lumbers the Rock River area

James M. Wardner, S. Wardner, and L. Rand form market hunting partnership at Osgood Pond

Stone blast furnace is built at McIntyre Iron Works, AISC, capacity 14 ton/day; 1st fired on 8 Aug

A blast furnace at Port Henry is encased with a 46-ft. high iron shell

The western wheat crop fails resulting in a great decline in Erie Canal revenue

John Snow (1813-1858), English, links London cholera epidemic to water pollution

An outbreak of cholera, the third, occurs in Schenectady

Franklin B. Hough (and wife Mariah) moves to Albany to become statistician for NYS census

Carthage State Dam (100-0231) is built or reconditioned

Joseph Russell and Alexander Merrill are arrested-arraigned for Solomon Northup kidnapping (Jul)

Lake George Steamboat Company is rechartered

Lake Sanford iron-ore blast furnace (McIntyre furnace) is enlarged to produce 12-15 tons/day

A road in Paris is surfaced with bituminous asphalt

Solomon Northup produces a play featuring himself dealing with his enslavement for 12 years in LA

Banded mystery snail, Viviparus georgianus, is found in Erie Canal, Herkimer Co.

Illustrious Remington builds a paper mill on the Black River at Watertown

Benson Iron Ore Corporation opens an iron mine at Jayville

Black swallow-wort, Cynanchum louisiæ, is recorded for Ipswich, MA, first NA record

A road is built through Wilmington Notch from Wilmington to Lake Placid

NYS legislature permits S. Wells et al. to build a dam at outlet of Lower Au Sable L. for log driving

Virgil Bartlett buys Backwoods Lodge on the Upper Saranac Lake-Round Lake carry
Virgil and Caroline Bartlett transform Backwoods Lodge with 1,000 a. into Bartlett Carry Club 1854
Mellier Watt patents a chemical process for making paper wood pulp 1854
Legislature gives $5000 to NYS Canal Commissioners to build dam at foot of Lower AuSable Lake 1854
Sam H. Hammond pub *Hills, Lakes and Forest Streams* noting passenger pigeon at Tupper Lake 1854
NYS legislature appoints Dr. Asa Fitch full-time entomologist of NYS Agricultural Society 1854
Henry David Thoreau pub *Walden; or, Life in the Woods* 1854
Samuel Merrill reports “sudden migration” of moose caused by dogs c. 1854
Herman Brehmer of Silesia urges healthy environment as therapy for TB 1854
Oswegatchie & Grass rivers & West Canada Creek are opened to logging 1854
Salmon and lower West Branch of Saint Regis River are opened to log rafting 1854
L. Lincoln and J. Hammond sell 27 a. to Worcester, MA, for city park 1854
Alvah Dunning notes “petering out” of moose in Raquette Lake area 1854–55
A.B. Street and Harvey Moody kill a moose on Mud Lake at the head of the Bog River 1854–58
Nathan Littauer, a Jew from Breslau, Germany, settles in Gloversville 1855
Sewell Newhouse of the Oneida Community markets eight sizes of steel traps 1855
The game of croquet is invented as a means of joint outdoor exercise for men and women 1855
Arthur Fitzwilliam Tait paints *Still Hunting on the First Snow* 1855
Rev. C.M.F Sallaz blesses the new Church of the Assumption at Redford, NY (15 Aug) 1855
The annual “15th of Redford” picnic celebration is inaugurated (15 Aug) 1855
Franklin County farmers ship hops to Québec breweries via new railway lines 1855
Henry Ward Beecher pub a collection of essays titled *Star Papers* - accenting quiet solitude 1855
William James Stillman and partner begin publication of *The Crayon*, a fine-arts periodical 1855
Henry Wadsworth Longfellow pub the long poem *Song of Hiawatha* 1855
S. Wells, W.V.R. McLean, D. Blish build dam at foot of Lower AuSable Lake for transport of logs 1855
A freshest occurs in the East Branch of the Au Sable River after intense rainfall (30 Sep–1 Oct) 1855
S. Wells’ dam at the outlet of Lower AuSable Lake is washed away, much property damage (1 Oct) 1855
S. Wells, *et al.* rebuild dam a few rods downstream at L. AuSable Lake for transport of logs 1855–56
In a letter to *The Crayon* Asher B. Durand calls for wilderness art 1855
Amelia Murray takes extended Adk camping trip Elizabethtown to Saranac L. to Boonville 1855

In 1855, the Hon. Amelia M. Murray, 60, a maid-of-honor to Queen Victoria, accompanied by the governor of New York, Horatio Seymour, his niece, and three guides, embarked on a camping trip through the region. The plucky Englishwoman traveled by buckboard, canoe and foot from Elizabethtown to Saranac Lake and on to Stony Creek, Raquette Lake and Boonville. In her, Ms. Murray carried biscuits, arrowroot and dried soup. Legend has it that she introduced the use of lemon with tea to Adirondack guides, a custom they soon adopted. After completing the last leg of the arduous journey, Murray spent three days recovering in a Utica hotel.


Solomon Northup produces 2nd play on his enslavement, this also poorly received 1855
Sabael Benedict, age 108, is allegedly murdered by his grandson, his body is never found c. 1855
Most railways use the telegraph to manage time schedules and to warn of delayed or disabled trains 1855
R. Pearsall Smith hires J.H. Smith to compile a map of New York State and a gazetteer 1855
U.S. Post Office (USPS) at Adirondac (Tahawus) is closed (7 Nov) 1855
U.S. Post Office is established at ‘Three Falls’, later South Colton, St. Law. Co. (15 Nov) 1855
Fort William Henry Hotel opens in Caldwell (now Lake George Village) on Lake George 1855
Henry J. Raymond, owner of the New York Times, pub four articles on the Adirondacks 1855
Asa Fitch, Salem, NY, suggests insects from Europe to control Toadflax, Linaria vulgaris 1855
Pine Lake Dam (157-0506) is built or reconditioned 1855
Clinton Hart Merriam, later student of Adirondack mammals, is born in NYC (5 Dec) 1855
Lake Edward Dam, Vandenburgh Pond Dam (172-0409) is built or reconditioned 1855
Virgil Bartlett establishes Sportsman’s Home at site eventually known as Bartlett’s Carry 1855
NYS sells Dome Island, 6. ha., southern Lake George, to a private owner 1855
James M. Wardner, S. Wardner and L. Rand build and move into a small shanty at Rainbow Lake 1855
A RR line opens connecting Rome and Trenton Depot near Trenton Falls 1855
Black River and Utica Railroad opens trackage between Utica and Boonville 1855
Black River Canal, 25 mi. Rome-Boonville, 70 locks; 10 mi. Boonville-Lyons Falls, 39 locks is done 1855
Black River Canal rises 693’ through Lansinghill Gorge to Boonville, descends 386’ to Lyons Falls 1855
Franklin B. Hough is appointed Superintendent of the NY State Census 1855
Franklin B. Hough edits Results of a Series of Meteorological Observations, a major compilation 1855
A change in tax law allows NYS to purchase Adirondack forest land at tax sales 1855
Joel T. Headley in the NYS Assembly for Orange Co., NY 1855
Truman Wilds kills a moose with a shotgun on the road between Averyville and North Elba 1855-58
Samuel Pruyn establishes his home in Glens Falls 1856
Lorenzo Hull builds and operates ‘the largest tannery in the state’ along Raquette R. at Colton 1856
Adirondack Iron & Steel Co. closes facility in Adirondac Village near Newcomb 1856
Adirondac Village is abandoned by its residents 1856
Elkanah Watson’s Men and Times of the Revolution is pub. posthumously 1856
Tahawus Club is founded at Adirondac Village, Town of Newcomb 1856
Hillel Baker est a private library in Colonel Baker’s store at Saranac Lake 1856
St. Lawrence University is established at Canton, St. Lawrence Co. 1856
Raquette Lake House (later Cory’s) is established by ‘a man named Wilbur’ 1856
Village of Saranac Lake now comprises 15 families 1856
Joel T. Headley serves as Secretary of State for NY 1856-57
Lake George steamboat John Jay catches fire 10 mi. S. of Ticonderoga with 5 drowning (30 Jul) 1856
A severe, unprecedented rain delivers severe, damaging freshet into Au Sable R. (30 Sep) 1856
East Br. of Au Sable River rises 20 ft above normal levels, 7 or 8 feet higher than ever seen (30 Sep) 1856
Landslides fall on Gothics, Armstrong, Giant, Lower Wolf Jaw, Big Slide mountains (30 Sep) 1856
Covered bridge of 1846 spanning East Branch of Au Sable River at Jay is swept away by flood 1856
The Lower Works at McIntyre Iron Works, Tahawus, is washed away (30 Sep) 1856
After heavy rains, wing wall and pier at Wells dam, Lower Au Sable Lake, is breached (30 Sep) 1856
Unprecedented destruction & 11 deaths occur in Au Sable R. valley, St. Huberts to Au Sable Forks 1856
A new covered bridge is built over the East Branch of the Au Sable River in the Town of Jay 1856
William Ferrel pub a mathematical model of global winds and ocean circulation 1856
Amelia Murray pub Letters from the United States, Canada and Cuba 1856
NYS Railroad Commission pub David Vaughan’s drawing Map of the Railroads of New York State 1856
John and Stevenson Constable kill a moose at Charley’s Pond in Hamilton Co. 1856
Unnamed man kills a moose at Mud Pond near Lower Saranac Lake 1856
Samuel H. Hammond pub Wild Northern scenes; or Sporting Adventures with . . . 1857

In his book published in 1857, journalist Samuel H. Hammond proposed marking “out a circle of a hundred miles in diameter” in the Adirondacks and throwing “around it the protecting aegis of the constitution” in order to “consecrate these old forests, these rivers and lakes, these mountains and valleys.
Titanium dioxide and economy become serious problems for Adirondack Iron and Steel Co.

Adirondack Iron & Steel Co. ceases mining operations at Tahawus and one man is kept for security.

William J. Stillman and friends camp in the Adirondacks.

Overexpansion of railroads and Ohio Life Ins. & Trust Co. failure leads to financial panic (Fall).

“Moity system” becomes a feature of NYS game law enforcement.

Third (and enduring) dam is built at the outlet of Lower AuSable Lake.

George M. Burt builds new Howe Truss covered bridge at Jay over east branch of the AuSable.

Charles Fenton kills two white-tailed deer (WTD) and a black bear with cub allowing all to rot.

White-tailed deer (WTD) season is restated and venison and green hide possession is prohibited.

Great Chazy River and more of the Grass River are opened to log rafting.

William Trost Richards makes charcoal and chalk drawing In the Adirondacks.

In 1857, the Moity system becomes a feature of NYS game law enforcement.

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Titanium dioxide and economy become serious problems for Adirondack Iron and Steel Co.
Rev. Eleazar Williams, pretender as Lost Dauphin of France, dies at Hogansburg 1858
John S. Hitell sees the eruption of Mt. Baker in the Oregon Territory 1858
William J. Stillman *et al.* buy 22,500 a. near Ampersand L. to found the Adirondack Club 1858
William J. Stillman paints o.o.c. *The Philosophers’ Camp in the Adirondacks* (see. 1859) 1858
Alfred Russel Wallace (1823-1913), British, sends 11-page article on evolution to Charles Darwin 1858
Charles Darwin/Alfred Russel Wallace present a theory of evolution to the Royal Society, London 1858
Joachim Ferdinand Richards paints o.o.c. *Bolton Landing* 1858
The NNYRR is reorganized into the Ogdensburg Railroad 1858
Edwin L. Drake develops the drive-pipe basic to first successful oil wells at Titusville, NW PA 1858
Pyrethrum is used as an insecticide in the United States 1858
A moose is seen but not shot at a garden on Raquette Lake 1858
Crown Point Lighthouse is built using a 5th order Fresnel lens 1858
Danish artist Ferdinand Richardt paints o.o.c. *Trenton High Falls* 1858
Junius B. Stearns paints o.o.c. *Charles Loring Eliot and Friends at Trenton High Falls* 1858
Franklin County Town of Brighton is separated from Town of Duane Co (Nov) 1858
Canal Appraisers deny all claims against NYS for damages from Wells dam failure (16 Feb) 1859

The principal cause of the great destruction of life and property during the freshet of 1856 was the giving way of the state dam at the head of the Au Sable River during a heavy rain storm, which washed out all the dams below, completely destroying the flourishing business of the firm of J. H. Purmort & Co., consisting of clothing and carding works, saw mill, wheelwright and blacksmith shop, four fire forges, 300 tons of separated ore, coal house filled with coal, tannery, store with about $10,000 worth of goods, grist mill (opposite side of the river) damaged to the extent of $100,000. Nine (9) lives lost between Keene and Au Sable Forks.” (Editors’ note: Except that the stated cause of the destruction was not true: the dam did not burst sending a surge down river. While it is true that the dam was breached, the flow released was not consequential to the damage caused downstream. The investigation determined that it had been a rain storm of immense proportions, perhaps the storm of the century. The resulting damage was an act of God. Remuneration was not granted.)

Purmort, Charles H., 1907.
*Purmort Genealogy Consisting of Nineteen Generations: Nine in England, Ten in America*

Appolos “Paul” Smith marries Lydia Martin of Franklin Falls, NY (May) 1859
Abolitionist John Brown and his sons kill five men in Pottowatamie Ck., Kansas (24 May) 1859
“Paul” Smith settles in the area now bearing his name (May) 1859
“Paul” Smith founds hotel on shore of Lower St. Regis Lake, well attended by celebrities 1859
Stephen Ainsworth, following Garlick & Ackley, begins breeding and propagating brook trout 1859
Edwin L. Drake and William P. Smith drill productive oil well (69 ½’) at Titusville, PA (27 Aug) 1859
W.T.M. Rankine uses (p 300) term “British thermal unit” *Manual of the Steam Engine* 1859
Solar superstorm, a coronal mass ejection, strikes Earth, telegraph systems fail globally (1-2 Sep) 1859
Auroras in the Northeast are so bright people could read newspapers outdoors at night (1-2 Sep) 1859
Abolitionist John Brown and 21 others seize the federal armory at Harper’s Ferry (16 Oct) 1859
Abolitionist John Brown is captured at Harper’s Ferry and two of his sons are killed (18 Oct) 1859
Abolitionist John Brown is hanged at Charlestown, Va., for murder, conspiracy, treason (2 Dec) 1859
Abolitionist John Brown is buried at his farm in North Elba near Lake Placid (8 Dec) 1859
I, John Brown, am quite certain that the crimes of this guilty land will never be purged away but with blood. I had, as I now think, vainly flattered myself that without very much bloodshed it might be done . . .

John Brown
After sentencing, 1859

Helen Lossing and her husband Benson J. climb Mt. Marcy 1859
J.H. French pub. 6-foot wall map “The State of New York from New and Original Surveys . . . 1859
A.B. Street and Harvey Moody see and attempt to kill a beaver in St. Regis Lakes 1859
A. Hickock guides tourists up Whiteface Mt. using wagon road and half-way shelter 1859
T.A. Tomlinson acquires all business interests of P. Comstock at Franklin Falls, T. of Franklin 1859
Gov. E.D. Morgan urges speedy enlargement of the Erie Canal 1859
John Tyndall, England, determines that certain gases block infrared radiation to cause GCC 1859
Henry Hall founds a linen and silk fishing line factory in Harlem, New York City 1859
Crown Point Lighthouse, 55’, 8-sided, L. Champlain, built by O’Neal, Ellis and Clark is activated 1859
Joel T. Headley pub. Washington and His Generals 1859
William J. Stillman paints o.o.c. The Philosophers’ Camp at Follensbee Pond (see 1858) 1859
Body of a drunk man is found near rattlesnake den in West Chazy 1859
Former Gov. Horatio Seymour shoots a bull moose at Jock’s Lake, Herkimer Co. 1859
A Town of Fine hunter shoots a moose at Bog Lake 1859
NYS produces 7/8ths of all hops grown in the US 1859
Fredonia Gas Light Company is formed 1859
John Tyndall develops instruments and detects selective gas absorption (the greenhouse effect) 1859
Edward Z.C. Judson, aka Ned Buntline, author c 150 “penny dreadfuls”, sojourns at Eagle’s Nest 1859-64
Charles Darwin (1809-1882), English, reluctantly pub The Origin of Species . . . . 1859
US railroads use 80 different timetables, making connections between train lines very difficult 1860s

The industrial revolution brought with it the post office, railroads, and the telegraph, all of which brought into conflict the differences in local time. There was great confusion because each city, town and village had its own local time. A person planning to catch an outgoing train or meet an incoming visitor at the railroad station needed to know what time to arrive; towns needed to predict when the mail would arrive and depart; and railroads with many cars sharing the same track needed to coordinate two-way traffic in order to avoid head-on collisions.

Accurate time was particularly important to business endeavors, and especially to bankers whose transactions ended at a designated time each day. Differences in time could result in serious disputes, disappointments, and disastrous financial losses.


Seneca Ray Stoddard photographs Au Sable Chasm 1860s
Frederick Edwin Church (1826-1900) develops buildings and grounds of Olana, near Hudson 1860s
“Adirondack Club” lands of William James Stillman et al. revert to NYS 1860s
Photography becomes a major means of picturing the wild areas of America 1860s
Elizabethtown becomes important stopover for travelers moving between Westport and N. Elba 1860s
Blue Jeans, standard Adirondack attire of today, take shape in California 1860s

A denim-like cotton cloth was milled long ago in Genoa, an Italian town the French called Genes, and thus the origin of our word “jeans”. The word denim comes from the French town Nimes.
Levi Strauss, a young tailor newly arrived at San Francisco – in the midst of the Gold Rush - when the 1850s saw the need for sturdy work clothes and very successfully contrived clothing of canvas but this was a stiff and heavy fabric that he replaced in the 1860s with the softer but still durable denim. Further, he dyed it blue to conceal stains, and blue jeans became a staple worn nearly all the time by rich and poor, worker and vacationer, young and old.

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Adirondack Chronology

After multiple epidemics and thousands of deaths, London builds underground sewerage system 1860-70
Essex County Home and Farm construction begins/continues 1860-99
Ragweed pollen appears in sediments at Brandreth Bog indicating European settlement c. 1860
Alfred B. Street pub Woods and Waters 1860
Liquified petroleum gas (LPG) is used as a portable fuel source 1860
John J. Miller builds a hotel in Saranac Lake and leases it to Orlando Blood 1860
William F. Fox studies engineering Union C. and is later appointed 1st Ass’t Secretary of NYS FC 1860
Henry David Thoreau lectures on forest succession 1860
Willaim H. Seward fails in presidential bid on basis of slavery, immigration, Catholicism etc views 1860
Adirondack WTD season begins 1 August and closes 1 January but is widely ignored 1860
George Weller builds plant and introduces soda water and soft drinks to Schenectady 1860
Jean Louis Rudolph Agassiz (1807-1873), promotes Museum of Comparative Zoology, Harvard 1860
Raquette Lake Outlet Dam (1954-1684) is built or reconditioned 1860
Lake Luzerne Dam (205-0409) is built or reconditioned 1860
Tomlinson & Tremble is formed to operate business interests at Franklin Falls, T. of Franklin 1860
SH&ER Company is reorganized as the Sackets Harbor, Rome & New York RR Co. 1860
Deer’s Head Inn (100 rooms) is built at Elizabethtown, the Mansion House becoming the Annex 1860
Thomas Star King pub The White Hills – set in the White Mountains 1860
Guide Alvah Dunning kills several moose on West Canada Lake 1860
Jean-Joseph-Étienne Lenoir (1822-1900), Belgian, dev/dem internal-combustion engine in a carriage 1860
Some eighty percent of Americans live in rural areas 1860
Water level records for Great Lakes begin: www.glerl.noaa.gov/data/now/wlevels/levels.html 1860
According to John Schwegman, Oriental Bittersweet is introduced to the United States 1860
Frederic Edwin Church paints Twilight in the Wilderness, o.o.c. 1860
Gypsy moth escapes from experimental containment into the forests of Massachusetts 1860
Fulton County transfers 10 sq. mi. of its northernmost territory to Hamilton Co. (6 Apr) 1860
Town of Gilman (Hamilton Co.) is dissolved 1860
Default & foreclosure forces sale of LO & HR RR as Adirondack Estate & RR Co. (11 Jun) 1860
Quarrymen discover a feather imprint in lithographic limestone at Solnhofen, Bavaria 1860
Jean Joseph Etienne Lenoir invents internal combustion engine – using coal gas 1860
Mining engineer Philip Deidesheimer develops “square-set” timbering of mine shafts 1860
Franklin B. Hough settles in Lowville, Lewis County 1860
Samuel Colman paints o.o.c. Sunset, Lake George c. 1860
Asher Brown Durand paints o.o.c. Lake George, New York c. 1860
Philander and Mather Johnson settle at Raquette Falls c. 1860
Trapper, guide, hunter George Muir builds a cabin at Gull Lake, Cranberry Lake region c. 1860
Adirondack hemlock trees become a major source of tannin for the tanning industry c. 1860
NYSM Bull reports extreme flood, c. 200,000 cfs, 12’ at Cohoes dam 1860-65
Temperature at Gouverneur, NY, falls from 30 °F to minus 40 °F in one day (7 Feb) 1861
‘John Brown’s Body’ (music) is 1st performed Fort Warren, near Boston (12 May) 1861
Fossilized skeleton of archaic bird, *Archaeopteryx lithographica*, is found at Solnhofen, Bavaria 1861
16th Infantry ‘1st Northern Regiment’ musters men from St. Law, Clinton, Franklin Co. (15 May) 1861
US annual crude oil production reaches 2,114,000 bbl. 1861
Abraham Lincoln appoints George Perkins Marsh ambassador to the United Kingdom of Italy 1861
A new dam is built by the Finches at Indian Lake to facilitate floating of logs to Glens Falls 1861
The artist A. F. Tait wounds a moose on the Marion River 1861
William Wood kills a wounded moose near the Marion River 1861
Town of Long Lake is enlarged by additions from Towns of Arietta, L. Pleasant, and Morehouse 1861
Guide Ransom Palmer et al. kill 800 lb. cow moose on Marion River near Raquette Lake (Aug) 1861
T’s of Harewood and Sherwood are annexed to Town of Clifton from T. of Colton, St. Law. Co. 1861
James B. Blossom kills a moose on the south inlet of Raquette Lake 1861

New York Daily Reformer (Watertown) newspaper continues the Reformer (24 Apr) 1861
Frederic Remington is born at Canton 1861
F.B. Hough publishes report on “Extinguishment of Indian Titles in the State of New York” 1861
US Civil War of 1861-1865, begins with firing on side-wheel steamer *Star of the West* (9 Jan) 1861
Fort Sumter, SC, is attacked as a key event in the onset of US Civil War (12 April) 1861
James McDonald Hart paints *The Adirondacks*, o.o.c., c. 4’ x 6’, AIHA 1861
The fungus *Phytophthora infestans* is defined as the pathogen for Irish potato blight 1861
NYS Sportsmen’s Association hosts a fly-casting tournament in Utica (18 Jun) 1861
Black River and Utica Railroad is renamed the Utica & Black River Railroad 1861
Northern blockade of shipping prevents lake ice (for cooling) from reaching the southern states 1861
Orson Schofield Phelps ‘cuts’ a trail to the top of Mt. Marcy 1861
Oliver Wendell Holmes invents the stereoscope – of great value in picturing landscapes 1861
C.H. Merriam suggests extirpation of Adk moose as complete by this time c. 1861
Seligman Clothing Co., NYC, holds lucrative Civil War contract to provide uniforms 1861-65
William H. Seward, UC graduate, is 24th US Secretary of State (March 5, 1861 – Mar 4, 1869) 1861-69
Lewis Henry Morgan serves in both houses of NYS legislature 1861-69
George Perkins Marsh serves as US minister to Italy 1861-82
Gov. Horatio Seymour authorizes stocking of black bass in Adks 1862
92nd Infantry Regiment musters volunteers from St. Law and Franklin Co. at Potsdam (1 Jan) 1862
98th Infantry, ‘Malone Regiment’, musters volunteers from Malone, NY and Wayne Co. (6 Feb) 1862
97th Infantry, ‘Conkling Rifles’ musters men from Oneida/Herkimer Co. at Boonville (18 Feb) 1862
96th Infantry, ‘Plattsburg Regiment’, musters volunteers from Plattsburgh & vicinity (Mar) 1862
Henry David Thoreau pub “Autumnal Tints”, *Atlantic*, bench mark re GCC/fall color change (Oct) 1862
Henry David Thoreau dies of TB, Concord, MA (6 May) 1862
Pres. Abraham Lincoln establishes U.S. Dept. of Agriculture (USDA) (15 May) 1862
Federal Morrill Act enables states to sell public lands to finance land-grant colleges 1862
Atlantic Monthly pub (posthumously) Henry David Thoreau’s lecture/essay “Walking” (Jun) 1862
106th Infantry, ‘St. Law. Co. Regiment’, incl. men from Malone, is mustered (27 Aug) 1862
142nd Infantry NY musters volunteers from St. Lawrence & Franklin Co. (Sep) 1862
Guide Captain Calvin Park kills a moose at Constable Point, Raquette Lake 1862
Guide Alvah Dunning claims to kill the last moose in the Adirondack region (Mar) 1862
Martin Johnson Heade paints, oil on canvas, *Lake George* 1862
Mitchell Sabattis, Abanaki, guide (and violinist) is denied right to vote at Long Lake. 1862
Original Castorland journal of 700 pages is discovered in Paris, France 1862
Squire Whipple, UC graduate, is granted payment for patent use in making Erie Canal steel bridges 1862
Enlargement of Erie Canal, 350.5 mi. long, 70’ wide, 7’ deep, is declared complete 1862
860 boats are registered for navigation in the Erie Canal 1862
Drake and Smith oil well at Titusville, PA, ceases production because of oil market glut 1862
Alexander Spengler, German, pub an advisory on fresh-air therapy for TB 1862
French chemist Louis Pasteur announces the germ theory of disease 1862
Sackets Harbor, Rome & New York RR Co. ceases operation 1862
Plastic is invented – but see Bakelite, 1909 1862
Chapter 225, NYS Law, provides reimbursement to Essex and Warren Cos. for RR tax loss 1862
Nathanial Dodge, Keeseville blacksmith, obtains a patent for stamping horse shoe nails 1862
Horace Augustus Moses is born on his father’s farm, Ticonderoga (21 Apr) 1862
Some 15,000 tourists visit Caldwell (now L. George Village), southwest shore of Lake George 1862
Record is established for maximum June rainfall in Albany with 8.7” (Avg. to 2006 is 3.74”) 1862
Penfield Pond dam is washed out by a major flood causing major damage to downstream sites 1862
Franklin B. Hough founds the short-lived periodical The American Journal of Forestry 1862
Abraham Lincoln signs Homestead Act assigning 270 million a. to (mostly white) settlers 1862
AE&RR goes into receivership and is sold to A.N. Cheney, Glens Falls (16 Dec) 1862
A.N. Cheney, in receivership, conveys AE&RR to investors as Adirondack Company (26 Dec) 1862
Arthur Fitzwilliam Tait paints oil A Good Time Coming featuring Raquette Lake (Currier and Ives) 1862
James Clark Maxwell develops equations describing electromagnetism 1862-64
W. H. Seward, US Secr of State, announces Pres. Lincoln’s Thanksgiving Day proclamation (3 Oct) 1863
John Burroughs reports Lake Sanford abounding in white perch, yellow perch and pickerel 1863
US Secretary of State William Seward hosts an international conference at Trenton Falls 1863
A passenger pigeon, now in the collection of the Pember Museum, is killed near Granville 1863
John Burroughs notes a single passenger pigeon at the Upper Works of Tahawus 1863
Pierre Lallemont, in Paris, claims creation of pedal-driven draisine (vélocipède) fut. bicycle 1863
After 16 1/2 years of work, David Dodge perfects horse nail making machine, Keeseville 1863
T.C. Durant incorporates Adirondack Company and begins building RR line to North Creek (24 Oct) 1863
Albert Bierstadt paints a 6’ by 10’ o.o.c. depicting Landers Peak of the Rocky Mountains 1863
A limestone dam is built over the Mohawk R. at Rexford 1863
Weather maps are 1st published by the Paris Observatory 1863
Solomon Northup, author of Twelve Years a Slave, is presumed dead, his final years a mystery 1863
Richard B. Jackson erects Arctic Hotel, later known as Cedar River House, west of Indian Lake 1863
American Graphite Company is formed at Ticonderoga 1863
Mary Ann Brown, abolitionist John Brown’s 2nd wife, moves to California 1863
Winslow C. Watson pub Pioneer History of the Champlain Valley 1863
Martin Johnson Heade paints o.o.c. Lake George 1863
Asher Brown Durant paints o.o.c. The Picnic, Bolton, New York 1863
Fred Allen of Monmouth, Illinois, designs a “modern appearing” duck call 1863
AuSable Horse-Nail Co. with $40,000 capital forms, ships 100 tons of nails in 1st operating year 1863
Dactylopius ceylonicus from northern India is brought south to control cactus Opuntia vulgaris 1863
Sewall Newhouse’s steel animal traps assume great importance in the fur market 1863
Fitz-Hugh Ludlow and Albert Bierstadt tour the Yosemite area and Oregon 1863
Frederick Law Olmsted reports to the California legislature on the use of Yosemite Valley 1863
Thomas C. Durant acquires Sackets Harbor & Saratoga RR and plans railroad to North Creek 1863
Murphy’s Friends Lake Inn opens as boarding house for workers of a local tannery, Friends Lake c. 1863
Sanford Robinson Gifford paints o.o.c. A Coming Storm c. 1863-1880
Prospect House, commonly known as Hough’s, opens on Upper Saranac Lake 1864

Remarkably, the generator once used in the Prospect House (Saranac Inn) survives at the Paul Smith’s Museum at Paul Smith’s College.

Ruth Hoyt, curator, Paul Smith’s Museum
As told to Richard Tucker
Editor, Adirondack Chronology

Clergyman William H.H. Murray makes his first visit to the Adirondacks 1864
Frederick Law Olmsted becomes chairman of the Yosemite Commission 1864
A. Lincoln assigns Yosemite Valley and Maricosa Big Tree Grove to CA state management (30 Jun) 1864
The Yosemite Valley region becomes the nation’s first state park 1864
NYT editorial on suburbanization of Adks prompts private canoe route sequestration (9 Aug) 1864
NYS enacts law establishes license fee for WTD hunting in Suffolk Co., NY (30 Apr) 1864
James B. Johnson founds and supervises a European salmon hatchery in NYC 1864
George Perkins Marsh pub Man and Nature or Physical Geography . . . 1864

Most citizens remember the terrible hospital scenes of Jun and July, 1862, when, in its sorest necessity, an ice famine prevailed in the city, and the wounded died by hundreds for lack of its cool, delicious, all health-giving and life-giving touch.

Richmond Examiner, 18 Jun 1864

The Deficiency Act provides statutory support for employment of women 1864
The area previously known as Lake Pleasant is renamed Newton’s Corners 1864
John Morrissey (“Old Smoke”) est. the Saratoga Race Course, still in operation today 1864
Post office at Mill Brook, Town of Horicon, is discontinued (10 Jun) 1864
Ogdensburg Railroad is reorganized as Ogdensburg & Lake Champlain RR 1864
Edward Schultz, German, invents smokeless gun powder 1864
Herbert Spencer, English, coins the phrase “survival of the fittest” in his Principle of Biology 1864
Seth Green meets Stephen Ainsworth to learn more about how to artificially propagate fish 1864
Seth Green est. fish hatchery facility at Caledonia, Livingston Co., to propagate salmon trout 1864
Seneca Ray Stoddard begins photography of the Adirondacks 1864
J. & J. Rogers Iron Co. buys G.A. Purmort’s iron interests in Jay 1864
J. & W. Seligman & Co. est. (eventually major) firm for banking and investment, NYC 1864
Adirondack bloomery iron production reaches 33,600 tons using 6.6 MM bu. of charcoal 1864
R. Prescott Furniture, Sash, and Blind Manufactory is established at Keeseville 1864
“The Great Fire” destroys most of the downtown, commercial district of Glens Falls 1864
Franklin County hops crop is decimated by mold and vermin; prices fluctuate widely 1864
NYAPG prompts legislation for formal administration of fish and game 1864
Henry David Thoreau in The Maine Woods proposes national preserves 1864
Nathaniel Coffin pub The Forest Arcadia of Northern New York 1864
James McDonald Hart paints o.o.c. Lake George 1864
Sanford R. Gifford paints o.o.c. Twilight in the Adirondacks (coll Adk Museum, Blue Mt. Lake) 1864
... The fact that this work is prosecuted under the direct supervision of Thomas C. Durant, Esq., one of the principal stockholders of the Company, and one of the ablest railway men of the country, is a sufficient guarantee for its rapid progress; and with its completion, the Adirondack region will become a suburb of New York. The furnaces of our capitalists will line its valleys and create new fortunes to swell the aggregate of our wealth, while the hunting lodges of our citizens will adorn its more remote mountain sides and the wooded islands of its delightful lakes. It will become, to our whole community, on an ample scale, what Central Park is on a limited one.

Editorial, New York Times
9 August, 1864

The West Branch of the Schroon River is opened to log rafting

T.C. Durant completes 44 mi. of Adirondack Co. RR and first run is made to Hadley (1 Dec)

New York State Fish, Game and Forest League is founded

Cornell University is founded at Ithaca as land-grant college funded through federal Morrill Act

Franklin B. Hough, Lowville, is appointed Superintendent of the NYS Census

Franklin B. Hough, Lowville, travels widely in Adirondacks to report on critical role in water supply

Francis Parkman pub. Pioneers of France in the New World

Adirondack Company’s Railroad is completed from Saratoga Springs to Jessup’s Landing

92nd Infantry ‘Excelsior Rifle Blues’ musters out, having lost 202 men, 11 as POWs (7 Jan)

115th Infantry Regiment, NY, loses 10 men as magazine explodes at Fort Fisher, NC (16 Jan)

96th Infantry, ‘Plattsburg Regiment’, musters out, having lost 230 men, 36 as POWs (6 Feb)

A disastrous flood does great damage to western sector of Erie Canal (16-18 Mar)

A ‘freshet’ badly damages the Champlain Canal and associate structures (16-18 Mar)

The Mechanicville dam gives way along with a large section of berm (16-18 Mar)

Pres. A. Lincoln is assassinated (shot) by J.W. Booth in Washington D.C. on Good Friday (14 Apr)

118th NY, ‘Adirondack Regiment’ musters out, having lost 292 men, 45 as POWs (13 Jun)

115th NY, Iron Hearted Regiment, musters out, having lost 330 men, 54 as POWs (17 Jun)

P.T. Barnum’s American Museum, NYC, burns destroying one or two moose specimens (13 Jul)

97th Infantry, ‘Conkling Rifles’ musters out, having lost 339 men, 54 as POWs (18 Jul)

98th Infantry, ‘Malone Regiment’, musters out, having lost 238 men, 22 as POWs (31 Aug)

P.T. Barnum’s 2nd American Museum is built and opened (13 Nov)

R.P. Smith sells copyright of J.H. French’s map to map publisher H.H. Lloyd

Finch, Pruyn & Co. cut timber on much of Township 15

H.H. Lloyd pub. New Map of Northern New York, Including the Adirondack Region for tourists

Byron B. Taggart and A.H. Hall begin making Manila paper bags at Watertown

Eagle Lake Dam (221-0786) is built or reconditioned

Charles F. Taylor est. Taylor House, Schroon Lake

Post office is opened in Keene Flats, later Keene Valley, James S. Holt is postmaster

William Trost Richards paints o.o.c. Autumn in the Adirondacks, a Keene Valley scene

Orlando Blood buys 80 acres and Miller’s hotel in Saranac Lake and renames it Blood’s Hotel

Moses Ames kills a mountain lion on the Saranac-Lake Placid Road

Willard State Hospital (for the insane) opens in scenic rural setting on east shore of Seneca Lake

Orville H. Gibson, of the Gibson Mandolin-Guitar Manufacturing Co., is born near Chateaugay

Walt Whitman pub. his poem “Give Me the Splendid Sun”

John Burroughs pub. “With the Birds” in the Atlantic Monthly

The charcoal-fired blast furnace at Fletcherville-Mineville is now the largest in the US

Tomlinson & Tremble sells all business interests at Franklin Falls to C.F. Norton, Plattsburgh
Rev. Frederick Star predicts a national timber famine in 30 yrs. in report to USDA 1865
Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) are discovered as a by-product of coal tar 1865
Jean-Antoine Villemin shows that TB can go from humans to cattle and from cattle to rabbits 1865
E.L. Trudeau contracts TB while tending his elder, consumptive, terminally ill brother 1865
Slavery is abolished nationwide by the 13th amendment to the federal constitution 1865
Samuel Bowles, publisher of *The Republican* (Springfield, MA) reports on his western travels 1865

... The wise cession and dedication (of Yosemite) by Congress, and proposed improvement by California, ... furnishes an admirable example for other objects of natural curiosity and popular interest all over the Union. New York should preserve for popular use both Niagara Falls and its neighborhood and a generous portion of her famous Adirondacks, and Maine one of her lakes and its surrounding woods.

Samuel Bowles
*The Republican* (Springfield, MA) 1865

Frederick Law Olsmsted is recalled to NYC to continue work on the landscaping of Central Park 1865
Verplanck Colvin, 18 y.o., visits Sturgess (now Speculator) to study boundary lines 1865
Generals R.E. Lee (9 Apr) and Jos. E. Johnston (26 Apr) surrender 1865
Morgan, Adsit and Co. establish sawmills at Glens Falls 1865
Jeremiah W. and Daniel J. Finch and S. Pruyn buy Glens Falls Company to form Finch, Pruyn & Co. 1865
At time of emancipation African Americans own about 0.5% of the national wealth of the US 1865
Beers family of NYC publish atlases for seven Adirondack counties 1865-76
Aspen wood is ground to make paper at Palmer Falls on the upper Hudson River 1866
Italian Americans of NYC host major celebration of Columbus’s arrival Americas (Oct 12) 1866
Orson S. Phelps and his son Ed cut a trail to the top of Giant Mt. 1866
William Trost Richards (1833-1905) paints o.o.c. *Indian Pass* 1866
John Bunyan Bristol (1826-1909) paints o.o.c., *Lake George* 1866
Alfred Thompson Bricher (1837-1908) paints o.o.c. *Lake George from Bolton’s Landing; AIHA* 1866
Henry Bergh, founder of the ASPCA, drafts “Declaration of the Rights of Animals” 1866
Pagenstecher brothers import Keller-Voelter wood grinder to make wood pulp, Curtisville MA 1866
Benjamin C. Tilghman develops a sulfite pulping process for making paper from wood pulp 1866
Mastodon remains, ‘Cohoes Mastodon’, are discovered buried in large pothole below Cohoes Falls 1866
J.W. Finch and his father acquire a portion of the Wing sawmill in Glens Falls 1866
1,318 bridges now span the Erie Canal, 187 of iron and 1,131 of wood 1866
New York court case *Morgan v. King* establishes navigability of a river 1866

[A] river is, in fact, navigable, on which boats, lighters or rafts may be floated to market. . . .[Additionally,] the public have a right of way in every stream which is capable, in its natural state and its ordinary volume of water, of transporting, in a condition fit for market, the products of the forests or mines, or of the tillage of the soil upon its banks. It is not essential to the right that the property to be transported should be carried in vessels, or in some other mode, whereby it can be guided by the agency of man, provided it can ordinarily be carried safely without such guidance. . . .If it is so far navigable or floatable in its natural state and its ordinary capacity, as to be of public use in the transportation of property, the public claim to such use ought to be liberally supported.

[It is not essential for a river to] be capable of being ... navigated against its current. ... Nor is it essential to the easement that the capacity of the stream ... should be continuous ... at all seasons of the year. ... If it is ordinarily subject to periodical fluctuations in the volume and height of its water, attributable to natural causes, and recurring as regularly as the seasons, and if its periods of high water
or navigable capacity ordinarily continue a sufficient length of time to make it useful as a highway, it is subject to the public easement.

Morgan v. King
Court of Appeals of New York
September 1866

John Lee Fitch paints o.o.c. View of Keene Valley c.1866
An outbreak of cholera, the fourth and last, occurs in Schenectady 1866
Mary Ann Brown sells Lake Placid farm to a local farmer 1866
Pierre Lallemont receives US patent for pedal-driven draisine (vélocipède) fut. bicycle 1866
The freshet of 1866 destroys Au Sable River village of New Sweden up-river from Clintonville 1866
Mitchell Sabattis, Abanaki, is named Long Lake Commissioner for Highways 1866
The iron works at New Russia, Essex Co. ceases operation 1866
Gooley Club leases 15,000 acres from forest industry building on Third Lake, Essex Chain Lakes 1866
Werner von Siemens develops first coal burning power plant opening era of mercury contamination 1866
A permanent camp is now established at Big Lake (now Star Lake) in northwestern Adirondacks 1866
David Hunter (15 y.o.) and T.R. Davis ascend Santanoni Mountain peak 1866
Charles Peck pub list of the mosses of NYS including many Adirondack species 1866
Hiking trail is cut from Keene to top of Giant Mountain 1866
Manhattan begins use of Croton River for public water supply 1866
The German biologist Ernest Haeckel coins the word “ecology” 1866
Gregor Johann Mendel (1822–1884), Austrian, lays theoretical foundation for modern genetics 1866
Benson J. Lossing pub The Hudson: From the Wilderness to the Sea 1866
Chapter 748, NYS Laws, provides $8,500 for purchase of woodland to supply Clinton Prison 1866
NYS Land Commission buys 700 a. Clinton Co. forest to supply Clinton Prison with wood and food 1866
Dominion of Canada is creating uniting Canada, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia (1 Jul) 1867
Chemical digestion is extended to spruce for paper production in the Adirondacks 1867
Small state logging dam is built on Oswegatchie River at Cranberry Lake 1887
Alexander Lawrie paints monochromes On Lower Saranac Lake 1867
Alexander Lawrie paints monochrome Lower AuSable Lake 1867
Alexander Lawrie paints monochrome Valley of the Boquet River 1867
Alexander Lawrie paints monochrome Adirondack Mountains Looking West from Giant 1867
A patent is issued for barb-wire fencing 1867
Pierre Michaux and/or son, Ernest, add cranks and pedals to draisine (vélocipède) future ‘bicycle’ 1867
Cumberland Head Lighthouse, Lake Champlain, is relocated 1867
U. S. crude oil prices plunge from $6.50 to $2.41 per barrel causing run on natural gas 1867
W. C. Robertson kills two mountain lions at Long Lake 1867
Weston’s Tannery, a blacksmith shop and shirt factory are est. at Jessup’s Landing, later Corinth 1867
J. D. Burwell establishes Ondawa House (hotel) on Schroon Lake 1867
Legislature moves opening of WTD season to 1 October but season is ignored in Adirondacks 1867
Thomas F. Witherbee applies chemical analysis to enhance iron smelting at Mineville 1867
Mineralogist, Daniel Minthorn, finds talc (tremolite) deposits near Gouverneur, St. Lawrence Co. 1867
Walter Harris becomes captain of the 204’, side-wheeler Horicon at Lake George 1867
Cumberland Head Lighthouse is rebuilt 1867
Ralph Waldo Emerson writes poem “The Adirondacks” featuring Camp Maple at Follensby Pond 1867
William James Stillman paints “Camp Maple”, image of Philosophers’ Camp at Follensby Pond 1867
Vermont astronomer Andrew Ellicott Douglas develops discipline of dendrochronology 1867
Thomas Moran paints o.o.c. The Last Arrow featuring the Adirondacks 1867
NYS Constitutional Convention with new constitution written but not put before the people 1867
Deer River, Mill Brook and Trout Brook are opened to log rafting

14th Amendment of U.S. constitution declares indigenous peoples to be American citizens

Reinforced concrete is developed by Joseph Monier (1823-1906), French

Alfred B. Nobel (1833-1896), Swedish, patents dynamite: porous mineral kieselguhr + nitroglycerin

Split Rock Lighthouse, Essex Co., is rebuilt to height of 37’ with a 4th order Fresnel lens

J.B. Sutherland patents the refrigerated railroad car using ice bunkers

Parker Earle builds a refrigerated railroad car designed to carry fresh fruit

Banded mystery snail, *Viviparus georgianus*, is reported for Hudson R.

Cranberry Lake size is enlarged to 10.5 mi$^2$ by means of 13’ high wooden dam built at outlet

Keene Center Hotel (now Dartbrook Lodge) opens at Keene, NY

Phineas Beede builds a boarding house at St. Huberts – later called Widow Beede’s Cottage

Earthquake of 4.3 magnitude (Mod. Mercalli VI) occurs at Canton (18 Dec)

White-tailed deer season opening is delayed until October 1st

Wisconsin undertakes a survey of the condition of its forests

Frank Anderson paints *View from Tongue Mountain, Lake George*, o.o.c., 18 1/8 x 30”

White-tailed deer season opening is returned to 1 August and closing 10 December

B. F. DeCosta pub. six illustrations of AuSable Chasm by Thomas Moran

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I place no value upon literal transcripts of Nature. My general scope is not realistic; all my tendencies are toward idealization . . . While I desire to tell truly of Nature, I did not wish to realize the scene literally, but to preserve and to convey its true impression . . . My aim was to bring before the public the character of the region.

Thomas Moran (1837-1926)
A quote selected by Peggy O’Brien
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Holyoke Water Power Co. improves Connecticut River dam (30,000 hp) 1868
French Louie works at the circus in Saratoga Springs 1868
A federal Division of Botany is established to house the expeditionary herbarium 1868
J.D. Dana applies names Labrador Stone, Labradorstein, Chatoyant Opaline, etc. to Labradorite 1868
B.F. De Costa pens of L. George “It is very clear that the fish are not so abundant as formerly” 1868
Jasper F. Cropsey paints o.o.c. Dawn of Morning, Lake George 1868
Theodore R. Davis paints his o.o.c. Floating for Deer in the Adirondacks 1868
Verplanck Colvin lectures at Lake Pleasant calling for Adirondack state park and forest preserve 1868
John Muir visits California for the first time 1868
R. Hoe introduces the steam lithographic press to the US 1868
NYS begins purchase of lands confiscated for unpaid taxes at town tax sales 1868
Roessles family of Albany rebuilds Fort William Henry Hotel at Lake George 1868
Gideon Putnam founds Union Hall (hotel) in Saratoga Springs 1868
Wheeleerville and Arietta are tannery boom towns consuming >7000 cords hemlock bark per year 1868-83
John Todd gives dedicatory prayer Golden Spike Ceremony, Pac. RR, Promontory Pt. Utah (10 May) 1869
Travelers now take spur RR to Glens Falls and then use plank road to reach Lake George village 1869
William H.H. Murray pub his best-selling Adventures in the Wilderness 1869
Harry Fenn illustrates Murray’s Adventures in the Wilderness 1869
Hoffman Tannery of the Town of Schroon now uses 3,000 cords of hemlock bark annually 1869
Alfred B. Street pub The Indian Pass 1869
Dimitri Mendeleev (1834-1907), Russian, dev periodic table elements/predicts elements to be found 1869
Thunderstorm on Mt. Allen causes avalanche to name lake, minister J. Twichell suggesting name 1869
John Frederick Kensett paints (1816-1872) Lake George, o.o.c., 44 7/8 X 66 3/8”, NYC MMA 1869
John Frederick Kensett sells his painting Lake George to Morris K. Jessup, NY banker, for $3,000 1869
Nelson Augustus Moore (1824-1902) paints o.o.c. Boating on Lake George (see the bald eagle) 1869
George Inness paints An Adirondack Pastorale, o.o.c., Albany Institute of History and Art 1869
Northern terminus of Adk Company’s RR (fut. D & H RR) is Thurman Station, Warren County 1869
H.D. Snyder of Port Leyden establishes a camp at Shoal Point, Fourth Lake of the Fulton Chain 1869
Verplanck Colvin makes his first visit to the High Peaks climbing Mt. Marcy 1869
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T.C. Durant completes Adirondack Co. RR as far as The Glen 1869
Union and Central Pacific Railroads meet at promontory Point on the Great Salt Lake (10 May) 1869
Charles Ferdinand Dowd proposes uniform method of keeping time all over the world 1869
Chester A. Arthur stays at ‘Uncle Mart’ Moody’s, sleeping on the floor, at Big Tupper Lake 1869
J.M. Wardner, S. Wardner and L. Rand disband market hunting partnership at Rainbow L. (Jun) 1869
Earthen & log dam is built at Chazy Lake outlet to control freshets and improve hydraulic power 1869
Finch, Pruyn & Co. mill at Glens Falls is rebuilt after utter destruction from raging flood 1869
Charles F. Dowd, Saratoga Springs, NY, conceives of longitude-based standard time for U.S. 1869
Whitehall and Plattsburgh Railroad begins operation (18 Sep) 1869
J. Gould and J. Fisk stockpile gold and manipulate prices causing ruinous financial panic (24 Sep) 1869
NYS game laws are consolidated 1869
White-tailed deer season is reset (Aug 15 -Dec 31) and hounding is prohibited 1869
Seneca Ray Stoddard photographs a major flood at Glens Falls 1869
Edward G. Shortt, Carthage, patents a shaft-coupling device for use on agricultural equipment 1869
“Velocipede”, later to be called the “bicycle” is exhibited in Schenectady at True Blues Bazaar 1869
Samuel Coleman paints o.o.c. Au Sable River, Adirondacks 1869
John Henry Hill paints watercolor Evening on Lake George, Sailboat Becalmed, Oct. 1869 1869
Sacandaga R. and branches open to log rafting 1869
Voters reject amended NY State Constitution (see 1867), 223,935 for to 290,456 against (2 Nov) 1869
Professor L. Trouvelot, Harvard astronomer, accidentally releases alien gypsy moth, Medford, MA 1869

The gypsy moth was introduced to North America by Professor L. Trouvelot in a misguided attempt to breed a hardy silkworm. Some insects escaped and were soon established in a vacant lot next to his home in Medford, Massachusetts.

Alien Invasion
http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/caer/ce/eek/earth/invade.htm

Ice break-up in Upper Hudson causes serious damage extending to Albany (Jan) (GCC) 1869
A major flood occurs at Schenectady (18’ stage) (GCC) 1869
Dam bursts on the Black River Canal to delay seasonal opening 1869
Rain of 5 1/2 inches causes worst floods ever on Erie Canal (4-11 Oct) (GCC) 1869
A massive landslide occurs on Mt. Colden (Sep) (GCC) 1869
Pagenstecher brothers est. Hudson River Pulp Company at Palmer Falls, Jessup’s Landing 1868
Hudson River Pulp Company begins making wood-fiber pulp at Jessup’s Landing (Sep) 1869
A 2nd, larger dam is built at Tupper Lake 1869
A pulpwod mill is established at Luzerne, Warren County 1869
Dmitri Ivanovich Mendeleyev (1934-1907), Russian, pub periodic table of 63 elements, with gaps 1869
Maine undertakes a survey of the conditions of its forests 1869
Chapter 322, NYS Laws, provides remuneration and standards for planting roadside hardwoods 1869
U.S. economy stagnates w/ failed banks & brokerages; farmers suffer low commodity prices 1869-71
Daniel Minthorn et al. are unsuccessful at talc mining near Natural Dam and Little Bow 1869-71
John Milne develops seismograph and establishes them throughout the British Empire c. 1870s
The Carnegie family begins a great camp on the North Point of Raquette Lake 1870s
Abraham Wisman, Boones Path, VA, begins cultivation of American ginseng 1870s
John McGinn builds carriage road from North River to Indian Lake to Blue Mtn Lake to Long Lake 1870s
Prospect Mountain House is built on Prospect Mt. at south end of Lake George, Warren Co. 1870s
Carl Jung and Clarence Darrow visit Keene Valley 1870s
Virgin timberland owned by NYS now sells for seventy cents an acre 1870s
Edwin Merritt’s tourist maps are featured in various Adirondack guide books 1870s
Sixty logging companies maintain offices in Glens Falls 1870s
Forestry courses are now taught in American land-grant colleges 1870s
Cornell, Biltmore and Yale now offer four-year degrees in forestry 1870s
Prang, printing co. of Boston, pub fifteen lithographs of Thomas Moran’s Yellowstone paintings 1870s
The basic features of the bicycle are now in place 1870s
Refined petroleum asphalts enter market replacing natural sources of Trinidad and Venezuela 1870s
Many report “sightings” of Champ, the monster of Lake Champlain, esp. near Town of Dresden 1870s
Mary Katherine (Kate) Keemle Field, journalist, promotes role of women in the Adirondacks
New York Daily Reformer newspaper is renamed Watertown Daily Times (Watertown) (1 Jan) 1870
Platt Brook opens for log transport 1870
Major flood occurs at Schenectady (20’ stage) 1870
Senator Orville Hitchcock Platt, Rep., CT, (Platt Amendment) builds first camp on Long Lake 1870

Adirondack Murray dedicated Adventures in the Wilderness to the powerful Republican Senator O.H. Platt.

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NYS population reaches 4,383,000; density 92.0/square mile; 50% rural 1870
Seneca Ray Stoddard begins publication of his scenic photographs of Lake George 1870
Syracuse University is established 1870
Joseph Seligman is chief salesman for Union Civil War bonds in Germany and other European cos 1870
Joseph Victor Glado Sr., Illinois, patents the modern duck call 1870
NYS buys Seth Green’s fish propagation facility (hatchery) at Caledonia, Livingston Co. 1870
Adirondack Company RR is complete to Folsom’s Landing, fut. Riverside, now Riparius 1870
C. Thurman Leland buys a four-horse stage line running between Warrensburg and Schroon Lake 1870
Schroon L. village installs plank side-walks ‘making it much more agreeable for pedestrians’ (Jun) 1870
Sheet asphalt pavement is laid by City Hall on William St., Newark, NJ (29 July) 1870
Gen. Morris, 75 yro., ascends Whiteface Mtn on horseback in 3 hrs; views are delightful (Sep) 1870
The NYS Natural History Museum is established 1870
Edward G. Shortt, Carthage, NY, patents a harvester cutter-bar for use on agricultural equipment 1870
Franklin B. Hough, Lowville, NY, is again appointed Superintendent of the NYS Census 1870
Central Vermont System acquires O&LC RR to provide rail service from St. Law. R. to Boston 1870
Verplanck Colvin and Alvah Dunning reach peak of Mt. Seward, Franklin Co. (8:00 AM, 18 Oct) 1870

It was at this place and at this time that the Forest Preserve of New York State started on the path toward reality. On his descent of the mountains Colvin stressed the need for preservation of the forests to ensure a future water supply for the state and recommended to the museum and the legislature that an “Adirondack Park or timber preserve” be created.

Norman Van Valkenburgh
Land Acquisition for New York State
1985, page 11

Verplanck Colvin and Alvah Dunning ascend Mt. Donaldson and Emmons, Franklin Co. 1870
Winslow Homer (34 y.o.) arrives at Keene Flats (now Keene Valley) 1870
Crown Point Iron Co. furnishes iron to make cables for the Brooklyn Bridge 1870
Steam-propelled George G. Barnard ascends Erie Canal to Schenectady (17 Nov) 1870
S. Liebmann’s Sons Brewing Co., Brooklyn, N.Y., is equipped with mechanical refrigeration 1870
Anthracite replaces charcoal in firing of Fletcherville blast furnace at Mineville 1870
Winslow Homer visits Adk for first time and paints o.o.c. The Trapper, Adirondacks 1870
Paul Smith’s Hotel obtains telegraph service 1870
James E. Buttersworth paints Fort William Henry Hotel, Lake George 1870
Daniel Huntington paints ooc. The Narrows, Lake George 1870
Homer Dodge Martin paints ooc, 24 1/2 X 39 ½”, “Lake Sanford in the Adirondacks, Spring” 1870
Hudson R. Pulp Co. installs 68” wide paper machine to make writing paper, Jessup’s Landing 1870

The Pagenstecher brothers, Albrecht, Alberto and Rudolph, recognized perhaps earlier than most that wood-fiber pulp was far superior to and much lower cost than linen, straw and cotton rags, and that it would be the future of papermaking. After setting up their pulp mill, they bought an adjacent building, an edge tool factory, operated by Thomas Brown, which had become available when Brown was accidentally shot and killed by his night watchman. With their new paper machine, the Hudson River Pulp & Paper Company may have become the first American factory to manufacture both mechanical wood pulp and paper at the same location. They found themselves situated near the Adirondack Company’s Railroad which could haul pulp wood to their mill and could ship their paper to market. The company expanded rapidly.


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Edmund J. DeSmedt, Belgian, lays first true asphalt pavement in Newark, NJ  1870
Edmund J. DeSmedt, lays 54,000 square yards of sheet Trinidad asphalt on Pennsyl. Ave, Wash, DC  1870
The Cummer Co. opens first central hot asphalt mix production facility in US  1870
Albrecht Pogenstecher builds a wood pulp grinder on Well Creek at Lake Luzerne  1870
Elwood McGuire of Richmond, IN, perfects the push reel lawn mower  1870
U. S. est organization, eventually U. S. Weather Service, for meteorology including storm prediction  1870
Silk fabric replaces beaver felt hats  1870
Journalist Kate Field and 19 others buy abolitionist John Brown’s farm to est. a memorial  1870
David Johnson (1827-1908) paints Study of Nature, Lake George, o.o.c., Albany Inst. Hist. Art  1870
Pres. U. S. Grant authorizes Secretary of War to add weather reportage to Army Signal Service  1870
Verplanck Colvin, wearing snow shoes, shoots his first black bear (1 Jan)  1870
Farmer Mastin finds golf ball-sized gold nugget in Hopkinton-Parishville area  1870
Number of cross-ties in U.S. railroads is some 39 million as yielded by 195,000 a. of forest  1870
The American Fisheries Society is founded  1870
Cummer Co. opens first American central hot mix asphalt facility  1870
Northumberland Dam (224-0276) is built or reconditioned  1870
Monroe Hall builds summer camp on eastern shore of Lake Placid  1870
A dam is built at the Setting Pole Rapids of the Raquette River near Coreys  1870
Samuel Coleman paints o.o.c. Au Sable River  1870
Verplanck Colvin further advocates for an Adirondack park (Dec)  1870
Cornelius Hedges writes in Helena Herald proposing public ownership of Yellowstone (9 Nov)  1870
Julie Hart Beers paints o.o.c. Lake George  1870
NYS adds Pine Orchard, T. of Wells, to the FP, site of a scattered grove of large white pines c. 1870
C. H. Merriam reports wolves as abundant in the Adirondacks c. 1870
Charles Chapin paints o.o.c. Black Mountain, Lake George c. 1870
James D. Smillie paints o.o.c. Gothic Mountains (sic) c. 1870
Alexander Wyant paints o.o.c. Mountain Landscape, a Keene Valley scene c. 1870
Albon and Almon Wright buy Mears’ dam and grist mill, Salmon River, Fort Covington 1870s
Little Ice Age ends 1870s
NYS legislature passes Chap 721 for preservation of moose, wild deer, birds and fish (26 Apr)  1871
Slaughter of American bison from railroad shooting cars reaches its peak 1870-75
William H. Jackson serves as photographer of Yellowstone expedition led by Ferdinand Hayden  1871
James J. Storrow and Orlando Beede ascend Gothics, Basin and Saddleback Mountains  1871
Thomas C. Durant and Leland Stanford open Adirondack Co. RR as far north as North River  1871
NYS law permits posting of private lands as game preserves  1871
NYS begins acquisition of Adirondack forest land through tax title claims  1871
Verplanck Colvin makes an extensive Adirondack trip with the state botanist  1871
Fine engraving is made of Rev. W.H.H. “Adirondack” Murray (see Syracuse Univ. Press, 1970)  1871
State-built Setting Pole Dam on Raquette River fails causing ‘great havoc’ at Potsdam (May)  1871
J. Snell drives horses to death warning those downstream of Setting Pole Dam failure (May)  1871
Theodore Roosevelt (12 y.o.) and family visit Lake Placid (15 Aug) and Paul Smith’s Hotel  1871
At John Muir’s invitation, Ralph Waldo Emerson visits the Yosemite area (May)  1871
Eastern America experiences a drought of 42 days  1871
Peshtigo forest fire of NE WI and upper MI burns 2,400 sq. mi. killing c. 1,200 people  1871
A major fire devastates Chicago (same day as the Peshtigo Fire)  1871
David Johnson paints o.o.c. Harbor Island, Lake George  1871
Erie Canal freezes abruptly trapping 800 laden boats in ice (Nov)  1871
Benjamin Brewster builds a hotel at the head of Mirror Lake (now L. Placid V.)  1871
Chauncey Hawthorn builds a guest house at Tirrell Pond  1871
Mud snail, aka faucet snail, *Bithynia tentaculata*, European, is disc. in Lake Michigan 1871
Forge House (hotel) is built near First Lake of the Fulton Chain 1871
A dam is built on the Fulton Chain 1871
A floating bridge is built to cross Long Lake from one side to the other 1871
Simon Ingersol develops pneumatic drill – as usd in opening of Mt. Cenis RR Tunnel, 13.7 km, Alps 1871
Seth Wheeler, Albany, NY, patents the idea to put perforated toilet paper on small rolls (25 Jul) 1871
Tahawus House, a boarding house, is built in Keene Valley 1871
First American patent for asphalt paving material is filed by Nathan B. Abbot of Brooklyn 1871
NYS assigns authority to county boards of supervisors to elect game constables 1871
R.C. Gilchrist builds wood & wire rope suspension bridge over Hudson at Washburn’s Eddy (8 Sep) 1871
Suspension bridge, 10’ wide x 300’ long, is built across Hudson R. at Folsom’s Landing (26 Oct) 1871

After many years of fording the river, at times an impossibility, a strong interest to construct a bridge developed. Robert Gilchrist, who lived nearby, personally financed $8000 to build a wood and wire rope bridge across the Hudson to connect Chester and Johnsburg. It was located about 3 miles south of the Central Bridge Co. toll bridge built about the same time at Folsom’s Landing. Toll rates there were three cents to walk across, five cents to lead a horse, fifteen cents for a team, thirty cents for a tally-ho.
Gilchrist’s bridge opened on 8 Sep 1871 with a picnic celebration; the one at Folsom’s Landing on 26 Oct 1871. Gilchrist’s bridge failed under a load of heavy wet snow on 1 Apr 1873. It was never repaired; he never did get a good road built to the Town of Chester. The Central Bridge Co. bridge in combination with the Riverside train station at Folsom’s Landing and a stage line to Pottersville was largely responsible for the burgeoning reputation of the Schroon Lake area for summer tourists, children’s camps and sportmen, to say nothing about normal day to day business enterprises.

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Paraphrased from many sources

Thomas C. Durant builds home in North Creek and retires there due to poor health 1871
White-tailed deer (WTD) season is reset (Aug 1-Dec 31) and hounding is allowed regionally 1871
Boards of county supervisors are authorized by NYS to enact game laws - excepting WTD 1871
NYS est. bounty on wolves ($30) and mountain lions ($20), both species nearly extirpated 1871
Lewis Henry Morgan pub *Systems of Consanguinity and Affinity of the Human Family* 1871
John Burroughs pub *Wake Robin* with essay “The Adirondacks”, chapt 3, faming white-throated sp. 1871
French Louie takes job driving logs down the Jessup river 1871
D&H RR leases passenger boats of Steam Boat Co. of Lake George 1871
David Johnson paints *Harbor Island, Lake George*, o.o.c., 163/8” x 261/4”; Currier Mus. Art, NH 1871
Congress est. the US Commission for Fish and Fisheries with S. F. Baird as head 1871
NYS Comptroller pays $920 in bounty fees for 46 Adirondack mountain lions 1871-81
Cold Brook and Otter Creek are opened to log rafting 1872
Comm. of State Parks is founded, ch. 848, Franklin B. Hough and Verplanck Colvin as members 1872
Verplanck Colvin is named Superintendent of the Adirondack Survey 1872
Legislature authorizes Verplanck Colvin to institute a survey of the Adirondacks and report yearly 1872
Verplanck Colvin measures the height of Mt. Marcy at 5,344’ asl (see Benedict 1839) 1872
Verplanck Colvin and William B. Nye ascend Gray Peak, to be formally so named (16 Sep) 1872
O. S. Phelps says Perkins ‘discoverd’ Lake Tear of the Clouds, “source of the Hudson River” 1872
V. Colvin describes a tarn on SW slope of Mt. Marcy as “unpretending tear of the clouds” 1872
Verplanck Colvin proposes Adks as a timber preserve and reservoir for Hudson Valley cities 1872
R.A. Smith of Manchester, England, coins the term “acid rain” 1872
Duncan McGregor (MacGregor) opens reception house with fine Hudson R. view, Mt. McGregor 1872
Kimberly-Clark & Co. (partbnership) paper company is est 1872

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C. H. Merriam notes placement of bounty on wolf scalps by NYS 1872
WTD season is reset (Sep 1 - Nov 10) and hounding is still widely allowed 1872
Proliferation of railroads throughout U.S. results in some 72 railroad ‘time zones’ 1872
President Grant authorizes Yellowstone NP (2,142,720 a.) and the NPS (1 Mar) 1872
RCC Diocese of Ogdensburg covering much of Adks is separated from Diocese of Albany (16 Feb) 1872
Most Rev. Edgar P. Wadams is appointed bishop of RCC Diocese of Ogdensburg (5 May) 1872
Rockwell House is built on Bank Square in Glens Falls 1872
Congress buys Thomas Moran’s painting of Grand Canyon for $10,000 1872
Congress buys Thomas Moran’s painting of Colorado Chasm for $10,000 1872
Arthur Fitzwilliam Tait paints, o.o.c., Autumn Morning, Racquette (sic) Lake 1872
Alexander Helwig Wyant paints o.o.c. Autumn, Adirondack Lake (Lake George) 1872
William Cullen Bryant edits the richly illustrated Picturesque America (2 vols.) 1872
E. J. Muybridge photographs Valley of the Yosemite 1872
Fish culturist Seth Green introduces the common whitefish to Little Moose Lake 1872
Adirondack Co. RR est. station at Folsom’s Landing and names it Riverside (20 Jun) 1872
Post office is re-established at Mill Brook, T. of Horicon, but is now renamed Adirondack (16 Feb) 1872
J. Monroe Leland & two sons open superbly-sited Leland House hosting 300 guests at Schroon Lake 1872
A. Freeman translates Fourier’s Théorie Analytique de la Chaleur suggesting greenhouse effect 1872
Arthur H. Wyant and Melville J. Trumbull ascend Macomb Mt. 1872
John Wesley Hyatt, Albany, invents Celluloid and the era of plastic begins 1872
Whiteface Mountain now has four separate trails to the summit 1872
Dr. W. W. Ely of Rochester blazes hiking trail to summit of Ampersand Mt. 1872
A feeder canal is excavated connecting Glens Falls to the Champlain Canal 1872
The Big Boom on the Hudson R. at Glens Falls now annually stops some one million logs 1872
Robert Angus Smith, Scotland, pub Air and Rain: The Beginnings of a Chemical Climatology 1872
The number of market logs moving to mills on Hudson R. is estimated at 1,069,000 1872
Crown Point Iron Co. exhausts its supply of fuel wood at Hammondville 1872
Crown Point Iron Co. builds a new furnace complex at Monitor Bay, Lake Champlain 1872
Pres. U.S. Grant visits Jefferson Co. where he gave his longest-ever speech at Watertown (2 Aug) 1872
Pres. U.S. Grant travels from Sackets Harbor eastward through Malone to New Hampshire (Aug) 1872
Broken Setting Pole Dam on Raquette River is repaired 1872
Lake George Steamboat Co., once again, becomes independent 1872
Verplanck Colvin and crew ascend Bald Mt., near L. Champlain, for survey using triangulation 1872
T. F. Witherbee imports Whitwell hot-blast stoves to build the Cedar Point furnace 1872
W. W. Durant builds “artistic camp” on Long Point, Raquette Lake 1872
Thomas C. Durant, VP of Union Pacific RR, builds a railroad station at North Creek 1872
Victoria Woodhull, Valcour Island, seeks nomination for presidency of the U.S. 1872
J. Sterling Morton proposes an annual National Arbor Day as the last Friday of April (4 Jan) 1872
Stieglitz family est. home at Lake George on west shore (Aug) 1872
The first National Arbor Day is celebrated in Nebraska (10 Apr) 1872
Edw. R. Wallace pub Descriptive Guide to the Adirondacks 1872
Systematic water level measurement is begun for the Mississippi River 1872
Reach Nine Dam at Fort Edward is built (later removed releasing PCBs of 20th C origin) 1872
Hall’s Camp, Sunnyside (camp), Wilderness Home et al. are built at Lake Placid c. 1872
V. Colvin pub map Adirondack Survey Sketch Showing Progress of the Primary Triangulation 1872-73

Verplanck Colvin began his primary triangulation, the first triangle of his magnificent survey, from the two known points of Crown Point Lighthouse, Lake Champlain, and Barber’s Point Lighthouse at Westport, also Lake Champlain, as surveyed by the USGS.
Harry Fenn et al. illustrate, and W.C. Bryant edits, *Picturesque America* 1872-74
NYS Comptroller pays $1,320 in bounty fees for 45 Adirondack wolves 1872-82
E.R. Wallace pub *Guide to the Adirondacks* 1872-99
Verplanck Colvin personally funds much of the work done by State Land Survey 1872-99
V. Colvin, C.H. Peck, M. Blake, O. Phelps et al. ascend Mt. Colvin 1873
V. Colvin, C.H. Peck, O. Phelps, R.L. McKenzie ascend Skylight Mountain 1873
V. Colvin with guide George Muir survey Cranberry Lake and Five Ponds area 1873
V. Colvin suggests building a stone hut on the top of Mt. Marcy 1873
V. Colvin pub *Report on a Topographical Survey of the Adk Wilderness* 1873

Colvin’s organization of his Adirondack survey was quasi-military, his whole crew being assigned to different squads. He referred to a surveyor in charge as an “officer” with a squad which he called the “men.” And while he spent much of his time with the squad doing what he considered the most critical work, he performed prodigies of wilderness travel to check on the others that were often many miles away.

Kermit Remele, progenitor of the Colvin Crew,
in a speech to HS2 Surveying and Mapping the Americas – Great Surveyors, section of the FIG XXII International Congress, Washington, D.C. USA, April 19-26 2002

NY Sportsmen’s Club renamed NY Assoc. for the Protection of Game 1873
The New York Board of Trade and Transportation is organized 1873
Alewives appear for the first time in the Great Lakes in Lake Ontario 1873
B. Arkell replaces D. McGregor’s reception house with Hotel Balmoral of 4 stories and 150 rooms 1873
C. Thurman Leland and Eugene Leavitt start a stage line between Riverside and Schroon Lake 1873
Verplanck Colvin names Gray Peak, 4,826’ asl., SW of Mt. Marcy, in honor of botanist Asa Gray 1873
Gilchrist’s suspension bridge at Washburn’s Eddy fails when overloaded by heavy wet snow (1 Apr) 1873
Railroads at General Time Convention applaud Dowd’s plan for standard time, but take no action 1873
William Henry Brewster begins a series of lectures on forestry at Yale 1873
Hudson River Pulp Co. erects another mill building to house two more paper machines 1873
General Assembly of Commonwealth of PA awards Edwin Drake annual pension of $1,500 1873
Weekly round-trip stage route is est. from Root’s Hotel (N. Hudson) to Long Lake (Jun) 1873
Montreal Golf Club, oldest in N. America, organized in Québec 1873
Hoosic Tunnel, western MA, opens with application of modern drill-and-blast technology 1873
Smith Weed & Andrew Williams form Chateaugay Ore & Iron Co. to develop Chateaugay ore beds 1873
Foot et al. sell Chateaugay Ore Bed to Chateaugay Ore and Iron Company 1873
French Louie begins snare and deadfall trapping near Lewey Lake, selling furs in Indian Lake 1873
Samuel Merritt finds talc (tremolite), a soft white stone, on the farm of Abner Wight, T. of Fowler 1873
The Second Division of Verplanck Colvin’s survey team names and measures Mt. Colvin 1873
The Third Division of Verplanck Colvin’s survey team names and maps Lake Colvin 1873
Adirondack iron miner wages fall to $2.25/day for pit foremen and $1/day for drill boys 1873
Barber Point Lighthouse, Westport, Essex Co. est., 5th order Fresnel lens 1873
The Commission of State Parks (CSP) makes it first and only annual report (15 May) 1873
The CSP recommends creation of an Adirondack park of 1.7 million acres (15 May) 1873
CSP reports that State land holdings in Adirondack Region are now 39,854 a. (15 May) 1873
Franklin B. Hough seeks state protection of forests in a paper read at AAAS meeting 1873
Franklin B. Hough is named chair of the AAAS forestry committee 1873
Charles Peck pub “List of plants found on the exposed summit of Mt. Marcy” 1873
John Todd, pastor First Church, Pittsfield, MA, author 33 books incl. Long Lake, and speaker, dies 1873
The forge and sawmill at Wilmington close due to remoteness and competition 1873
George Bird Grinnell edits first issue of Forest and Stream, soon to become advocacy premier 1873
Sanford Robinson Gifford paints o.o.c. Coming Rain on Lake George, A Study 1873
Ferdinand Alexander West paints o.o.c. Early Morning in the Adirondacks 1873
Winslow Homer begins use of watercolor for his paintings of the Adirondacks 1873
Joseph Bonsall, Francis Fallon and John Simes found the AuSable Co. for tourism 1873
Philander Deming pub “Lost” in The Atlantic 1873
The word ‘ecology’ enters the English language 1873
AAAS appoints F.B. Hough committee chair for forest protection 1873
Federal Timber Culture Act fosters tree planting through gifts of 38 million acres of Great Plains 1873
Commission of State Parks recommends a state park with a lumbered forest in Adirondacks 1873
James Arnold of New Bedford bequeaths 260 a. to Harvard Univ. to est. the Arnold Arboretum 1873
Dr. Edward Livingston Trudeau, ill with TB, moves with family from NYC to Paul Smith’s hotel 1873
Estella Manning Martin, age 14, is hired as telegraph operator at Milote Baker’s Hotel, Saranac Lake 1873
At Schroon Lake, hotels are over-full; local farmers begin taking the rest as boarders (Sep) 1873
U.S. Congress passes Fourth Coinage Act embracing the gold standard and de-monetizing silver 1873
Vienna (Austria) Stock Exchange collapses (9 May) 1873
Failure of Jay Cooke investment (railroad) firm precipitates financial panic in US (17 Sep) 1873
Financial panic (bank failures, scarce credit) plunges US economy into 6-yr depression (17 Sep) 1873

Speculation collapsed, values shrank violently, real estate went down, banks, manufacturing, and trading firms failed in large numbers, extensive branches of industry stopped, laboring men were thrown out of employment or compelled to work for lower wages, and grievous distress spread all over those countries (Austria, the German Empire, almost the entire European Continent (except France), and Great Britain), as well as our own. . .

USDI Sec’ty Carl Schurz in a speech on the Panic of 1873
Cincinnati, Ohio
The Malone Palladium, 17 Oct 1878, p. 1

Orrin Harris opens a new hotel at Paradox Lake (Nov) 1873
T.H. Sullivan leads (photographic) surveys of Zuni and Magia pueblos, Canyon de Chille, NM 1873-75
While hundreds fail, well-financed industrial companies thrive, consolidating whole industries 1873-76
‘Long Depression’ marks dawn of “second industrial revolution” and The Gilded Age 1873-96
Tuberculosis patient Edward C. Edgar “takes cure” ‘wintering over’ at Saranac Lake 1874
Valcour Island Lighthouse (aka Bluff Point Light) is built at Bluff Point, Clinton Co., L. Champlain 1874
Ed Phelps and Miller (first name unknown) ascend Blake’s Peak 1874
Seth Green begins fish stocking of Lake George 1874
Seneca Ray Stoddard makes a “most remarkable trip” by canoe and carriage through Adirondacks 1874
Harry Fenn engraves The Hudson 20 Miles from Its Source (NYPL coll.) 1874
Harry Fenn engraves Source of the Hudson (NYHS coll.) 1874
Rare storm drops 24” of snow on Bellows Fall, Vt. (27 Apr) 1874
Walt Whitman pub his poem “Song of the Redwood Tree” 1874
Wickham House, under Elisha Wickham, comes into operation at Schroon Lake 1874
C.F. Taylor builds 120’ x 30’ x 4 stories high addition on Taylor House, Schroon Lake 1874
The Park Tannery, Fulton County’s largest, burns at Northville 1874

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Water chestnut is introduced to the U.S. at Middlesex Co., MA c.1874
J. & J. Rogers Co. builds a rolling mill, nail factory, and foundry at Au Sable Forks 1874
A dam is built at outlet of Lower Chateaugay L. to power the iron forge at Belmont 1874
Pope, Williams & Co. begin operation of a ten-fire Catalan forge at Belmont 1874
NYS constitution forbids sale of Erie, Oswego, Champlain, Cayuga and Seneca canals 1874
D&H RR is extended to Au Sable Forks 1874
S.R. Stoddard pub. Adk travel guide, *The Adirondacks Illustrated*; various eds. are in print thru 1914 1874
*Ticonderoga Sentinel* newspaper is founded at Ticonderoga 1874
Thomas Moran pub four illustrations of Lake George in *The Aldine* 1874
David Johnson paints, o.o.c., *View of Dresden, Lake George* 1874
Alexander Lawrie paints oil-on-board *Gill Brook*, first painted in black and white in 1867 1874
Winslow Homer paints a watercolor portrait of his guide, *Eliphalet Terry* 1874
A trail is cut to the top of Giant Mountain on the Elizabethtown side 1874
Tilghman’s sulfite pulping process is used to make paper from wood pulp, Bergvik, Sweden 1874

Orson S. Phelps, somewhat miffed at Verplanck Colvin’s claim of having ‘discovered’ Lake Tear of the Clouds, writes in a report of a hike with ‘Tahawus Club of Plattsburgh’ members on 23 Aug 1874: "Do you remember the stream we crossed back about two miles coming into the Opalescent on the left side, the bed of which was full of opals? Well, that’s Feldspar Brook which comes down from Lake Perkins, I call it, after the man who first discovered it thirty years ago, although Mr. Colvin who “discovered” it two years ago calls it Street’s namby-pamby name “Tear of the Clouds”. No great feat to discover it, I should think. No one could help seeing it from the top of Marcy unless he shut his eyes, or was in as thick a fog as there was up there this morning.”

Orson S. Phelps

J. Wilcox, H. White and J. Woodhouse est. free-love utopian community on Valcour Island (Aug) 1874
NYAPG undertakes private enforcement of NYS game laws 1874
The game of tennis becomes well defined and an important sport of the American wealthy 1874
Roger’s Rock Hotel is built on NW shore of Lake George 1874
Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church, Lake George V., with fine stained-glass windows, is built 1874
Paul Smith’s Hotel now has telegraph service 1874
Verplanck Colvin pub (1873) *Report on the Topographical Survey of the Adk Wilderness* 1874
Verplanck Colvin’s guides see moose tracks near Mud Pond in Essex Co. 1874
The Dibble family builds a six-story hotel (later the Tahawus House) in Keene Valley 1874
John B. Bachelder pub a guide to the popular resorts of America 1874
1874-75
Judge Jos. H. Potter est. Mountain Terrace, now Skene Manor, overlooking Whitehall
John Wesley Powell writes articles on Grand Canyon and Colorado River for Scribner’s Monthly
Seneca Ray Stoddard (and Louis E. Newman and Co.) pub maps of the Adirondack Wilderness
Gordias H.P. Gould begins large-scale logging of the western Adirondacks
Fulton, Johnstown & Gloversville RR extends to Northville supplanting a plank road
D & H RR completes its line between NYC and Canada
Cornell University installs a DC dynamo for outdoor campus lighting
William D. Wakeley cuts road along Cedar River to build dam at Cedar River Falls
William D. Wakeley erects a sawmill and the Cedar Falls Hotel at ‘Wakely Dam’
Lake trout is introduced to Jock’s Lake, now known as Honnedaga Lake
Arnold Arboretum, Boston, Ma, notes receipt and planting of Japanese barberry from Russia
Dr. Noah Porter and Ed Phelps ascend Porter Mtn
Newell Martin ascends Sawteeth Mtn
Seth Green gets first shipment of California brook trout (now, rainbow trout) at Calendonia (31 Mar)
Taylor House is sold to Wm. E. Bird in bankruptcy sale; C.F. Taylor leases it as operator (14 Apr)
A road is built to connect Mill Brook to Pottersville, T. of Horicon c. 1875
Franklin County farmers begin shipping hops south to NYC & Albany brewers via railroad c. 1875
Winslow Homer paints o.o.c. The Two Guides (Orson Phelps and Monroe Holt Phelps)
E. Coues records winter sighting of evening grosbeak for Essex Co.
“Page Law” is enacted prohibiting immigration of prostitutes, i.e. Chinese women
Erie Canal navigable season begins 18 May and ends 24 November, 191 days
Thomas P. Wickes and Ed Phelps ascend Armstrong Mtn
John Burroughs notes a flock of passenger pigeon flying north over Hudson R. valley (Apr)
Ed Phelps ascends Lower Wolf Jaw
Champlain crashes at Steam Mill Point, near Westport, its pilot drugged with morphine (16 Jul)
Eli Montgomery Crawford opens grocery and dry goods store at Keene Valley
Rainbow Lake Dam (183-0524) is built on N. Br. Saranac R. to create 356 a. impoundment
Charles F. Gray builds the Berkeley House in Saranac Lake village
More than 200 hotels now operate in the Adirondack region
Cleveland Abbe urges Am. Meteorological Society to adopt a uniform standard of time
The Rev. James A Kelley conducts a Catholic mass at Pine Knot, Raquette Lake
Ed Derby takes possession of Hough’s Prospect House on Upper Saranac Lake
John Wilcox et al. of Dawn Valcour Agricult. & Horticult. Assoc. settle on Valcour Island
V. Colvin, Roderick L. McKenzie, E.F. Phelps ascend Upper Wolf Jaw
The artist A.H. Wyant buys land in Keene Valley and builds a small studio-house
Cleveland Abbe urges Am. Meteorological Society to adopt a uniform standard of time
John Aston Warder founds the American Forestry Association in Chicago
The headquarters building of Witherbee Sherman Mining Co. opens at Port Henry
Arthur Parton paints o.o.c. In the Valley of the Au Sable
Thomas F. Witherbee’s Cedar Point furnace is “put into blast”
H. Orvis, Tahawus Club of Plattsburgh, names “Eagle Slide”, Giant Mtn, as seen from Marcy (Aug)
Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., observes the birds of the Saint Regis Lakes area (Aug)
Congress acts to protect trees on reservations and other public lands
Seneca Ray Stoddard takes notable photograph of the Fort William Henry Hotel at Lake George
Members of Williams College build a monument to Col. Ephraim Williams near Lake George c. 1875
George W. Waters paints o.o.c. The Boating Party (Lake George) c. 1875
William F. Fox serves as private forester for Blossburg Coal, Mining and RR Co., Blossburg, PA 1875-82
The warm winter causes an ice famine in Middletown and vicinity, Delaware 1875-76
Finch, Pruyn & Co. pays off note completing original purchase of Wing mill at Glens Falls (Jan) 1876
A.L. McCrea et al. form Agalite Fiber Co. to produce milled talc from Wight farm, T. of Fowler 1876
Verplanck Colvin records an earthquake at Saranac Lake (9 Feb) 1876
Appalachian Mountain Club is established in Boston 1876
A.B. Nobel patents blasting gelatin, a combination of nitroglycerin and nitrocellulose 1876
Granulated sugar sells for 11.5 cents per pound in Schenectady ($2.64 in 2017 dollars) 1876
Solomon Northup’s wife’s obituary claims Northup a “worthless vagabond” and his record is lost 1876
Alexander G. Bell & T.J. Watson demonstrate telephone at Centennial Exhibition, Philadelphia 1876
AuSable Chasm Horsenail Works begins production of two tons of horseshoe nails per day 1876
Spencer Fullerton Baird and George Brown Goode reorganize The National Museum 1876
T’s of Hollywood, Jamestown, Oakham are annexed to T. of Colton from T. of Hopkinton (Feb) 1876
T. of Colton is now 220,084 a., largest in St. Law. Co., the largest county in NYS (Feb) 1876
Preston Ponds Club leases AISC land near 3 Preston Ponds for private fish and game club (Feb) 1876
W.F. Weston & J.H. Otis build 100-room Cascade House overlooking Lower Cascade Lake 1876
John Muir pub “God’s First Temples: How shall we preserve our Forests?” 1876
Stony Crk Bd. of Health forbids contact with Thurman as precaution against smallpox (28 Mar) 1876
E.C. Stanton/S. B. Anthony pub “Declaration of Rights of the Women of the Unites States” (4 Jun) 1876
A.T. Stewart, owner of Grand Union Hotel, Saratoga, dies; Judge H. Hilton acquires hotel (Apr) 1876
A large fire destroys all timber between North River and Beaver Meadow Brook 1876
Ten percent of the members of the Appalachian Mt. Club are women 1876
William West Durant makes his first visit to the Adirondacks 1876
William James and his Boston friends establish the Putnam Camp at Keene Valley 1876
Franklin B. Hough (Union College class of 1843) pub Historical Sketch of Union College, etc. 1876
NY imposes a law fining those who cut trees on state land at 25 dollars per tree 1876
Chapter 297, NYS Laws, prohibits sale of state land, islands included, bordering Lake George 1876
The germ theory of disease is established 1876
Charles Dudley Warner pub In the Wilderness 1876
Pres. U.S. Grant intervenes to save Madison Barracks at Sackets Harbor from closure 1876
E.L. Trudeau and family relocates from Paul Smith’s Hotel to Saranac Lake village 1876
Saranac Lake village population is around 700 persons 1876
Preston Ponds Club stocks Lake Sanford with a small number of adult black bass before spawning 1876
Burt Hungerford, Meader bros & Wales Parsons cut trail up Lyon Mtn for Meader’s Hotel (Jun-Jul) 1876
Lyon Mtn becomes a ‘tourist destination’ for Meader’s Hotel and Davis’s hotel at Chazy Lake 1876
S.B. Parson, nurseryman, imports Japanese Chestnut (Castanea dentata) to Flushing, NY 1876
Siemens-Cowper-Cochrane fire-brick hot blast stoves are built at Crown Pt. Furnaces 1876
Civil War veteran George Delano purchases Cook Mt. at north end of L. George 1876
King Alfonso XII creates forest preserves in Puerto Rico to conserve soil and water 1876
Bernard E. Fernow immigrates to the US from Prussia 1876
Verplanck Colvin and crew accidentally burn top of St. Regis Mt., 2,784 feet (17 Aug) 1876
Fred W. Eames establishes the Eames Vacuum Brake Company at Watertown, NY 1876
Kudzu vine, Pueraria montanta, is introduced to US from Asia to become major scourge 1876
Congress passes bill appropriating funds to appoint a federal forestry agent (15 Aug) 1876
Franklin B. Hough of Lowville, NY, is appointed federal forestry agent of USDA 1876
Congress commissions Franklin B. Hough to write a report on the forests of America 1876
The first state forestry association is founded in Minnesota 1876
NY law permits corporations and associations to post land against trespassing 1876
John Aston Warder uses term “conservation” before the American Pomological Society 1876

An announcement of the second meeting of the American Forestry Association to be held on 15 September, 1876, drafted by Dr. John Aston Warder, includes, as an Association mission, the phrase “the fostering of forest-planting and conservation on this continent.

Dr. John Aston Warder

Gray & Son publish *New Topographical Atlas of Essex County, New York* 1876
Albert H. Hook of NYC patents a cigarette making machine (7 Nov) 1876
Judge H. Hilton continues as friend of Boss Tweed, NYC political power broker 1876
NYC experiences major water shortage 1876
NYC experiences second major water shortage 1877
C.H. Merriam reports mammoth (?) tusk some 6’ long as found near Copenhagen, Lewis Co. 1877
NY acquires 280,206 a. of Adk forest, including Five Ponds WA, through tax sales 1877
James M. Wardner constructs a dam (183-0524) at the outlet of Rainbow Lake, T. of Brighton 1877
Preston Ponds Club is reorganized as the Adirondack Club (7 Feb) 1877
Verplanck Colvin shoots a mountain lion on Seventh Lake Mt., Fulton Chain (15 Feb) 1877

Here we were startled by the sight of the fresh tracks of montain lion which evidently made his home in this abode of plenty (a deer yard); and shortly thereafter we found the body of a deer freshly killed, and shockingly torn and mutilated. The guides were now all excitement, and followed the mountain lion’s trail eagerly. In less than thirty minutes a shout announced that he had been encountered and rushing forward to the southern front of the plateau I came upon the monstrous creature, coolly defiant, standing at the brow of a precipice on some dead timber, little more than twenty feet from where I stood. Quickly loading the rifle, I sent a bullet through his brain, and as the smoke lifted, saw him struggling in the fearful convulsions of death, till finally precipitated over the cliffs he disappeared from sight in the depths below . . . . The descent from this gorge, which we named the Panther Pass - having drawn the dead panther through it with us, led down an easy incline covered with hard wood timber, . . . .

Verplanck Colvin
*Seventh Annual Report* (pp. 160-61)
Topographical Survey, 1880

Hudson R. Pulp Co. has >200 workers making 70 tons of pulp & 50 tons of writing paper weekly 1877
Well-known mountain guide John Cheney dies, Newcomb 1877
Dr. J. Ferguson buys Prospect Mt. summit and begins construction of Prospect Mt. House Hotel 1877
Taylor House comes under the management of W.G. Leland and is called Windsor House (May) 1877
Forest fire utterly destroys Clinton Mills, Franklin Co., 60 families burned out, destitute (14 May) 1877
Adirondack Club stocks 13,000 land locked salmon fry from Calif. in Lake Henderson (Apr) 1877
J. Seligman is member of group critical of William M. ‘Boss’ Tweed, NYC’s political powerhouse 1877
Judge Henry Hilton excludes J. Seligman and family from Grand Union Hotel, Saratoga (17 Jun) 1877
NYT devotes pages to exclusion of Jos. Seligman from Grand Union Hotel, Saratoga (19-20 Jun) 1877
Resorts, hotels, clubs of Adirondacks and elsewhere continue exclusion of Jews 1877

After this incident, Jewish exclusionary policies spread to less affluent establishments and increased over time. This kind of ‘race prejudice’ was most pronounced in areas with many Jewish vacationers.
Bret Hart writes poem “The Ebrew Jew” critical of J. Seligman’s exclusion from Grand Union Hotel 1877
Seth Green identifies lethal fungus in gills of perch 1877
The Adirondack Club leases 104,000 a. of AISC land to est. exclusive, Great Camp style 1877
The Adirondack Club procures a cow moose from Nova Scotia and releases it at Upper Works 1877
Seth Green introduces brook trout, *Salvelinus fontinalis*, to First Bisby Lake 1877
Seth Green introduces brook trout to Lower Sylvan Pond and Panther Lake 1877
Henry van Hoevenberg meets Josephine Scofield while camping on Upper AuSable Lake 1877
Textile manufacturer Frank Stott builds a great camp on Bluff Point, Raquette Lake 1877
Seth Wheeler est. Albany Perforated Wrapping Co. to sell perforated rolled paper, incl. toilet paper 1877
Franklin B. Hough, “father of American forestry” becomes first chief of forerunner of USFS 1877
Franklin B. Hough pub 25,000 copies of his seminal Report Upon Forestry, 650 pages in length 1877
Asa Gray cultivates the water chestnut in his garden at Harvard University, Cambridge, MA 1877
NYS buys 225,000 a. of non-resident (forest) lands in Franklin County at tax sale 1877
T. Roosevelt, Jr., and H.D. Minot pub *The Summer Birds of the Adirondacks in Franklin Co.* 1877
T. Roosevelt, Jr., and H.D. Minot observe birds of St. Regis Lakes area (Jun-July) 1877
T. Roosevelt, Jr., and H.D. Minot publish a list of 97 species of birds for Franklin Co. 1877
T. Roosevelt, Jr., and H.D. Minot note spruce grouse “in some parts quite plentiful” 1877
T. Roosevelt, Jr., and H.D. Minot report “wild pigeons” (passenger pigeon) for Franklin Co. 1877
A forest fire threatens Paul Smith’s Hotel, a shift of the wind saves it 1877
William F. Martin launches a steam-powered boat, the *Water Lily* on Lower Saranac Lake 1877
John Phillip Sousa’s band plays on board the steamboat, *Water Lily*, all summer 1877
Bounty hunter, guide, trapper George Muir of Fine, kills 14 wolves in Adirondacks 1877-81
T.S.C. Lowe discovers carburetted water gas 1877
Charles Friedel and James M. Crafts, Paris, develop the “Friedel-Crafts Reaction” (polystyrene etc) 1877
Photograph of Saranac L., taken frm Saranac R., believed to be the first, is taken (Saranac Free Libr) 1877
NYS acquires title to lands in the Five Ponds area in a tax sale 1877
NYS again outlaws “hounding”, i.e. use of dogs in the hunting of WTD 1877
F. B. Hough purchases the tusk of a mastodon found in Lewis Co. for the NY State Cabinet 1877
Clayton H. Delano forms Ticonderoga Pulp Co. to grind wood for paper pulp 1877
NYS again outlaws “hounding”, i.e. use of dogs in the hunting of WTD 1877
Seneca Ray Stoddard sends prints of his photographs to U.S. Copyright Office, Washington, D.C. 1877
Field and Stream journalist reports sighting of moose tracks near Great Sand Lake 1877
N.B. Sylvester pub *Historical Sketches of Northern New York . . .* 1877
Verplanck Colvin and crew reach Gore Mt. summit on their third try (25 Aug) 1877
Verplanck Colvin survey learns that height of Gore Mt. exceeds that of Crane Mt. 1877
Brigham Young and his nine wives register at the Trout Pavillion, Lake George (11 Sep) 1877
Rosalie B. Edge, is born in NYC, NY (3 Nov) 1877
Earthquake, magnitude 4.9 (Mod. Mercalli VII), occurs in northern New York (4 Nov) 1877
*Horicon* (passenger ship) is launched for service on Lake George c. 1877
Seneca Ray Stoddard, Elm St., Glens falls, sends Adk prints to US Copyright Office, Wash., DC 1877-91
Population growth and extravagant displays of wealth and excess characterize the Gilded Age 1877-93
Seneca Ray Stoddard serves as photographer for topographical survey of the Adirondacks 1878
Gerard Jacob de Geer (1858-1943) Sweden, describes *varves*, Swedish for layers, counting c. 12,000 1878
Vice-Pres. Wm. Wheeler and First Lady Lucy Hayes go fishing in the Adirondacks (18-31 May) 1878
Henry Hudson Barton develops garnet abrasive sandpaper 1878
Henry Hudson Barton establishes “secret” garnet mine at Gore Mountain, Warren Co. 1878
Wrought iron, Pratt truss-type bridge spans Au Sable R. at Keeseville, NY; oldest of its type in NY 1878
Adirondack region experiences major outbreak of eastern spruce budworm 1878
Fred J. Patterson and Samuel Dunning ascend Rocky Peak Ridge 1878
Curly pondweed, *Potamogeton crispus*, invasive, is reported present in several lakes of Cayuga Co. 1878
Adirondack Club releases two moose at L Sanford: bull from Maine and cow from Nova Scotia 1878
C.H. Merriam notes several nests of passenger pigeon on lands near the Fulton Chain 1878
The American Bar Association is founded at Saratoga (21 Aug) 1878
A.S. Hopkins gets 1079 rainbow trout fry from S. Green; they are put in Kaaterskill Crk (29 Aug) 1878

Despite having sent these fish (rainbow trout) to Hopkins for stocking in Kaaterskill Creek, Seth Green had reservations about the ramifications of having done so. He was amazed at its ability to absorb seemingly fatal injuries with no consequences. “*They are both amorous and quarrelsome, and during the spawning season have terrible battles. Before this is over they are cut and torn in a way that would seem to insure their death, and that would be fatal to brook trout. But they scarcely mind their injuries and are soon as well as ever. If they are not wounded in the gills by the hook so as to bleed, they will not be in the least injured and if caught while the angler is fishing for trout they may be returned to the water with the certainty of their living.*”

Green seems to have gotten over his concerns and came to believe that it was well-suited for many streams and some of the larger rivers that never did hold many native brook trout. Brook trout were too delicate to reside in anything but the purest and coolest streams; poor forestry practices and the discharges of deleterious wastes by streamside industries, such as sawmills and tanneries, continued to destroy brook trout habitat.


Col. Henry Palmer est. commercial talc mine, Gouverneur Pulp Co., at Talcville, St. Law. Co. 1878
Nelson Tupper opens cheese factory in S. Colton: 185 cows supply 340 boxes of No. 1 cheese 1878
Male passenger pigeon, now a specimen at Pember Museum, is collected near Granville (Sep) 1878
Verplanck Colvin observes “Ulloa’s Rings” on summit of Whiteface Mt. (24 Oct) 1878
Edison Electric Light Co., is organized in NYC (24 Oct) 1878
The American Paper Makers Association is formed 1878
Formerly closed parts of Oswegatchie R. are opened to log rafting 1878
General Richard Sherman *et al.* found the Bisby Club in the southwest Adirondacks 1878
NY State Senator Wagstaff enters a bill for a $250 fine for killing a moose 1878
A wood grinding mill (Lower Falls mill) for paper making is established at Ticonderoga 1878
Adirondack Club stocks Lake Henderson with 40,000 lake trout fry 1878
Adirondack Club members begin rehabilitating/replacing abandoned AISC buildings, Adirondac 1878
Adirondack Club begins hatching trout under supervision of Seth Green 1878
John Samuel (Appy, Appie) Apperson, Jr. is born in Chilhowie, southwestern Virginia (6 Apr) 1878
Wm. O. Douglas patents lenticular “parabolic” or “pumpkin seed” bridge design (See Hadley) 1878
E. Remington & Sons improve Sholes & Glidden typewriter keyboard to that still in use in 2016 1878
NYS arms incl. Liberty, Justice, bald eagle, mountain, river, sailing vessels and sun are adopted 1878
North Ck.-Blue Mt. Lake Stagecoach line is established fostering the popularity of Blue Mtn lake 1878
NYS organizes Plattsburgh & Dannemora RR to service Clinton Prison from D&H RR 1878
Charles Dudley Warner pub *In the Wilderness* 1878
Henry van Hoevenberg builds 3-story Adirondack Lodge at Clear Lake renaming it Heart Lake 1878
W. W. Durant dams Marion River to improve Eckford Chain navigation 1878
Frederick Law Olmsted, Asa Gray and Charles Sprague Sargent design the Arnold Arboretum 1878
Major John Wesley Powell pub a *Report on the Lands of the Arid Region of the United States* 1878
William (Bill) B. Nye cuts trail marked by Henry van Hoevenberg on slopes of Mount Marcy c. 1878
Hundred Island House (hotel) is opened overlooking Narrows of Lake George c. 1878
Franklin B. Hough edits *Report on Forestry* as FUND by the US Congress 1878-84
Agalite Fiber Company relocates talc operations to Freemansburg and Hailesboro, T. of Edwards 1878-79
Adirondack Club obtains 2 young moose in Dec., but were poisoned somehow and died in Jan 1879
Adirondack Club stocks Lake Henderson with 40,000 lake trout and 4,000 land locked salmon 1879
Adirondack Club stocks Harkness Lake with 40,000 brook (speckled) trout 1879
Adirondack Club stocks Lake Sanford with 56 adult black bass before spawning season 1879
Jeanne Elizabeth Oliver, later named Jeanne Robert Foster, is born in Johnsburg (10 Mar) 1879
Chateaugay RR acquires PDRR extending line to the Chateaugay ore bed 1879
Otsego, Oneida, Madison, Schoharie and Franklin Counties now produce 2/3 of NYS hops 1879
Thomas Edison and Joseph Swan invent (separately) carbon-thread electric lamps for lighting 1879
F. C. Durant builds 300-rm Prospect House, Blue Mountain Lake, with electric light in each room 1879-81

Thomas Edison was a frequent visitor to the area and became the head electrician for the Prospect House. He successfully made the Prospect House the first hotel in the world to have an electric light in every guest room. The electricity was powered by two steam-driven, "Z" Dynamo Generators. In addition, the hotel also had hydraulic steam elevators, electric bells, steam heat and a two-story outhouse with "modern bath and toilets." Ads placed in 1899 for the hotel stated "no expense is spared."


William West Durant completes construction of Camp Pine Knot at Raquette L. 1879
Harry John Lawson, Gr. Brit., invents a rear-chain-drive ‘safety’ bicycle; it fails in marketplace 1879
G.E. Davenport reports water chestnut in Fresh Pond, MA, and spreads nuts in Concord, MA, area 1879
Robertson, Faxon and Co., a tannery at Chestertown, processes 30,000 hides. 1879
Average cost of live rattlesnake caught in Lake George area is one dollar 1879
NYS finalizes tax sale acquisition of 225,000 a. of non-resident (forest) lands in Franklin Co. 1879
St. Luke’s Episcopal church is built on Church St, Saranac Lake 1879
William Leggett builds huge log Castle Rustico on the west shore of Lake Placid 1879
Mary H. How Chase & Ferdinand Chase open 31-room Loon Lake House, Loon Lake (19 May) 1879
Last Thursday evening Mr. R.J. Morn, who has been spending the winter at A. Smith’s, gave a
grand party, dance and supper. A general invitation was extended to all, rich and poor, high and low,
miles around, which was accepted by 850 persons. Everybody and everybody’s wife and daughters
were present, likewise their sons, who brought the other girls. No house in northern New York is
better adapted to such an entertainment than that of A.A. Smith’s, of Regis Lake, and it is needless to
say that everything pertaining to the party within the province of Paul and his wife was in keeping
with their established reputation as host and hostess. Of Mr. Chas. E. Martin, as legal manager and
master of ceremonies, one can only say that he was the right man in the right place. The large dining-
room made a splendid dancing hall, and as such was tastefully and appropriately decorated. The
music, which was composed entirely of local talent and comprised a variety of instruments, was very
good and the supper was superb. The dancing was continued until day-light the next morning, when
all turned their faces homeward with the universal feeling that it had been one of the best times they
had ever had.

“Up south,”
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14 March 1879

Richard M. Pratt establishes an Indian boarding school at Carlisle, PA 1879
Lewis Henry Morgan is elected president American Association for Advancement of Science (AAAS) 1879
Gen. Richard Sherman is appointed NYS Fish and Game Protector 1879
An asbestos mine is opened at Thetford, Québec 1879
Charles Durant builds Camp Fairview on Osprey Island at Raquette Lake 1879
W.W. Durant launches a wooden steamboat to serve his clients at Raquette Lake 1879
Bisby Club stocks rainbow trout, *Oncorhynchus mykiss* (fmrly *Salmo gairdneri*) in its waters 1879
Verplanck Colvin makes hypsometric studies of Mt. Seward defining its height at 4,462 ft. 1879
Verplanck Colvin proposes an Adirondack park in a report to the Board of Regents 1879
Verplanck Colvin pubs condensed reports for the surveys of 1874, ’75, ’76, ’77 and ’78 1879
Thomas Worthington Whittredge paints o.o.c. *Lake George* 1879
The Cedar Point Foundry is built 1879
Adirondack League Club reports death of two of four moose held on their grounds 1879
Commercial ice plants in the U.S. now number 35 1879
Witherbee Sherman closes Cedar Point Furnaces at Point Henry during a labor strike 1879
Seth Green introduces brook trout to Canachagala Pond 1879
Seth Green introduces landlocked Atlantic salmon, *Salmo salar*, to Woodhull Lake 1879
Rev. W.H.H. Murray retires from the ministry, goes bankrupt and enters divorce 1879
NYS law renews bounty for skull and skin of wolf and mountain lion 1879
Hounding for WTD (Aug 15 – Nov 1) is again permitted except for St. Lawrence Co. 1879
C.F. Norton transfers Franklin Falls properties to S.W. Dodge 1879
Sawmill of Gordias H.P. Gould at Lyons Fall produces 14 million bd. ft. of (spruce) lumber 1879
Lime-sulfur is used for control of San Jose scale insect in California 1879
Thomas Edison, Menlo Park, using bamboo (?) filament, develops 1st enduring light bulb (21 Oct) 1879
E. Irving Scott and brother, Clarence R. Scott, est Scott Paper Co., Philadelphia, PA (fall) 1879
Clinton Hart Merriam receives M.D. at Columbia Univ., NYC; see his book on mammals 1879
Charles Lapworth, British, names the Ordovician Period (488.3 – 443.7 MYA), after Celtic tribe 1879
Water chestnut, *Trapa natans*, floating, aggressive, exotic appears in Charles River, Boston 1879
C. Hallock, *Forest & Stream*, laments loss of the native brook trout in New York (11 Dec) 1879
Congress establishes the US Geological Survey as a bureau of the Interior Department 1879
Hotel Whiteface staff builds a tourist horse trail to the top of Whiteface Mt. 1879
The “hounding law” (use of dogs in hunting of dear) is repealed 1879
US Census Bureau estimates the national ice harvest, for refrigeration, at 8 to 10 million tons 1879-80

Town of Duane improves road from Meacham Lake to Brighton town line 1879-80

You may say to the people that the “awful, horrid” piece of road from the north line of the town of Brighton to Meacham Lake has been put in such good repair that a Brighton man said to me yesterday, that it is now as good as any road in Brighton, which one may consider a very great compliment to our (highway) commissioner, Elias Perkins. This piece of road has been designated by the people south of us (Town of Duane) as the worst piece of road in Franklin County, but is now one of the best, which makes a continuous line of first-class road from Malone to Saranac Lake by the way of Meacham Lake and Paul Smith’s.

A.R. Fuller
The Malone Palladium, 1 Jul 1880, p. 3.

Wabash, Indiana, adopts carbon-arc illumination for its streets (8:00 P.M., 31 Mar) 1880
Joseph Seligman, banker and businessman dies in New Orleans, LA, father of 9 children (25 Apr) 1880
Bicycle enthusiasts, riding clubs and manufacturers form League of American Wheelmen (31 May) 1880
NY Sun bemoans loss of ‘wild’ brook trout to ‘artificially-raised’ in Fulton Fish Market (May) 1880
NYS Fish Commission begins aggressive program to replenish the trout waters of the state 1880
Except for the Adirondacks, white-tailed white-tailed deer are extirpated from New York 1880
Governor Alonzo B. Cornell authorizes appointment of eight game and fish protectors (1 July) 1880
Winslow Homer paints his watercolor The Campfire 1880
Philander Deming pub Adirondack Stories 1880
The number of farms in NYS peaks at about 241,000 1880
American Canoe Association is formed at Crosbyside Park, Lake George (3 Aug) 1880
Chateaugay Ore and Iron miners strike and are arrested at Lyon Mountain 1880
Bloom makers of Moffitsville iron ore plant are evicted from company houses 1880
C.H. Peck, state botanist, pub Plants on the Summit of Mt. Marcy 1880
Special report of the NY Survey for 1879 proposes a Niagara Falls reserve 1880
E.L. Trudeau’s reading club organizes the Franklin County Library at Saranac Lake 1880
Maj. Brennan pushes bill through NYS legislature for PILOT to local gov’t on NYS forest land 1880
NYS pays PILOT to Franklin, Hamilton, Essex, Clinton, St. Lawrence, Warren, Herkimer Cos. 1880
Franklin Co. est. highway district to build road Keese’s Mills to Merrill’s Hotel, Dickinson (Nov) 1880
Franklin Co. est. highway dist. for road from ‘Easy Street’ to Clinton Co. via Goldsmith (Nov) 1880
Canal dams are begun on Old Forge and Sixth Lake on the Middle Branch of Moose River 1880
Alfred Merrick, L. George Vil., founds/ edits Lake George Mirror, America’s oldest resort paper 1880
A hydroelectric plant begins commercial operation at Grand Rapids, MI 1880
Most states’ execution statutes require hanging, despite horrific strangling and decapitation deaths 1880
Rattlesnake caught in Silver Bay measuring five feet seven inches 1880
Commercial hop production in Franklin County is more than 1 million pounds 1880
Adirondack bloomer iron production reaches 37,633 tons 1880
J. & J. Rogers Co. iron production peaks using 4.5 MM bu. of charcoal 1880
R. Bennet builds the Sunset Hotel on Woods Point of Raquette Lake 1880
NYC experiences a major water shortage 1880
Severe drought and water shortage in the Champlain Canal impairs shipping 1880
Fire destroys Prospect Mt. House Hotel which is quickly rebuilt with added observatory tower 1880
Franklin County hop production peaks at more than 1,000,000 lbs annually 1880
Hudson River Pulp Co. builds stone raceway and crib dam at Palmer Falls raising head to 84 feet 1880
Hudson River Pulp Company changes its name to Hudson River Pulp & Paper Company 1880
James White and Edward Joubert patent the Glens Falls Buckboard – using elliptical steel springs 1880
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Black River waterpower development near Watertown is illustrated in *Scientific American* (Aug) 1881
Rush Point Cottages are built on south shore of Raquette Lake 1881
Civil engineer J.T. Fanning details course of the 225-mi. long Lake George-NYC aqueduct 1881

This discovery, in the enthusiasm of the moment, appeared of the most momentous interest, for here God in his all wise and provident plans seemed to have moulded the mountain and the plain and the lake in anticipation of the special necessity, not only of the great metropolitan city, but of the vast population now gathered and gathering in the several cities of the harbor and the Lower Hudson Valley, and here He had provided for them all an ample water supply.

J.T. Fanning, Civil Engineer
On discovery of the Queensbury Ridge gorge
Southern Lake George, 1881

PO is est. at Paul Smith’s (hotel), Lower St. Regis Lake with A.A. Smith as postmaster (17 Mar) 1881
Pres. Garfield is shot by C.J. Guiteau in Washington DC on 2 July and dies 11 weeks later (19 Sep) 1881
Lewis Henry Morgan, 63 years old, dies Rochester, burial Mt. Hope Cemetery, Monroe Co. (21 Nov) 1881

Lewis Henry Morgan, Union College class of 1840, lawyer, political figure, anthropologist, naturalist, has been called the father of ethnology. A fine portrait (oil on canvas, 29 ½ x 24 ½ inches) by Minnie R. Wyman (1871-1963) is held in the Union College Permanent Collection as painted in 1945. The portrait was given to Union College by Arthur C Parker, Director of the Rochester Museum of Arts and Sciences, Edward G. Miner, T. Carl Nixon and Frank E. Gannett in the name of the City of Rochester in celebration of the College’s 150th anniversary.

The Editors

DC steam dynamo is built at Edison Machine Works, Goerch St., NYC 1881
Marc Cook pub *The Wilderness Cure* (for TB) 1881
Marc Cook pub *Camp Lou*, further highlighting benefits of the Adirondack TB cure 1881
The Adirondack, a red-skinned potato variety, is bred from the Peachblow variety 1881
Main Mill Dam, a.k.a. Imperial Dam (236-0234), west of Plattsburgh, is built or reconditioned 1881
Salmon River Fish Hatchery on 491 a. site, costing some $10 M, opens (Sep) 1881
The Beaver River Dam, Stillwater, is authorized 1881
C. H. Merriam pub list of 211 species of Adk birds in *Nuttall Ornithological Club Bulletin* (6:4) 1881
Captain Eli Rockwell supervises construction and launching of the *Reindeer* into L. Champlain 1881
NYS begins investigation of timber theft 1881
Verplanck Colvin pub (1880) *Annual Report of the Superintendent of the Adirondack Survey* 1881
C. H. Merriam reports presence of breeding mourning doves at south end of Lake George 1881
The NYS Pure Food Law becomes effective (22 Aug) 1881
The Great Thumb Fire of the Upper Peninsula, MI, burns 1.5 million a. and kills 282 1881
Apollon A. ‘Pol’ Smith secures post office (USPO) designation for Paul Smith’s Hotel 1881
P. McCrea and W. Trudeau cut trail to Algonquin Mt. summit marked by H.van Hoevenberg c. 1881
Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) are synthesized in Germany 1881
Eugene Bicknell discovers Bicknell’s thrush, *Catharus bicknelli*, Slide Mt., Catskills 1881
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W.W. Durant buys Adirondack Co. RR in foreclosure sale; it is renamed Adirondack Railway Co. 1881
Michigan forest fires tinge skies of the northeast a brass yellow (6 Sep) 1881
W.N. Hartley finds ozone at high altitudes noting its UV radiation absorption at <290 nm

Henry King is hanged at Clinton Co. Prison for Dannemora murder of Michael Hamilton

John Wesley Powell is appointed director of the US Geological Survey

Edward G. Shortt forms Empire Steam Pump Co., Carthage, NY, financed by Charles Emery

Chateaugay Ore and Iron Co. is incorporated

Franklin B. Hough of Lowville is appointed chief of the Division of Forestry, USDA

Albert H. Hook’s cigarette making machine becomes commercially important

Heavy rain washes out O&LC RR tracks near Woods Falls, engine falls in gap, 2 killed (1 Mar)

Ralph Waldo Emerson (Waldo Emerson), essayist, founding transcendentalist, d. Concord (27 Apr)

Old Forge dams and reservoirs are completed flooding 5.0 sq. mi.

Sixth Lake dams and reservoirs are completed flooding 1.5 sq. mi.

Stillwater dam and reservoir are built to compensate for Black River diversion

Schroon Lake Fish Culture Association is est. at Lake View Point on Schroon Lake (Jun)

Thomas Alva Edison opens his DC power station on Pearl St. in NYC

Thomas Edison develops 1st coal-powered electrical generator in NYS

C.H. Merriam notes payment of 48 bounties for wolf scalps beginning 1871 to this date (Jul)

Nikola Tesla (1856-1943), George Westinghouse (1846-1914) receive patent for electric fan

Schuyler Skaats Wheeler invents two-blade electric desk fan for personal use

The “Swiss Chalet” is opened at Camp Pine Knot at Raquette Lake

American Forestry Congress is established in Cincinnati

Clinton H. Merriam pub. 1st part of The Mammals of the Adirondack Region

The Chinese Exclusion Act makes Chinese aliens ineligible for US citizenship

Hudson R. Water and Paper Co. is established at Mechanicville

Governor Alonzo Cornell condemns sale of state wild lands and poor oversight of dam building

West Coast farmers begin manipulating hop market; prices skyrocket to $1.25 per lb.

Seneca Ray Stoddard lauds Lake George stocking and claims good fishing can be had with a guide

Adirondack bloomery iron production peaks at 48,000 tons

Narrow-gauge RR with 5 coaches and observation car opens to top of Mt. McGregor (17 Jul)

NYS harvest of spruce saw logs peaks as pulp wood production increases

Telephone service comes to Malone

Oliver Abel of Elizabethtown opens the Westside (hotel) at Lake Placid (1 Aug)

A German family establishes the Lake Placid Lodge

Thomas Edison, New York, develops a coal burning power plant for generation of DC electricity

D&H RR reaches Lake George signaling decline of stage coach industry

The People ratify a NY constitutional amendment prohibiting tolls on NY canals

Through this year and beginning in 1871, NYS pays bounties on forty-five wolves

A shoemaker at Dolge’s factory, Dolgeville, begins making felt slippers from scraps of felt

Cost to date of NY canals is $102,345,123 with tolls of $134,648,900

USGS begins mapping of the US

W.W. Durant donates rectory for the Church of the Good Shepherd at Raquette L.

Lake George Mirror newspaper ceases publication

Green Island Improvement Co. is founded at Bolton Landing, Lake George

Touring steamboat Mattie begins operation on Lake Placid

Franklin B. Hough pub The Elements of Forestry, 1st American book on forestry

American Forest Association unites with American Forestry Congress

William Parry of NJ imports 1,000 grafted Japanese chestnut (Castanea crenata)

Robert Koch of Germany pub on his discovery of the bacterial cause of tuberculosis

E.L. Trudeau reads reports on Brehmer Sanitarium in Silesia using rest and fresh air as cure

E.L. Trudeau reads Robert Koch on TB and is first American to isolate tubercle bacillus
Hatch family, Willsboro, acquires Four Brothers Islands, Lake Champlain 1882
Twelve citizens of Elizabethtown donate 280 volumes to found a free lending library 1882
Erie Canal, feeling economic pressure from railroads, ceases charging tolls for its use 1882
Jeptha R. Simms pub *Frontiersmen of New York* 1882
Thomas Edison est. first large-scale DC facility at Pearl Street Station, NYC 1882
Col. Augustus Paine forms Champlain Fibre Co. and begins making soda pulk at Willsboro 1882
Pine siskin, a bird in the finch family, irrupts (a sudden population explosion) in the Adirondacks 1882
Fred Mather studies fish and surveys the anglers of the northern Adirondacks 1882
Fred Mather, in *Forest and Stream*, reports wolves gone and mountain lions scarce in NY 1882
*Forest and Stream* estimates surviving population of Adirondack mountain lions at six maximum 1882
Frederic Remington sells a black-and-white illustration to *Harper’s Weekly* 1882
Verplanck Colvin pub (1881) *Annual Report of the Superintendent of the Adirondack Survey* 1882
“Uncle John” Hurd, Peter MacFarlane & Charles Hotchkiss buy 60,000 a. near Tupper L. c. 1882
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First International Polar Year, a coordinated worldwide effort in the physical sciences, is held 1882-83
NYS law is enacted prohibiting sale of state lands in ten Adirondack counties 1883
NYS legislature provides $10,000 to purchase Adirondack lands 1883
Following abolition of tolls on NY canals boat traffic is greatly augmented 1883
Timber theft on NYS forest land increases dramatically 1883
The Sagamore Hotel is established as a summer resort at Bolton Landing, Lake George 1883
Noah John Rondeau is born near Au Sable Forks, Clinton and Essex Cos. 1883
Louis Pasteur and Robert Koch discover the bacterial pathogen of diphtheria 1883
NYS Geologist, James Hall, describes stromatolites in Saratoga Co. 1883
Robert A. Hatfield (1858-1940) develops 12% manganese-alloy steel for long-lasting railroads 1883
The high-speed internal combustion engine is invented 1883
Hop prices plunge; NY hop farmers begin reducing acreage to lower their risk to low prices 1883
Nikola Tesla (1856-1943), Croatian, pioneers alternating current (induction motor development) 1883
The American Ornithologists’ Union is founded in New York City 1883
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Krakatoa volcano erupts with thermal blast and tsunami, killing at least 36,417 directly (26-27 Aug) 1883
Krakatoa blasts 45 km$^3$ of DRE into the atmosphere bringing on volcanic ‘winter’ (26-27 Aug) 1883
Fred. Church paints *Chaumont Bay, Eastern Lake Ontario* showing influence of Krakatoa (Dec) 1883
William Bliss Baker paints o-o-c *Pleasant Day, Lake George* (20 x 36”), Adk Mus. Collection) 1883
The Bisby Club establishes a large and well-equipped fish hatchery 1883
Schroon Lake Fish Culture Assoc. est. private fish hatchery on Acken Brook, Lake View Point 1883
Fred Mather imports brown trout eggs from Germany as breeding stock for US hatcheries 1883
Schroon Lake Fish Culture Assoc. put 250,000 salmon trout and 50,000 rainbow trout in Schroon L 1883
Gov. Phinneas Lounsbury of CT builds Echo Camp on Long Point of Raquette Lake 1883
NY restricts its hunting season for WTD to one month 1883
GE and Thomas Edison provide electric power to Adks. with development of 3-wire DC/AC system 1883
NYS land holdings, mostly in the Adirondacks, are now 750,616 acres 1883
The number of Game Protectors is increased to 16 for the entire state of NY 1883
Orlando Blood leases Blood’s Hotel, Saranac Lake, to Charles H. Kendall 1883
George Egglefield buys Dibble family hotel in Keene Valley and renames it the Tahawus House 1883
Hail falls in Schenectady (31 Oct) (GCC) 1883
Mohawk River freezes over (16 Nov) (GCC) 1883
Proposal to reduce 50 time zones to 5 is developed at St. Louis Railway Time Convention (Apr) 1883
Standard time in 4 time zones using meridians adopted, Chicago Railway Time Convention (11 Oct) 1883
Standard railway time in 4 time zones goes into effect on all U.S. & Canadian railroads (18 Nov) 1883
Although the large railway systems in U.S. and Canada adopted ‘standard railway time’ using time zones at noon on November 18, 1883, it was many decades before ‘railway time’ was universally adopted by people themselves. While many communities adopted ‘standard railway time’, most communities continued using local solar time (sun time) maintained by a well-known local clock (on a church steeple, for example, or in a jeweler's window.


Severe drought cycle peaks in the Adirondack region (GCC) 1883
Water levels of Erie Canal fall dangerously impairing movement of barges (GCC) 1883
Severe economic depression lasting two years begins in the US 1883
Nicola Tesla, Croatian, constructs induction motor using alternating current 1883
William James Stillman returns to Camp Maple, Follensby Pond, to find site burned, maples gone 1883
The economic downturn seriously impacts the Crown Point Iron Co. 1883
Chapter 13, NYS Laws, prohibits further sale of state lands in Adirondack counties 1883
Chapter 470, NYS Laws, assigns $10,000 to comptroller for acquisition of defaulted Adk lands 1883
Governor Grover Cleveland urges Adk state land holdings, present and future, to be “park lands” 1883
The two-cent postage letter rate goes into effect 1883
Beginning in 1813 and ending this year AW estimates 915,000 to 1,830,000 forest acres cut 1883
John Hurd est. NARR from Moira to St. Regis Falls to haul Brandon, Brighton & Waverly timber 1883
NY Chamber of Commerce est. Forestry Committee to save woods and waters (Dec) 1883
NYBTT, Brooklyn Constitution Club, and NY Chamber of Comm. join to preserve NY forest 1883
Oval Wood Dish Co. is founded in Delta, Ohio (later to move to the Adirondacks) 1883
Northern NY iron production using 277 forges and 1,171 fires is now 44,000 tons 1883
Verplanck Colvin and his crews survey ‘detached lands’ of the Adirondack region 1883
Morris Jesup, president of NYS Chamber of Commerce, proposes 4 million-acre forest preserve 1883
E.L. Trudeau builds family home including a TB research laboratory in Saranac Lake village (Fall) 1883
S. Seymour, State Engineer and Surveyor, pub a criticism of Adirondack Survey (28 Feb) 1883
Gov. Grover Cleveland is publicly critical of Adirondack Survey but grants funding (16 Apr) 1883
Gov. Grover Cleveland establishes office of the State Land Survey with Verplanck Colvin in charge 1883
Article in The Nation reports 95% spruce mortality by Spruce Bark Beetle in Essex County 1883
William H. Brown ascends Iroquois Peak 1883
“Colored” employees are benefited by a week-long tournament at Prospect House 1883
George W. Sears paddles 266 mi. from Boonville to Paul Smiths and back 1883
Gov. Grover Cleveland and NYS Legislature establish the Niagara Reservation 1883
Svante August Arrhenius (1859-1927), Swedish, proposes GCC due to anthropogenic CO₂ 1884
Chateaugay Ore and Iron Co. refinances the Crown Point Iron Co. 1884
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Blacksmith Tom Flanagan discovers copper sulphide ore in the Sudbury Basin of Ontario, Canada 1884
Evening grosbeak shows an expansive pulse eastward 1883-90
V. Colvin pub Annual Report of the Superintendent of the Adirondack Survey and . . . 1884
V. Colvin reports on the islands of Lake George 1884
Edward G. Shortt, Carthage, NY, invents improved steam pumping engine, patent granted 29 Jan 1884
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Nessmuk (George Washington Sears) pub Woodcraft 1884
F.H. Stott obtains 30-yr lease from NYS Land Office for 160 a. at Bluff Point, Raquette L. (10 Jun) 1884
Chapter 320, NYS Laws, provides $5,000 to est. a fish hatchery in the Adirondacks 1884
Only fifty wild buffalo survive on the western plains of the United States 1884
Market hunters are no longer able to provide a reliable supply of passenger pigeon 1884

During the Colonial era there were numerous reports of pigeons being hunted for food, however, it was not until the advent of the railroad and the telegraph that extensive market hunting made its appearance. Using the telegraph, locations of pigeon nesting sites could be disseminated over a wide area and by railroad hunters could travel close to the roosting colonies. . . the result was that squabs (young birds still on the nests) and adults were killed in massive numbers, barreled, iced and shipped all over the United States as food. Some birds were caught live and used for trapshooting (before clay pigeons); others were killed just for their plumage.


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Railroad speculation causes a financial market crisis in New York City 1884
NARR extends trackage from St. Regis to Santa Clara 1884
F.B. Hough presents “Duty of the Legislature with Reference to Woodlands” 1884
George Sternberg builds Inlet House (now a NYS parking lot) at Inlet 1884
Dr. Hervey D. Thatcher invents a closure for the glass milk bottle at Potsdam, NY 1884
Household refrigerators (ice boxes) are now “as common as stoves or sewing machines” 1884
York Manufacturing Co. builds compressors for ice-making machines 1884
Mrs. William F. Jenks provides $350 to build “Little Red” (a TB cure cottage) at ACS 1884
Louis Pasteur and Robert Koch discover the pathogen of cholera 1884
Ed Derby dies and Prospect House on Upper Saranac L. is now operated by his wife and E.L. Pearse 1884
USPO opens at Mount Morris House, Tupper L., with aid of Pres. Chester A. Arthur (30 Apr) 1884
Chester Arthur appoints Mart Moody postmaster of newly established PO at ‘Moody’ (30 Apr) 1884
Gov. G. Cleveland carrying stringer of trout gets stuck in narrow doorway at Paul Smith’s Hotel 1884
A tornado does much damage throughout the Mohawk Valley (4 Aug) 1884
Dr. Hervey D. Thatcher, Potsdam druggist, fails in delivery of milk in glass bottles (8 Aug) 1884
A state commission recommends formation of a forest preserve 1884
E.L. Trudeau est. Adirondack Cottage Sanitarium for cure of TB on 16 a. overlooking Saranac River 1884
Lake Placid (public) Library is founded 1884
Grace Memorial Union Chapel at Sabbath Day Point, Lake George, is dedicated (11 Aug) 1884
Severe cold wave strikes Schenectady causing heavy frost and freezing of some waters (25 Aug) 1884
A state commission recommends formation of Forest Commission to oversee a forest preserve 1884
Chapter 551, NYS Laws, appropriates $5,000 for employment of forestry experts 1884
First Methodist Episcopal Church is erected on Church Street, Saranac Lake 1884
NY legislature appoints Chas. Sargent head of commission to study preservation of Adk forest 1884
Sargent Commission calls for preparation of map of the Adirondack mountain region 1884
C.H. Merriam reports fossil teeth of the giant wild horse (Equus major) at Keene State 1884
C.H. Merriam notes beaver on Raquette R. and a stream feeding West Branch of St. Regis R. 1884
Elnathan Sweet, State Engineer and Surveyor, compiles Adirondack map of public lands for Sargent 1884
The Elizabethtown free lending library erects a building for its collection for $750 1884
The Elizabethtown free lending library receives its state charter 1884
Father J.H. Wibbe introduces water chestnut to Sanders Lake, now Collins Lake, Scotia 1884
Water chestnut survives in Sanders Lake, now Collins Lake (c. 50 a), Scotia, Schenectady Co., NY 1884
Horatio Rogers presents journals of James M. Hadden descr. military role of Dome I. in 1776-77 1884
PO at Paul Smith’s hotel is changed to Paul Smiths (deletion of apostrophe) (1 Dec) 1884
Harper’s Weekly pub Julian Rix’s drawings of cut-over and burned Adkironack forest (6 Dec) 1884
Augustus Schultz develops process for bichromate tanning of leather 1884
Charles Sprague Sargent pub Report on the Forests of North America 1884
Alex. Helwig Wyant paints o.o.c. “Adirondack Ledge” at Keene Valley c. 1884
F.B. Hough et al. draft bill and appendix setting stage for federal Forest Preserve Act 1884-85
G. Cleveland vacations in Adks staying at Prospect House, Paul Smith’s and L. Placid (Aug-Sep) 1884-87
Sargent Commission report blasts railroads, loggers, esp. re. reservoirs, for Adk damage (23 Jan) 1885
Sargent Commission recommends formulation of a law creating NY forest preserve (23 Jan) 1885
Sargent Commission produces map showing NY virgin forest, excluding Catskills (23 Jan) 1885
Frank S. Gardner of NYBTT authors a legislative bill creating a NY forest preserve 1885

I am convinced that the forests will never be made safe until they are put into the State Constitution.

Frank S. Gardner, Secretary
New York Board of Trade and Transportation

Bernard Fernow assists in drafting legislation for establishment of the NYS Forest Preserve 1885
Cornelius Hardenburgh, Ulster Co. assemblyman, adds c. 34,000 a. of Catskills to FP bill 1885
William Hosea proposes federal protection of the Adirondacks 1885
Chapter 283, NYS Laws, establishes the New York State Forest Preserve (11 May) 1885
Governor Hill signs the act establishing the New York State Forest Preserve (15 May) 1885

All the lands now owned or which may hereafter be acquired by the State of New York . . . shall be forever kept as wild forest lands. They shall not be sold, nor shall they be leased or taken by any person or corporation, public or private.

Governor David B. Hill,
Signed 15 May

Three-person Forest Commission is created to administer the Adirondack and Catskill FP (15 May) 1885
Forest Commission is empowered to employ forest wardens, clerks, inspectors, et al. (15 May) 1885
Forest Commission is required to appoint a fire warden in every Forest Preserve town 1885
Review of surveys establishes the area of the FP at 720,744 a., 681,364 a. in 11 Adk counties 1885
T.B. Basselin of Beaver River Lumber Co. joins NYS Forest Commission 1885
Annual report of the Forest Commission proposes a state holiday called “Arbor Day” 1885
NYS establishes the Niagara Falls Reservation, the second state park in the US (Yosemite is 1st) 1885
Sumner Dudley, with George Peck and Rudolph Leypoldt, starts Boys’ Camping Society (B.C.S) 1885
Canada establishes a Reservation at Niagara Falls 1885
Wood covered bridge across Sacandaga River at Hadley is destroyed by fire 1885
Permanent Board of Forestry of California is established (3 Mar) 1885
John Kemp Starley, Gr. Brit., develops commercially successful ‘safety’ bicycle 1885
Lake George Association is established to improve fish and game resources, ‘oldest in the nation’ 1885
Francis Parkman pub Historic Handbook of the Northern Tour 1885
V. Colvin pub (1884) Annual Report of the Superint. of the Adk Survey and . . . 1885
E. Sweet, State Engineer and Surveyor, calls for his storage of Adirondack survey records 1885
F.W. Ofeldt of NYC produces a 2 h.p. naphtha-powered pleasure watercraft 1885
Setting Pole Dam, Raquette R. is lowered by those knowing valuable real estate will be exposed 1885
Joseph O.A. Bryere establishes the Brightside Hotel at Raquette Lake 1885
Saranac Lake druggist F.M. Bull forms telephone company to serve area summer resorts 1885
E.L. Trudeau isolates and grows tubercle bacilli in artificial cultures at Saranac Lake 1885
Hounding is prohibited for harvest of WTD for entire state excepting Suffolk Co. 1885
More than 50,000 lawn mowers are produced annually in US for local use and for export 1885
Gov. D.B. Hill appoints Townsend Cox, Sherman Knevals and Theod. Basselin to FC 1885
New York State Forestry Association is established. 1885
Finch, Pruyn & Co. buys 4,200 a. at Long Lake for c. $2.75 per acre 1885
E.P. Martin et al. of NYBTT issue report urging state purchase of forest lands (Apr) 1885
E.P. Martin et al. of Brooklyn Const. Club urge state purchase of forest land (Apr) 1885
W.W. Durant donates Church of the Transfiguration at Blue Mountain Lake 1885
Chateaugay Ore & Iron Co. builds a large charcoal furnace at Standish 1885
A sand garden is built for the children of Boston’s North End 1885
Columbia and Union College faculty review and endorse survey work of Verplanck Colvin 1885
Kayuta Lake Dam (127-0580) is built or reconditioned 1885
Tupper Lake Dam is removed 1885
F.B. Hough pub Historical and Statistical Record of the University of the State of New York etc. 1885
Franklin B. Hough pub The Elements of Forestry, a guide for American forest owners 1885
Franklin B. Hough, scientist, historian, 1st chief USDF, census official, dies in Lowville (11 Jun) 1885
The Adirondack Fish Cultural Station at Lake Clear opens 1885
Ulysses S. Grant moves to Drexal Cabin, now called Grant Cottage, Mt. McGregor, Saratoga Co. 1885
Ulysses S. Grant completes his memoirs and dies at Mt. McGregor (23 July) 1885
Chapter 85, NYS Laws, regulates use of lands dedicated to est. a fish hatchery in Adirondacks 1885
Adirondack (fish) Hatchery est at outlet of Little Clear Pond, Saranac Lake near RR, telegr., phone 1885
Tornado rips through Norwood, St. Law. Co., with much destruction and loss of life (12 Aug) 1885

The storm came from the south-west, and was preceded by an oppressive calm. Its path was about three-quarters of a mile wide and a dozen to fifteen miles long, though the center of its fury was at Norwood. Its duration was barely five minutes. The great railway bridge at that place, 278 feet long, and an exact counterfeit of the one at Malone, was wrenched bodily from its piers and carried forty feet down the stream. Many buildings were unroofed and some entirely demolished. Medore Cardinel had just completed a dwelling house. The wind lifted it from its foundation, carried it over the fence to the premises adjoining, and deposited it roof down, badly warped and sprung. The fence remained upright! Four teams were crossing the highway bridge. One of them was lifted, buggy and all, over a railing four feet high and dropped on the sidewalk adjoining the driveway. One of the drivers was blown from his wagon to the very edge of the bridge, but succeeded in seizing the railing, thus preventing his precipitation into the river. . . .

The Malone Palladium (Malone, NY)
Thurs., 20 Aug 1885, p. 3.

C.D. Warner notes ruin of lake sides by careless campers and hunters 1885
Long Lake guides sink steamboat, Buttercup, and blow up Durant’s dam on Raquette River 1885
A 142-foot long parabolic bow bridge is built spanning the Sacandaga River at Hadley 1885
Bisby Club members stock brown trout, Salmo trutta, alien, in club waters of SW Adirondacks 1885
An oppossum, Didelphis virginiana, probably fostered by agriculture, is captured in Essex Co. 1885
William F. Fox, is appointed first Ass’t Secretary of NYS Forest Commission (1 Nov) 1885
Gift of $200 and 167 volumes serves to found the Keene Valley Library 1885
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The Biological Survey Unit (BSU) is est. as section of Economic Ornithology of the USDA

Cold Spring Harbor / Caledonia hatcheries rep. taking eggs from brown trout imported 1883 (Nov)

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Riverside, T. of Johnsburg, is renamed Riparius by USPS; train station remains ‘Riverside’ (24 Feb)

Riparius post office is established in train station at Riverside (24 Feb)

Caledonia Hatchery (S. Green) sends 20,000 brook trout to stock Herkimer County creeks (Jan-Feb)

NYS, §280, provides that NYS FP lands be taxed “at like valuation and rate” (5 May)

See Real Property Tax Law Section 532 and Real Property Tax Law Sections 542 re. FP tax

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Sanders Lake, now named Collins Lake, Scotia, Schenectady County, NY, is the first water body west of the Hudson River to ‘host’ the water-chestnut, Trapa natans L., aka water caltrop and waternut. Collins Lake, some 56 acres in extent, drains into the adjacent Mohawk River through Collins Creek.

Father H. J. Wibbe, cleric and local botanist, ‘may have worked’ with Ms. Collins in introducing the first plants to the lake. Her home, now the Scotia Public Library on Mohawk Avenue, survives. Water-chestnut produces an attractive floating rosette of leaves that have ‘seduced’ many admirers into other introductions but the seeds, in the form of ‘caltrops’ are dangerous and have led to many serious infections when stepped on. The name ‘caltrop’ arises because of the similarity of the floating fruit to the sharp-pointed tetrahedral devices spread on battle fields used to turn calvary charges! Infestation of the Mohawk River as seeded by the caltrops of Sanders L./Collins Lake has spread to thousands of nearly impenetrable acres in the bays of the Mohawk and Hudson Rivers down-river from Lock 8 during the warmer months. During th 2nd world war the Navy Seabees ‘lassoed’ many tons of water chestnut from the mat covering some 60% of Collins Lake, the water deeper than 15’ uncovered. Control efforts using herbicides have failed because of the collateral impacts on the shore flora and navigational use of these bays is now seriously impaired. Some 45 years ago while canoeing the Dunham Bay Wetlands at the south end of Lake George our party of two canoes and four canoelists encountered a colony which we collected as best we could but without eradication. Water chestnut now also seriously infests Lake Champlain – more than 300 ares. The water chestnut, native to eastern Asia and and there a useful food, has cost many millions of dollars for control, medical care and loss of real estate value. Do not confuse this species with the grasslike Chinese water chestnut, Eleocharis dulcis, cultivated for its edible corm.

Carl George, Editor

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Commenting on brown trout a year after their introduction, Seth Green expressed some concern over how the new species would interact with indigent brook trout, and he took a cautious approach as to where the fish should be stocked.

Green thought that brown trout would thrive in the same waters as brook trout, but because they grew rapidly and to a larger size than native fish, he adopted the idea that they should not be placed in small streams containing native trout, “as there would not be sufficient food for them and in that case they would naturally reach that point of hunger where they would feed upon the brook trout.” Green saw the brown trout being planted only in the larger streams where there was more food and space for their bigger appetites.
Tree planting begins at the Arnold Arboretum on the Jamaica Plain 1886
NARR extends to Brandon shifting ownership beyond St. Regis Falls to N. Adk Extension RR 1886
**Chapter 475, NYS Laws, empowers FC to sell or trade “detached” tracts of the FP** 1887
Chateaugay RR from Plattsburgh to Saranac Lake opens 1887
Carthage & Adirondack RR passes through Jayville and mining there expands 1887
Henry Hudson Barton buys most of Gore Mountain from NYS for garnet mining 1887
Sam Ackerman discovers graphite deposit in Town of Hague and begins mining it 1887
E.L. Trudeau pub on his experiments with TB-infected rabbits at “Rabbit Island,” Saranac Lake 1887
NARR builds a new highway from terminus at Brandon six miles to Paul Smith’s Hotel 1887
A new highway is built between Paul Smith’s Hotel and Saranac Inn (formerly Prospect House) 1887

The wagon road from Paul Smith's Station (now Brandon) to Paul Smith’s, the condition of which became horrible last year, is being thoroughly repaired, and a new road is being built from Paul Smith’s to Saranac Inn (formerly the Prospect House) which will reduce the distance between them from 17 miles to eight. Stages will also be run from Paul Smith’s Station to “Wardner’s” at Rainbow Lake and to Lake Meacham, though Malone still remains the popular point of entrance to the latter resort.

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Thurs., 19 May 1887, p. 3.

G. Cleveland enchanted by ‘Uncle Mart’ Martin stays at Mount Morris House on Big Tupper L. 1887
Rapid Adk snowmelt causes freshets in Franklin & Clinton Co.; Fort Covington is hard hit (10 Apr) 1887
Pres. and Mrs. Cleveland vacation in Adks staying at Saranac Inn, Upper Saranac Lake (May-Jun) 1887
The Federal Dawes Severality Act allocates reservation land to individuals 1887
Fish Commission begins stocking brown trout in public waters throughout New York State 1887
A parasitic worm inhabiting black bass is discovered 1887
Oval Wood Dish Co. moves to Mancelona, Michigan (later to move to the Adirondacks) 1887
Edinburg builds a wooden covered bridge across Sacandaga R. connecting with Batchellerville 1887
C.S. Sargent founds *Garden and Forest* to promote forests and landscaping 1887
Gov. David B. Hill vetoes legislative appropriations for Verplanck Colvin’s Adirondack Survey 1887
The *Annual Report of the Superintendent of State Land Survey* is not printed 1887
Malone begins ice famine; last winter’s ice harvest failed; no ice is available (21 Jul) 1887
Special protection laws for spawning pickerel and bullhead in Lake George are established 1887
Massachusetts Board of Gas Commissioners is established to regulate utilities 1887
W. Neilson establishes 25,000-acre Adirondack Mountain Reserve (AMR) 1887
William West Durant est. Great Camp Sagamore (1,526 a.), c. five miles south of Raquette Lake 1887
Heinrich Rudolph Hertz (1857-1894), German, produces/detects electromagnetic (radio) waves 1887
White pine blister rust appears in Germany 1887
Beaver River Dam, Stillwater, is completed flooding 1,594 a. mostly owned by Mary Fisher (Oct) 1887
John Boyd Dunlop, Ireland, develops practical pneumatic bicycle tire (Oct) 1887
The Adirondack, Lake George and Saratoga Telegraph Co. is organized to merge many systems 1887
Fish Commission begins stocking brown trout in public waters throughout New York State 1887
Major restoration of the Black River Canal begins. 1887
NYS builds a small logging dam on the Oswegatchie River at Cranberry Lake 1887
Chapter 639, NYS Laws, adds Oneida County as the 12th county comprising the Adirondack FP 1887
G.B. Grinnell and T. Roosevelt est. Boone and Crockett Club for “American hunting riflemen” 1887
Salt is used in snow removal from the streets of Paris, France 1887
Bernhard Fernow of Forestry Division of USDA begins research in wood utilization 1887
Bulletin No.1 of USDA Forestry Division promotes chemical preservation of RR ties 1887
Clinton Prison at Dannemora replaces nearly all of its wooden palisade with stone 1887
Robert Louis Stevenson cures at Andrew Baker’s cabin under care of Dr. Trudeau, Saranac L. 1887-88
Asa Gray, “America’s greatest botanist”, dies, Cambridge, MA, after many years at Harvard (30 Jan) 1888
Winifred Goldring is born Kenwood, NY; eventually first state paleontologist NY and nation (1 Feb) 1888
Ampersand Hotel opens for business at the north end of Lower Saranac Lake 1888
‘Uncle Mart’ and Minerva Moody sell Mount Morris House and build new hostelry ‘Moody’s’ 1888
Bluff Point Hotel Co. breaks ground on the west shore of L. Champlain 1888
High water, ice in Salmon River sweep away road bridge, sawmill and dam, Westville (Mar) 1888
Antlers Hotel is built on western shore of Raquette Lake near Raquette Lake village 1888
Chapter 577, NYS Laws, assigns appointment of fish and game protectors to Comm. of Fisheries 1888
A major winter blizzard, “the Blizzard of ‘88”, strikes the Adirondacks (11-14 Mar) 1888
Ice jams on Mohawk River cause major flooding in Amsterdam and Schenectady (30 Mar) 1888
Forest Commission proposes its oversight of FP game law enforcement 1888
George Bird Grinnell, unable to afford his newly established Audubon Society of NY, disbands it 1888
Adirondack Inn with 250 rooms and an elevator is built at Northville (by F.J.&G. RR???) 1888
V. Colvin pub (1887) Report of the Progress of the State Land Survey (see 1894) 1888
The Australian vedalia beetle is released to control the fluted scale attacking citrus 1888
Fort Covington Milling Company is est. in former Wright grist mill, Fort Covington (Jun-Sep) 1888
Hudson River Pulp & Paper Company is operating 8 newsprint paper machines, one 112” wide 1888
T. of Santa Clara, Franklin Co., is set off from T. of Brandon 1888
Wallace Murray acquires Blood’s Hotel, enlarges it and renames it Riverside Inn, Saranac Lake 1888
St. Law., Franklin, Clinton Co. wind storm kills many and causes much property damage (11 Jul) 1888
James Jagan kills a mountain lion near Wilmington, Essex Co. 1888
The NYS office of Chief Game and Fish Protector is established 1888
John Reid converts his lawn in Yonkers into America’s first golf course of six holes 1888
Winslow Homer joins the North Woods Club 1888
Clinton Hart Merriam is co-founder of National Geographic Society 1888
GE and Thomas Edison develop carbon brush for motors and generators, now widely used 1888
Adirondack Spruce Gum Co., Port Leyden, processes and sells ‘thousands’ of pounds of spruce gum 1888
Forest Commission is unable to find WTD and other wild game to stock Catskill breeding site 1888
An early killing frost damages crops in the Adirondacks and New England (7 Sep) 1888
National Geographic, with black and white photography, begins pub, Washington, D.C. (Oct) 1888
CF report requests funding for acquisition of more land for the FP 1888
The Brooklyn Bridge opens using Crown Point iron in its suspension cables 1888
Chapter 196, NYS Laws, defines first Friday of May as Arbor Day and requires school programs 1888
Berlin Iron Bridge Co. builds pedestrian suspension bridge over Au Sable River at Keeseville, NY 1888
WTD season is reset (15 Aug 15 – 1 Nov 1) with hounding allowed until 20 October 1888
Lake George Yacht Club is organized 1888
William F. Fox serves as Assistant Forest Warden for NYS becoming major advocate of wardens 1888-91
St. Regis Mohawk Tribe rekindles its fire and its responsibilities to Haudenosaunee Confederacy 1888
Ticonderoga Pulp and Paper Co., Ticonderoga, builds a brick structure in Ticonderoga 1888
Fridtjof Nansen (1861-1930), Norwegian, 5 others, cross Greenland ice cap (c. 8% of global ice) 1888
Piseco Lake Outlet Dam, a.k.a. Piseco Lake Dam (156-0615), is built/reconditioned 1888
Stillwater Reservoir is filled flooding 1,594 acres of private lands 1888
Edward G. Shortt, Carthage, NY, is granted three patents for a steam-fired duplex pumping engine 1888
‘Taylor’s on Schroon’ PO is est. at Taylor House & Cottages, Lake View Point’ (20 Dec) 1888
John Dunlop (1840-1921), Scot, develops the rubber pneumatic tire 1888
Stephen Whitney brings Adk logging sledge to Davos, Switz., for street bobsled competition c. 1888
The origin of bobsledding has a connection with the Adirondacks through Albany, NY. Both St. Moritz and Davos have claims as the birthplace of the sport, but curiously, it seems that Albany, NY, may well be the true birthplace. Stephen Whitney, an Albany resident, brought the first ‘bobsled’ to Davos in the winter of 1888/89 and showed them how to use it. The American racing bobsled had been developed from the logging sleds or sledges used extensively in the Adirondacks beginning in the 1840’s. New York State at that time led the US in timber production and Albany was headquarters for the timber companies and was the place of residence for many barons of the industry. The bobsled had been in use well before 1885 when it appeared in Albany’s winter carnival and quickly became a wildly popular event. The streets would be blocked off and the logging sleds would hurtle down Madison Avenue carrying anywhere from one or two up to fifteen passengers (the biggest sled carried 30 passengers!) at speeds upwards of 60 miles an hour. It was not unusual for a sledge to careen out of control maiming and killing spectators. Its popularity seems to have diminished during the 1890’s.

No one knows when it first appeared in Lake Placid, but it was popular there since before 1914, and has been continuously since then.

*Times Union* (Albany, NY), 7 Dec 1997, pp. G1, G10, G11;  
*Lake Placid Club* Notes, No. 70, Feb 1914, p. 488;  

Frank Burdick establishes the Big Otter Lake House in Herkimer Co. c. 1888
Seneca Ray Stoddard sends prints of his photographs to U.S. Copyright Office, Washington, D.C. 1888-91
Appalachian Park Association is established 1889
Arbor Day is established as a national event 1889
Northern NY iron bloom production falls to 12,397 net tons 1889
Little Round Lake Dam (188-0330) is built or reconditioned 1889
Serious defoliation by gypsy moth occurs on 360 square mile area around Medford, MA 1889
Adirondack Spruce Gum Company moves to Gouverneur where it processes 4000 lbs of spruce gum 1889
Dr. Alton begins erection of rental cottages at camp Undercliff, Lake Placid 1889
Rev. Richard C. McCarthy, Presbyterian, oversees construction of a church at Saranac Lake 1889
Wawbeek Lodge opens for business on Upper Saranac Lake 1889
Louis Pasteur and Robert Koch discover the pathogen of tetanus 1889
Massachusetts begins a program to “totally eradicate” the gypsy moth 1889
League of American Wheelmen and other bicyclists begin serious advocacy for improved roads 1889
D&H Canal Corp buys majority share of Adirondack RR Co, but Durant retains operation (11 Jun) 1889
V. Colvin pub (1888) *Report on the Progress of the State Land Survey* 1889
Carthage & Adirondack RR opens to serve the Benson Mines 1889
Alex Taylor founds Tahawus Club replacing moribund Adirondack Club and land leasing continues 1889
J. Hurd’s Northern Adirondack Extension RR opens from Brandon to Tupper Lake village 1889
Benjamin Harrison summers at Loon Lake House which became the ‘summer’ White House 1889
Benson Mines begins large-scale production of concentrates from low-grade magnetite ore 1889
Campus of the State University of New York is established at Plattsburgh 1889
“Dead and down” Act permits Indians to cut and sell fallen timber on reserves 1889
Cascade Lake House opens on south shore of Upper Cascade Lake at foot of Cascade Mt. c.1889
Winslow Homer paints *o.o.c. An October Day* 1889
A disastrous flood in Johnstown, PA, illustrates impacts of watershed deforestation 1889
J.S. Whipple report investigating the “Indian problem of the State of New York” is published 1889
More than 200 commercial ice plants now operate in the US 1889
Mohican House (hotel), Bolton Landing, L. George, closes 1889
Frederic Remington and wife summer at Cranberry Lake where he makes drawings for *Hiawatha* 1889
Frederic Remington provides c. 400 illustrations for reedition of H.W. Longfellow’s *Hiawatha* 1889
Frederic Remington receives the silver medal at the Paris Exposition for his illustrations 1889
Gifford Pinchot receives training in forestry in France and Germany 1889-90
Warm winter reduces lake ice harvest causing an increased demand for artificial ice 1889-90
The number of forges in northern NY falls to 14 with 102 fires 1890
Iron mines close at Ironville, Essex Co. 1890
Walter Waldron of North Creek begins picking garnet by hand at a number of pits on Casey Mtn 1890
Ward Lumber Co. is est. at Jay 1890
William Seward Webb buys Adirondack land for a railroad right-of-way 1890
Northern Adirondack Extension (railroad) merges with the NARR 1890
Adirondack League Club, owning 104,000 a., is founded in the southwestern Adirondacks 1890
Three-hole golf course, now the Bluff Point Golf and Country Club, opens near Hotel Champlain 1890
Bluff Point Hotel Co. opens Hotel Champlain with 500 rooms 1890
St. William’s Church (RC) is built on Long Point at Raquette Lake 1890
St. Hubert’s Inn at Keene Valley replaces Beede’s Hotel which burned in 1876 1890
John Boulton Simpson launches palatial, private yacht, *Fanita*, on Lake George 1890
Harry Watrous, painter, founding member of Lake George Club, est. home at Hague, L. George 1890
Henry van Hoevenberg opens Adirondack Lodge, Heart Lake, Essex Co. to public 1890
Fishing technique dubbed the ‘Lake George gang’ is developed by Seth Green 1890
U.S. Pres. Benjamin Harrison dedicates Saranac Lake High School 1890
William West Durant builds Camp Uncas at Mohegan Lake (now Lake Uncas) 1890
Elmer A. Curtis buys Curtiss Lumber sawmill (sold in 1865) near Ballston Spa 1890
Congress establishes Yosemite National Park 1890
FC annual rep. includes special report: “Shall a Park be established in the Adirondack Wilderness?” 1890
FC special report calls for “one grand, unbroken domain” as delineated by a blue line 1890
Chapter 8, NYS Laws, defines (Adk) Forest Preserve as its 12 counties excl. of incorporated areas 1890
Chapter 37, NYS Laws, appropriates $25,000 to buy, $1.50/acre or less, FP land for a “state park” 1890
NYS population is 6,003,000 with a density 126.0/square mile 1890
Dr. A.L. Loomis *et al.* form The Adirondack Park Association to advocate for protection of Adks 1890
Nitrifying bacteria are isolated from soil 1890
St. William’s Church, Long Point, Raquette Lake, a W.W. Durant gift, is incorporated 1890
Rev. Richard C. McCarthy, Presbyterian, oversees construction of a church at Brandon 1890
John Milne develops the seismograph and establishes them throughout the British Empire 1890
Flood sweeps away tow-path at Mechanicville delaying shipping by 25 days (4 May) 1890
Scott Paper Company begins selling perforated toilet paper on rolls (made by others) 1890
Wooden, covered bridge connecting Queensbury and Moreau collapses killing two (15 Mar) 1890
Steel bridge costing $9,000 is built crossing Hudson R. connecting Glens Falls and S. Glens Falls 1890
Annual cargo transport of the Champlain Canal peaks at 1,520,757 tons 1890
Wild pigs escape fencing at W. Pickhardt’s manor on east shore of Schroon Lake 1890
E. Schieffelin “successfully” releases 60 European starlings to Central Park, NYC 1890
Crisis at Baring Brothers merchant bank, London, causes world market contraction 1890
A fish blocking screen is installed at the outlet of Honnedaga Lake 1890
A census map of the Akwesasne (where the partridge drums) is published 1890
Gov. David B. Hill directs Forest Comm. to outline Adirondack wilderness 1890
Stephen Griffen tannery and lumber mill, near Baker’s Mills, burns (land later acq Richard Hudnut) 1890
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Lake George Mirror newspaper is reestablished 1890
Walter Reed (1851-1902) and associates discover role of mosquito as vector of yellow fever 1890
F.A. Lockhart notes the advent of the Evening grosbeak, Lake George 1890
Kennard records nesting of red crossbill, Brandreth Lake, Hamilton Co. 1890
Landscape architect Charles Eliott proposes that private organizations protect scenic NE 1890
Floyd Bennett is born in Wilmington (25 Oct) 1890
Thomas Davidson founds the Glenmore School of the Cultural Sciences, Keene 1890
Bounty hunter, P. Flansburgh, kills a mountain lion in Saratoga Co. 1890
E.B. Bartlett et al. establish The Adirondack Company at Lake Placid (Nov) 1890
A chair for electrocution is installed at the Clinton Prison in Dannemora, NY 1890
Joseph Chapleau is sentenced to die in the new electric chair at Clinton Prison 1890
Joseph Chapleau is granted clemency by the governor and given life sentence 1890
A. Krafft, German, develops the first detergent 1890
American ice merchants export 25 million tons of ice 1890
Eames Vacuum Brake Co. of Watertown, NY, is renamed the New York Air Brake Company 1890
Pres. B. Harrison authorizes est. of U.S. Weather Bureau with the USDA 1890
Cooperative Weather Observer Program is established within the U.S. Weather Bureau 1890
After a major fire, Clinton Prison builds a shop, mess hall, hospital, bath-house and factory 1890
Superintendent of the U.S. census cites end of free land and the closing of the American frontier 1890
Isaac N. Seligman scouts Upper Saranac Lake to site a permanent summer camp c. 1890
A European beetle, later a factor in beech bark disease, appears in Nova Scotia c. 1890
Multiflora rose is introduced from Japan and China as rose-culture rootstock beginning the siege c. 1890
The “Indian Wars” end with some 250,000 Native Americans surviving c. 1890
The white-tailed deer herd of the Adirondacks reaches a maximum population c. 1890
Tubercular invalids are formally excluded from many Adirondack hotels c. 1890
State and private reports extol the abundance of brook trout at Brooktrout Lake, SW Adks 1890s
Frederic Remington maintains a summer camp at Cranberry Lake 1890s
Adirondack farming (agriculture) begins decline 1890s
Seneca Ray Stoddard photographs Alaska, Florida, American West, and the Mediterranean 1890s
William Ryan collects guano for fertilizer from passenger pigeon roost near Franklin Falls (late) 1890s
Tanning industry peaks in Warren County Town of Stony Creek 1890s
William Hart paints o.o.c. Lake George 1890s
American yew, witchhobble and white cedar decline dramatically in the Adirondacks 1890s
Hydroelectric power generation begins at Mechanicville, Hudson R. 1890s
Forestport Lumber Co. logs Adirondack League Club lands 1890s
In U.S. significant losses of street lighting from gas to electricity become apparent 1890s
Commercial old-growth white pine stands of Adks are nearly exhausted 1890s
AuSable Chasm Horsenail Works ceases production 1890s
Old Mt. Rd. is built near Keene laying stage for a future legal battle (see McCulley) 1890s
West Canada Water Works Co. acquires land and rights for reservoir on West Canada Creek 1890s
Contaminated lake ice harvests cause problems in brewing, meat packing and dairy industries 1890s
Bicycling rapidly becomes popular in Europe and North America for transportation and recreation 1890s
The safety bicycle gives women unprecedented mobility and freedom from the home 1890s

“Let me tell you what I think of bicycling. I think it has done more to emancipate women than anything else in the world. It gives women a feeling of freedom and self-reliance. I stand and rejoice every time I see a woman ride by on a wheel...the picture of free, untrammeled womanhood.”

Susan B. Anthony
Hudson River Boom Association begins transitioning from ‘markets’ to 4-foot pulp logs late 1890s
Major incursion of great gray owl occurs in the Northeast 1890-91
Two loggers working for Frank Stanley on Kunjamuk Mtn introduce crosscut saw to the Adks 1891
Finch, Pruyn & Co. begins logging operations in the Boreas tract 1891
Hudson R. Pulp & Paper Co. installs 1st of 5 sulphite pulp digesters to make pulp with longer fiber 1891
The Adirondack Guides’ Association is formed at Saranac Lake; F.G. Hallock is president (27 Jun) 1891
Most breweries are now equipped with ammonia compression refrigeration systems 1891
Auguste Paine shoots a passenger pigeon at Willsboro, the specimen now at the AMNH (9 Oct) 1891
A major flood occurs at Schenectady at 20’ stage 1891
Lake George Mirror reports on the problems caused by the varying water level of Lake George 1891
The ALC builds a fish hatchery at Honnedaga Lake near the Forest Lodge 1891
Bernhard Fernow drafts the (federal) Forest Reserve Act preserving 13 million a. of western lands 1891
The Wawbeek Hotel is built on the west shore of Upper Saranac Lake 1891
The Keene Valley Library Association is organized (Nov) 1891
Melville Louis Kossuth Dewey establishes the Lake Placid Hotel Co. 1891
V. Colvin pub (1890) Report on the Progress of the State Land Survey 1891
Verplanck Collin fails in his campaign to assume the office of State Engineer and Surveyor 1891
Eugene Woodruff organizes the Woodruff Hose Company (fire department) at Saranac Lake 1891
The Adirondack Co. acquires the Westside property at Lake Placid 1891
Edward G. Shortt invents duplex automatic railway brake, dramatically improving railway safety 1891
William H. Miner receives patent for spring draft rigging for refrigerated railroad cars 1891
Congress, in a rider, empowers Pres. Harrison to establish forest reserves in federal lands (3 Mar) 1891
Pres. Benjamin Harrison proclaims 13 million acres of federal land as forest reserves 1891
Pres. Benjamin Harrison proclaims the Yellowstone Park Timberland Reserve (30 Mar) 1891
Supervision of the federal timber reserves becomes the responsibility of the USDI 1891
Luis Caranza, Peru, pub article linking El Niño to unusual weather of Peruvian region (GCC) 1891
Bernhard Fernow adapts Prussian system of state forest management to US forests 1891
Efforts by League of American Wheelmen (L.A.W.) lead to national Good Roads movement 1891
Isaac Potter, L.A.W., pub. The Gospel of Good Roads to advocate for improved ‘high class’ roads 1891
The Forest Reserve Act repeals the Timber Culture Act to reduce fraudulent claims 1891
Fred Mather pub his Adk fish studies in annual report of State Land Survey 1891
Dwight “Dippy” Perry Church (D. P. Church) b Canton, St. Lawrence Co., Adk photogr (9 Nov) 1891
Charles Peck pub his Mt. Marcy summit plant studies in annual report of SLS 1891
Gov. D.B. Hill replaces Sherman W. Kneaval with Dudley Farlin on the FC 1891
FC annual report includes article: “The Adirondack Park” 1891
Karl Semper, German, introduces concept of the food chain 1891
Bacteria are shown to cause plant diseases, including tumors 1891
American Lead Co. forms through union of 25 companies with specialization in lead paint prod. 1891
NYCRR Adirondack Division begins work on the Remson-Malone line 1891
Mohawk & Adirondack RR forms to link Poland and Malone 1891
Mohawk & Adirondack RR splits with St. Lawrence RR taking over Remsen to Malone line 1891
Lumber baron Henry Crandall est a park on the outskirts of Glens Falls 1891
Seth Wheeler, Albany, NY, received patent for improvements to toilet paper rolls (22 Dec) 1891
Eugene Schieffelin ‘successfully’ releases 40 more European starlings to Central Park, NYC 1891
The pine siskin irrupts in the Adirondacks 1891
Minnesota establishes the Itaska State Park 1891
Charles Sprague Sargent pub The Silva of North America 1891
A.G. Leonard & F.G. Smith buy some 6000 acres centered around Round Pond, T. of Franklin 1892
A.G. Leonard & F.G. Smith build small hunting and fishing lodge at Round Pond, T. of Franklin 1892
S.R. Stoddard promotes Adirondack Park in a lantern slide talk at the NYS Assembly (25 Feb) 1892
Horace A. Moses breaks ground for Mitteneague Paper Co. at W. Springfield, MA (17 Mar) 1892
Harold K. Hochschild is born, the same day the Adirondack Park (2.8 M acres) is est. (20 May) 1892
Gov. Roswell P. Flower signs bill creating the Adirondack Park (20 May) 1892
Seneca Ray Stoddard develops a camera able to take pictures 20 by 50 inches in size (Jun) 1892
NY Central RR Adirondack Division opens Paul Smith’s Station at Town of Brighton (16 Jul) 1892
W.S. Webb’s estate lands burn following exile of the guides (21 July) 1892
Mrs. B. (Caroline) Harrison comes to Loon Lake House to recover from respiratory ailment (Jul) 1892
Pres. Benjamin Harrison comes to Loon Lake House to visit his wife, Caroline ‘Carrie’ (Jul-Sep) 1892
Pres. B. Harrison writes formal letter accepting nomination for 2nd term at Loon Lake, NY (Aug) 1892
Pres. Harrison cancels receptions in Ogdensburg and Malone citing NYC cholera outbreak (Aug) 1892
Mrs. Harrison’s health worsens; Drs. Gardner, Trudeau, Doughty diagnose tuberculosis (14 Sep) 1892
Mrs. Benjamin (Caroline) Harrison is removed from Loon Lake to Washington, DC (20 Sep) 1892
Mrs. U.S. Grant visits Caroline Harrison at Loon Lake Hotel, Loon Lake, NY (Sep) 1892
Last spike of the Adirondack & St. Lawrence RR (see Mohawk-Malone RR) is driven (12 Oct) 1892

NYCR Adirondack Division begins through service
President Benjamin Harrison fosters celebration of Columbian arrival in Americas 400 years earlier
Viruses are discovered when Dmitri Ivanovskiy describes a non-bacterial pathogen in tobacco
J.P. Morgan arranges merger of Edison-General Electric and Thomson-Houston Electric Co.
Newly formed General Electric Co. is established in Schenectady
The Cedar Point Furnace (opened in 1872) now produces 200 tons of iron per day
Smelting of copper-nickel sulphide generates vast amounts of SO$_2$ at Copper Cliff, near Sudbury
Jos. “Cal” Wood is electrocuted at Clinton Prison for the murder of Leander Pasco (2 Aug)
NYS est. (imposes) St. Regis Tribal Council as form of government for Akwesasne-Mohawk People
Area of Adirondack Park is now 2,807,760 a. as determined by Norman Van Valkenburgh
W.S. Webb organizes St. Lawrence & Adirondack RR running from Malone to Loon Lake
Most Rev. Henry Gabriels is appointed bishop of RCC Diocese of Ogdensburg (5 May)
Adirondack & St. Lawrence RR merges with others to become Mohawk & Malone Railway
Mohawk & Malone RR opens Malone-Childwood link with Lake Clear-Saranac Lake branch
Mohawk & Malone RR connects south of Childwold with its southern part becoming single line
V. Colvin pub (1891) Report on the Progress of the State Land Survey (J.B. Lyon)
Adirondack Park, as delineated by the ‘Blue Line’, is 2.8M acres including 551,000 a. state owned
NYS legislature imposes the St. Regis Mohawk Tribal Council on the Akwesasne
Adirondack League Club prohibits WTD jacking on its property
Gifford Pinchot becomes Pisgah Forest forester at G. W. Vanderbilt’s estate in NC
Charles Proteus Steinmetz (1865-1923), German-born, presents revolutionary paper on laws of AC
NYS enacts a law that allows land owners to post their lands against trespass by hunters
Lumbering begins in the vicinity of South Meadow-Klondike and Indian Pass
James MacNaughton hires French metallurgist Auguste Rossi to assess Tahawus titaniferous ore
Chapter 356, NYS Laws, appropriates $250 to construct public path to top of Slide Mt., Catskills
Chapter 469, NYS Laws, directs raising of Beaver River Dam to a height not less than five feet
Chapter 707, NYS Laws, est. The Adirondack Park but with confusing parts re. sale and lease
Chapter 709, NYS Laws, assigns proceeds of lands sold under Chapter 475 to growth of Adk Park
FC welcomes many applications for lease of state-owned lakeside properties
FC proposes sale of timber on FP lands
Lever-type voting machines are used in Lockport, NY
The Ruisseaumont (resort) is opened by the Lake Placid Improvement Company
William Francis Mannix founds Adirondack Pioneer newspaper at Saranac Lake
American Talc Co. opens talc mine on John D. Balmat’s farm, Town of Fowler 1892
Postmaster Gen. Wanamaker: “reliable postal delivery can only expand at the rate of quality roads” 1892

... if wheelmen (League of American Wheelmen) secure us the good roads for which they are so zealously working, your body deserves a medal in recognition of its philanthropy.
Pres. Benjamin Harrison, 1892

Winslow Homer paints his watercolor *Blue Boat* depicting Orson S. Phelps’ boat 1892
NYS establishes a ten-dollar bounty for the black bear 1892
The legal limit for WTD is reduced from 3 to 2 per hunter per season 1892
Camilo Carrillo introduces Paita sailor term ‘El Nino’, *Bulletin Lima Geographical Society* (GCC) 1892
Seneca Ray Stoddard lectures: “The Adirondacks Illustrated – The Pictured Adirondacks” 1892
Robert C. and Anna Pruyn, Albany, begin creation Santanoni Preserve eventually reaching 12,900 a. 1892
Forest Comm. Cox recommends release of wild boar in Adirondacks, but to no immediate avail 1892
John Booth of Ottawa, Canada, introduces skis to Saranac Lake 1892
Chinese mystery snail (alien) is discovered in San Francisco 1892
Oval Wood Dish Co. moves to Traverse City, Michigan (later to move to Adirondacks) 1892
USGS 15’ Elizabethtown quadrangle is published 1892
John Muir et al. establish the Sierra Club to foster Yosemite National Park 1892
Saranac Lake village is incorporated; Dr. E.L. Trudeau is elected village president 1892
William Seward Webb acquires and begins development of 143,494 a. Nehasane Park Preserve 1892
William Seward Webb hires Gifford Pinchot to manage Nehasane Park Preserve Forest 1892
The Adirondacks experience a severe winter 1892-93
Wellington Kenwell reports starvation c. 250 WTD at Indian Clearing, S. Branch of Moose River 1892-93
Crandall Free Library, now the Crandall Public Library, Glens Fallls, is chartered (9 Feb) 1893
WTD winter mortality is reported for the Benson Mines area 1892-96
Abbot Augustus (Gus) Low buys Bog L, L Marion, Horseshoe L, Hutchins Pond, etc, c. 45,000 a. 1892-96

Gus Low builds a railroad, lumbers much of his land, builds a box making factory and barrel mill, bottles drinking water for shipping to NYC, harvests maple sap to make maple syrup, makes wine using Finger Lakes grapes, invents widely with only Thomas Edison having more patents. The name of the enterprise covering this array of activity was The Horseshoe Forestry Company.

G. Randorf, *The Adironacks*

V. Colvin pub (1892) *Report on the Progress of the State Land Survey* 1893
U.S. Senate creates Office of Road Inquiry, fut. Federal Highway Administration (3 Mar) 1893
Watertown Herald promotes L.A.W. Good Roads Movement as economic benefit to farmers (4 Mar) 1893
Ogdensburg Journal says 4 ½” wide tires cause half the road damage of 2 ½” wide tires (17 Apr) 1893
Duryea brothers, bicycle mechanics, road test gasoline-powered U.S.-built automobile (20 Sep) 1893
A.A. Pope, L.A.W., request est. of federal road dept. with 150,000-name petition to US Senate (Dec) 1893
Upon his death F.E. Bull’s telephone switchboard is taken over by J. Merkel and F.M. Jackson 1893
Gov. R.P. Flower proposes “Cutting Law” allowing Forestry Commission to sell FP trees (7 Apr) 1893
Chapter 332, NYS Laws, allows FC to sell FP timber and lease 5-acre tracts for cottages/camps 1893
Chapter 332, NYS Laws, authorizes FC to lay out paths and roads in the park 1893
Seneca Ray Stoddard and Louise E. Newman and Co pub *Map of the Adirondack Wilderness* 1893
Seneca Ray Stoddard’s 16th revised edition, of his *Map of the Adirondack Wilderness*, 33” height by 27 ½” width, as published in 1893 continued in Stoddard’s successful promotion of the commercial and recreational uses of the Adirondack region. The map was folded into a small book for easy transport and field use. His photography of the region was an important element in the process.

The Editors

Chapter 332, NYS Laws, increases FC from three to five commissioners
Chapter 332, NYS Laws redefine ‘Forest Preserve’ and ‘Adk Park’ to list Towns included
WTD season for hounding is reset (Sept. 10- Oct. 10) with “crusting” again illegal
USGS 15’ Fort Ann quadrangle is published
USGS 15’ Whitehall quadrangle is published
Shore Owners’ Association of Lake Placid (SOA) is formed to preserve the quality of the lake
Adirondack Park is enlarged to include Lake George islands, Warren Co.
USDA Forestry Comm. Bernard Fernow charges NYS Forest Commission with incompetence
M.B. Miller Hose Company No. 2 (fire department) is organized at Saranac Lake
Break in Glens Falls feeder of Champlain Canal system delays navigation by 11 days
James Sumner invents a 2-ton, kerosene fueled, steam-powered lawn mower
WTD (45) are trapped at Indian Lake, Adks, and transported to 100 a. fenced Catskill site
Saranac and Lake Placid Railroad is opened to serve Lake Placid village
Depression of the iron market causes Benson Mines to cease operation
R.C. Pruyn est. 5,695 a. private park for propagation of fish, birds & game at Newcomb (Mar)
New York Central & Hudson RR leases Mohawk & Malone and Carthage & Adirondack RRs
Saranac & Lake Placid RR opens Saranac-Lake Placid run, Mohawk & Malone RR using link
Forest Commission and Gov. Flower sell spruce on 17,500 a. FP land
Cornelius Hayes sues T. of Colton for $500 after he falls into Raquette R.; he is given $50
William Seward Webb names Lake Lila after his wife.
Karl Benz and Henry Ford bring motor cars to the market
J. & J. Rogers Co. reorganizes shifting focus from iron to pulp products
*Lake George Mirror* pub a letter “Controlling the Lake George Dam . . .”
Charles Proteus Steinmetz, electronics wizard, becomes an employee of General Electrical Co.
G. Pinchot pub *The Forest of Ne-Ha-Sa-Ne Park in Northern N.Y.*
H. Nicholas Jarchow pub *Forest Planting and Care of Timber Lands*
NYBTT and Brooklyn Constitution Club oppose law allowing Forest Commission timber sale
Stillwater Reservoir is raised ~5 ft. flooding lands of William Seward Webb, *et al.*
William Seward Webb sues NYS for flooding of his forest lands by damming on Beaver River
William Seward Webb claims Beaver R. dam prevents marketing timber on 66,000 a. of his land
Edward H. Litchfield, NT lawyer, encloses 8,654 a. Tupper estate with wire-mesh fence 8’ high
E. H. Litchfield begins construction of ‘castle of native stone, French chateau style, Tupper estate
Edward H. Litchfield builds macadam roads at his estate near Tupper Lake
Gov. Roswell P. Flower appoints F. Babcock, S. Tilden, C. Schuyler, N. Straus, W. Weed to FC
Special game protectors are authorized heavily using the “moiety system”
A.G. Leonard & F.G. Smith rename Round Pond, T. of Franklin, as Lake Kushaqua (Sep)
A mountain lion is killed within the city limits of Schenectady
Forest Commission (J.B. Koetteritz) pub. *Map of the Adirondack Forest and Adjoining Territory*
Isaac N. Seligman builds Fish Rock Camp designed by Arnold W. Brunner on Upper Saranac L.
Rev. Richard C. McCarthy, Presbyterian, oversees construction of a church at Childwold
The iron ore (almost 70% iron) of Mineville wins 1st prize at Columbian Exposition
Major iron ore beds are discovered in Wisconsin and Minnesota
Nicola Tesla transmits a radio signal across a short distance using pulsed current 1893
The four largest talc businesses in St. Lawrence Co. merge to become the International Pulp Co. 1893

This company was organized early in 1893 by capitalists of New York City, who count their wealth by figures of such dazzling dimensions as to make the denizens of old St. Lawrence county dizzy when attempting to comprehend the real meaning of so many millions.


Four smaller talc companies near Gouverneur form trust to compete with International Pulp Co. 1893
Herman Herzog paints o.o.c. On Lake George 1893
Pope, Williams & Co. close 10-fire Catalan bloom forge and rest of Bellmont facility 1893
ALC fish hatchery at Honnedaga Lake is relocated to outlet for deep lake water use 1893
A ‘verified’ red wolf is killed in the Adirondacks 1893
The ALC and the Bisby Club merge 1893
February snowfall for Albany as per records of NWB reaches all-time record of 40.7” 1893
The Sagamore Club House, Green Island, Bolton Landing, Lake George, burns to ground 1893
Steamship Rachel runs aground near Hundred I. House Hotel, L. George, drowning nine (3 Aug) 1893
USGS 15’ Au Sable quadrangle is published 1893
Assistant State Zoologist W. B. Marshall (erroneously) reports extirpation of beaver in NY 1893
Frank & George Hooper’s vannig jig to extract garnet from crushed ore transforms garnet industry 1893
Frederick Remington art is acclaimed at a solo gallery show in NYS 1893
Charles H. Peck and Charles Wood ascend Wright Peak 1893
Reuben Cary traps/kills/mounts wolf, Brandreth Lake; Adk Mus. Cat. No. 79.10.11 (10 Nov) 1893
Speculative industrial expansion leads to severe US economic depression lasting four years 1893
Economic depression and Minnesota Mesabi Range seriously impact the Crown Point Iron Co. 1893
Forest Commission reports private clubs & preserves own 941,000+ acres 1893
J.W. Otis and Benjamin Pond make winter ascent of Mount Marcy 1893
Due to faulty incubator, E.L. Trudeau’s laboratory and home burn to the ground at Saranac Lake 1893
William Hart paints o.o.c. In the Keene Valley c. 1893
Saranac Laboratory for the Study of Tuberculosis is built by E.L. Trudeau at Saranac Lake 1893-94

... there is nothing like a fire to make a man do the Phoenix trick.
Dr. William Osler’s prediction to Dr. Trudeau 1893-94

A severe drought plagues the Adirondacks 1893-94
Gifford Pinchot becomes forester for the Whitney estate c.1894
E. R. Baldwin is appointed director of Saranac Laboratory 1894
Edgar Howell is arrested at Yellowstone after slaughtering six bison 1894
USGS 15’ Elizabethtown quadrangle is published 1894
USGS 15’ Mt. Marcy quadrangle is published 1894
USGS 15’ Ticonderoga quadrangle is published 1894
E.F. Phelps and Elquin (first name unknown) ascend Mt. Redfield 1894
FGFC reports Adirondack beaver population is reduced to ten 1894
NYS dog license fee of $2 is enacted for cities exceeding 1.2M. (8 Mar) 1894
Major ice jam forms at Rotterdam on the Mohawk R. causing much flooding (8 Mar) 1894
Edward H. Litchfield releases elk (bull & twelve cows) from Wyoming at his Litchfield Park 1894
Theodore Roosevelt prompts Boone and Crockett Club to lobby against hounding 1894
H. Seward Webb and Paul Smith give 100 a. in T. Brighton to Sisters of Mercy for TB sanatorium 1894
Leonard & Smith doubled the size of Kushaqua Lodge and added more amenities (Apr) 1894
Saranac Lake Electric Company is formed to generate electricity at site of Pliny Miller’s sawmill 1894
Crown Point Library Society gives provisional charter to Crown Point Chapel Library 1894
NYBTT appoints a Special Committee on Constitutional Amendments 1894
Mill Pond reservoir on Saranac R. at Saranac L. village is renamed Lake Flower after Gov. Flower 1894
H.W. Boyer enjoins Forest Commission to control its abuse of state-owned forests 1894
Chapters 358 and 665, NYS Laws, assign money FC receives for land sale/lease to Park growth 1894
NY Board of Trade and Transportation proposes NYS constitutional protection of the FP 1894
Brooklyn Constitution Club proposes NYS constitutional protection of the FP 1894
T. of Brighton passes funding to pave road from Paul Smith’s Hotel to Paul Smith’s Station (May) 1894
New York State Constitutional Convention convenes, after 8 years of legislative bickering (8 May) 1894
NYC attorney David McClure chairs Constitutional Convention Committee on Forest Preservation 1894
D. McClure proposes constitutional amendment prohibiting logging of NY state land 1894
D. McClure’s “forever wild amendment” is unanimously approved at Constitutional Convention 1894
Voters ratify new NYS Constitution, incl. forever-wild clause with a 56 percent majority (6 Nov) 1894

**Article VII, Section 7, of NY constitution protects Forest Preserve as forever wild (6 Nov)** 1894

The lands of the State, now owned or hereafter acquired, constituting the Forest Preserve as now fixed by law, shall be forever kept as wild forest lands. They shall not be leased, sold or exchanged, or be taken by any corporation, public or private, nor shall the timber theron be sold, removed or destroyed.

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**Article VII, Section 7, of NYS Constitution November, 1894**

The Forest Commission loses funding provided by timber sales 1894
Rev. Richard C. McCarthy, Presbyterian, oversees construction of a church at Axton Landing 1894
FGFC reports death of NY’s “last” bountied mountain lion in Herkimer Co. (see 1871 law) 1894
William H. Miner founds W.H. Miner, Inc. at Chicago to make draft gears for RR cars 1894
NY Gov. Roswell P. Flower signs a law requiring annual licensing of dogs 1894
Electrical service is established in Saranac Lake village 1894
Rear Admiral John W. Moore buys 1.7 a. tract, Bolton Landing, L. George – later home of DFWI 1894
Eighteen bicycles are owned by residents of Creek Center, now Stony Creek, Warren Co. 1894
Philo C. Wood opens inn built by Fred Hess on Fulton Chain 1894
The Adirondack and St. Lawrence RR opens a station at Brandreth 1894
NYS pub on fish harvest on NY side of L. Champlaina as 33,170 pounds. 1894
NARR goes into receivership 1894
Elizabethtown Post editorial proposes a cog rail to the top of Whiteface Mountain 1894
V. Colvin leads Adk tour for the Assembly Committee on public Land and Forests 1894
V. Colvin pub (1893) *Report on the Progress of the State Land Survey* 1894
All uncultivated State land within 10 miles of Clinton Prison is exempted from FP for prison use 1894
The *American Forest* magazine begins publication 1894
Founding Company of Appleton Papers is est. in Newton Falls on Oswegatchie River 1894
Carl Smith buys *Adirondack Pioneer* to est. the *Adirondack Enterprise* newspaper at Saranac Lake 1894
J. & J. Rogers Co. begins operating a large sulphite pulp mill at Au Sable Forks 1894
Congress limits John Wesley Powell’s USGS land management plan and he resigns 1894
Frank Hooper opens Hooper Mine with garnet separation mill on NE side of Ruby Mountain 1894
D.M. Haley forms Glen Mining Co. with Crane Mountain paint mineral mine 1894
R.C. Pruyn et al. buy Catlin Lake and 1,500 adjoining acres for private park at Newcomb (Dec) 1894
Mohican, a 93 feet long wooden-hulled steamboat, begins service in Lake George 1894
George Muir, hunter, trapper, guide kills a wolf at his camp at Gull Lake, Cranberry Lake vic. 1894
The Cohoes dam receives extensive repairs 1894
Sagamore Club House is rebuilt with improvements, Green Island, Bolton Landing, Lake George 1894
G.W. Knapp, president Peoples Gas Co. of Chicago, buys Hundred Island House, Lake George 1894
USN Rear Admiral John W. Moore buys 1.7 a tract, Bolton Landing, Lake George, future site DFWI 1894
Schenectady Gazette, later named Daily Gazette, founded in Schenectady, ‘Voice of Capital Region’ 1894
Newell Martin (age 40) climbs six major Adirondack peaks, including Marcy, in one day 1894
The Hinckley forest fire of Minnesota kills 814 people 1894
The Adirondacks experience a severe winter with deep snow and great cold 1894-95
Extensive WTD starvation and mortality occurs in the Adirondacks 1894-95
Cornelius Carter reports on winter mortality of WTD in the Benson Mines area 1894-95
Forest Commission merges with Fisheries & Game to form Fisheries, Game, and Forest Commission 1895

**Article VII, Section 7, NY Constitution, becomes effective (1 Jan) 1895**

Two-car cable RR, 1.4-mile long, opens to public ascending Prospect Mt, Lake George (15 Jun) 1895
Melvil Dewey (of Dewey decimal system) establishes Placid Park Club at Lake Placid 1895

... no one will be received as member or guest against whom there is physical, moral, social, or race objection, or who would be unwelcome to even a small minority. This excludes absolutely all consumptives, or rather invalids, whose presence might injure health or modify others’ freedom of enjoyment. This invariable rule is rigidly enforced: it is found impracticable to make exceptions to Jews or others excluded, even when of unusual qualification.

Lake Placid Club policy

Lake Placid Club Golf Course is established at Lake Placid 1895
Abolitionist John Brown’s farm at North Elba is given to NYS as an historic site (29 Mar) 1895
U.S. Weather Bureau begins publication of daily weather maps 1895
Report on the geological formation of L. George and L. Champlain published in Science magazine 1895
Heavy rains create ‘big freshet’ on Sacandaga and Hudson Rivers with much flood damage (8 Apr) 1895
Following bankruptcy, John Hurd’s NARR reincorporates as the NNYRR (27 May) 1895
Malone & St. Lawrence RR merges with St. Lawrence & Adirondack RR 1895
Henry Van Dyke extols the virtues of the Saranac boat, also called the Adirondack guideboat 1895

A Saranac boat is one of the finest things that the skill of man has ever produced under the inspiration of the wilderness. It is a frail shell, so light that a guide can carry it on his shoulders with ease, but so dexterously fashioned that it rides the heaviest waves like a duck, and slips through the water as if by magic. You can travel in it along the shallowest rivers and across the broadest lakes, and make forty or fifty miles a day, if you have a good guide.


Robert B. Kersey forms American Lawn Mower Co. to make push reel lawn mowers 1895
Loon Lake Golf Course, designed by Seymour Dunn, is established at Loon Lake 1895
President Grover Cleveland vacations at the Loon Lake House, Loon Lake 1895
Charles Proetieus Steinmetz, Schenectady, patents means of alternating current distribution (29 Jan) 1895
20,194,156 bd. ft. of spruce saw logs are rafted down West Ck., (now West Canada Creek) to mills 1895
George Vernon Hudson, New Zealand, proposes Daylight Saving Time, but it is not carried out 1895
Artist George Parker exhibits a series of Adirondack scenes at the National Academy 1895
Rev. Richard C. McCarthy, Presbyterian, oversees construction of church at Clear Lake Junction 1895
McCollops Golf Course (now defunct) is established at McCollops 1895
Insects are shown to spread plant diseases 1895
Alfred Bernhard Nobel drafts his will defining five prizes for achievement in science and arts (fall) 1895
Breeding range of northern cardinal now extends north to lower Hudson Valley and Great Lakes 1895
Wilhelm Konrad Röntgen discovers X-rays, later to be applied to TB detection (8 Nov) 1895
Eskil Berg introduces sport of skate sailing from Sweden to Schenectady, NY, thence Lake George 1895
NYS assumes control of all game laws disempowering Boards of Supervisors 1895
Verplanck Colvin becomes president of the Albany Institute 1895
Verplanck Colvin pub (1894) Report on the Progress of the State Land Survey 1895
A bond issue for deepening of Champlain Canal to 7’ is approved 1895
Rock is blasted from the outlet of Lake George ending the natural regulation of lake water level 1895
French Louie of West Canada Lake is arrested for poaching WTF and sale of venison 1895
USGS 15’ Glens Falls quadrangle is published 1895
USGS 15’ Schroon Lake quadrangle is published 1895
USGS 15’ Bolton quadrangle is published 1895
Lake George Historical Association (LGHA) is formed 1895
J. Pierpont Morgan, Sr., buys Camp Uncas at Mohegan Lake from W.W. Durant 1895
Adk Forest Novelty Co., Keene Valley, sells ‘miniature barrels of pure spruce gum by mail, 10¢’ 1895
Former Pres., Gen. B. Harrison spends summer at Dodd Camp, First Lake, Fulton Chain Lakes 1895
US Army purchases Stony Point Target Range, 868 a., sixteen miles from Madison Barracks 1895
NYS buys 75,377 a for $600,000 as Stillwater Reservoir floods Webb land 1895
NYS beaver population declines to less than ten animals 1895
NYS closes trapping season for beaver 1895
By this date definition of FP is amended to exclude land within villages and cities 1895
Six Canadian beaver are released in the Adirondacks 1895
FGFC proposes constitutional amendments allowing sale and exchange of FP land 1895
FGFC appoints William F. Fox, NYS Superintendent of Forests, to manage FGFC 1895
Nearly 50 private preserves are reported in the Adirondacks 1895
NYS ends bounty for black bear after reportage of 907 kills since onset in 1892 1895
Long-term St. Lawrence Co. hunter, trapper, guide, George Muir, catches a wolf in a bear trap 1895
There are now some 25 commercial growers of American ginseng in America. 1895
Duryea Motor Wagon Co. is organized in Springfield, MA 1895
Gov. Levi P. Morton appoints B. Davis, H. Lyman and E. Thompson to FGFC 1895
George B. Selden of Rochester patents the gasoline driven automobile 1895
Wm. Peck (Horicon Improvement Co.) and Otis Engineering Co. build Prospect Mtn cog railway 1895
Carl A. Schenck replaces Gifford Pinchot as forester for Pfisgah Forest of western N. Carolina 1895
The State Land Survey receives legislative funding of $50,000 1895
The number of game protectors is increased to thirty-eight 1895
African-American legislators in NYS secure passage of new civil rights law (1 Sep) 1895

New York guaranteed all people equal access to “inns, restaurants, hotels, eating houses, bathhouses, barber shops, theaters, music halls, public conveyances on land and water, and all other places of public accommodation or amusement. . . . (Unfortunately), a few years later, surveys of restaurants and theaters showed that law had not been effective. Hotel and restaurant proprietors used different strategies
for discouraging African American (and Jewish) patrons including discourteous service, poor seating or the advertising of discriminatory admission practices, e.g., “No Jews or Dogs Admitted”.


NYS WTD season is reduced to August 11 through October 31

NYS WTD take is reduced to two per hunter per season

W.W. Durant sells Camp Pine Knot at Raquette Lake to Collis P. Huntington

A telegraph station is established at Camp Pine Knot by Collis P. Huntington c. 1895

D&H RR requests ROW through FP land at FC meeting (27 Dec)

FC meeting with 3 of 5 commissioners approves FP ROW request by D&H RR (27 Dec)

Guglielmo Marconi (1874-1937), Italian, disc role of wire antenna in sending radio signals 1895

Aleksandr Stepanovich Popov (1859-1905), Russian, disc role wire antenna in sending radio signals 1895

A judge assigns an injunction on D&H ROW grant by the FC (allowing constitution to prevail) 1895

The New York Zoological Society, now the Wildlife Conservation Society, is established 1895

Bounties are paid for killing six wolves, mostly in St. Lawrence and Franklin Cos. 1895

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G. Westinghouse builds an AC power transmission line from Niagara to Buffalo 1896

The Schroon Lake and Crown Point Telephone Co. is incorporated (7 Mar) 1896

Crane Mt. buildings of Glen Mining Co. burn ending production of paint pigment at this site 1896

NY game laws are published in a single pamphlet 1896

Architect William L. Coulter arrives in Saranac Lake village seeking a cure for his tuberculosis 1896

Chapter 116, NYS Laws, authorizes acceptance of John Brown’s 244 a. farm in T of North Elba 1896

Gifford Pinchot is appointed to National Forest Comm., newly est. by the NAS 1896

V. Colvin pub (1895) *Report of the Superintendent of Land Survey* 1896

USPS changes the name of Newton’s Corners to Speculator (28 Mar) 1896

Pontiac Club as chaired buy Dr. Edward Trudeau is established in Saranac Lake village 1896

Leonard & Smith build wood crib dam and power plant for electric lighting at Kushaquau Lodge 1896

Anroine Becquerel, French, Nobel Laureate, discovers radioactivity during his fluorescence studies 1896

NY Botanical Garden, NYC, notes receipt of Japanese barberry from Arnold Arboretum, Boston 1896

Edward H. Litchfield releases 5 black-tailed bucks from Hagenbeck, a German zoo supplier (May) 1896

Lake George steamboat *Rachel* crashes into pier and sinks drowning 12 aboard (3 Aug) 1896

Newell Martin and Milford Hathaway climb, sans gear, cirque on south face of Gohtics (20 Aug) 1896

USGS 15’ Lake Placid quadrangle is published 1896

USGS 15’ Thirteenth Lake quadrangle is published 1896

Copper sulfate is used as a selective herbicide in grain cultivation 1896


B. Davis, H. Holden, W. Weed, C. Babcock & E Thompson are appointed to FGFC 1896

ALC est. Combs Brook Fish Hatchery and closes Bisby and Honnedaga hatcheries 1896

ALC employs E. M. Robinson as a fishery consultant 1896

FGFC reports that little can be done to improve the Speculator fish hatchery 1896

Calls to kill the eels of Lake George because they disrupt bass spawning 1896

John Cobb of the US Fish Commission studies Lake George as well as other inland state waters 1896

Mary Katherine (Kate) Keemle Field dies journalist, foremost leader of women into Adirondacks 1896

Sunapee Trout is stocked in Lake George and protected by law 1896

NYS buys 74,585 a. from William Seward Webb settling Beaver River lawsuit begun in 1893 1896

William F. Fox, Superintendent of Forests, proposes preservation of virgin forest and sci. forestry 1896

Abolitionist John Brown’s 244 a. farm, his place of burial, at N. Elba, becomes NYS Historical Site 1896
Carthage & Adirondack RR is extended to Newton Falls 1896
FP Board chair, Timothy L. Woodruff, buys 1,000 a. at Sumner Lake (now L. Kora) 1896
Edward H. Litchfield releases seventeen more elk at his Litchfield Park 1896
W.W. Durant sells FP Board 24,000 acres circling Sumner Lake parcel 1896
A new Audubon Society is founded in Boston 1896
U.S. Supreme court rules that game is the property of the State 1896
Henry Felshaw sees 300 wild pigeon, passenger pigeon, at Constableville, St. Law. Co. (22 May) 1896
Kanes Falls Electric Co. builds Hadlock Pond Dam (233-1098) at West Fort Ann, Washington Co. 1896
Moritz Walter builds a great camp near the Wawbeek Hotel on Upper Saranac Lake 1896
Jacking season for WTD is limited to the first two weeks of September 1896
Hounding season for WTD is shortened from a month to first two weeks of October 1896
Fmr. President Benjamin Harrison builds Berkeley Lodge on the Fulton Chain Lakes 1896

Camp (Berkeley) was opened July 23rd 1896. Only the dining room building was capable of occupancy & that was not fit. The doors & windows were unhung when we arrived and the rooms were full of shavings. Somebody sat down on the front steps and cried. The main buildings were occupied Aug 19th.

From journal of Benjamin Harrison,
Jennifer Capps,
The Adirondacks Berkeley Lodge
www.surf-ici.com/harrison/Adirondackl.htm

Delivery of US mail by boat begins at Second Lake after Gen. B. Harrison builds camp 1896
NY voters reject constitutional amendment re. FP sale, trade, and lease 1896
Alfalfa snout beetle, *Otiorrhynchus ligustica*, is identified in US 1896
Bartholomew Shea is electrocuted at Clinton Prison in Dannemora 1896
St. Regis River Golf Course (now defunct) is established at Paul Smiths 1896
Iron bridge is built by Owego Bridge Co., Owego, NY, at Corinth, formerly Jessup’s Landing 1896
Timothy L. Woodruff is elected Lt. Gov. NYS with Frank L. Black (Nov) 1896
Major drought and famine strike India with millions dying (GCC) 1896
NYC shifts from brick, granite and wood block paving to asphalt requiring 15-year warranties 1896
Cobble Hill Golf Course is established at Elizabethtown 1896
Fulton Chain RR opens from Thendara to Old Forge 1896
Saranac & Lake Placid RR is leased by Chateaugay RR 1896
Amperland Hotel Golf Course (now defunct) is established at Saranac Lake 1897
Adirondack Bicycle Club is formed at Keene Flats, now Keene Valley 1897
A new Audubon Society of New York State is established (see entry for 1886) 1897
Adirondack Guides’ Association is incorporated (4 Feb) 1897
§220, NYS Laws, est. NYS Forest Preserve Board and appropriates $1M to buy FP land (8 Apr) 1897
NYS Forest Preserve Board (3 members) is created to acquire land for the FP (8 Apr) 1897
T.L. Woodruff, C.W. Adams and C.H. Babcock are appointed to NYS Forest Preserve Board (8 Apr) 1897
An earthquake of undetermined magnitude occurs at Plattsburgh (28 May) 1897
Dr. Frank E. Kendall est. Saranac Lake National Bank at Saranac Lake village 1897
F.E. Kendall *et al.* form the Franklin Telephone & Telegraph Company, Saranac Lake village 1897
Jackson and Merkel sell Bull’s telephone switchboard to Franklin Telephone & Telegraph Co. 1897
Solomon A. Parks donates home and land at 48 Park St., Glens Falls, to The Parks Hospital 1897
Congress passes Forest Reserve Act to protect US forests including use of foresters (4 Jun) 1897
V. Colvin pub (1896) *Report of the Superintendent of the State Land Survey* 1897
The St. Regis Yacht Club is formally established 1897
In early 1897, the owners of Townships 15 and 32 joined to propose a new flood control dam on the Indian River at the outlet of Indian Lake by which they could regulate the water level in the Hudson River for their mutual business interests. To make this happen, they collaborated to create the Indian River Company, a holding company, that they would jointly control. They then transferred ownership of their lands in both townships to this holding company and proposed its sale to the NYS Forest Preserve Board for addition to the Forest Preserve. In return, they would be allowed to build the new dam on State land (under State supervision) and they would be given exclusive control over release of water from it.

The owners of woodlands in Township 32 contributed some 18,000 acres, including Snowy Mountain and much of Indian Lake’s western shoreline. The full size of a township is 25,000 acres; the 7,000 acres not included in this sale were Crotched Pond, privately held farmland near Sabael and a few lots that the State already owned.

Finch, Pruyn & Co. of Glens Falls contributed 24,000 acres including the proposed dam site on the Indian River, Big Brook, Chimney Mountain, John’s Pond, and the site of what is now Lake Abanakee, nearly all of Township 15. Only a handful of privately owned lots totaling some 1000 acres were not included.

The state agreed to pay $164,000 ($4.7 million in 2015 dollars) for the combined 42,000-acre acquisition and the Indian River Company agreed to build and operate the dam. A Glens Falls newspaper, focusing on the dam’s potential to help regulate the flow of the Hudson River, hailed the deal as “a matter that will have an important bearing on the material prosperity of Glens Falls and other manufacturing towns on the Hudson river, and meanwhile assist the commercial interests of the state itself by improving the waterways for the purposes of navigation. There was no mention whatsoever of the recreational or conservation value of the deal.” Neither was there any mention of the residents living upon these lands.
However, the State recognized that there were potential problems with the land titles to certain lots in Township 15. They added a clause in the land sale contract stipulating that Indian River Company would reimburse the State $2.50 per acre for every acre for which the State could not obtain clear title.

Little did anyone know that 22 years would pass before this sale was settled when the Indian River Company reimbursed the State for disputed land titles. Even fewer expected that the ramifications of the sale would arise again in the 1980s when the State ‘took’ the road to John’s Pond from the Town of Indian Lake under Highway Law §212.

Paraphrased from numerous contemporary newspaper articles, Conservation Commission reports (1913 & 1914), Ted Aber report (1982), and other sources

Edward H. Litchfield releases four moose (bull and four pregnant cows) at his Litchfield Park (Sep) 1897
Adirondack Railway Co. files map and profile of right-of-way through Townships 15 & 32 (17 Sep) 1897
NYSFPB condemns 8-mi. of proposed New York & Ottawa right-of-way in Township 15 (7 Oct) 1897
Charles Sprague Sargent, of the NAS, reports on US forest preserves 1897
USGS 15’ Indian Lake quadrangle is published 1897
USGS 15’ Remsen quadrangle is published 1897
NYSSA hosts indoor fly-casting tournament at Madison Square Garden 1897
Bartlett Arkells’ Hotel Balmoral at top of Mt. McGregor burns 1897
Glens Falls doctors & lawyers form corporation to develop a hospital in Glens Falls 1897
A disastrous break in the canal tow-path at Forestport requires thirty days to repair 1897
William West Durant receives 24,000 a. parcel on south shore of Raquette L. for NYS FP (Oct) 1897
Edward H. Litchfield releases fallow deer at Litchfield Park; they gradually disappeared 1897
Edward H. Litchfield releases 3 elk bulls and later 39 calves at his Litchfield Park (Oct & Nov) 1897
USGS pub 15’ Newcomb topographical quadrangle (Nov) 1897
First Presbyterian Church of Old Forge is dedicated (30 Nov) 1897
F.B. Taylor suggests local glaciation in Adk High Peaks ahead of the LIS (Wisconsin glaciation) 1897
Joseph John Thomson (1856-1940), British, discovers negatively charged “electrons” of cathode rays 1897
Jacob Riis, NYC Committee on Small Parks, promotes small parks and playgrounds for children 1897
The American Paper and Pulp Association succeeds the APMA 1897
The Camp Fire Club of America is organized 1897
The Pontiac Club inaugurates The Saranac Lake Winter Carnival featuring ice palace 50’ high 1897
American Park and Outdoor Art Society is established 1897
Warm winter causes widespread ice famine and railroads profit from ice transport demand (GCC) 1897
John T. Headley dies in Newburgh, NY, age 84, after a long, productive but frail life (30 Dec) 1897
NYS pays bounty for 107 mountain lions, 98 wolves; George Muir gets 39 & 39 respectively 1897-98
E.H. Litchfield releases 50 quail from Georgia (fall ’97); 81 more Jan ’98; none survive the winter 1897-98
President William McKinley summers at the Loon Lake House, Loon Lake 1897-01
Based on his Nehasane studies, Gifford Pinchot pub The Adirondack Spruce 1898
Gifford Pinchot is appointed chief of the USDA Forest Division (later Bureau of Forestry) 1898
Governor Black, in his message to legislature, urges lease of 25,000 a. in Adks to Cornell Univ. 1898
Chapter 122, NYS Laws, authorizes purchase of 30,000 a. in Adks for scientific forestry 1898
NYS buys 30,000 acres near Saranac Lake, Axton, in support of Cornell forestry research 1898
USGS 15’ West Canada Lake quadrangle is published 1898
Brown’s Tract Guide’s Association is formed 1898
Edward H. Litchfield releases eleven two-year old elk from a PA dealer at his Litchfield Park (Jan) 1898
NY buys all but 2,000 a. of Township 20 (see Upper Saranac Association, 1886) 1898
USGS 15’ Wilmurt quadrangle is published 1898
A bad break in the tow-path of the Forestport feeder occurs maliciously 1898
Chinese Tree-of-Heaven, *Ailanthus altissima*, is introduced to gardens of Mohonk Mt. House

Martin Van Buren Ives leads a state Assembly Committee through the Adirondacks

Harry V. Radford of NYC (17-years old) founds the quarterly *Woods and Waters*

Whiteface Inn Golf Course is established at Lake Placid

Sacandaga Golf Course is established at Northville

Lands for construction of The Adirondack Fish Hatchery are acquired

Adirondack Guides’ Association has major display at Sportsmen’s Exhibition, NYC (13-22 Jan)

International Paper Co. (IP) forms as 17 mills merge into largest paper company in world (28 Jan)

IP fine, brick headquarters building opens on Hudson R. at Corinth (28 Jan)

T.L. Woodruff acquires 1,000 a. parcel surrounding Lake Kora from W.W. Durant (Feb)

Central Vermont System ‘collapses’ leaving the O&LC RR ‘on its own’ (14 Feb)

Westport Golf Course is established at Westport

Saranac Club Golf Course (now defunct) is established at Upper Saranac Lake

Seymour Dunn designs first six-hole Saranac Inn Golf Course

John Christian Freund (1848-1924), founding editor *Musical America*, summers at Long Lake

Elmer West and Eugene Ashley form Hudson R. Water Power Co. to generate power at Spiers

Six Nations elect SUNY as the official custodian of their wampums

Lake George area rattlesnakes in decline following extermination and bounty efforts

Control of Puerto Rico passes to US following the Spanish-American War

New York Central & Hudson RR leases St. Lawrence & Adirondack RR

NYBTT appoints a special committee to improve the NYS Barge Canal

A tourist road to the top of Whiteface Mt. is proposed by Lake Placid residents

A fish blocking screen is installed at the outlet of Second Bisby Lake

The Adirondack Fish Hatchery is remodeled and enlarged to increase capacity

Carl Alwin Schenk founds the Biltmore Forest School in NC (It closes in 1913)

Verplanck Colvin’s annual report of the State Land Survey is not printed

Edward H. Litchfield releases ten additional Canadian moose at his Litchfield Park (summer)

IRC begins new dam (169-0758) on Indian River on FP land to create modern Indian Lake

NYS holds first rights to release water from Indian River Dam for Feeder Canal in Glens Falls

Fire destroys some one-hundred cottages at Sacandaga Park near Northville

Louis W. & James Emerson buy Leland House, Adirondack Inn and the Windsor Hotel, Schroon L.

Louis W. & James Emerson begin inviting Jewish guests to Leland House Hotel, Schroon L.

Popularity of the bicycle and bicycling in US peaks; automobiles begin taking over

Derrick has 100 houses and sawmill with both circular and bandsaws running day and night

Overshot wheel (40’ dia.) of the Burden Iron Works at Troy ceases operation

Village of Saranac Lake begins its ice palace festival building large palaces of lake ice (Dec)

FFGC proposes scientific growth and tree harvest on state lands

Timothy L. Woodruff is reelected Lt. Gov. NYS with Gov. Theodore Roosevelt

Hudson River fishermen harvest >500,000 lbs of Atlantic sturgeon to initiate drastic decline

Telephone line is run from Speculator through Lake Pleasant to tannery at Piseco

USGS assumes control of the land survey for the Adirondacks c. 1898

An outbreak of cotton boll weevil occurs in Texas

Fishing Brook Dam, a.k.a. County Line Flow Dam, (169-0900) is built/reconditioned

Theodore Roosevelt, Jr. (b. 1848) is elected 33rd governor (R) NYS, his father founder of AMNH

Bernhard E. Fernow, as its 1st director, opens College of Forestry at Cornell University (19 Sep)

Fishermen complain about lack of fishway (ladder) at Fort Covington dam on Salmon River (28 Oct)

Paul Smith converts water-power mill dam at Keeses Mill to hydroelectric for lighting his hotel

Hudson River Pulp & Paper Co. is sold to newly formed International Paper Co.

A pine siskin irruption occurs in NYS (Eaton, 1914)

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Paul family establishes Camp Nawadaha, with indoor toilets, at Blue Mt. Lake 1898
Edward Tyson Allen is appointed ranger by GLO for Washington (state) Reserve 1898
GLO sells 15M board feet of timber on Black Hills Forest Reserve to Homestake Mining Co. 1898
Adirondack Club reorganizes and incorporates as the Tahawus Club, Adirondac (26 Nov) 1898
Federal Rivers and Harbors Act bans pollution of navigable American waters 1898
Chapter 200, NYS Laws, provides $500,000 for further acquisition of FP lands in Adirondack Park 1898
Timberlock (hotel) is est. at Sabael, Indian Lake 1898
G.E. Dodge, T.M Meigs and F.J. Meigs establish the St. Regis Paper Co. 1899
Rustic Lodge Golf Course (now defunct) is est. at Upper Saranac Lake 1899
Clinton Crane studies winds of Upper St. Regis Lake for design of the Idem class sailboat 1899
Rutland Railroad Co. acquires the O&LC RR 1899
Construction of Santanoni Lodge (Camp) is completed on the east shore of Newcomb Lake 1899
Gov. Theodore Roosevelt signs guestbook at Robert Pruyn’s Camp Santanoni (May) 1899
Gov. Theodore Roosevelt edits NY constitution: “these lands shall not be leased, etc.” 1899
Verplanck Colvin’s annual report of the State Land Survey ‘disappears’ 1899
John Brown’s son Oliver and other Harper’s Ferry associates are reburied at his farm in N. Elba 1899
Gifford Pinchot becomes forester for the Adirondack League Club at Old Forge 1899
John S. Apperson (Appy), “escaping college”, settles in Schenectady to work as an electrician 1899
Big Moose lumberjacks build the Holy Rosary Catholic Church 1899
Adirondack Guides’ Assoc. passes resolution favoring 30-day hounding season on WTD (25 Jan) 1899
Charles A. Peck reports white sweet clover (Trifolium repens) at North Elba 1899
Charles A. Peck reports the dandelion (Taraxacum officinale) at North Elba 1899
Charles A. Peck reports the ox-eye-daisy (Leucanthemum vulgare) at North Elba 1899
USGS 15’ Raquette Lake quadrangle is published 1899
UELPCO acquires Moore’s Hotel and water rights at Trenton Gorge 1889
UELPCO begins construction of a major hydropower plant at Trenton Gorge 1889
A graphite mine and mill are opened at Johnsburg 1899
Danish schoolteacher, Hans Mortenson, uses aluminum leg bands to track ducks 1899
Hotel Glenmore, five stories tall, is built at Moose Lake 1899
Chapter 552, NYS Laws, provides $300,000 for further acquisition of FP lands in Adirondack Park. 1899
Lock 2 on the Champlain Barge Canal at Mechanicville (225-0102) is built/reconditioned 1899
John Albert Burr develops an improved rotary blade lawn mower 1899
John Albert Burr patents an improved rotary blade lawn mower c. 1899
Hannawa Dam (136-0300) is built or reconditioned 1899
Brows Tract Guides Association is organized 1898
H.P. Cushing pub “A Geology of the Northern Adirondacks” in the NYSM Bull. 1899
Indian River Company completes new 47’ high masonry dam to expand Indian Lake (May) 1899
Crown Point Iron Co. is foreclosed and ceases operation 1899
Bluff Point golf course on L. Champlain near Hotel Champlain now operates 18 holes 1899
Pres. McKinley’s ‘summer’ White House is Hotel Champlain (Bluff Point), Plattsburgh 1899
Frank Chapman of AMNH becomes editor of Bird Lore, new magazine of the Audubon Society 1899
Canadian legislation and Department of Indian Affairs create Akwesasne Mohawk Council 1899
A party of five fishermen in one day catch 200 brook trout at Cascade lake (Jun) 1899
A disastrous, break by vandals occurs in the canal tow path of Forestport feeder 1899
Horace A. Moses uses Strathmore brand for high quality paper at Mitteneague Paper Co. 1899
Wallace Murray sells Riverside Inn, Saranac Lake, to John Corbett and Euclide Pine 1899
BRRD reports serious summer drought in western Adirondacks (GCC) 1899
Major drought and famine, “worst of the record”, with millions dying, strikes India (GCC) 1899-00
Wm. Robinson, Potsdam, runs single telephone wire from Colton to Tupper Lake Junction 1899
William West Durant builds 1,320’ long tourist RR along Marion R. Carry, Hamilton Co. 1899
John Samuel Apperson moves to Schenectady to work as an electrician 1899
Crown Point Chapel Library is given ‘absolute charter’ and name change to Hammond Library 1899
Forest fires become a serious problem in the Adirondacks 1899
Remains of several of Harper’s Ferry followers of abolitionist John Brown are moved to North Elba 1899
Consolidated Water Company (Utica, NY) takes over West Canada Water Works Co. 1899
Pres. McKinley appoints Gifford Pinchot as chief forester of United States 1899
Timberock Adirondack Familyt Resort est. Indian Lake 1899
Gifford Pinchot meets Gov. Theodore Roosevelt who invites him to join BCC 1899
Gifford Pinchot climbs Mt. Marcy in bitter cold and strong winds

“Got to the top. Foolish.”

Gifford Pinchot
On his winter ascent of Mt. Marcy during the Blizzard of 1899

The last Adirondack moose is killed (see The Conservationist, 1948) 1899
Gov. T. Roosevelt establishes the Dannemora hospital for the criminally insane, Plattsburgh 1899
Rev. Richard C. McCarthy, Presbyterian, oversees construction of a church at Benson Mines 1899
Rev. Richard C. McCarthy, Presbyterian, oversees construction of a church at Cranberry Lake 1899
Rev. Richard C. McCarthy, Presbyterian, oversees construction of a church at DeGrasse 1899
Rev. Richard C. McCarthy, Presbyterian, oversees construction of a church at Star Lake 1899
Lung scarring case caused by asbestos ‘curious bodies’ is published 1899
First supervised timber cutting on federal forest land begins in the Black Hills (Dec) 1899
Salicin (salicylic acid), product of willow trees, is converted to acetylsalicylic acid, aspirin 1899
PRB estimates Human global population at 1.65 billion (PRB) 1900
Canal Commission reports in favor of a barge canal for 1,000-ton boats (15 Jan) 1900
Systematic meteorological recording begins at Indian Lake 1900
Stevens Hotel Golf Course (now defunct) is established at Lake Placid 1900
Eagles Nest Golf Course (now defunct) is founded at Blue Mountain Lake 1900
Childwold Hotel Golf Course (now defunct) is established at Sabattis 1900
Brighton Town Board grants exclusive rights to operate a town-wide telephone system (19 Mar) 1900
Moriah Country Club Golf Course is established at Port Henry 1900
Artist George Parker settles permanently at his Keene Valley home. 1900
James MacNaughton, grandson of A. McIntyre est. McIntyre Iron Co. on former lands of AISC 1900
The Lake Placid Club purchases Adirondack Lodge 1900
The Mountain View Hotel is built at Minerva-North Creek 1900
Following recovery of the iron market Benson Mines resumes operation 1900
George ‘Pop’ Tibbitts est. Camp Iroquois (fut. CAMP-of-the-WOODS) for Christian girls on L. Geo 1900
Seven Idem sailing craft are built for use on Upper St. Regis Lake and five more follow 1900
McIntosh apples grown in Chazy area, Clinton Co., successfully enter New York City market 1900
Bernard Fernow promotes a tree nursery with Norway spruce at Axton 1900
Lake Placid is incorporated as a village 1900
John S. Apperson Jr., from Virginia, is employed at General Electric, Schenectady 1900
John S. Apperson Jr. sees L George for 1st time and “she” becomes his one-and-only life-long bride 1900
NYS begins annual census of WTD 1900
Raquette Lake village moves from Long Point to its present location 1900
Albany Institute joins with the Albany Historical and Art Society to form the AIHS
Pres. William McKinley signs Lacey Act into law; see amendments of 1969, 81 and 88 (25 May)
Full title: Lacey Game and Wild Bird Preservation and Disposition Act becomes law (25 May)
A large corps of engineers surveys the route for a new NY barge canal
Raquette Lake RR connects with New York Central RR near Old Forge (4 July)
Chapter 406, NYS Laws, provides $200,000 for further acquisition of FP lands in Adirondack Park
New York Central & Ottawa RR goes into receivership
F.M. Chapman, ornithologist, proposes a Christmas bird census in December issue of Birdlore
Major ice jams on the Mohawk R. at Schenectady break away (14 Feb)
A snowstorm dumps five feet of snow on the Adirondacks (28 Feb)
Spring floods cause severe damage to facilities of Johnsburg Graphite Co.
A typhoid fever outbreak occurs in the Blue Mt. Lake area
Local businessmen buy the Lake George Mirror newspaper when W.H. Tippets abandons it
F. Maxam arrives at Mill Creek Pond, later Garnet Lake, and begins sending logs to Hudson River
Assembly fails to act on forestry amendment of the NYS constitution
T. Davidson wills the Glenmore School and lands (166 a.) to Charles Bakewell
Stephen F. Weston is appointed director of the Glenmore School
Finch, Pruyn & Co. now employs 1,000, owns 30 canal boats and 100 horses and wagons
C.P. Huntington, 79 y.o., dies at Camp Pine Knot beginning its 47 y. abandonment
E.R. Thomas Motor Co., Buffalo, builds a single-cylinder gas motorcycle
Telephone service is established at Boonville
Number of acres devoted to agriculture in NYS peaks at 22.6 million
Louis Marshall and friend establish Knollwood great camp at Lower Saranac Lake
NYS Entomologist’s Office of NYS Museum completes study of the black fly, Family Simuliidae
5-member Fisheries, Game and Forest Comm. bec. salaried Forest, Fish and Game Comm. (19 Feb)
NYS law directs FFGC to appoint fire wardens for FP towns and railroads to control fires (19 Feb)
FFGC commissioner recommends closing Sacandaga Fish Hatchery at Speculator
W.H. Fox pub A History of the Lumber Industry in the State of NY
W. Durant est. Marion River Carry RR (1,320 yds.) Raquette L. Transit Co.
Gov. Theodore Roosevelt urges transfer of State Land Survey to office of SES (3 Jan)
Gov. Theodore Roosevelt abolishes office of Superintendent of State Land Survey (25 Apr)
Gov. Theodore Roosevelt reorganizes FGFC as the FFGC and appoints 5 commissioners
V. Colvin, superintendent of State Land Survey, leaves office with many papers
Six Nations Council of Chiefs adopts Code of Dekanahwidah (3 July)
Massachusetts fails in its program to eradicate the gypsy moth
A pit-type garnet mine is opened on Humphrey Mtn south of Kings Flow, T. of Indian Lake
The mourning dove is rarely seen in NY
The mallard is unknown to breed in New York
Black River Canal is formally decommissioned and abandoned.
Lt. Gov. Timothy Woodruff is found guilty of hunting out-of-season and fined $250
The eastern coyote, Canis latrans, is reported for southwestern Ontario
USCB reports year-around population of Hamilton County as 4,947 citizens
Six Nations Council of Chiefs adopts Origin Tradition of Five Nations
Ethnologists discover the Epic of Dekanahwidah
USGS 15’ Blue Mountain quadrangle is published
LPC purchases H. van Hoevenberg’s Adirondack Lodge at Heart Lake near Lake Placid
Woods and Waters and Forest and Stream report mountain lion in Cold River & Bog River areas
John Burroughs, aged 63, climbs Mt. Seward in a group including six women
USGS 15’ Luzerne quadrangle is published
The Sun of Fort Covington reports Mount Marcy white with snow (15 Aug) 1900
NYS now ranks seventeenth nationally in the production of lumber 1900
St. Lawrence Talc Company is founded at Natural Bridge 1900
John Shea becomes president of newly incorporated Lake Placid village 1900
Henderson Lake Dam (184-0945) is built or reconditioned 1900
W. Seward Webb releases five moose from the herd of his park 1900
Guide Charles Martin illegally shoots a moose and markets the meat at Saranac Lake 1900
Charles Martin is arrested and fined for killing a moose in accord with law of 1878 1900
E.C. Smith reports on shooting cow moose by R. Palmer on Marion R., Forest and Stream (Jun) 1900
US Geological Survey is established 1900
Hurricane strikes Galveston, TX, killing 6,000, to then pass over Adirondack region (Sep 6-10) 1900
Moses Cohen est. Old Forge Hardware store 1900
Tuberculosis ranks third as cause of death in U.S. 1900
Frederick J. Warren files patent for “Bitulithic” pavement, a form of asphalt paving 1900
The Town of Webb is added to the Adirondack Park 1900
Gifford Pinchot founds the Society of American Foresters 1900
Gifford Pinchot and Henry S. Graves foster est. of graduate level forestry program at Yale 1900
Family of Gifford Pinchot gives $300,000 to endow the Yale forestry program 1900
The Adirondacks lead the nation in paper production 1900
W.W. Durant launches the Tuscarora (75’ steamboat) on Eckford Chain 1900
Chapter 391, NYS Laws, provides $14 K to buy 25 a. or less as a Lake George battle memorial 1900
Timothy L. Woodruff is relected Lt. Gov. NYS with Gov. Benjamin B. Odell Jr. 1900
A typhoid outbreak at Blue Mountain Lake reduces the occupancy of the Prospect House 1900
Commercial ice plants in the US now number 766, most using aqua-ammonia refrigeration 1900
NYS hop farmers are hurt by growth of hop production in Oregon, Washington, California 1900
Gov. Theodore Roosevelt resigns to become VP candidate (R) with W. McKinley Jr. (31 Dec) 1900
Bernard Fernow promotes location of a Brooklyn cooperage firm at Tupper Lake 1900
R. Foerderer and E.L. White perfect the Schultz method for tanning 1900
c. 1900
Svante Arrhenius, Swedish, speculates on role of CO\textsubscript{2} in greenhouse effect 1900
c. 1900
Ludwig Hatschek finds process to mix asbestos with Portland cement for building materials 1900
c. 1900
Meacham Lake Hotel burns to the ground 1900
c. 1900
R. Hudnut, perfume tycoon, begins 1,200 a Foxlair estate, on former Griffin lands, Baker’s Mills 1900-03
Thomas Lee, Westport, invents ‘Westport Chair’ of pine boards, later called ‘Adirondack Chair’ 1900-03
Bernard E. Fernow, Cornell Univ., est. conifer plantations near Wawbeek and Axton 1900-08
Salt is used for keeping storm sewer drains clear of ice in NYC 1900s
Golden eagle colonizes Adirondacks following land clearing by fire 1900s
Pres. Theo. Roosevelt and Giford Pinchot create federal forest preserves 1900s
Hot tar is sprayed on the gravel-dirt road between Tupper and Saranac Lakes 1900s
Mallard escape from domestic flocks of parks, gardens and private estates 1900s
The “King of Potato Growers”, E.C. Gleason of Malone, plants 50 acres 1900s
E.C. Gleason invites Akwesasne Mohawk Indians to help in potato harvest 1900s
John Bird Burnham acquires 5,000 a. (Highland Forests) in Willsboro Bay area 1900s
Robert (Bob) Marshall is born in NYC to Louis and Florence Marshall (2 Jan) 1901
ALC proposes founding of AfPA to save virgin forests at Raquette Lake (3 Jan) 1901
ALC president William Henry Boardman (1846-1914) pub The Lovers of the Woods 1901
Roach, common eel, and lake trout are noted fishes of Lake George 1901
FFGC again calls for forestry constitutional amendment 1901
Ishiwata Shigetane finds bacterium, later called Bacillus thuringiensis, causing silkworm disease 1901
Nickel-copper sulphide ore is produced at the Crieghton Mine located near Sudbury, Ontario 1901
Telephone service is established at Lake Placid village 1901
A new fish-blocking screen is installed at the outlet of Honnedaga Lake 1901
UELPCO completes construction of hydropower plant in Trenton Gorge 1901
Taylor’s on Schroon resort, Schroon Lake, gains notice as a ‘Jewish’ hotel 1901
Gifford Pinchot drafts a colored development map of Raquette Lake 1901
Edward H. Litchfield releases 12 beaver from Litchfield Park near Tupper Lake 1901
Edward H. Litchfield releases 28 elk from PA at Litchfield Park 1901
NYSFPB is consolidated with FFGC, with the latter being reduced from 5 commissioners to 3 1901
Gov. B.B. Odell, Jr. appoints T. Woodruff, D. Middleton and C. Babcock to head the new FFGC 1901
Gov. B.B. Odell signs bill funding purchase and introduction of moose to Adks (Mar) 1901
Automobile license plates, at a cost of one dollar, are required in NYS (25 Apr) 1901
Branch & Callanan’s planning mill and lumber yards are destroyed by fire, Saranac Lake (28 Apr) 1901
The Adirondack Trust Company is est at 483 Broadway, Saratoga Springs 1901
NYS proposes lumbering 100,000 a. of virgin forest at Raquette Lake 1901
William C. Whitney releases 21 elk from his Massachusetts estate near Raquette L. 1901
Dr. Samuel Niccolls dedicates the Chapel of the Lakes Presbyterian Church at Inlet 1901
Steamship Ticonderoga, serving Lake George, burns 1901
W.K. Bixby razes 100-year-old inn, Mohican House, to build his ‘summer’ house at Bolton Landing 1901
D & H RR takes over Chateaugay RR 1901
Warren Brothers Co., East Cambridge, MA, opens first “modern” asphalt mixing facility 1901
Austin Corbin, Newport, NH, provides E.H. Litchfield with 5 wild boar for his estate near Sabattis 1901
E. H. Litchfield releases surviving 1 wild boar and 2 sows from A. Corbin, NH, at Litchfield Park 1901
A “reception cottage” or hospital is established in Saranac Lake village 1901
Upper Saranac Lake shoreowners form the Upper Saranac Lake Association 1901
Andred Elicott Douglass, astronomer, Lowell Observatory, Flagstaff, AR, est. dendochronology 1901
William James Stillman dies in Surrey, England (6 Jul) 1901
A.E. Douglass during NY lecture inspires Clark Wissler to undertake dendrochronology 1901
W.F. Fox, Superintendent of State Forests, suggests establishment of a tree nursery in the FP 1901
Samuel Clemens, “Mark Twain”, and family spend summer “in camp” on Lower Saranac Lake 1901
Hounding for WTD with dogs and guideboats is abolished – and remains so 1901
Frozen Berezovka mammoth is discovered in nearly perfect condition with flesh-viscera intact 1901
An estimated 6,150 WTD are harvested by hunters in New York state 1901
NYSM pub J. G. Needham and C. Betten’s Aquatic Insects in the Adirondacks 1901
William West Durant sells Great Camp Sagamore at Shedd Lake to Alfred G. Vanderbilt 1901
An iron bridge is built to replace the floating bridge across Long Lake 1901
IP issues instructions forbidding the cutting of trees below a certain size 1901
Court orders W. W. Durant to pay his sister Ella $753,000 1901
NYS Department of Health is established with investigation of canal diseases as a focus 1901
A tuberculosis ward is added to the Clinton Prison hospital 1901
A mysterious “blue mold” appears in hop yard, Town of Marshall, Oneida County (Aug) 1901
Insect repelling properties of citronella oil (Cymbopogona) are accidentally discovered 1901
Richards Library opens at Warrensburg (13 Aug) 1901
The North Creek-Indian Lake stage is robbed by two masked men (14 Aug) 1901
Wm. McKinley’s ‘summer’ White House is Hotel Champlain (Bluff Point) while his wife is sick 1901
President McKinley is shot at Temple of Music, Pan America Exposition in Buffalo (6 Sep) 1901
President McKinley dies, Buffalo, shot twice by Leon Czolgosz (14 Sep) 1901
Theodore Roosevelt, North Ck., receives news of President McKinley’s death (2:15 AM, 14 Sep) 1901
Theodore Roosevelt travels from North Creek to Buffalo on Hudson & Delaware RR (14 Sep) 1901
Rich Lumber Co., Wanakena, builds wooden foot bridge across Oswegatchie River 1901
Theodore Roosevelt is sworn in, A. Wilcox Mansion, Buffalo, 26th president (1:30 PM, 14 Sep) 1901
Pine siskin irrupts in the Adirondacks as reported by Eaton in 1914 1901
G. Marconi signals, using radio waves/balloon antenna, from England to Newfoundland (12 Dec) 1901
Judge Warren Higley calls a meeting of a group to be named the AfPA in NYC (12 Dec) 1901
John Bird Burnham establishes a summer colony (now the Crater Club) at Essex 1901
Division R (forestry) of federal GLO allows harvest of stone and wood from reserves 1901
The USDA Forestry Division becomes the Bureau of Forestry 1901
FGFC proposes constitutional amendments allowing sale and exchange of FP land 1901
Adirondack Park is now 3.2 million acres in extent, 1.3 million as FP, private preserves 800,000 a. 1901
The American League for Civic Improvement is established 1901
Hudson Valley Rail System trolley connects Glens Falls with Warrensburg via Caldwell (24 Dec) 1901
Alfred Wolff designs a cooling system for the New York Stock Exchange 1901
Gypsy moth is reported in R.I., New Hampshire, Connecticut, and Vermont 1901-12
Evening grosbeak shows 2nd major advance eastward 1901-17
Henry Hagaman Hall serves as the first part/full time administrator of AfPA 1901-30
Sixty of the largest, private Adirondack preserves hold 790,000 acres 1902
Bernard E. Fernow pub *The Economics of Forestry* 1902
William Peck surrenders his share of Prospect Mountain Incline Railway to Otis Engineering Co. 1902
NYS Senate passes forestry amendment but Assembly takes no action 1902
2nd AfPA organizational meeting is held at which its by-laws and constitution are adopted (3 Jan) 1902
First meeting of AfPA board of trustees is held, Judge W. Higley, of the ALC, presiding (28 Jan) 1902
Hudson R. Railway bridge over the Schroon River at Warrensburg is completed (Jan) 1902
Oswald D. Heck is born in Schenectady, NY (13 Feb) 1902
Henry W. Thayer, President of the Decorative Designers, draws a seal for AfPA 1902
AfPA is incorporated as an organization of individuals (24 Feb) 1902
AfPA establishes an office in the Old Tribune Building at 154 Nassau St., NYC 1902
Edward H. Hall is hired as AfPA Executive Secretary, notable for field work (serving until 1929) 1902
Five-member FFGC replaced with single, gov. appointed, commissioner with $5,000 salary (12 Mar) 1902
Timothy Woodruff releases two beaver at Lake Kora near Raquette Lake 1902
Col. Wm. F. Fox hires C.R. Pettis to work for NYS Forest Commission (15 April) 1902
Clifford R. Pettis and FFGC establish forest plantations at Lake Clear Junction 1902
FFGC proposes a state tree nursery for Saranac Inn Station 1902
Membership in AfPA reaches 1,044 by year’s end 1902
Rich Lumber Co. founds a hamlet at Wanakena and begins logging 16,000 acres 1902
Ransomes of Ipswich (UK) begins production of gasoline-powered lawn mowers 1902
W.N. & Jas. McCartney buy Wright property for hydroelectric power plant, Fort Covington (Apr) 1902
Night workers of International Paper at Cadyville strike for higher pay 1902
Hervey D. Thatcher successfully introduces glass milk bottle production and use in Pennsylvania 1902
Horicon returns to service at Lake George following renovation including most of the hull (May) 1902
FFGC proposes constitutional amendments allowing sale and exchange of FP land 1902
Jacking of WTD is again prohibited – and remains so to the present 1902
E.H. Litchfield releases 13 more wild boars from Black Forest, Germany, at Litchfield Park (Jun) 1902
*New York Times* article provides additional information on wild boar releases in Adk (see above) 1902
John Wesley Powell is a major force in the passage of the US Reclamation Act 1902
USGS 15’ Boonville quadrangle is published 1902
USGS 15’ Long Lake quadrangle is published 1902
USGS 15' Saranac quadrangle is published 1902
NYS suspends purchase of land for the Forest Preserve 1902-04
Rapid International Nickel Co. (INCO), an American corporation, is founded (Apr) 1902
George O. Knapp, co-founder of Union Carbide Corp., est. estate at Shelving Rock, Lake George 1902
John Burroughs attends the wedding of his son at St. Huberts chapel in Keene Valley 1902
Charles Proteus Steinmetz is appointed professor of electrical engineering at Union College 1902
Gov. Benj. B. Odell suggests to legislature that state acquisition of all Adk lands is unrealistic 1902
Forest, Fish and Game Commission proposes acquisition of all Adirondack Lands for FP 1902
FFGC lists 60 private Adirondack preserves owning nearly 800,000 a. in annual report 1902
Honeymooners Mr. and Mrs. Herbert J. Sackett, from Buffalo, drive a car to Saranac L/Paul Smiths 1902
George Middleton is executed at Clinton Prison for murder of his wife Alma Stanton 1902
National Lumber Manufacturers Association is founded 1902
Gertrude Atherton pub *The Aristocrats* 1902
Harry Radford of *Woods and Waters* begins a campaign to save NY black bear 1902
A Whiteface Mt. tourist road is again proposed by Elizabethtown residents 1902
The Adirondack Co. opens Whiteface Inn at Lake Placid, displacing old buildings 1902
FFGC releases two bulls and a cow moose at Uncus Station near Raquette Lake (Jul) 1902
FFGC releases an additional 12 moose, most at Uncus Station near Raquette Lake 1902
Lime-sulfur is discovered as an apple scab control in New York 1902
The existence and function of hormones are discovered 1902
General Electric opens 1st coal-powered AC electrical generating plant, Ehrenfiled, PA 1902
Bald eagle of the national seal now appears with white head and tail – better marking the species 1902
The federal Newlands Act becomes law 1902
Schenectady Daily Union compares regional weather to cold summer of 1816 (13 Oct) 1902
Willis Carrier designs a refrigeration system to control humidity in a printing plant 1902
Morris Act expands Act of 1889 to supervise timbering on Indian reservations 1902
The number of NY game protectors is increased to fifty 1902
Houghton Mifflin Co. pub new edition of John Borroughs *Wake-Robin* 1902
Cadwallader Colden’s early work is republished as *History of the Five Nations* 1902
Edward G. Shortt, Carthage, NY, is granted patent for a gas engine (14 Oct) 1902
Shay geared logging locomotive becomes important in Adirondack lumber industry 1902
Adirondack Railway Co. formally merges with D&H Co. (5 Nov) 1902
Harold S. Betts organizes a Bureau of Forestry timber testing laboratory in Washington, DC 1902
Mt. Pelee, St. Pierre, Martinique, erupts killing 29,025+, causing global weather change (30 Aug) 1902
Ernest Thompson Seton est. Woodland Indians (for boys) 2 years before Boy Scouts of England 1902
William C. Whitney, William Dart and FFGC continue release of elk, c. 140, in Adirondacks 1902-03
William Henry Jackson returns to Adirondacks to photograph Lake George and vicinity 1902-04
Henry Howland serves as president of AfPA 1902-15
By end of this year some 168 elk survive in Adirondacks following losses to train and gun 1903
Severe drought and heavy winds batter Adirondacks during the spring 1903
Heavy rains over 26 hours wash away street and trolley lines in Amsterdam (Oct) 1903
Fire destroys some 600,000 acres of Adirondack forest (20 Apr- 8 Jun) 1903
Henry van Hoevenberg’s Adirondack Lodge and outbuildings at Heart Lake burn 1903
Heavy ash from Adirondack forest fires falls on NYC, Utica and other NE cities 1903
Several days of drenching rain subdue serious Adirondack fires (9 – 11 Jun) 1903
Mohawk & Malone train No. 650 collides head on with No. 651; 3 are killed, 28 injured (9 May) 1903
E.P. Felt, NYS Entomologist lectures (Sigma Xi) on elm-tree beetle at Union College (11 May) 1903
Chicago Trade Bulletin gives drought data from 1620 to major current drought (May) (GCC) 1903
Clifford R. Pettis and FFGC establish two-acre state nursery at Saranac Inn 1903
Heavy and prolonged rains begin quelling forest fires raging in Adirondacks (7 Jun) 1903
NYS Secretary of State requires a numbered badge on front of each vehicle using public roads 1903
Bernhard Fernow authorizes clear cutting 68 a. at 30,000 a. Cornell Forest near Tupper Lake 1903
Burn of clear-cut of Cornell Forest near Tupper Lake escapes control to damage adjacent property 1903
Paul C. Ransom est. Adirondack-Florida School on Rainbow Lake, near Onchiota 1903
Influential land and camp owners of Upper Saranac L. pressure governor to curtail B. Fernow 1903
Swiss trout, golden trout, red-throat trout, rainbow trout (steelhead) are stocked in L. George 1903
AfPA is critical of scientific forestry in the Adirondacks on FP lands 1903
Gov. Odell vetoes annual support for NYS School of Forestry at Cornell and the college closes 1903
Cornell Forest lands in the Adirondacks are assigned to the FP, earlier than had been defined 1903
Franklin Telephone & Telegraph Co., Saranac Lake, is sold to Hudson River Telephone Company 1903
The Hurd saw mill of Tupper Lake, once the largest in the US, burns 1903
American Glue Co. opens old Crehore Mine for garnet on Casey Mtn, Hamilton County 1903
Howard A. Glazier opens a meat and grocery store at Owls Head, T. of Bellmont, Franklin Co. 1903
Luquillo Forest Reserve of Puerto Rico is established - apart from the act of 1891 1903
The Sacandaga Fish Hatchery at Speculator is closed 1903
Superb photograph taken of Edward Livingston Trudeau, Saranac Lake Free Library coll. (25 Dec) 1903
Prospect Mt. cog railway (6,625.7’ long), L. George, fails financially and is permanently closed 1903
Lack of funding hals work at the state tree nursery at Saranac Inn Station 1903
Prospect House closes following the incidence of two cases of typhoid 1903
RR terminal is est. at Wanakena, west end of Cranberry Lake, primarily for lumber transport 1903
The Dutch Botanist Hugo De Vries presents a theory of genetic mutation 1903
Gov. B. B. Odell, Jr., appoints D. Middleton to head the FFGC 1903
Because of controversial Adk policies Gov. B. B. Odell defunds NYS College of Forestry, Cornell 1903
FFG recommends that select lands of the AuSable Chasm NOT be added to the Adirondack Park 1903
FFG Commissioner Middleton and others collude in Adirondack timber theft 1903
Pres. Theo. Roosevelt founds the first National Wildlife Refuge at Pelican Island, FL 1903
New charcoal furnace with capacity of 100 tons/day is ‘blown in’ at Standish 1903
D&H RR acquires the Chateaugay Ore & Iron Co. 1903
Saranac & Lake Placid RR merges with Chateaugay RR to become Chateaugay & L. Placid RR 1903
Malone Golf and Country Club Course is established at Malone 1903
The Wright brothers demonstrate the first airplane at Kitty Hawk, NC 1903
A major flood strikes Schenectady (19’ stage) 1903
Architect Wm. L. Coulter designs Upper Saranac Lake summer camp for Vice-Pres. Levi Morton 1903
Wallis C. Smith and Jean W. Wells build a Tudor Revival mansion at Keeseville 1903
Effley Falls Dam, a.k.a. Effley Falls Pond Dam, (112-0393) is built/reconditioned 1903
Spier Falls Dam (206-0350) is built 1903
Ferry capsizes at Spier Falls, 10 mi. west of Glens Falls, Hudson R., with 19 men drowning (7 Mar) 1903
Lows Lake Dam, a.k.a. Hitchins Pond Dam, (153-0606) is built creating Lows Lake 1903
Garnet Lake Dam (186-0574) is built or reconditioned 1903
E.W. Newcomb opens Stony Wold Sanatorium for working girls/women, T. of Franklin (15 Aug) 1903
NYS engineer estimates cost of new barge canal at $100,562,993 1903
Proposal for a new NY barge canal is passed by the majority with 245,213 votes 1903
Wood’s system of electrical propulsion is tested at Schenectady 1903
E.L. Trudeau pub “The History of the Tuberculosis Work at Saranac Lake” Med. News 83(2) 1903
Village of Lake George, pop. 532, is incorporated with 55 voting unanimously (11 Mar) 1903
Wellscroft, a Tudor Revival style mansion, is opened in Upper Jay 1903
Zinc ore is discovered (accidentally) in Balmat-Edwards area of St. Lawrence Co. 1903
Prospect Mt cable car system, closes for lack of interest but more than 5,000 riders 1st week, 1895
George W. Knapp closes Hundred Island House (hotel) at Narrows of Lake George (May) 1903
Hydropower of Spier Falls Dam now serves Saratoga, Ballston Spa, Glens Falls, HVRR, and GE 1903
Rev. Richard C. McCarthy, Presbyterian, oversees construction of a church in Clare 1903
Rev. Richard C. McCarthy, Presbyterian, oversees construction of a church at Hannawa Falls 1903
FFGC declares the black bear in danger of NY extirpation and calls for protection 1903
Millionaire Orlando P. Dexter fences, with guards, his 7,000-acre estate, Dexter L., near Santa Clara 1903
O.P. Dexter shot to death, Dexter Rd. near Santa Clara, on trip to post office; unsolved (19 Sep) 1903
Roger’s Rock Hotel becomes the Roger’s Rock Club, Lake George 1903
H.W. Wack of Field and Stream, lauds “camp” Uncas, Sagamore and Kill Kare 1903
Opposed by NYBTT and ApFA Lewis Water Storage (land grant) bill is defeated 1903
William H. Miner returns to Chazy and develops Heart’s Delight Farm on family homestead 1903
International Paper Co. builds dam and penstock at Lake George outlet replacing prior structures 1903
Deerland Lodge Golf Course (now defunct) is established at Long Lake 1903
Schroon Lake Country Club Golf Course (now defunct) is est. at Schroon L. 1903
Pres. T. Roosevelt is at Lake George for dedication of Battle of Lake George Monument (Sep) 1903
Mary Wiltisie Fuller est. Wiawaka Holiday House (for women), French Mt, east shore of L. George 1903
E. J. Martin establish Waldhein (lodge) on north shore of Big Moose Lake 1903
A fish blocking screen is installed at the outlet of Third Bisby Lake of the ALC 1903
USGS 15’ Raquette Lake quadrangle is published 1903
USGS 15’ Big Mountain quadrangle is published 1903
USGS 15’ Santanoni quadrangle is published 1903
McCartney’s sell hydroelectric power site on Salmon R., Fort Covington, to P. Keefe et al. (10 Nov 1903)
Declining business and financial losses force Prospect House, Blue Mountain Lake, to close 1904
A small beaver colony is thought to exist at St. Regis Pond northwest of Saranac Lake 1903
The American chestnut blight is suspected as present in Bedford Co., VA. 1903
NYS legislature appropriates $500 to restock beaver in the Adirondacks 1903
Samuel B. Green pub Principles of American Forestry 1903
John Muir and Theodore Roosevelt “disappear” into Maricosa Big Trees for week of discussion 1903
Samuel B. Green pub Principles of American Forestry 1903
Army of liberation group led by Harry Radford overwinter seven beaver in Old Forge 1903
The Adirondacks experience a severe winter 1903-04
FFGC officers observe substantial WTD losses in Essex, Herkimer & Hamilton Cos. 1903-04
Verplanck Colvin engages in garnet mining at Gore Mt. 1903-15
NYS River Improvement Commission is established 1904
NYS Water Supply Commission is established and city water, excl. NYC, supply review begins 1904
Record cold of −47 °F is noted at Schroon River Pulp and Paper Co., Burnamville (7 Jan) (GCC) 1904
Record duration of ice cover is noted for Lake Champlain: 19 January – 13 April (GCC) 1904
Glens Falls Times pub ice-cover record for Lake Champlain started in 1817 (16 Apr) (GCC) 1904
W. Beauchamp pub Aborigines of New York 1904
Finch, Pruyn and Company is incorporated 1904
Lake Placid Dam (201-0564) is built or reconditioned 1904
Isaac N. Seligman’s Fish Rock Camp on Upper Saranac Lake burns 1904
Pres. Grover Cleveland stays at Mount Morris House on Tupper Lake for three days 1904
Forester Herman Merkel detects chestnut blight (Cryphonectria parasitica) at Bronx Zoo, NY 1904
Storm wreaks severe property damage at Stony Creek, 3 bridges & 1 dam destroyed (1 Aug) 1904
Fish culturist James Annin, Jr., provides brook trout fingerlings for ALC waters 1904

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Forestport Reservoir Dam (127-0572) is built or reconditioned  1904
A.A. Low builds Bog River Dam, a.k.a. Lows Lower Dam (153-0603) creating the Bog River Flow  1904
Work on the state tree nursery at Saranac Inn Station resumes  1904
FFGC reports the presence of some 250 elk in the Adirondacks  1904
Essex Co. pays 39 bounties for black bear and 106 more are killed elsewhere in NYS  1904
An earthquake causes red turbidity in the Au Sable River  1904
Forest Preserve Board is recreated  1904
A softwood nursery is est. at Saranac Inn Station on grounds of Adk Fish Hatchery, Franklin Co.  1904
Rev. Richard C. McCarthy, Presbyterian, oversees construction of a church at Wanakena  1904
The varroa mite, a parasite of honey bees, is discovered in Java  1904
NYS prohibits beaver trapping and molesting and destruction of their dams  1904
Gov. Odell signs bill protecting the black bear in NYS, excepting Essex Co. (9 May)  1904
Symonds & Allison Co., Malone, begins production of Sprucelets, a spruce gum-based cough drop  1904
The New York Hospital, specialized in the treatment of TB, opens at Ray Brook  1904
Harold Hochschild’s family purchases a great camp at Blue Mountain Lake  1904
Harold Hochschild’s father buys W. Durant’s Eagle’s Nest at Blue Mt. Lake  1904
William West Durant declares bankruptcy  1904

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William West Durant

Charles Wood ascends Phelps Mtn  1904
George Foster Peabody acquires Prospect Mountain properties  1904
Berthold Hochschild and three friends buy 3500 a. around Blue Mt. L., Eagle L. and Utowana Lake  1904
Crawford’s grocery in Keene Valley is sold to Adrian Edmonds  1904
Ch. Alexander Robinson, Peekskill Military Acad., est. Pok-O-Moonshine boys’ camp, Long Pond  1904
Elias G. Brown and Buckley School of NY est. Adirondack Camp for boys at Glenburnie  1904
A ‘sea monster’ is seen in the waters of Hague at Lake George  1904
Last New York nesting of passenger pigeon occurs in a cedar swamp at Scottsville, Monroe Co.  1904
Bids are opened for a new NY barge canal  1904
USGS 15’ Brier Hill quadrangle is published  1904
John Apperson accepts position as engineer with General Electric in Schenectady  1904
USGS 15’ Lake Pleasant quadrangle is published  1904
USGS 15’ Tupper Lake quadrangle is published  1904
USGS 15’ Saranac quadrangle is published  1904
USGS 15’ Long Lake quadrangle is published  1904
Edward H. Litchfield releases three beaver from Canada at Litchfield Park  1904
Saranac Lake Union Depot is built to serve NY Central RR and D&H RR  1904
National Anti-Tuberculosis Assoc. (Canada) coins ‘sanatorium’ as distinction from ‘sanitarium’  1904
Chapter 717, NYS Laws, provides $200,000 for further acquisition of FP lands in Adirondack Park  1904
Chapter 233, NYS Laws, est. Catskill Park of 576,120 a. with a blue line and FP of c. 92,000 a.  1904
William Trost Richards paints Lake Placid Looking South  1904
Severe storm hits Stony Creek:  14’ rain in 4 hrs; much flooding and property damage (1 Aug)  1904
Keefe’s hydroelectric power plant provides power to 300 incandescent lights, Fort Covington (Aug)  1904
John M. Clarke, NYSED director, calls for repeat of J.E. DeKay’s 1844 bird survey  1904
Frank Hooper moves garnet mining operation, now North River Garnet Co., to Balm of Gilead Mt.  1904
G.W. Smith opens a garnet mine on Bigelow Mtn, 5 miles south of Keeseville in Essex County  1904
Horace A. Moses acquires Woronoco Paper Co., Woronoco, MA  1904
Thomas Lee loans ‘Westport Chair’ design to carpenter Harry Bunnell for commercial production 1904
John Apperson makes a skate sail from muslin and bamboo poles for use on lake ice 1904
Geo. O. Knapp buys 400 a. incl. Paradise Bay at L. George increasing holding to 3,500 a. (Nov) 1904
FFGC proposes constitutional amendments allowing sale and exchange of FP land 1904
Seven beavers are purchased from the Canadian Exhibit of Louisiana Purchase Exposition 1904
200 kw hydropower plant is built at Wadhams to supply power for mines at Mineville 1904
New York & Ottawa RR is sold at auction in Utica 1904
APOAS and Am. League for Civic Improvement merge to form American Civic Association 1904
William H. Miner develops very lucrative friction draft gear for railroad cars & locomotives 1904
Miller Pond is renamed Oseetah Lake (near Lake Flower) c. 1904
Lake Placid Club reopens for the winter season with ten members in-house 1904-05
D.F. Paynes constructs Kingdom Dam at outlet of Lincoln (Simon’s) Pond for power station 1904-05
Willis Carrier develops the psychrometric chart to aid refrigeration system design 1904-06
Silver Bay Assoc. for Christian Conference acquires Silver Bay Hotel & lands for $70,000 (Jan) 1905
Commission is est. for planning of dam building on Sacandaga, Raquette and Black Rivers (Jan) 1905
Rapid Adk snowmelt causes freshet in Salmon River; severe damage at Fort Covington (20 Mar) 1905
The first contracts are awarded for construction of the new NY barge Canal (April) 1905
Record of 135-day duration of ice cover at Lake George is est.: 10 December, 1904, to 26 April 1905
Time signals are transmitted from Washington DC to ships at sea to establish longitude 1905
Ice jam and flood destroys 2/3 of dam on St. Regis River at Hogansburg during April freshet 1905
James S. Whipple is appointed Commissioner of FFGC, replacing the disgraced Middleton (5 May) 1905
Harry Bunnell patents ‘Westport Chair’ – without permission of its designer Thomas Lee (Jul) 1905
Paul Smith Electric Light and Power Company is incorporated (19 Jul) 1905
Finch, Pruyn & Co. begins making newsprint with new pulp mill and 2-machine paper mill (6 Sep) 1905
D&H RR train reaches Warrensburg from Thurman on new branch (2 Dec) 1905
New York Central & Hudson RR acquires controlling interest in Rutland Railroad Co. (Jan) 1905
Beth Joseph Synagogue (see National Register) is built at Tupper Lake 1905
David Cross and Joan Potter rep (1992) annual iron ore extraction from Mineville at 13 million tons 1905
The Annual Wilmington International Holiness Camp Meeting begins 1905
William Sweat opens an automobile ferry for crossing Lake Champlain at Chazy 1905
NYS begins construction of the Champlain Barge Canal 1905
Grand Trunk RR sells St. Lawrence & Adirondack RR to New York Central & Hudson RR 1905
Alleged timber theft of FP timber is confirmed by Edward H. Hall, AfPA secretary 1905
Chief Game Protector Warren Pond is implicated in timber theft/poaching and resigns his position 1905
John Bird Burnham, AfPA member, is appointed Chief Game Protector, replacing Major W. Pond 1905
Willsborough, on Lake Champlain, changes name to Willsboro 1905
Gov. Higgins vetoes a bill appropriating $2,149.73 for moose restoration in Adks 1905
National Assoc. of Audubon Societies for Protection of Wild Birds and Animals unites 38 clubs 1905
Large numbers of pine siskin appear on Marcy and Skylight, Essex Co. 1905
An outbreak of the gypsy moth prompts USDA to open a control program 1905
Voters approve constitution amendment Art. VII for highway improvement 1905
George Foster Peabody acquires Prospect Mountain House and its 160 a., Lake George 1905
North River Garnet Co.’s new garnet operation at Balm of Gilead Mtn can be worked year round 1905
North River Garnet Co.’s new mechanical separation process for garnet is a huge market advantage 1905
Adirondack timber harvest (construction/pulp) peaks at 3.5 million trees and c. 700M board feet 1905
E.H. Eaton and party find blackpoll warbler “breeding quite commonly” in High Peaks 1905
FFGC estimates presence of 250 elk in the Adirondacks thus affirming stocking program 1905
“Old Mountain” Orson Phelps, guide of Keene Valley, dies at the age of 88 1905
Lake Eaton Dam (169-0708) is built or reconditioned 1905
Edward H. Litchfield releases three beaver from the West Coast at Litchfield Park 1905
Edward H. Litchfield releases a pair of capercallie (grouse) at Litchfield Park 1905
Magazine publisher Robert J. Collier acquires F.H. Stott’s great camp at Raquette Lake 1905
Gov. Frank W. Higgins appoints James S. Whipple to the FFGC 1905
Edward Lamy, Saranac Lake, at age of 14 est. amateur speed skating record for the mile 1905
Old Forge Reservoir Dam (140-2000) is built or reconditioned 1905
Two high school boys ascend Whiteface Mountain in the winter 1905
NYBTT opposes construction of hydropower dam on Saranac R. at Franklin Falls 1905
AfPA fails to oppose PSELPRRC dam proposal for Saranac R. at Franklin Falls 1905
Hon. J.H. Choate denies PSELPRRC dam proposal for Saranac R. at Franklin Falls 1905
W. Beauchamp pub *History of the New York Iroquois* 1905
The mines of Mineville have yielded 13 million tons of iron by this date 1905
The federal Forest Transfer Act becomes law 1905
E. R. Baldwin isolates TB strain H37 from a patient at Saranac Lake 1905
There are now 106 TB sanatoria, providing 9,107 beds, in the U.S. 1905
USGS 15’ Port Leyden quadrangle is published 1905
A fish blocking screen is installed at the outlets of Pinch nose and Mountain ponds 1905
The hunting season for WTD is reset excluding August 1905
Molpus Timber Management Co. is est in Jackson/Philadelpia, Miss, one of oldest such in U.S. 1905
V. Colvin becomes president of the (paper) New York Canadian Pacific Railroad 1905
M. R. Harrington, Peabody Museum, Harvard, digs the Garoga Mohawk site 1905
The weekly newspaper *Lake Placid News* begins publication 1905
Common raven is no longer found in Essex County (E. H. Eaton) 1905
Box of dynamite explodes while loading a hole at Lyon Mountain, two men are “blown to atoms” 1905
Frank Hooper erects a garnet mill at Balm of Gilead Mt. near Thirteenth Lake 1905
Rev. William Cook finds St. Peter’s of the Lake Episcopal Church at Fourth Lake 1905
Ruisseau mont Hotel Golf Course (now defunct) is est. at Lake Placid 1905
T. Roosevelt is not a guest at Sagamore Hotel, Long Lake; entry in register is bogus (9 Sep) 1905
Harry V. Radford pub *Adirondack Murray, A Biographical Appreciation* 1905
Wm. C. Hill (Sturgis & Hill, NYC) rebuilds Seligman’s Fish Rock Camp at Upper Saranac L. 1905
Winifred Goldring graduates class valedictorian Milne School, Albany 1905
John M. Hopkins est The Northwood School at Lake Placid, incl coed and boarding aspects 1905
Albert Einstein pub his Special Theory of Relativity 1905
AfPA secr. E. Hall studies proposed dams on Saranac, Raquette and Sacandaga R. 1905
Alchemist and polymath Willoughby Burnap is found frozen in a cave near Alpena 1905
Fire and grazing become important USDA forestry issues under Gifford Pinchot 1905
US Forest Service is created as an agency of the US Department of Agriculture 1905
Six beaver winter over at Old Forge and are released on Moose River and Big Moose Lake 1905
FFGC estimate the presence of 40 beaver at year’s end following spring stocking 1905
Dr. Charles A. Robinson opens Camp Pok-O-Moonshine summer camp for boys near Willmsboro 1905
President Theodore Roosevelt est. US Forest Service 1905
President Theodore Roosevelt lectures to the annual meeting of the AFA 1905
Ida Ogilvie authors *Geology of the Paradox Lake Quadrangle, NYS Mus.* 1905
Edward Tyson Allen *et al.*, produce the *Use Book*, rules for use of national forests 1905
Gifford Pinchot imposes (highly contentious) grazing fees on the federal reserves 1905
California passes an act retrocessing the Yosemite Valley Maricosa parklands to the NP system 1905
Fred Kimball of GE forms the Automatic Refrigerating Co. to develop small refrigeration systems 1905
Gov. Jesse McDonald, Colorado, initiates/proclaims statewide celebration Columbus’ arrival 1905-07
Harry Bunnell makes and markets ‘Westport Adirondack Chairs’ using hemlock planking 1905-25

Howard Clinton Zahniser is born, Franklin Co. Pa. (25 Feb) 1906

Forest Service, old Bureau of Forestry, develops written and practical ranger tests 1906

The federal government resumes management of the Yosemite Valley-Maricosa parklands 1906

Robbert F. Hall, eventual prominent editor Adk periodicals, born Pascagoula, Mississippi (17 Sep) 1906

Governor Higgins proposes scientific forestry on FP lands to raise money 1906

Empire State Forest Products Association is founded 1906

Edward G. Shortt, Carthage, NY is granted patent for an explosive gas engine (13 Feb) 1906

Union Falls Dam (200-0442) is built or reconditioned 1906

Geo. W. Knapp introduces 10 elk from Blue Mt. Forest Park., N.H., to 2 L. George sites (23 Mar) 1906

James MacGillivray pub “The Round River Drive”, in Oscoda Press, Michigan; Paul Bunyan! 1906

Grace Mae Brown (20 March, 1866-11 July, 1906) is murdered in boat, Big Moose Lake (11 Jul) 1906

Grace Brown’s body (murdered, pregnant) is found on bottom of Big Moose Lake (12 Jul) 1906

Chester Gillette, boyfriend of Grace Brown, is arrested near Big Moose Lake 1906

Commercial fishing on Lake George is limited to hand lines to restrict fishing to sportsmen 1906

Harry V. Radford pub A History of the Adirondack Beaver 1906

Seneca Ray Stoddard pub map Hydrographic Survey of 1906, Fourteen Mile Island to Black . . . 1906

Seneca Ray Stoddard delves below surface of the Adirondacks in his Hydrographic Survey of 1906 Fourteen Mile Island to Black Mountain Point presented in five sheets with dimensions of 9 ¼” height by 12 ¼” width. Depths in feet below mean low water are presented in a limited maner but with accent on shallows dangerous to navigation by larger commercial and cruise vessels and safe courses.

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A hydroelectric system is built at Lake Placid village (18 Nov) 1906

NYC and Hudson R. RR assumes control of NY & Ottawa RR calling it the Ottawa Divison 1906

Lake George Mirror advocates restoration of the Lake George outlet for discharge regulation 1906

The Holt Co. produces a gasoline-powered caterpillar tractor 1906

Richard Willstatter (1872-1942), German, discovers presence of magnesium atom in chlorophyll 1906

A light bulb with a tungsten filament is developed 1906

48 clones Ribes plantation, NYAES, Geneva, NY become infected with WPBR and are destroyed 1906

Mountain Home Telephone Company is established at Saranac Lake village 1906

Harry Radford’s quarterly Woods and Waters is discontinued 1906

Harold K. Hochschild et al. drive 1905 Winton car from Williamstown to Blue Mtn Lake 1906

FFGC and USFS expand experimental tree nursery at Saranac Inn to 4 acres 1906

Legislature authorizes $2,149.73 for moose restoration by the FFGC 1906

FFGC releases one beaver at Lake Placid 1906

FFGC release 25 beaver between Fulton Chain and Tupper Lake 1906

FFGC Comm. J.S. Whipple offers award for violator conviction of 1896 beaver law 1906

The federal American Antiquities Act becomes law 1906

French Louie drags boat with 200 lbs of ice from West Canda Lake to Lime Kiln 1906

Paul Smith Electric Railway opens the Gabriels-Paul Smiths Hotel service 1906

Ernst Alexanderson of Sweden and Schenectady invents the short-wave radio 1906

Saranac Inn Golf Course is completed (18 holes, 6,631 yd., par 72, 185 a.) 1906

Maxim Gorky makes a summer visit to Keene 1906

Paul Smith’s Station (train stop) in T. of Brighton is renamed Gabriels Station after the sanatorium 1906

FFGC releases 5 bulls and 21 cow elk in the Adks at Newcomb and Lake George 1906

FFGC estimates the elk population of the Adirondacks to be about 350 1906
US Army from Madison Barracks, Sackets Harbor, trains at Pine Plains near Watertown 1906
White pine blister rust, imported from Europe, is found in US nursery seedlings 1906
F.C. Stewart discovers European currant rust at NYS Agr. Exp. Station in Geneva 1906
A. Robel accidentally discovers the technique of offset printing 1906
All currant plants at NYS Agr. Exp. Station in Geneva are eradicated 1906
William D. Coolidge, GE, improves lighting Adks inventing ductile tungsten incandescent lamp 1906
White pine populations near Geneva, NY, are surveyed for white pine blister rust 1906
IP introduces the 8-hour, 3-shift system for several trades in papermaking 1906
IP enters into contracts with International Brotherhood of Pulp, Sulfite, and Paper Mill Workers 1906
Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act becomes law 1906
Electric lights are installed at the Elizabethtown free lending library 1906
Edward H. Litchfield builds beaver house, places beaver pair in it; they dig out and go other places 1906
Edward H. Litchfield releases 12 capercallie and some black cocks at Litchfield Park; they disappear 1906
Theodore Roosevelt receives Nobel Peace prize for helping to end Russo-Japanese War 1906
The Adirondack Fish Cultural Station is improved doubling its capacity 1906
W.A. Murrill reports spread of American chestnut blight to NJ, MD, CD, and VA 1906
Essex Co. pays bounty on 52 black bear and the pay-out is followed by steady decline of species 1906
FFGC acquires Cornell School of Forestry’s tree nurseries at Wawbeek and Axton 1906
USGS pub Tupper Lake topographical quadrangle (Jun) 1906
USGS 15’ Loon Lake quadrangle is published 1906
Saranac Lake Vill. grants franchise to Adk Home Telephone Co. for modern 24-hr telephone service 1906
Chapter 673, NYS Laws, provides $400,000 for further acquisition of FP lands in Adirondack Park 1906
Spectacular calcite crystals (1,000 lb) are found at Sterlingbush, Lewis Co. 1906
Mary Moses Shattuck leaves trust fund for construction of 12-bed hospital at Ticonderoga 1906
Wells Library is founded at Upper Jay 1906
Horace A. Moses funds, builds, and equips 12-bed Shattuck Memorial Hospital at Ticonderoga 1906
Lee DeForest, of G.E., develops the “audion” radio-electron tube 1906
Edward J. Curtis pub vol. 1 of The North American Indian 1907
St. Regis Mohawk School, 385 Church St., Akwesasne, est. (as per stone dedication marker) 1907
NY State Water Supply Commission evaluates state hydropower potential 1907
Georgia O’ Keeffe wins Chase Scholarship to study at a Lake George summer school 1907
Olé Evinrude of Wisconsin invents the outboard motor for watercraft 1907
Wisconsin produces a model law guiding utility regulating commissions 1907
The ‘main’ road from Glens Falls to Pottersville is paved 1907
Bertram Borden Boltwood (1870-1927), American, dev concept/technique of radioactive dating 1907
Edward Knight takes over control of the Lake George Mirror newspaper 1907
Assemblyman F.C. Hooper of Essex Co. proposes bison introduction for some Adirondack counties 1907
Lack of central US banking authority causes ‘Bankers’ Panic’ & economic downturn (Mar & Oct)
J.P. Morgan leads bankers to avert collapse of NY Stock Exchange with infusions of cash (Oct)
White Pine Camp is built on Osgood Pond
Tahawus Iron Ore Co. acquires the Lake Sanford iron mine (McIntyre Iron Co. works)
Of Saranac Lake population of 4,500, 2000 are afflicted with ‘the grip’, most are TB patients
American Talc Co. which put down 1st shaft on Balmat’s farm merges with International Pulp
Garnet producers set new record of 7058 tons during economic downturn; supplies remain unsold
Despite an economic turndown the Iron Ore Co. at Benson Mines resumes operation
FFGC recommends scientific forestry on FP lands
Fourteen beaver from Yellowstone Park are released in the Adirondacks
Single passenger pigeon is seen at Rensselaerville, now site of Edmund Niles Huyck Preserve
John Burroughs notes mile-long flock of passenger pigeons in Hudson Valley at Kingston
Alber Einstein presents formal derivation showing $E = mc^2$
Mirror Lake, Town of North Elba, is covered with ice (16 Nov)
Isaak Daniels, Boonville, opens factory making “Pure Adirondack Spruce Gum” for a penny a stick
Dr. Tarleton H. Bean, the state fish culturist visits Lake George to teach the best way to plant fish
Village of Westport, Essex Co., is incorporated
NYS begins actions against Township 15 residents of Little Canada to ascertain land titles
Archibald S. White, NYC banker, commissions William Massarene to design White Pine Camp
Refined petroleum asphalt now dominates American road building industry
Typhoid fever epidemic prompts Village of Ticonderoga to change water supply to Chilson Hills
Eagle Lake Property Owners, Inc. is established
Saranac Lake village trustees approve construction of electric trolley by Paul Smith et al.
Saranac L. businessmen hire Olmstead Brothers (of NYC fame) to prepare plan to improve village

Coming to Saranac Lake last summer, I was struck almost immediately with the potential value of Lake Flower and its immediate surroundings as public property. There is no one step that will be of greater permanent benefit to the village as a whole than the acquisition of complete control
over this lake and its shores and all the undesirable buildings will be removed and the lakeshore
treated as a park.

I realize fully the great cost of taking these lakeshores and that many will be opposed to
spending public funds in that way. But I know of no case where parks or parkways have been built
that abutting property has not increased in values.

James Clark Whiting,
Olmsted Brothers architect

Old Forge Fire Department is founded 1907
Local merchants report huge wild blueberry crop at Onchiota, rivaling Altona Flat Rock (15 Jul) 1907
William Willett (UK) seriously proposes Daylight Saving Time, a.k.a. British Summer Time 1907
W.H. Miner creates Lake Alice on Tracy Brook for hydro power at Heart’s Delight Farm, Chazy 1907
$50 reward is offered for capture of George Dutton an insane criminal escaped from Dannemora 1907
FFGC serves notice on Louis Duprey for polluting Chazy River with sawdust from his sawmill 1907
Ampersand Hotel on Lower Saranac Lake burns to the ground (23 Sep) 1907
J.P. Morgan and other bankers avert collapse of NY Stock Exchange with infusions of cash (Oct) 1907
Congress changes name “forest reserve” to “national forest” 1907
Th. Roosevelt appoints Enos A. Mills as federal lecturer on forestry, the role ending in 1909 1907
Theodore Roosevelt proclaims Arbor Day, an annual national school event 1907
FFGC proposes constitutional amendments allowing sale and exchange of FP land 1907
Scribner’s Magazine reprints George Perkins Marsh’s *Man and Nature* 1907
$500,000 is spent improving Adk roads interlocking L. Champlain and St. Lawrence regions 1908-12
The balsam woolly adelgid, *Adelges piceae*, is introduced into Northeast U.S. and SE Canada c. 1908
US secretaries of Agriculture and Interior sign a cooperative forestry agreement (22 Jan) 1908
City charter for Glens Falls is granted (13 Mar) 1908
Chester Gillette is found guilty of Grace Mae Brown’s murder and is electrocuted, Auburn (30 Mar) 1908
Acetylene gas lighting comes to Creek Center, Town of Stony Creek, Warren Co. 1908
Fort Covington Power and Light begins 24-hrs-per-day electrical service (1 May) 1908
Forest fire destroys “thousands of acres” in Town of Stony Creek before rains put it out 1908
President Theodore Roosevelt hosts a “Conference of Governors” (13-15 May) 1908

The results of this conference were immediate and far reaching. The state governors drew up a
unanimous declaration in support of conservation. Thirty-six state conservation commissions at once
sprang into being, scientific bodies appointed numerous conservation committees, and a National
Conservation Commission was organized. In short, the sum of these several events gave the
conservation movement a prestige and momentum previously unknown and raised it to a plane that
enabled it to survive the various reversals it later suffered as a consequence of periodic shifts in political
climate.

Paul Russell Cutright

Frost damages much Franklin Co. vegetation, esp. Paul Smiths, McColloms, Saranac Lake (2 Jun) 1908
“Giant fireball” destroys forest of 2,000 km², Tunguska, Siberia creating global dust cloud (30 June) 1908
Thunder Bay, Ontario, Canada, implements Daylight Saving Time (Jul) 1908
PSC permits est. of Corinth Electric Light and Power Co. on Hudson R., Corinth Village (19 Oct) 1908
PSC permits sale of Warren Curtis, Jr., power stat., etc., to Corinth Light and Power Co. (19 Oct) 1908
NYS buys ‘much of the area around Crane Pond’ from Raquette Falls Land and Timber Co. for FP 1908
The Tahawus House, a six-story hotel in Keene Valley, burns to the ground 1908
U.S. Post Office announces relocation of Derrick PO to Bay Pond (Oct) 1908
U.S. Post Office rescinds announcement; Derrick PO is to be merged with Kildare PO (Oct) 1908
Raphael Zon founds a forest experiment station at Fort Valley, Coconino NF, Arizona 1908
Laura Banfield makes winter ascent of Mt. Marcy with AMC group 1908
Paul Schaefer is born Schenectady, Peter A. and Rose A. as parents 1908
John Apperson et al. design spruce skate sail spars and contracts with Albany co. for production 1908
Director of NYS Museum is delegated as keeper of Haudenosaunee wampums 1908
FFGC recommends scientific forestry on FP lands 1908
Ben Muncil begins construction of A.B. White’s White Pine Camp at 35 a. site, Osgood Pond 1908

White Pine Camp was more than a quaint Adirondack hide-a-way: 20 orginal buildings, dining hall, four sleeping cabins, two boat houses, indoor tennis house, bowling alley, Japanse-style tea house, soaring roof lines, asymmetry, luminous windows, grand landscaping with stone walls, bridges, floral plantings, and paths.

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with special guidance from Abbie S. Verner

“Last mountain lion” of Adirondacks is killed near Raquette Lake (NYSM) 1908
Frank Hooper’s garnet mill at 13th Lake near Balm of Gilead Mt. begins operation 1908
J.P. Randerson’s Simplex XV wins 62-mile L. Geo. endurance race with avg. speed of 26.5 mph 1908
Paul Smith’s (power) Co. sues NYS to build two power dams on Saranac River 1908
Paul Smith’s (power) Co. builds a dam at Franklin Falls flooding FP lands 1908
Pine Camp Military Res. (10,000 acres.) is established in St. Lawrence Co. (later Fort Drum) 1908
USGS 15’ Stony creek quadrangle is published 1908
FFGC abandons its recently acquired tree nurseries at Wawbeek and Axton 1908
FFGC establishes two tree nurseries at Lake Clear Junction 1908
Stephen and Sarah Gibbs Thompson Pell take over management of hotel at Fort Ticonderoga 1908
FFGC abandons its moose restoration program 1908
Cadyville Dam (218-0263) is built or reconditioned 1908
Brant Lake Upper Dam (222-0652) is built or reconditioned 1908
Henry Ford (1863-1947), American, Detroit, produces assembly line Model T Ford (automobile) 1908

The Chinese were the first, thousands of years ago, to use an assembly line for mass production of a commercial product, in this case fine ceramic ware.

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The National Conservation Commission is established 1908
Gifford Pinchot is appointed chair of the National Conservation Commission 1908
National Conservation Commission is charged to inventory U.S. natural resources 1908
Sumner F. Dudley’s Boys’ Camping Society (B.C.S.) est. a summer camp at Westport 1908
Intense summer drought strikes the Adirondacks (GCC) 1908
Chapter 466, NYS Laws, provides $10,000 to est. tree nurseries supportive of private forestry 1908
Stoddard’s Adirondack Monthly fails 1908
Edmund Lamy, Saranac L., age 16, breaks his own speed skating record for the mile in Montreal 1908
Raquette Lake Ice Company begins ice harvest from Raquette Lake for shipment all across U.S. 1908
Summer and fall fires, many caused by railroads, burn more than 368,000 acres of Adks 1908
The Narrows and vicinity of NYC experience Adirondack forest fire smoke as thick as fog 1908
W.A. Murrill reports presence of American chestnut blight at Poughkeepsie, NY 1908
Fire on Mt. Baker threatens to engulf Saranac Lake village 1908
A forest fire burns more than 6,000 a. on DeBar Mt. 1908
U.S. Post Office discovers no road between Kildare and Derrick; PO remains in Derrick (Oct) 1908
Watertown Chamber of Commerce proposes an army training area along the Black River c.1908
General F.D. Grant trains 2,000 regular army and 8,000 militia at Pine Plains, Jeff. Co. 1908
NYS game laws are clarified and made more uniform 1908
Headframe, 100 feet high, for the Joker shaft at Mineville is built c.1908
NYS law is enacted requiring all hunters to purchase a license 1908
Warrensburg experiences record breaking cold of –49 °F. (night of 4 Feb) (GCC) 1908
NY App Div in People vs. Fisher rules land acquisition in accord with FP est. land as FP 1908
PSLPRRC completes dams at Union Falls and Franklin Falls on the Saranac River 1908
AfPA investigates flood damage caused by PSLPRRC dams on the Saranac R. 1908
NYS secures injunction against PSLPRRC for flooding of state land on Saranac R. 1908
The Act for Preservation of Game in Alaska becomes law 1908
The first American game farm is established in Illinois 1908
Lake George Club is founded 1908
J. Horace McFarland gives important lecture on preservation at Conference of Governors (May) 1908
Wadhams & Westport Power and Light Co. builds a 90 kw (60 Hz) hydro plant at Wadhams 1908
Shattuck trust fund is contested; funds appropriated for Ticonderoga hospital are not received 1908
U.S. stock market value increases 45% 1908
YMCA Camp Dudley for boys is established at Westport, Essex Co. 1908
NYS Court Appeals rules NY canal lands inside of Blue Line are legally part of FP (water supply) 1908
Ice storm across North Country disrupts telegraph, telephone and train service (Jan) 1909
C.L. Chesbrow and dog, Beekmantown, are struck by lightning and killed while fishing (29 May) 1908
4000 cord of J. & J. Rogers pulpwood floats away when Au Sable River boom breaks (28 Apr) 1908
Chlorination is introduced for the purification of drinking water 1908
Forest Service now has a staff of 1,500 to oversee 150 million acres of national forest 1908
NCC reports on 1908 Conference of Governors excluding J. H. McFarland’s preservation lecture 1908
Shattuck Memorial Hospital at Ticonderoga is renamed Moses Hospital (Feb) 1909
C.R. Pettis finds WPBR on German stock at Lake Clear Junction nursery (18 Jan) 1909
Ice storm across North Country disrupts telegraph, telephone and train service (Jan) 1909
Kingdom Dam at Lincoln Pond (Essex Co.) gives way, flooding channel to Wadhams (21 Apr) 1909
High water washes away flume at Fort Covington Power & Light twice in three weeks (May) 1909
Parks Hospital, Glens Falls, is renamed The Glens Falls Hospital (22 May) 1909
NYS law changes penalty to max. $1,000/1 yr. prison for setting fires on waste/forest land (25 May) 1909
The Daily Union faults Schenectady city leaders in lack of control effort for elm beetle (14 Jun) 1909
William F. Fox, after 25 years of service to NYS forestry, dies with burial at Ballston Spa (16 Jun) 1909
Fritz Haber, German, develops chemistry of crucial nitrogen fixation converting N₂ to NH₃ (3 Jul) 1909
Pres. Will. Taft attends Indian pageant celebrating tricentennial of Ft. Ticonderoga. L. George (6 Jul) 1909
Pres. Taft visits Cliff Haven, Pburgh Barracks, Hotel Champlain, Bluff Point, Plattsburgh (8 Jul) 1909
Prescott, AR, suffers a five-day ice famine as trains fail to deliver ice (14-18 July) 1909
A strange “blue mold” wreaks havoc in “a few” hop yards in Waterville, Oneida County 1909
Stewart & Whetzel identify “blue mold”, a.k.a. English hop mildew, as Sphaerotheca humuli (Sep) 1909
Electric power is restored to Fort Covington after resolution of dispute with power supplier (Dec) 1909
A. Mohorovicic, Yugoslavia, reports on earth quake and proposes a global discontinuity (8 Oct) 1909
Lake George Country Club, formerly the Marion Hotel, burns (30 Oct) 1909
Rainbow Lake, NY, residents report long-haired ‘wild man’, possibly a lunatic, to sheriff (Nov) 1909
Ernest Alexanderson, General Electric, makes 1st radio broadcast linking Adks to world (25 Dec) 1909
World Outdoor Skating Championships are held at Saranac Lake Winter Carnival 1909
NCC completes national resource inventory report requested in the prior year 1909
This is one of the most fundamentally important documents ever laid before the American people. It contains the first inventory of its natural resources ever made by any nation . . . The function of our government is to insure to all of its citizens, now and hereafter, the rights of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. If we of this generation destroy the resources from which our children would otherwise derive their livelihood, we reduce the capacity of our land to support a population, and so either degrade the standard of living or deprive the coming generations of their right to life in this continent.

President Theodore Roosevelt
NCC Inventory Report, 22 Jan 1909

White pine seedlings, some WPBR infected sent from Halstenbeck, Germany, to c. 226 US locations
Problems arise and USDI ends cooperation with USDA on Indian land management
E.L. Trudeau vaccinates rabbits with attenuated strains of tubercle bacilli (TB)
An addition is made to the Elizabethtown free-lending library
Chapter 225, NYS Laws, appropriates $12,000 c/o license fees to grow and distribute game birds
FPB is absorbed by FFGC which continues extension of Adirondack FP
Philip S. Olt of Pekin, Illinois, invents the “Arkansas-style” duck call
FP increases from 715,000 a. to more than 1.6 million acres as managed by forest super. W.J. Fox
T. Roosevelt ends 2nd term establishing 150 National Forests and 51 federal bird sanctuaries
NYS “top-lobbing law” passes requiring lumbermen to cut-up coniferous tree-crown remnants
Forest, Fish & Game law is amended adding guidelines for fire control
Forest, Fish & Game law replaces Fire Warden System with new system headed by Supers. of Fires
Forest, Fish & Game law gives policing power to fire wardens
Comm. J.S. Whipple convenes NE state foresters to discuss WPBR (28 Jun)
Agriculture Comm. orders destruction of 350,000 white pine seedlings at Lake Clear nursery
Paid force of forest rangers is created for the Adirondack region
Sykes family closes Childwold Park House summer resort hotel to est. Emporium Forestry Co.
James, John and Matthew Hurley form Hurley Bros. to sell coal for home heating at Lake Placid
F. Alexander, Paul Smiths, NY, patents ‘Adirondack Snow Packer & Track Cleaner’ for road care
Lake George Club, aka “The Millionaires Club”, opens docks, tennis courts, clubhouse, etc.
Pell family partially restores west barracks at Fort Ticonderoga
Sarah and Stephen Pell dedicate Fort Ticonderoga Museum
Leo H. Baekeland, US, patents Bakelite, first plastic that solidifies on heating
AtPAn supports closure of FP to campers and sportsmen during times of fire danger
NYS civil penalty for timber theft is set at ten dollars per tree
Village board votes down Olmsted Plan for the Improvement of Saranac Lake as too expensive
Bank of Lake Placid is established
Hudson River Telephone Company is sold to New York Telephone Company
Søren Sørensen, Carlberg Laboratory, Copenhagen, Denmark, develops pH scale to measure acidity
NYBTB defeats a bill calling for harvest and sale of dead and downed FP timber
NYS erects its first wooden fire tower near Tupper Lake on top of Mount Morris, Franklin Co.
Biography William F. Fox appears 15th Annual Report of the Forest, Fish and Game Commission
Chapter 433, NYS Laws, provides $200,000 for further acquisition of FP lands in Adirondack Park
M.O. Wood and G. S. Smith pub FFGC Map of the Adirondack Park and Adjoining Territory
The hunting season for WTD is reset with an opening of 16 September
John Apperson begins shore riprapping of Dollar Island at Lake George to reduce wave erosion
PSC requires railroad engines to burn oil during the summer season
Tenth and last of quarto volumes is published by the FFGC
NYS completes a 3.44 mi. paved macadam road from Lake Pleasant to Speculator
Clifford R. Pettis and FFGC publish *Instructions for Reforesting Land* 1909

FFGC releases a beaver at Lake Placid bringing total number of states releases to 21 1909

USDA/Cornell Univ. Agricultural Experiment Station complete soil survey of Washington Co. 1909

Scottish architect Seymour Dunn designs 18-hole ‘Links Course’ for golf at Lake Placid Club 1909

Lake George Club Golf Course (now defunct) is built at Lake George 1909

Glenburnie Golf Course (now defunct) is built at Lake George 1909

Fort William Henry burns to the ground 1909

Adk garnet industry still suffers from overproduction, declining markets and artificial abrasives 1909

Garnet mines at North R. & Thirteenth L. (Warren Co.) & Mt Bigelow (Essex Co.) yield 3802 tons 1909

Carl Bosch develops industrial base for nitrogen fixation, i.e. the Haber-Bosch process 1909

Congress prohibits transport of birds and their parts across state boundaries 1909

Construction of Caughdenoy Dam, a.k.a. Oneida Lake Dam (081-0205) is completed 1909

Sigmund Freud, Carl Jung *et al.* visit Putnam’s Camp in Keene Valley (Sep) 1909

National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) is established 1909

The pine siskin irrupts in the Adirondacks 1909

Even though giving 23 champions a 1-min head start, Ed Lamy wins 5-mi. skate race at Newburgh 1909

Dual sex harvest of WTD in the Adirondacks reaches 12,100 1909

Carlos Bates shows link of forest cover on water yield at Rio Grand NF, Colorado 1909

More than nine million passenger cars are now registered in the US 1909

More than 2000 commercial ice-making plants are now in operation in US 1909

Pres. William H. Taft vacations as guest of Marshall Sheppy, Skenandowa Lodge, Big Tupper Lake 1910

Brantingham Golf Course is built at Brantingham Lake 1910

Alexander H. Findlay of Scotland designs 18-hole ‘Mountain Course’ for golf at Lake Placid Club 1910

Gas-fired Fairbanks-Morse generators of Bolton Landing Electric Light Co. start operation (Jan) 1910

Flood disables railroad service from Fonda thorough Herkimer for two days (Mar) 1910

Rapid recovery of beaver population results in the loss of trees on FP land 1910

Henry Graves buys summer camp of the late Levi P. Morton on Upper Saranac Lake 1910

H. van Hoevenberg est. the Adirondack Camp and Trail Club devoted to trail care 1910

US Army enlarges its facility at Pine Plains to 17,000 a. and renames it Pine Plains Camp 1910

Manuscripts regarding the Haudenosaunee Constitution are found at Six Nations Reserve 1910

Town of Long Lake authorizes the macadam paving of the Long Lake village road 1910

Hiawatha Lodge on First Pond of Stony Creek Ponds burns 1910

Hurley Bros. arrange with D&H RR for coal unloading facility at Lake Placid 1910

Treadwell Mills Dam (218-0246) is built or reconditioned 1910


Walter O. Snelling is one of the unsung heroes of wilderness roughing. Soon after his discovery of butane it became available in bottled form for cooking and, to a lesser degree, for heating. Today it is available in various portable containers (bottles) adding both comfort and style to life in the woods. We have yet to learn who did the first bottling and where this occurred. Thank Dr. Snelling as you sit lakeside sipping your hot tea.

The Editors

F.S. Gardner of NYBTT advises Governor Hughes on Adirondacks matters 1910

Gov. Charles E. Hughes appoints H. Leroy Austin to FFGC 1910

USGS 15’ Canton quadrangle is published 1910

U.S. Bureau of Biological Survey exterminates wolves, coyotes, eagles, cougars and other predators 1910

Hop mildew, a.k.a. ‘blue mold’, returns, spreading from Oneida to Otsego to Schoharie counties 1910

FFGC quizzes McNaughton Milling Co./Fort Covington Power & Light re. no fishway at dam (Dec) 1910
Obie Sherer & Dr. D. Adams make “Ole Woodsman” fly dope for personal use from 1882 recipe
Average area of one-hundred largest American cities is 31 square miles
USGS 15’ McKeever quadrangle is published
Seneca Ray Stoddard pub a bathymetric map of Lake George
The Cadbury family founds Back Log Camp, a Quaker retreat, at Indian Lake
William Goulet acquires Arctic Hotel/Cedar River House, west of Indian Lake
NYS prohibits harvest of plumage for commercial purposes
Lake Adirondack Dam (169-0928) is built or reconditioned
Peck’s Lake Berm, a.k.a. Peck’s Lake Dam (172-0438) is built or reconditioned
Abenaki Daniel Emmit makes and sells pack baskets, canoes, etc., at Coreys
Chase Dam (091-0275) is built or reconditioned
Chapter 521, NYS Laws, provides $1.5k to NYS Hist. Assoc. for fence at L. George Battle Park
Barrett looses in his suit against NYS for damage to his Adirondack land by beaver
FFGC reports decline of Adirondack elk herd, many lost to hunters
NYS erects wooden fire tower on Cat Mtn, Town of Clifton, St. Lawrence Co. (Jul)
Pres. Howard Taft dismisses Gifford Pinchot as chief of the USDA Forest Division
FFGC recommends scientific forestry on FP lands
IP concedes to strikers at the Corinth Mill at Palmer Falls
Winslow Homer, age 74, makes last visit to Adks with ouvre of 14+ oils and c. 100 watercolors
Northern NY potato growers begin shipping potatoes to NYC by train
Caroga Lake Dam (172-0469B) is built or reconditioned
Charles Proteus Steinmetz pub The Future of Electricity warning of air pollution by coal burning
Residents of Boreas River complain about heavy dust raised by automobiles speeding by (21 Jul)
Suspension bridge across Hudson R. at Riverside is condemned and bought by the county
Forest fire started by lightning burns > 1000 a. on French Mountain opposite Caldwell (Jul-Aug)
John Apperson urges L. George Assoc. to engage L. George water level regulation issue (5 Aug)
John Apperson urges Gov. Horace White to address squatter problem at Lake George (30 Sep)
Landlocked salmon survive in Lake George and return to brooks to attempt to spawn
Emporium Lumber Co. begins operations to establish a lumber mill at Conifer
Village Improvement Society is organized in Saranac L. to implement the Olmsted Plan (10 Apr)
VIS obtains property along Lake Flower from Stephen Merchant for ‘future’ Prescott Park
Gov. Roswell P. Flower appropriates funds for removal of stumps from Mill Pond at Saranac Lake
Mill Pond, a.k.a. Newell Pond, on Saranac R. at Saranac L. village is cleaned free of its stumps
Dr. George Walter McCoy discovers tularemia epizootic in Tulare Co., CA
Marcel Audiffren licenses GE to develop and produce a sulfur dioxide compressor refrigerator
Scott Paper Company begins selling toilet paper of its own manufacture at Chester, PA
Federal Insecticide Act becomes law
Elon Howard Eaton, Hobart Col., NYSM, pub Water Birds and Game Birds of New York
Elon Howard Eaton reports the breeding of Mallard in Central New York
Gifford Pinchot pub The Fight For Conservation

Conservation means the greatest good to the greatest number for the longest time . . . It demands the complete and orderly development of all our resources for the benefit of all the people, instead of the partial exploitation of them for the benefit of a few. It recognizes fully the right of the present generation to use what it needs and all it needs of the natural resources now available, but it recognizes equally our obligation so to use what we need that our descendents shall not be deprived of what they need.

Gifford Pinchot
The Fight for Conservation, pp. 48, 80
Huletts Landing Golf Course is built at Lake George 1910
Hotel Champlain, Bluff Point, Lake Champlain, burns to the ground (May 25) 1910
FFGC proposes constitutional amendments allowing sale and exchange of FP land 1910
AuSable Horse-Nail Co., Keeseville, closes 1910
NYS accepts, with preservation provisions, 25 a. site of Forts St. Frederic & Amherst, Crown Pt. 1910
Rainbow Sanatorium is opened by Independent Order of Foresters, Town of Brighton (20 Jul) 1910
Finch, Pruyn & Co., Inc. hires Howard Churchill, a trained forester, to manage its forest lands 1910
A fish blocking screen is installed at the outlet of the Sylmans of the ALC 1910
Magazine article (which?) pictures a wild boar shot in Whitney Park, adj. Litchfield Park 1910
Major forest fires occur in Idaho and Montana (3 million a. and 80 deaths) 1910
Luther and Charlotte Gulick est. Camp Fire USA in VT: https://campfire.org/about/ 1910
Aspen and birch stands prosper following major forest fires 1910
Clifford R. Pettis and FFGC publish Reforesting 1910
Clifford R. Pettis is appointed NYS Superintendent of Forests in the FFGC (1 Jun) 1910
Clifford R. Pettis and CC publish Adirondack Highways 1910
D&H RR founds the Bluff Point Nursery specializing in White and Scotch Pine c.1910
Fire observation towers are erected on higher peaks of Adirondacks and Catskills 1910
Fire observation station, i.e. not a tower, is erected for $294.77 on St. Regis Mt., 2,784’ (Apr) 1910
A major flood impacts Schenectady (17.5’ stage) 1910
NYS requires a pair of colored license plates attached to each vehicle using public roads 1910
AfPA allegations of “timber trespass” in FP results in a commission study 1910
NYS population is 9,114,000 with a density of 191/square mile 1910
Horicon, of Champlain Transportation Co., is decommissioned and salvaged at Baldwin (Sep) 1910
Number of farms in Warren Co. is reported at 1,865 occupying 44.5% of the area 1910
Steam tractors are applied to lumbering in the Adirondacks 1910
Wagon Wheel Gap Study in Colorado shows link of forest cover and water yield 1910
USDA FS and Univ. Wisconsin found Forest Products Lab (FPL) at Madison, WI 1910
Rich Lumber Co. at Wanakena assigns 1800 a. to College of Forestry, Syracuse University 1910
Walter Snelling, chemist, et al. develop means of bottling propane gas opening bottled LP gas era 1910-12
Eastern spruce budworm, Choristoneura fractivitta, impacts 10 mill. ha. of E. North America 1910-20
John Apperson and party ascend Mt. Marcy on skis 1911,,
Louis Marshall promotes est. of NY State College of Forestry (NYSCF) at Syracuse University 1911
Paul Swan marries Helen P. Gavit to begin his Adk period at Skiwaukie Farm, near Stony Creek 1911
Louis Marshall is elected head of the board of trustees of NYS College of Forestry 1911
CC begins a program of beaver meadow hay harvest for the feeding of WTD 1911
CC prohibits fishing through lake ice on water inhabited by trout, e.g. Lake George 1911
Gov. John A. Dix catches 9 trout on the opening day of trout season in Lake George 1911
Sen. James Emerson secures $2,100,000 appropriation for Warren and Essex County road works 1911
The New York Canadian Pacific Railroad, a paper entity only, becomes defunct 1911
Federal Weeks Act, 36 Stat 961, est. comm. to cooperate in navigable watershed/forest cons. (1 Mar)1911
USGS 15’ Dannemora quadrangle is published 1911
USGS 15’ Lowville quadrangle is published 1911
USGS 15’ Lyon Mountain quadrangle is published 1911
CC proposes construction of hydroelectric dam on Hudson River at Lake Luzerne 1911
Salmon River overflows its banks due to rapid Adk snowmelt; Fort Covington is flooded (Apr) 1911
Voters disapprove constitutional amendment, Art VII, for canal abandonment 1911
Schroon Lake Association is organized to oppose construction of Tumblehead Falls dam 1911
Fort William Henry is rebuilt and opened to the public 1911
John S. Apperson and Mary Loines, owner of lands at Northwest Bay, meet at LGA gathering 1911
Drought and 65 lightning strikes in Adirondacks cause many fires burning 27,757 acres 1911
Gypsy moth wilt is detected and associated with putrescent caterpillars having foul odor 1911
General Hospital at Saranac Lake is founded on Winona Ave. 1911
Emile Cochand builds a bobsled track at Montebello, near La Malbaie, Québec 1911
Revisions of the NYS timber theft (trespass) law are enacted 1911
Francis Bayle makes the photograph titled Adirondack Village 1911
Harry Radford and Thomas George Street are killed by Inuit guides in Canada 1911
Wooden fire towers are built on Ampersand, Arab, Bald, Black, Blue, Boreas, etc., Mountains 1911
NYBTT and AfPA endorse the proposed federal Weeks Act 1911
Count Ernest des Baillets of Belgium, introduces four-man bobsled to US at Lake Placid 1911
Edward Curtis speaks on photography of Indians at the Skidmore School of Arts 1911
Victor F. Hess (1883-1964), Austrian, using gold-leaf electroscope/balloon flights, disc cosmic rays 1911
Harry Fielding Reid (1859-1944), American, proposes primary role of faults in earthquakes 1911
Mountain View Golf Course (now defunct) is established at Mountain View 1911
Addison Mizner designs several additions and alterations to some White Pine Camp buildings 1911
Merritt Lyndon Fernald (1873-1950) rep invasive yellow flag, Iris pseudacorus, in Newfoundland 1911
Finch, Pruyn & Co. installs a third paper machine at Glen Falls mill 1911
Ole Evinrude of Wisconsin receives patent for the outboard boat motor 1911
College of Forestry, formerly at Cornell University, Ithaca, is reestablished at Syracuse University 1911
Horace A. Moses merges his Strathmore and Woronoco mills to form Strathmore Paper Co. 1911
Lyon deCamp donates land for the Presbyterian Chapel at Thendara 1911
NYS declares black currant, Ribes nigrum, a public nuisance as a control measure for WPBR 1911
Bacillus thuringiensis is discovered as a pathogen of the flour moth in Thuringia, Germany 1911
Order of Free and Elected Masons build Tahawus Lodge in Au Sable Forks 1911
NYS law requires license for rearing, sale and shooting of certain game 1911
Inghams Dam, a.k.a. Kyser Lake Dam (142-0572) is built or reconditioned 1911
Hewittville Dam (122-2686) is built or reconditioned 1911
Francis Bayle becomes resident of Lake Placid with move of his family from Glens Falls 1911
Steel steamship Horicon, 230’ long, built at Baldwin, replaces Horicon retired 1910 (1 July) 1911
Norway damming on Fulton Chain results in flooding of private camps/complaints 1911
Last of wild boar released by E.H. Litchfield at Litchfield Park in ‘02 are purportedly killed 1911
Anna Botsford Comstock pub 900-page Handbook of Nature, widely translated and in print today 1911
The number of game protectors is increased to ninety for the entire state 1911
Federal law prohibits growing black currant plants to control white pine blister rust 1911
Jim Suitor records an ascent of Tabletop Mt. 1911
Gov. Dix restructures FFGC into a new three-member Conservation Commission 1911
CC erects fire tower on Mount Ohmer, Town of Day, Saratoga County 1911
CC initiates program to construct cabins near fire towers for observers to live in 1911
Folies Bergere Theatre, aka Helen Hayes Theatre, in NYC, installs an air-conditioning system 1911
American Game Protection and Propagation Association is founded 1911
Great Meadow Maximum Security Correctional Facility is built at Great Meadow, Wash. Co. 1911
Chinese mystery snail is discovered in Boston 1911
Sallie Dooley est. evergreen garden in Richmond, VA, probably introducing HWA to US 1911
Emporium Forestry Co. builds Grass River RR, Childwold to Cranberry Lake 1911-13
Crowther et al. of Manchester, England, show impacts of acid rain on plants and soil microbes 1911-13
Experiments with powders of sulphur and lime controls hop mildew in central NY hopyards 1912-14
Adirondack Park is expanded northeastward to 4,054,000 a., now officially including private lands 1912
AfPA promotes NYS litigation against PSELPRRC for flood damage to state lands 1912
Artesian Hose Co. No. 1 (fire department) is formed at Bloomingdale, T of St. Armand (1 Feb) 1912
Intern'l Amateur Outdoor Championship Skating Races held at Pontiac Rink, Saranac L (30 Jan) 1912
‘Wild man’ terrorizing Rainbow Lake, Onchiota area is arrested; serves 30-days as vagrant (Feb) 1912
Horicon Lodge located on Ripley Point, Lake George, is badly damaged by fire (Apr) 1912
Grandview House, Mirror Lake, Lake Placid, charges $3-4 per day for “nicely furnished rooms” 1912
NYS loses its suit against PSELPRRC for flooding state lands on the Saranac River 1912
Salmon R. surges to highest levels in 20 yrs, but ice moves out early, sparing Fort Covington (Apr) 1912
McNaughton-Keefe dam, a.k.a. Fort Covington dam, is ruined during repairs to Apr damage (6 May) 1912
Franklin County spends $150,000 improving roads connecting summer resorts for automobiles (Jun) 1912
Hop mildew causes “serious” damage in hopyards of Franklin and Ontario Counties 1912
Losses in NYS hopyards from hop mildew (powdery mildew), *S. humuli*, peak at $330,000 1912
Early season snowmelt wrecks Keefe’s work on new concrete dam, Salmon R., Ft. Covington (Dec) 1912
NYS law auth. Conservation Comm. to appoint Superintendent and Asst.’ Sup. of Forests (16 Apr) 1912
NYS law auth. CC to appoint forest pathologist to advise on private woodland mgmt. (16 Apr) 1912
Keefe Dam, a.k.a. Fort Covington Dam, on Salmon River is carried off by a freshet (6 May) 1912
Novarupta (volcano), Kenai Peninsula, AK, erupts (VEI 6), ejecting 15 km$^3$ of magma (6-8 Jun) 1912

When it erupted, Novarupta blasted an ash cloud 100,000 feet—that’s about 20 miles—into the air, which began falling on Kodiak Island within a few hours. Three days later, toward end of the eruption, ash was falling in Seattle. The ash cloud would eventually drift over Africa.


Robert J. Collier ships Wright Model B biplane with pontoons to Raquette Lake by railroad (Jun) 1912
R.J. Collier flies his Wright Model B hydroaeroplane from Golden Beach, Raquette Lake (Jun) 1912
Robert J. Collier crashes his biplane in Raquette Lake; he survives and salvages plane (27 Jun) 1912
Robert J. Collier ships Wright Model B hydroaeroplane back to NYC by rail (Jul) 1912
Under Forest, Fish & Game law, Superintendent of Fires becomes District Forest Rangers 1912
Under Forest, Fish & Game law, Fire Patrolmen become Forest Rangers 1912
NYS Bayne Act prohibits sale of game birds by “pot hunters” 1912
NYS special legislative committee reports on the regulation of water level of Lake George 1912
NYS acquires 25 a. at Lake George (in a FP county) to est. a Revolutionary War memorial 1912
Dr. T.H. Bean notes that fisherman mistake the "lake trout bait" cisco for snow fish in Lake George 1912
Defenders of Forest Preserve charge that 25 a. war memorial at Lake George violates constitution 1912
NYS A.G. Carmody issues opinion justifying improvements at Lake George Battlefield Park 1912
Emporium Lumber Co. of Conifer, NY, purchases Childwold Park 1912
Winifred Goldring is appointed Scientic Expert in Paleontology at NYSM with focus on crinoids 1912
Dam at Lighting Plant No. 2 on Lincoln Pond assumes local name of Kingdom Dam 1912
CC creates the combined hunting and trapping license 1912
CC requires that harvested buck have antlers greater than three inches in length 1912
D.P. Church begins photographic business selling post cards and other Adk images, Canton 1912
Seneca Lake, Finger Lakes Region, freezes over completely – a cold winter! 1912
CC issues olive-drab uniforms for use by Game Protectors 1912
CC removes troublesome beaver of Fulton Chain for replanting elsewhere 1912
CC reports 66% FP timber salable and recommends scientific forestry 1912
John Janack is appointed Cat Mtn Fire Observer and he holds this position for 20 years 1912
Charles Daniels Golf Course (now defunct) is established at Sabattis

Chapter 444, NYS Laws, dedicates abolitionist John Brown’s farm as public park/reservation c/o CC

Lake Clear Inn Golf Course (now defunct) is established at Lake Clear

G.A. Gray wows huge crowds flying low & slow over Malone Fair, smashes plane landing (26 Sep)

George A. Gray flies Burgess-Wright Model B biplane from Malone to Bloomingdale (2 Oct)

Paul Smith, age 87 yrs, requests a flight, but with wind ‘blowing a hurricane’ Gray refuses (3 Oct)

Mountain Home Telephone Co. absorbs all competition in Clinton, Essex, Franklin, St. Law counties

Saranac Lakers pay $1 ($25 in 2015) merely to view Aviator Gray’s biplane (4-9 Oct)

Aviator Gray flys exhibitions & takes passengers on 5 min. flights for $25 ($620 in 2015) (4-9 Oct)

Aviator Gray in biplane loses 20 lap race around ½ mile racetrack to F. Paul Stevens in auto (5 Oct)

G.A. Gray flies Edith M. ‘Jack’ Stearns 8 ½ miles over Whiteface Mtn and McKenzie Range (6 Oct)

While much against his better judgement, she (Edith M. ‘Jack’ Stearns) somehow convinced Aviator Gray to take her for a ride in his biplane. He took her over the McKenzie Range and Whiteface Mountain in a 17-minute flight covering some 8 ½ miles. Despite being nearly frozen during her flight at that altitude (she later admitted she had worn the wrong clothes), she was hooked. They were subsequently married in Virginia some months later and spent the next nineteen years barnstorming.

Paraphrasing Edith M. ‘Jack’ Stearns in *Up”: *A True Story of Aviation, Shenendoah Publishing House, Strasburg, VA, 1931

Bad weather, low clouds, force Aviator Gray to ship biplane to Plattsburgh by rail (10 Oct)

VIS suggests Ms. Prescott be consulted before naming its ‘future’ Prescott Park after her (30 Sep)

VIS purchases and creates Triangle Park, a.k.a. Veterans’ Triangle, Saranac Lake

Port Kent Golf Course is established at Port Kent

Spruce Hill Rd. between Elizabethtown and Keene is paved to stop erosion

The eastern coyote is reported in northern New York

After major die-off of American chestnut due to chestnut blight US passes Plant Quarantine Act

Dr. Alton permanently closes his camp Undercliff at Lake Placid

The use of ferrets in the hunting of rabbits is prohibited in NYS

The hunting season for WTD is reset to open October 1

Thomas Hunt Morgan presents his theory of the chromosomal gene

The lighthouse at Crown Point L. Champlain, is rebuilt as the Champlain Memorial Lighthouse

Paul Smith, 87 y. o., dies following kidney operation in Royal Victoria Hosp., Montreal (15 Dec)

Wooden fire towers are erected on Mt. Adams, Belfry, Debar, Poke-O-Moonshine, etc.

Pan American Tannery (or precurser), West Fulton St, Gloversville, begins operation

John Burroughs, age 75, visits Speculator meeting the guide David Sturges

CD allows campers to build permanent tent platforms on FP lands

Lake George Regatta Association hosts a regatta attracting 700 motorboats to L. George (9 Aug)

Higley Falls Dam is built at 46-ft high water fall on Raquette R. near S. Colton

Kents Falls Dam (218-0256) is built or reconditioned

Champlain Memorial Lighthouse, Crown Point, incl. plaque by Auguste Rodin is completed

Delta Dam and Reservoir (2,900 a., 114-0935) are built on the Mohawk watershed

Fern Lake Dam (219-0414) is built or reconditioned

Russ Mills Dam (081-0254) is built or reconditioned

Wells Dam, a.k.a. Lower AuSable Lake Dam (#202-0661) is rebuilt

Mysterious fatal neurological ‘moose illness’ is reported in Minnesota

Pres. William H. Taft attends dedication of *La France*, sculpture by Auguste Rodin, Crown Point

Lock 1 on the Champlain Barge Canal at Waterford (225-4372) is built
NYS takes Consolidated Water Co. lands and rights at West Canada Ck. for canal feeder 1912
South Edwards Dam (123-0318) is built or reconditioned 1912
NYS AG rules that developments at Lake George Battle Ground Park on FP land may proceed 1912
Lock 12 Dam on the Champlain barge Canal (240-0990) is built or reconditioned 1912
Santa Clara Lumber Co. builds 125’ dam at Duck Hole on Cold River for transport of logs 1912
Long Lake Light, Heat and Poer Co. erects dam on South Pond outlet 1912
Glens Falls Country Club and Golf Course is established at Glens Falls 1912
ALC removes several hundred suckers from Panther Lake to improve trout fishery 1912
Dean Hugh Baker, SUNY Coll. ESF, est. NYS Ranger School, Wanakena, with 14 students (2 Nov) 1912
Louis Marshall is elected president of the American Jewish Committee 1912
Growing season (last frost to first frost) at Indian Lake falls to 37 days 1912
Wadhams & Westport Power and Light Co. builds 700 KW Lighting Plant No. 2 at Lincoln Pond 1912
Open WTD season is limited to 2 bucks with antlers at least 3” long, the “buck law” 1912
Coyote-like canines are reported in northern New York 1912
Chinese Mitten Crab, *Eriocheir sinensis*, is found in a German River 1912
Earth and concrete dam (127-0800) for Hinckley Reservoir on West Canada Creek is built 1912-14
A flood occurs on Mohawk River at Schenectady (21.5’ stage) 1913
St. Law./Franklin Co. ice storm ruins telephone and electric service for many weeks (26-27 Mar) 1913
Major flow of 28,400 cfs occurs on Hudson River at North Creek (27 Mar) 1913
Maximum flow of 120,000 cfs is recorded at Mechanicville, Hudson River (27-28 Mar) 1913
Max discharge, Hudson R, 89,100 cfs, 14 mi upstream from Fort Edward, 2,779 mi² (28 Mar) 1913
Water level reaches maximum stage 5.4’ above crest at Indian Lake (28 Mar) 1913
Steel bridge at Glens Falls collapses (9:55 P.M.), is swept away by flooding Hudson River (28 Mar) 1913
Major flood occurs on the Hudson River at Albany (March) 1913
Widespread flooding of eastern US results in deaths of some 460 people 1913
The General Hospital of Saranac Lake opens with beds for 12 patients charging $10/week 1913
Suffragette Inez Milholland, on a white horse, leads thousands of women in inauguration parade 1913
Penfield Pond dam is washed out by major flood causing damage to downstream structures 1913
Brown’s Tract Guide’s Association disbands 1913
WPBR infects white pine, Polk Co., Wisc. - see Benedict, 1981 1913
Fort Covington Heat, Light & Power Co. builds concrete hydroelectric dam on Salmon River 1913
AfPA engages in revision of top-lopping law to reduce fires following lumbering 1913
Biltmore Forest School, one of America’s first, near Pisgah Forest of NC closes 1913
NYS and Consolidated Water Co. agree on payment for the taking of land and Utica’s water rights (Jan) 1913
Henry Crandall, prominent Adirondack philanthropist, dies at Glens Falls at age of 92 (19 Feb) 1913
Congress passes the McLean Law regulating migratory bird shooting (4 Mar) 1913
Mohawk River bridge at Amsterdam is destroyed by flood (27 Mar) 1913
Empire Shirt Co. of Warrensburg forms promising alliance with Great Collar Co. of Troy (Mar) 1913
Freshet on the Hudson River destroys crib dam at Palmer Falls, Corinth (Mar) 1913
Flood destroys bridge at Canajoharie (early Mar) 1913
An earthquake strikes the northern Adirondacks (28 Apr) 1913
David Nutt, Bloomsbury St., London, pub collection of Robert Frost’s poems, *A Boy’s Will* (Apr) 1913
Intense summer drought fosters Adirondack fires and 50,389 acres burn 1913
Apple crop fails in St. Lawrence Co. due to ice storm damage and severe frost (10 & 11 May) 1913
S.R. Dunlop and M.B. Riddell buy North Ck. Tel. Co. and rename it Luzerne Tel. Co. (21 May) 1913
Saranac Lake Board of Trade gives four trees to VIS for Prescott Park (4 Jun) 1913
NYS AG orders CC to re-survey all of Township 15 to ascertain ownership of lands therein 1913
Lake George village reservoirs fail (drought); village experiences serious water shortage (Jul) 1913
An earthquake of Mod. Mercalli intensity V strikes Lake Placid (10 Aug) 1913
Gloversville, Fulton Co., now has more than a hundred glove “shops” or factories 1913
The lowest inland barometric reading of record, 28.20 inches, occurs at Canton, NY 1913
Oval Wood Dish Co. executives vacation at Tupper Lake and discover Adk timber resources 1913
A dam is completed est. Canada Lake (1,600 a.), Canada Ck. on the Mohawk watershed 1913
Camp Fire USA (non-sectarian for girls) is incorporated 1913
Smith-Garner bill on NY reservoir construction/river regulation dies in committee 1913
Finch, Pruyn & Co. acquires stumps at Flowed Lands from McIntyre Iron Co. 1913
CC raises possibility of a short trapping season for beaver in the Adirondacks 1913
CC issues a report on the regulation of Lake George water level 1913
Keefe’s new concrete hydroelectric dam on Salmon River, Fort Covington, is completed (Sep) 1913
Noah John Rondeau (b.1883), Adk hermit, est. “Town Hall”, at Cold River, 17 mi. from Coreys 1913
A telephone is installed in the Ellsworth Petty home at Coreys near Saranac Lake 1913
Northern New York Telephone Corporation is organized at Plattsburgh 1913
Witherbee Sherman evicts labor leaders from company houses at Mineville 1913
Virgil White installs tracks and skis on a Model T Ford and coins word ‘snowmobile’ 1913
AfPA president John Agar endorses flooding of FP for reservoirs, canals, etc. 1913
The Oswegatchie Hydroelectric plant, on the Oswegatchie River, goes into service 1913
Assist. Sec’ty of Navy Franklin D. Roosevelt dedicates a monument at Sackets Harbor 1913
NYS Constitution amended (AfPA endorsed) to allow 3% use of FP area for reservoirs, canals, etc. 1913

. . . the Legislature may by general laws provide for the use of not exceeding three per centum of such lands for the construction and maintenance of reservoirs for municipal water supply, for the canals of the State, and to regulate the flow of streams. Such reservoirs shall be constructed, owned and controlled by the State, but such work shall not be undertaken until after the boundaries and high flow lines thereof shall have been accurately surveyed and fixed, and after public notice, hearing and determination that such lands are required for public use. . . .

The Burd Amendment
Jointly drafted by AfPA and The Board of Trade and Transportation.
Public vote: 486,264 for and 187,290 against

Adirondack lean-to construction is authorized by NYS CC 1913
GE develops hot-cathode high vacuum X-ray tube greatly fostering medical diagnosis 1913
GE develops three-element high-vacuum tube 1913
Watertown Municipal Power Dam (089-0106) is built or reconditioned 1913
Vischers Ferry Dam (207-0078) is built on the lower Mohawk River 1913
Warren Curtis Dam (206-0360) is built or reconditioned 1913
Earthquake of unknown intensity frightens many in Clinton, Franklin, Essex, St. Law Co. (28 Apr) 1913
Metropolitan Life Ins. Co. est. TB sanitorium with 20 buildings at old hotel site on Mt. McGregor 1913
Feeder Dam at Glens Falls (223-0378) is built or reconditioned 1913
A dam is built on Calamity Brook creating the Flowed Lands 1913
USGS 15’ Gouverneur quadrangle is published 1913
USGS 15’ Lake Bonaparte quadrangle is published 1913
Senator James Emerson secures $878,000 appropriation for Warren and Essex Co. road work 1913
Alien Land Act prohibits foreign-born Asian citizenship and land ownership 1913
NYs Constitutional amendments allowing sale and exchange of FP land are proposed 1913
The CC promotes the forestry amendment 1913
4-H program is established 1913
Sir Gilbert Walker links sunspot activity to weather (GCC) 1913
Edward H. Litchfield finishes “pretentious and palatial” home, Litchfield Chateau, at Tupper Lake 1913
New York Central & Hudson R. RR acquires all major Adk railroads except D&H RR 1913
*Ankle Deep* wins Gold Challenge Cup international races on St. Lawrence R. (31 Jul-1 Aug) 1913
Federal Reserve Act and Income Tax Constitutional Amendment become law 1913
YMCA Camp Chingachgook (200 a.) is established at Kattskill Bay, Lake George 1913
High Peaks area is lumbered by the McIntyre Iron Co. to finance mining 1913
Pine shoot beetle, *Tomius piniperda*, is found briefly in New Jersey 1913
NYS 1895 civil rights law is amended to incl. resorts and ban on offensive advertisement (1 Sep) 1913
Pres Woodrow Wilson signs Raker Act for dam on Tuolumne R, Hetch Hetchy V. Yosemite NP 1913
William M. Burton patents manufacture using crude petroleum 1913
Only 100 snakes captured in bounty program for eliminating snakes 1913
William Cooper makes moving pictures at Saranac Lake village 1913
John Bird Burnham promotes passage of the Federal Migratory Bird Act 1913
The 16th amendment to the US Constitution is passed laying foundation for the federal income tax 1913
Lockwood Farm on Hudson R. is funded (1910-11) and selected as state fish hatchery site (Dec) 1913
Notable irruption of Boreal Chickadee occurs in the Adirondacks 1913-14
Franklin K. Lane serves as head of the National Park Service of the USDI 1913-20
C. Fabry and M. Buisson measure vertical column of atmospheric ozone at 300 Dobson units 1913-32
Major flood (223.5’) of the Mohawk R. occurs in Schenectady Co. 1914
Earthquake, linked to action along “Logan Fault”, is widely observed in northeast U.S. (12 Feb) 1914
Blizzard shedding more than 30” of snow strikes Glens Falls and vicinity (12 Feb) 1914
Count Mankowski orders building of Ankle Deep Too following burning of Ankle Deep (Feb) 1914
Filling of (966 km$^2$) Hinckley Reservoir (127-0800) begins (Mar) 1914
Sagamore Club, (4 stories, 350 rooms), Bolton Landing, L. George, burns to the ground (12 Apr) 1914
John (Appy) Apperson skis down Tuckerman Ravine of Mt. Washington (Apr) 1914
Ground is broken for erection of First National Bank at Glens Falls – granite, Georgian (21 May) 1914
Frost, up to 1/4” thick, impacts Warren, Washington, Saratoga counties (26 May) 1914
IP offers access lease to agency willing to assume care of Cooper Cave at Glens Falls (27 May) 1914
Records of land sales to settlers in ‘Little Canada’ come up ‘missing’ at Finch, Pruyn & Co. (Jun) 1914
NYS conducts public hearings on disputed land titles in Township 15 in Indian Lake (Jun) 1914

I would like to have the record show in some of these cases that Finch & Company and John McGinn and the Crandalls kept what they called the Township 15 book, in which they kept an account of land that had sold and amounts paid. That was kept in the offices at Glens Falls, and at the time of the death of George C. Finch, certain papers were removed from the vault, and so far as we can ascertain, that Township 15 book has never been seen since. We have made diligent search at the offices of Finch, Pruyn and the International Paper Company, and have interviewed Mr. Root, who kept the book, and other people who had a right to know, and made demand on Griffin & Ostrander to produce it. We have not been able anywhere to find it or get any trace of it. The book ought to contain a record of all these transactions. It is in the possession of somebody down there probably very close to the Indian River Company, and we have tried to impress on them that it is their business to produce it. I think that book would throw much light upon all these transactions. We also investigated Mr. McGinn’s, looked through his books and papers, and we were unable to find anything there either. Jerry Finch claimed they took it away. He makes the assertion with some vigor.

Aber, Ted, “Report of the Town and County Historian (to NYS DEC) on the area known as “Little Canada” in the Town of Indian Lake,” 25 Jan 1982

Stuart Blackington’s *Baby Reliance V* defeats *Ankle Deep* in 20 mile race at L. George (30 Jul) 1914
Consolidated Water Co. files claim when NYS AG refuses to sign ‘1913 Agreement’ (10 Aug) 1914
World War One, aka The Great War, First World War, begins (28 Aug) 1914
Hop aphids, *Phorodon humuli*, decimate NYS hopyards prompting many to stop growing hops 1914
Emma Treadwell Thacher assigns 350 a. to est John Boyd Thacher Park – now 2,000+ a. (14 Sep) 1914
Senator James A. Emerson’s Leland House and adjacent buildings burn at Schroon L. (31 Oct) 1914
Richards Library at Warrensburg burns with many books destroyed (21 Dec) 1914
George C. Goebel buys Taylor House & Cottages resort, renovates it and reopens as Scaroon Manor 1914
Gustave Adolf Wiegand paints the o.o.c. *Blue Mountain* c.1914
Julia Burton of Hosley House, Wells, begins guiding in the Adirondacks 1914
CC recommends scientific forestry 1914
Robert Frost pub his collection of poems *North of Boston* and his work is praised 1914
The last known (and captive) passenger pigeon, Martha, dies at the Cincinnati Zoological Garden 1914
E.H. Eaton reports a breeding site of the tufted titmouse on Staten Island 1914
Saratoga lawyer, Willard Lester, donates stromatolite site, 490 MBP, Saratoga Springs to NYSM 1914

Lester Park is one of the most important but rarely visited geological sites of the Adirondack region, and the US, based on a glacially smoothed exposure some 25 acres in extent on the east side of Lester Road, aka Petrified Gardens Road, running north from Route 29 several miles west of Saratoga Springs. It is a U.S. National Historic Landmark, National Natural Landmark and appears on the U.S. National Register of Historic Places. It is composed of thousands of stony, laminated, domed heads of stromatolites (dolomite and calcium carbonate) deposited by cyanobacteria some 490 million years ago – during the early Cambrian. It is managed by the New York State Museum and is well defined using Google. The Cyanobacteria were crucially transforming to life on earth in that they were the first organisms to create oxygen as a metabolic “waste product”; indeed they were the seminal ‘polluters’ essential to modern life. James Hall (1811-1898), first NYS Paleontologist, and Winifred Goldring (1888-1971), fourth NYS Paleontologist, and first woman to hold such a rank in the US, were the first students of this exposure. The site was also ‘inspiratonal’ for Stephen Jay Gould. Professor G. M. Friedman of RPI is a key modern source. Fine examples of the heads are held by the Geology Departmet of Union College. Sadly, a more extensive exposure once open to the public was closed in 2006 by the non-profit Friends of the Petrified Sea Gardens.

The Editors

E.H. Eaton reports brown-headed cowbird as common in NY and present in lowlands of Adks 1914
ALC Combs Brook Fish Hatchery closes and is converted to camp for sportsmen 1914
Litigation regarding the burning of the Ampersand Hotel on Lower Saranac Lake is settled 1914
A state fish hatchery is established at Warrensburg 1914
Chapter 259, NYS Laws, provides $25,000 to est. Brownville Game Farm, Jefferson Co. (241 a.) 1914
Gov. Martin H. Glynn appoints G. Van Kennen, P. McCabe & J. Moore to CC 1914
The Burroughs Nature Study Club is founded in Johnstown, Fulton Co. 1914
Common raven is now unknown at Seneca Lake (E.H. Eaton) 1914
Common raven shows population decline for four prior years in Adirondacks (E.H. Eaton) 1914
Selman A. Waksman studies inhibitory effects of soil bacteria and fungi on bacterial growth 1914
Six Mile Brook Dam (169-0920) is built or reconditioned 1914
Elon Howard Eaton (1866-1934), Hobart Col., NYSM Memoirs pub *Land Birds of New York* 1914
Eagle Falls Dam (125-0435) is built or reconditioned 1914
Taylorville Pond Dam (112-0380) is built or reconditioned 1914
Brantingham Lake Dam (113-0444) is built or reconditioned 1914
Hudson Falls Dam, a.k.a. Bakers Falls Dam (223-0389) is built or reconditioned 1914
Land clearing proceeds for Redfield Reservoir (3,550 a.) on the Salmon River 1914
Salmon River Reservoir Dike B Dam (090-0142B) is built or reconditioned  1914
Salmon River Reservoir Dike C Dam (090-0142C) is built or reconditioned  1914
Salmon River Reservoir Dike D Dam (090-0142D) is built or reconditioned  1914
Bennets Bridge Dam, a.k.a. Salmon R. Reservoir Dam (090-0142) is built or reconditioned  1914
Phoenix Dam Lock One, a.k.a. East Sidney Lake Dam (072-0200) is built or reconditioned  1914
Brows Falls Dam (124-0391) is built or reconditioned  1914
Upper Fulton Dam Lock Two (071-0118) is built or reconditioned  1914
Minetto Dam Lock Five (071-0050) is built or reconditioned  1914
High Dam Lock Six (071-0026) is built or reconditioned  1914
Butler Pond Dam (223-1149) is built or reconditioned  1914
Lake Placid/North Elba Board of Trade inaugurates a mid-winter festival  1914
West Canada Creek is diverted at Prospects Falls for electric power.  1914
John Muir, born 1838, ardent preservationist of western mountains, cofounder of Sierra Club dies  1914
Milk trucks begin replacement of horse-drawn wagons in delivery of milk  1914
Willsboro Golf Course is established at Willsboro  1914
Gifford Pinchpot is defeated in his run for U.S. senate of PA by incumbent Boies Penrose  1914
Hurricane Lodge Golf Course (now defunct) is established at Keene  1914
AfPA president John G. Agar, endorses CC on cutting of mature FP timber  1914
Winter guests at Lake Placid hotels challenge themselves with ‘extreme’ rides on ‘Swiss’ bobsleds  1914

“From Signal Hill top beyond the Stevens House across the heavy timber bridge over Main Street, the double runners, often loaded with prominent citizens, made record flights (estimated at over 60 miles per hour as they struck the ice) and reaching clear to the foot of Mirror Lake.” Sometimes things went awry and tremendous crashes occurred. Fortunately, most of the time, the riders escaped badly shaken up, sometimes with broken bones, but with few serious injuries.

Lake Placid Club Notes, No. 70, Feb ’14;
Lake Placid News, 28 Jan ’16 and 23 Mar ’17

Bobsleds now travel at speeds of 60 mph at Signal Hill Course at Lake Placid  1914
Count Mankowski’s Ankle Deep hydroplane is destroyed by fire while attending races in Buffalo  1914
Paul Banyan and his blue ox Babe appear in advertising  1914
Dougl. Malloch versifies “The Round River Drive” featuring Paul Bunyan and Babe, the Blue Ox  1914
USDA and Cornell Univ. Agricultural Experiment Station complete soil survey of Clinton Co.  1914
John Apperson and Irving Langmuir ski up Mt. Marcy  1914
Red and green light traffic regulation becomes a feature of American roads starting in Cleveland  1914
World War I begins in Europe  1914
Kimberly-Clark Co. develops Cellucotton as a surgical bandage replacement for cotton  1914

One might ask, what is the most useful article one might take on a trip to the Adirondacks? A box of Kleenex is the only proper answer and we need not explain why. Cotton became scarce with the beginning of WW I and Kimberly-Clark developed Cellucotton for surgical purposes and vast amounts were in warehouses by the end of the war but how could this stock be used? Removal of cosmetics, feminine sanitary napkins, and then as a through-away handkerchief, the latter role greatly enhanced by Andrew Olsen in 1921 when he developed the pop-up tissue box. No cabin, tent, camp, boat, vehicle (including ATVs and snowmobiles) or other human situation of the Adirondacks is now complete without its box of tissues.

Carl J. George, Editor
Adirondack Chronology
Fungi of the genus *Nectria*, e.g. *N. coccinea, N. galligena*, are implicated in Beech bark disease 1914
New York Central & Hudson R. RR becomes New York Central RR – then NY Central Lines 1914
The Otis Bridge, of pony-truss construction, is built across the Boquet River 1914
Iron rails of defunct Otis inclined railway on Prospect Mt. are ripped up for the war effort 1914
Most popular winter sports in Lake Placid and Saranac Lake are skating, curling and coasting (Dec) 1914
IP builds a concrete dam on Hudson River at Palmer Falls, Corinth 1914
Little evidence of large sawmill and hamlet of 350 people remains at Goldsmith 1914
Hoke Smith (D.) and Asbury Lever (D.) author Smith-Lever Act est. U.S. Coop. Extension Syst. 1914
Liberty Hyde Bailey, Cornell botanist, horticulturist, CES proponent, pub *The Holy Earth* 1914
Seaman Knapp (Union College graduate) affirms Smith-Lever Act through boll weevil control 1914
Nearly all American meatpacking plants are now equipped with mechanical refrigeration systems 1914
Salt is used in snow removal from roads in Liverpool, London and Paris 1914
A.E. Douglass further develops dendrochronology technique, e.g. borer, in SW US studies (GCC) 1914-18
Common raven is noted in 10 reports for entire Adirondack Region (J.M.C. Peterson, BBA) 1914-50
George D. Pratt is appointed commissioner of Conservation Commission 1915
Gov. C.S. Whitman appoints George D. Pratt to CC 1915
Federal predator control law is passed providing wolf and mountain lion bounties 1915
Finch, Pruyn & Co. enlarges Boreas Ponds, for driving logs, with wooden dam on Boreas River 1915
CC reports the presence of a small herd of elk at Long Lake 1915
Experimental Adk elk herd fails with only several animals remaining west of Long Lake 1915
Commissioner of CC oversees removal of squatters from 700 FP sites 1915
CC reduced from 3 to single commissioner, appointed by governor and approved by Senate (16 Apr) 1915
To foster voice training O. Seagle founds the Seagle Music Colony at Schroon Lake 1915
Excessive cold forces D&H RR to abandon its tree nursery at Wolf Lake 1915
G.C. Goebel reestablishes post office ‘Taylor’s on Schroon’ at Scaroon Manor (1 Jul) 1915
A fish blocking screen is installed at the outlet of Little Moose Lake of the ALC 1915
Bartlett Carry Dam, a.k.a. Upper Saranac L. Dam (167-0702) is built/reconditioned 1915
Hiawatha Lodge, First Pond, Stony Creek Ponds, is rebuilt after a fire 1915
Edward Livingston Trudeau, M.D., M.S., D. Hon., (b. 5 Oct 1848) dies, Saranac Lake (15 Nov) 1915
Northern Ore Co. begins zinc production at Balmat and Edwards, St. Lawrence Co. 1915
Carbola Chemical Co. acquires the assets of St. Lawrence Talc Co. at Natural Bridge 1915
French Louie dies at about the age of 85 (28 Feb) 1915
Posthumous autobiography of E. L. Trudeau is published
WPBR infects white pine in New York – see Benedict, 1981
Construction begins for Crown Point PC at the south end of Lake Champlain
Students and faculty clear Barber Point at Cranberry Lake to est. a field station
School Street Dam (225-0015) is built on the lower Mohawk R.
St. Anthony’s Roman Catholic Church is erected at Inlet
Fire nearly destroys Kamp Kill Kare owned by Francis P. Garvan who promises to rebuild (9 Apr)
F. Smith, Azure Mt. fire observer, is struck by lightning
F. Smith, badly burned, descends Azure Mt with his small son in a pack basket
Gov. Al Smith and John Apperson promote funding of riprapping for eroding Lake George shores
Alfred Stieglitz begins his photographic series at Lake George concluding c. 1936
Prominent cleric Dr. Samuel Nicolls dies on a fishing trip at the ALC
Constitutional amendments allowing sale and exchange of FP land are proposed
NYS hunters are required to wear a “license button”
Ashokan Reservoir is built following eviction of 2,000 residents, 35 stores, 10 churches, 10 schools
Germany implements Daylight Saving Time to save energy for the war effort (30 Apr)
Ecological Society of America (ESA) is founded for research and land preservation
AfPA pres. John Agar endorses cutting of trees in the Forest Preserve
Hamilton/Essex Co. land swap exchanges Fishing Brook Mountain and Indian Lake (24 May)
Louis Marshall opposes NYS constitutional amendments allowing cutting of trees in FP
Prospect House at Blue Mt. Lake, long empty, is razed with some material being used as scrap
Alfred Wegener pub. book proposing continental drift: *Die Entstehung der Kontinente und Ozeane*
R.J. Scoville and A. Pike, Glens Falls, join motorcycle and bobsled to make a “motor sled” (Dec)
US government gives up effort to eradicate chestnut blight fungus, *Cryphonectria parasitica*
Thousands of tons of rock/dirt slide into ‘Old Bed’ open pit mine at Mineville, no injuries (14 Sep)
Stephen S. Harris shoots 268 lb., 13 point, WTD at Northwest Bay, Lake George (11 Nov)
Steel and concrete bridge at Glens Falls opens – with spiral stair to J.F. Cooper Island (26 Jun)
Finch, Pruyn & Co. begins operation of a log chute on Mt. Colden above Avalanche Pass
The Texas Cotton Boll Weevil Outbreak reaches the southeastern US
Migation of black workers to northern US begins following cotton cultivation collapse in SE US
Assembly passes and senate denies a proposed constitutional forestry amendment
Sisters of Mercy administration bldg. at Gabriels Sanatorium catches fire (11 Jan)
AfPA engages in major campaign to develop support for bond to support additions to FP
An earthquake of Mod. Mercalli intensity V strikes Lake George area (5 Jan)
T.C. Luther cuts 720 y.o. American Elm, 60” diam., 68 ft. trunk, at Ticonderoga (3 Feb)
NYS gov. est. annual American Indian Day following lead by Arthur Parker of Seneca Nation (May)
Voters approve first bond issue of $7.5 M for purchase of Catskill and Adirondack land for FP

**Chapter 569, NYS Laws, provides bond issue of $7.5 M for additions to FP (7 Nov)**
Adirondack Cottage Sanitarium is retitled Trudeau Sanatorium honoring Dr. E.L. Trudeau (11 Nov)
Constitutional amendments allowing sale and exchange of FP land are proposed
Small herd of elk is transported from Yellowstone NP for release in the Adirondacks
Local Benevolent Paternal Order of Elks forgoes their elk tooth insignia
Federal National Park Service Organic Act establishes the National Park Service
Federal Biological Survey (parent to USFWS) is established as part of the USDA
Congress passes the Federal-Aid Road Act allocating money for rural post roads
Horace Moses *et al.* propose organization to teach youth about business
John Apperson gains support of D&H RR in using its crews to riprap L. George island shores
John Apperson participates in eviction of squatters from the Islands of Lake George
Finch, Pruyn & Co. erects Buckley’s lumber camp on the Opalescent River near Mt. Marcy
Reinforced concrete trestle replaces the wooden one for iron loading at Port Henry 1916
Road from Paul Smiths to Gabriels, Franklin Co., Town of Brighton, is paved with asphalt 1916
Trudeau School of Tuberculosis is est. at Saranac L. to give advanced TB instruction to physicians 1916
Narrow, dangerous Wilmington Notch sector of Route 86 is widened/smoothed for automobiles 1916
Verplanck Colvin falls on ice in Albany suffering a debilitating concussion 1916
Purchase price for additions to Adirondack FP, most in Essex Co., average $23.53 per acre 1916
John Case skis up Whiteface Mountain 1916
John Case pioneers rock climbing in the Adirondacks 1916
R. Bentley makes 3rd purchase of land on Upper Saranac Lake, future site of Sloan-Kettering Inst. 1916
Weather, lightning, wind take toll on wood fire towers; CC begins replacing them with steel towers 1916
A.W. Tillinghast redesigns the Bluff Point (18 hole) golf course 1916
Albert Einstein pub his General Theory of Relativity 1916
U.S. railroad network peaks at 254,000 miles 1916
Mt. Ohmer fire tower is removed when NYS fails to come to terms with landowner to keep it there 1916
CC is empowered to employ five foresters and five district forest rangers (9 May) 1916
CC Comm. Pratt issues TRP for IRC gatekeeper’s house, barn, cow on FP at Indian L. dam (May) 1916
Town of Indian Lake is most populous in Hamilton County at 1028 residents 1916
United Kingdom implements Daylight Saving Time, a.k.a. British Summer Time (BST) (21 May) 1916
CC Comm. mulls over whether IRC is violating Article VII (later XIV) 1916
Champlain Barge Canal is completed supplanting the Champlain Canal of 1823 1916
Rockwood Power Dam (157-0446) is built or reconditioned 1916
The Raquette Lake Boys Camp is built on Woods Point at Raquette Lake 1916
Raquette Lake Girls Camp is established at Raquette Lake 1916
On the basis of his critical commentary Stephen T. Mather becomes Ass’t. Secretary of the USDI 1916
Jeanne Robert Foster pub Neighbors of Yesterday (narrative verse and stories) 1916
William H. Miner donates $2M for Chazy Central Rural School 1916
T. Morris Longstreth, teacher and author, tours the Adirondacks 1916
R.T. Vanderbilt Company is formed 1916
Society of American Indians establishes the National Indian Day (13 May) 1916
White pine blister rust is detected in white pine forests of Essex Co. (summer) 1916
International Nickel Co. of Canada, Limited, is incorporated (25 July) 1916
Clarence Birdseye begins experiments with the freezing of foods 1916
After much debate, Woodrow Wilson est. a special bureau for administration of NPs (25 Aug) 1916
Sherwood Anderson, prominent American novelist, and wife summer at Upper Chateaugay Lake 1916-17
Major irruption of boreal chickadee occurs in New York State 1916-17
John C. Agar serves as president of AIPA 1916-17
Charles Lathrop Pack serves as president of the American Forestry Association 1916-22
NYS Conservationist pub a photograph of an elk newly taken in Adirondacks (Jan) 1917
Alfred Stieglitz and Georgia O’ Keeffe begin their long and devoted relationship 1917
Bess and Albert MacCarthy and John Apperson ski to the top of Whiteface Mt. (Feb) 1917
Paper shortages caused by the War leads to development of bleached sulfite pulping 1917
F.S. Gardner initiates State Canal Convention for upgrading NYS Barge Canal 1917
E.L. Trudeau Foundation is est. for TB research and administration of Trudeau Sanatorium c. 1917
United States enters World War I (6 Apr) 1917
Seneca Ray Stoddard, photographer, artist, poet, naturalist dies at his home in Glens Falls (26 April) 1917
White pine stock of Bluff Point Nursery is destroyed to curtail WPBR 1917
W.J. Miller pub “The Adirondack Mountains” in the NYS Museum Bulletin 1917
Employment at Witherbee Sherman and Co. (an iron mine) peaks at 1,603 men 1917
Moses Hospital at Ticonderoga is enlarged to 25 beds
NYS Forest Ranger James Ahern dies of injuries several days after a fall near Ray Brook (30 Apr)
Seneca Ray Stoddard dies at home in Glens Falls and is buried at Pine View Cemetery (3 May)
Iron Ore Company at Benson Mines ceases operation
Arthur S. Hopkins ascends Cliff Mountain
CC marks official trails to fire observation towers to facilitate use by hikers
National Origins Act, prohibiting immigration of Koreans and Japanese, becomes law
Major flow of 21,700 cfs occurs on the Hudson R. at North Creek (12 Jun)
Warren County Courthouse opens at Caldwell (now Lake George village) on Lake George
George O. Knapp estate, Shelving Rock, Lake George, is destroyed by fire
Report on the ferns of the Lake George area is published
Paul Swan bronze of suffragette Inez Milholland Boissevain is erected at Meadowmount, E’town
Women win the right to vote (suffrage) in New York State (6 Nov)
Saranac Lake Curling Club is founded
Village of Lake George purchases land to est. Shepard’s Park thus providing grand view of Lake
IP begins lumbering McKenzie Mtn., vic. L. Placid and Saranac L. prompting land acq. for FP
Forest ranger burns Henry La Prairie’s Inn at Tirrell Pond saying he was squatting on state land
Botanical photoperiodism as controlled by day and night length is defined
NYS begins riprapping shores of Lake George islands (taking over John Apperon’s work)
John Apperson promotes $10,000 appropriation by NYS legislature to cover L. George riprapping
John Apperson undertakes restoration of landslide damage at Dome Island, L. George
Four forest fires burn 12,000 a. near Hadley Mtn (1903-15); Ohmer fire tower is relocated to Hadley
A landslide occurs on the west shore of Dome Island at Lake George
Cranberry Lake dam (138-0464), a log dam, is replaced with a concrete dam
Henry Graves, businessman, embezzler, builder of his Mansion, Au Sable Forks dies, age 91 (1 Jul)
N.L. Bower proposes a means of formation of anorthosite
Manufacture, sale or transportation of intoxicating liquors is prohibited in US; 18th amendment
Norwegian meteorologists develop air mass analysis to better predict weather
T. Morris Longstreth pub The Adirondacks following 6 month Adirondack tour of the prior year
Francis Lake Dam (125-0459) is built or reconditioned
Marcellus A. Leonard promotes a Whiteface Mountain tourist road
LPC commissions members of Boston Symphony Orchestra thus est. the Lake Placid Sinfonietta
NYS declares the black currant, Ribes nigrum, host of WPBR, to be a public nuisance
Glens Falls newspaper reports Hadlock Pond Dam as “blown up” the previous evening (12 Sep)
Lake Placid Club builds a “little” ski jump for its members at Lake Placid
Chief Deskah, Cayuga Younger Bear Clan, joins the Six Nations Council
A firetower is erected on Lyon Mtn., northeaster sector of Adk Park, adjacent private lands
U.S. Rubber Corp. introduces Keds, the quiet walking shoe soon to be called the ‘sneaker’
ESA founds Committee for Preservation of Natural Conditions with Victor E. Shelford as chair
General Electric engineers at Fort Wayne, Indiana, begin experiments with domestic refrigeration
Wild fire consumes some 40 acres at Gregoryville, T. of Horicon, before extinguishment (early Nov)
New Empire Theatre of Montgomery, Alabama, installs an air-conditioning system
WPBR infects white pine of Michigan – see Benedict, 1981
Balaban and Katz open the Central Park Theatre with an air-conditioning system in Chicago, IL
NYS canal system and CWCU reach agreement on sharing of West Canada Creek flow (27 Dec)
NYS settles Consolidated Water Co. claim for damages and water rights at Hinckley Res. (Dec)
Fridjof Nansen skis to the top of Whiteface Mountain (Dec)
NYSHS pub letters and papers of Cadwallader Colden, NYS botanist, historian, physician
VIS renames River Street Park Prescott Park to honor one of its founding members before 1918

J. Hunston, ‘wild man’ of Rainbow is jailed 90-days to keep him safe for winter (Mar) 1918

U.S. Standard Time Act of 1918 adopts ‘standard railway time’ in time zones (19 Mar) 1918

Daylight Saving Time is implemented in the US for the war effort (19 Mar) 1918

Gov. Whitman signs bill giving death benefits to family of any forest ranger who dies on duty (May) 1918

Geo. Putnam finds gold, silver, copper coins (1710-53), bones on stream entering Forked Lake (Jul) 1918

Senate passes but Assembly fails to act on FP household fuel amendment 1918

NYS Constitution is amended for construction and extension of Routes 3, 28 and 30 1918

AfPA does not contest the building of major highways in the Adirondack Park 1918

AfPA promotes funding for addition of Mt. Marcy, MacKenzie and Saddleback to the FP 1918

Number of fire observation towers, including those made of steel, in the Adirondacks is now 52 1918

Circular map tables are installed in NYS fire towers to facilitate accurate location of fires 1918

Fire tower is erected on St. Regis Mt., T. of Santa Clara, fulfilling wishes of Rockefeller family 1918

Fire tower destroyed by windstorm on Debar Mountain is replaced with steel tower 1918

Oval Wood Dish Co. moves to Tupper Lake hiring c. 500 employees and paying $1.80 per day 1918

Bob Marshall, brother George, guide Herb Clark climb/name George Peak, today’s Boundary Peak 1918

Bob and George Marshall and guide Herb Clark begin climb of 46 Adk peaks greater than 4,000’ el. 1918

Humphrey Mt garnet mine south of Kings Flow, T. of Indian Lake, closes operations 1918

Photographer and NYC art gallery owner Alfred Stieglitz begins summering at Lake George 1918

Ayers Hotel on Lake Duane burns to the ground 1918

Hiawatha Lodge on First Pond, Stony Creek Ponds, burns for the second time 1918

Albon Glazier, son of Howard A., moves to Malone and opens meat and grocery store 1918

Hubbell Glove Factory, Northville, burns, leaving chimney – later occupied by chimney swifts 1918

The Linn Tractor is brought to Adirondacks for lumbering and logging road construction 1918

Rainbow smelt (2,854,000) are unsuccessfully stocked in Lake George 1918

Homer D. House, State Botanist, pub Wild Flowers of New York 1918

Spanish Flu Pandemic (an H1N1 subtype Influenza A virus) kills 25 to 100 million people (Aug) 1918

Schroon Lake Golf Course is established at Schroon Lake 1918

St Regis Mt. Fire Observation Station (steel framed), 2,874’ base, opens, Santa Clara, Franklin Co 1918

Giant Hog Weed, Heracleum montegazzianum, a noxious alien is seen at Highland Park, Rochester 1918

Production of garnet falls due to labor and fuel shortages; prices rise 1918

American Glue Co. erects new mill and reopen Crehore garnet mine on Casey Mtn, Hamilton Co. 1918

E.R. Baldwin & L.U. Gardner, Saranac Laboratory, begin studying Vermont stone cutters’ dusts 1918

Romney Beck Hough pub Handbook of the Trees of the Northern States and Canada East of . . . 1918

“To the memory of my father, Dr. Franklin B. Hough, who, as the pioneer commissioner of forestry, first strove to arouse the public to check the course of destruction of the American forests, and establish the principles of forestry.”

Romney Beck Hough

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Harrisburg Lake Dam (187-0500) is built or reconditioned 1918
UELPCO builds a 2nd power plant in Trenton Gorge 1918
Outlaw Sam Pasco is shot to death near the Glen by state and local police 1918
Samuel T. Russell family assigns lands to the BSA for establishment of a camp in Adirondacks 1918
Irving Langmuir is awarded Hughes Medal by Royal Society of London for molecular physics work 1918
BSA Camp Russell, now located on Route 28, in western Adirondacks, is founded 1918
Katrina Trask’s steamer Pocohantas and adj. buildings on Triuna Islands, Bolton, burn (21 Aug) 1918
Eastern Speed Skating Championships are held at Mirror Lake, Lake Placid 1918
Copper-nickel sulphide refinery opens at Port Colborne, Ontario (Jul) 1918
John Apperson buys lot on Tongue Mt., west shore of Lake George 1918
Ski jumping contests are held on Blood Hill at Saranac Lake 1918
Penstock, 2-mi. long, 12 ft. dia., is built from Colton Falls to power plant at Browns Bridge 1918
Frederick J. Seaver, former owner Malone Palladium, pub. *Historical Sketches of Franklin County* 1918
Gutzam Borglum’s bronze sculpture of Edwad Livingston Trudeau is unveiled (10 Aug) 1918
World War I ends, with some 16 million fatalities (11 Nov) 1918
Herbert S. Carpenter serves as president of AfpA 1918
Alfred Stieglitz begins photographic series of Georgia O’ Keeffe - to conclude with 300 by 1937 1918
Jeanne Robert Foster begins collaboration on French contemporary art with John Quinn 1918
2,346 automobiles are owned in Franklin County, one to every 19 residents (1 Feb) 1918
Silver Bay Association est. a prep school for boys at Silver Bay, Lake George 1918
Horace Moses, Ticonderoga Pulp & Paper Co. *et al.*, est. building fund to replace Moses Hospital 1918
Sisters of Mercy est. Mercy General Hospital at Tupper Lake for Oval Wood Dish Co. workers 1918
Incas, a male Carolina paraquete, last survivor of the species, dies Cincinnati Zoo, 1918
Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA) to protect migratory birds and their habitat becomes law 1918
White Mt. (forest) Reserves (now White Mt. NF) are est. in NH and ME 1918
Chevrolet Motor Car Co. produces Kelvinator practical home refrigerator, impacting lake ice indust 1918
W.H. Cluett gives “well-appointed” two-rink clubhouse to Saranac Lake Curling Club (Dec) 1918
Linn gasoline tractors are used for logging on the Moose River Plains c 1918
Earl Vosburgh captures a 36 lb lake trout at Follensbee Pond c.1918
A fire tower is erected on Hurricane Mt. 1918-19
Hurricane Mt. fire tower is erected in Town of Keene 1919
John S. Apperson notes American chestnut decline at Dome Island, Lake George 1919
AfpA president John Agar leads successful Victory Mountain (Mt. Marcy) Park Campaign 1919
Mount Marcy is added to the Forest Preserve with success of the Victory Mt. Park Campaign 1919
Croghan Dam North and South (112-0340) is built or reconditioned 1919
USGS 15’ Cranberry Lake quadrangle is published 1919
Sherwood Anderson pub *Winesburg, Ohio*, one of the great American Novels 1919
Report of the sedges of the Lake George area is published 1919
O.C. Tuttle of Old Forge develops the Devil Bug fishing lure 1919
Stieglitz family sells Oaklawn and moves to ‘The Hill’ providing expansive view of Lake George 1919
Guides at ALC provided new housing quarters at each of the 3 lodges 1919
Daylight Saving Time is repealed in the US, though some localities continue using it (20 Aug) 1919
NYS Indian Welfare Society is established at Onondaga (8 May) 1919
CC declares lynx, bobcat, red and gray fox, weasel, otter, porcupine *et al.* enemies of NY wildlife 1919
In a hearing at Albany County Courthouse Verplanck Colvin is declared a lunatic 1919
Verplanck Colvin is assigned, to the mental ward of Albany Hospital (30 Jan) 1919  
A Chapin floatplane arrives at Lake Flower near Saranac Lake village 1919  
Biological investigations on game species are now reported annually by the FFGC 1919  
Hilda Hoyt, Fred Harris and Arthur Bush ascend Whiteface Mountain on skis 1919  
The sidewalk system of Keene and Keene Valley is begun 1919  
Bridge spanning the Au Sable River is built at Keene 1919  
The term ‘biological control’ is coined 1919  
Dutch Elm Disease appears in Holland 1919  
Arthur Carhart writes a visionary memorandum on wilderness to Aldo Leopold 1919

There is a limit to the number of lands of shoreline on the lakes; there is a limit to the number of lakes in existence; there is a limit to the mountainous areas of the world, and . . . there are portions of natural scenic beauty which are God-made, and . . . which of a right should be the property of all people.

Arthur Carhart, Recreation Engineer, USFS
From a memorandum to A. S. Leopold

A fire devastates four blocks on Main St. in Lake Placid village (Jan) 1919  
Fire towers on Gore Mtn and Hadley Mtn are blown over during hurricane; replaced in 1920 1919  
CD erects an “official” lean-to near Feldspar Brook, High Peaks 1919  
The bag limit for WTD is reduced to one but of either sex 1919  
Robert Vincent’s father begins ice-sheet history ledger for Lake Placid at Lake Placid Marina 1919  
Pres. Theodore Roosevelt, born October 27, 1858, dies at Sagamore Hill, Oyster Bay, NY (6 Jan) 1919

The National Park Foundation reports that President Theodore Roosevelt, Republican and 26th president, during his eight years in office (1901-1909), established the United States Forest Service, 51 wildlife refuges, 150 national forests and five national parks.

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Rusnov, Austria, shows acidification of forest soils by acid rain 1919  
IP uses more than 1000 horses in their woods of the Adirondack Park 1919  
Paul Schaefer, age 11, receives a NYS Conservationist pin at a meeting beginning his Adk career 1919  
IP converts Piercefield mill (and others) from newsprint to specialty papers 1919  
Stocking of Adirondack lakes with yellow perch begins 1919  
NYS legislature est. Black River Regulating District (BRRD), 1,916 mi² in extent (7 May) 1919  
Boys’ and Girls’ Bureau of the Eastern States League arises from Horace Moses’ et al. proposal 1919  
H. Ford, T.A. Edison, Firestone and J. Burroughs “auto camp” in the Adirondacks 1919  
J.T. Jardine and M. Anderson of USFS publish a major report on range management 1919  
Col. Edwin George manufactures gasoline powered lawn mowers in U.S. 1919  
CC Comm. G. Pratt urges IP to lower L. George water level to reduce island damage (21 May) 1919  
CC wins a court injunction restraining IP use of flashboards at outlet of Lake George (10 Jun) 1919  
Nevin D. “Ned” Harkness is born in Ottawa, Canada - and is raised in Rochester, NY (19 Sep) 1919  
Herman L. Fairchild completes a 10-year study of the deglaciation of New York State 1919  
Ernest Rutherford (1871-1937) discovers the proton 1919  
A new bridge across Hudson River at Riverside is built, replacing 1872 bridge 1919

Riverside (Riparius) has become one of the best stations on the D&H line. Riverside station within the past two years has become one of the principle and most profitable stations on the Adirondack section. This is because of the rapidly growing popularity of the Schroon Lake region as a summer resort and the
large number of boys’ camps established there and on Brant Lake. General passenger agent M.J. Powers, General baggage agent E.H. Dow and Freight and Passenger agent T.J. Foster of the D&H visited Riverside and the surrounding areas. Mr. Clingman accompanied them on a trip to Brant Lake and Schroon Lake where they had lunch. They viewed the moving of boys in and out of the camps as similar to moving an army and pledged additional support to sell advanced tickets, etc., to improve the flow.

Taken from “Riverside (Riparius)”. Stations of The Adirondack Branch of the Delaware & Hudson Railroad. www.adirondackbranch.net/History/RsHistory.pdf

IP and CC produce an agreement on the water level regulation of Lake George (7 Oct) 1919
Indian River Company reimburses NYS $10,402 for defective land titles in Township 15 (8 Oct) 1919
Shipping costs for ice sky-rocket at Block Island, RI, when warm winter causes an ice famine 1919
A.E. Douglas, American astronomer, begins publ of Climate Cycles and Tree Growth in 3 vols. 1919
Landscape architect Arthur Hawthorne Carhart is hired by USFS 1919
Edwin George develops the gasoline-powered lawn mower 1919
Frederick Jones of Cincinnati invents snowmachine propelled by airplane engine and propeller c. 1919
Northeast experiences an “Old-fashioned winter” (see Ludlum) 1919-20
Lake George does not freeze completely; see 1990-91 for next such event 1919-20
John C. Agar serves as president of AFPA 1919-35
“Perils of Pauline” movie series is shot from Arctic City film studio at Port Henry early 1920s
Barton Mines begins year-round operations for extraction of garnet from its Gore Mtn mine late 1920s
Hurley Bros. arrange with Mobil Oil to sell home heating oil at Lake Placid 1920s
CC begins using yellow-on-brown road signs to demark its facilities and natural landmarks 1920s
CC fish surveys at Brooktrout Lake, Hamilton Co. record start of decline due to acidification 1920s
Indoor flush toilets begin replacing outhouses in the U.S. 1920s
CC builds open camps with fireplaces on Fish Creek Ponds at Upper Saranac Lake 1920
Sacandaga Public Campground is established on Rt. 30 near Northville 1920
Lewey Lake Public Campground is established on Rt 30 near Speculator 1920
Sharp Bridge Public Campground is established at N. Hudson, Essex Co. 1920
B.T. Billow suggests that fish worms may be found in Adk settlements/farms, but not in woods 1920
McCollum’s Hotel burns to the ground 1920
Oil fields of Texas and Persian Gulf open providing cheap petrochemicals fostering GCC 1920
CC approves a general plan for dam building in the Adirondacks (20 Apr) 1920
Boys’ and Girls’ Bureau of the Eastern States League becomes Junior Achievement Bureau (Feb) 1920
Mohawk Edison Corp. becomes Adirondack Power and Light Corp. of Amsterdam (22 Mar) 1920
Verplanck Colvin, mentally impaired by a fall since 1916, dies in Albany (28 May) 1920
Verplanck Colvin is buried in Coeymans Cemetery, Coeymans (on Hudson R.), SE Albany Co. 1920
Volstead Act, 18th amendment to US constitution, enacted 28 Oct 1919, becomes effective (17 Jan) 1920
Pelt price of Adirondack pine marten rises to two-hundred dollars per skin 1920
Breeding of evening grosbeak is recorded in the Ontario area 1920
Prohibition of production, transport and sale of alcohol is final death-knell for NYS hop industry 1920
John Apperson buys a lot on Huddle Bay, Lake George 1920
E.R. Stonaker & H.I. Baldwin est. Saranac Lake Ski Club 1920
Colba F. Gucker, Columbia Univ., est. Camp Lincoln (for boys), Augur Lake 1920
Sixth Lake Dam (140-0860) is built or reconditioned 1920
Fritz Haber is awarded Nobel prize for work on nitrogen fixation 1920
Irwin and Laura Kirkwood, Kansas City Star newspaper, acquire and augment White Pine Camp 1920
Lyons Falls Mill 3 Dam (113-0436) is built or reconditioned 1920
Scaroon Manor is sold in foreclosure sale, 18 Aug; ‘Taylor’s on Schroon’ P.O. is closed (16 Oct) 1920
Joe Frieber buys Scaroon Manor, formerly Taylor’s, on Taylor’s Pt., Schroon L., for new kind of resort

NYS develops Operating Diagram to regulate release of water from Hinckley Reservoir

U.S. Census now shows that more people live in cities than in small towns and farms

Higley Falls Power Dam (136-0339) is built or reconditioned

Frank Conrad’s commercial radio station, KDKA, goes on the air at Pittsburgh, PA (2 Nov)

Saranac Lake Ski Club hosts ski jumping & X-country ski competitions

Harold Westyon, St. Huberts, paints Red Gothsics

Report of the mosses of the Lake George area is published

The Sno Birds of the Lake Placid Club forms to organize winter sports

Highway Law Section 212 for closing or relocating highways for farm or prison purposes is established

PA Governor Sprout appoints Gifford Pinchot Commissioner of Forestry

H.I. Baldwin, E. Smith and G.B. Happ make a roped ascent of Wallface Cliff

SUNY-ECF opens a curriculum in paper science and engineering

Seeking painting solitude George O’Keefe est. ‘Shanty’ at Stieglitz ‘The Hill’, L. George (Aug)

American women are given the right to vote by the 19th amendment (26 Aug)

Federal Power Commission is established to regulate building on navigable waters

Horace A. Moses becomes president of Junior Achievement Bureau (Oct)

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Association of State Foresters is organized at Harrisburg, PA (12 and 13 Nov)

Milutin Milankovich (1879-1958), Yugoslavian physicist, proposes a role in climate change

Andrew Ellicott Douglass (1867-1962), American astronomer, develops technique of dendrochronology

USGS 15’ Childwold quadrangle is published

Water chestnut is now well established in the Mohawk R. below Schenectady

Inflation leads to a year-long financial crisis in US and Great Britain

CD erects a fireplace at Sharp Ridge public campsite, Rte 9, T. of North Hudson, Essex Co.

Scaroon Manor Golf Course (now defunct) is established at Schroon Lake

John Apperson joins the Lake George Association

Trail is marked with signs to West Canada Lake through the FP in the Perkin’s Clearing Area

Gypsy moth is introduced to U.S. (N.J.) for 2nd time on Blue Spruce imported from Netherlands

The National Skate Sailing Association is founded in New Jersey

Thendara Golf Course is established at Thendara

Colba F. “Chief” Gucker est Camp Lincoln for Boys at Warm Pond

Use of Linn gasoline tractor is extended to Adirondack log hauling and road construction

Some 7,000 men are now employed at 150 Adirondack logging camps

The Mineral Leasing Act becomes law

The Water Power Act becomes law

Mohonk Lake Coop. Weather Station records shortest growing season (138 d) in 111 y record

AuSable Valley Golf Course is established at Au Sable Forks

Saranac Lake Golf Course is established at Saranac Lake

Beech bark disease appears in Nova Scotia – perhaps entering on imported European beech trees

Orlando Mumford Scott develops weed-free, bulk, grass seed

Dannemora and Moriah host the best iron mining operations of the 20th Century

Dutch Elm Disease fungus is introduced on European Elm logs to US on three occasions

Northern New York Seed (potato) Growers Assoc. forms in southern Franklin Co.
The ice thickness reaches 47” at Lower AuSable Lake 1920s
John Case mentors James Goodwin in Adirondack rock climbing 1920s
The coyote expands its range into the Adirondacks 1920s
The administration of urban parks is assumed by city and state government 1920s
S. T. Mather and Horace M. Albright of USDI develop master plans for units of the NP system 1920s
Major developments occur in highway snow-removal equipment 1920s
Electric home refrigerators displace commercial ice plants 1920s
Crescent Bay Marina, 162 slips, Lower Saranac Lake, is established. 1920s
Gucker family est. Whippoorwill Camp for Girls at Augur Lake, Keeseville e. 1920s
Trudeau Laboratory, devoted to clinical work, is established at Trudeau Sanatorium e. 1920s
Veterans’ Mountain Camp for men and women veterans of WW 1 operates at Tupper Lake 1920s-1965
Chief Deskaheh is appointed speaker of the Six Nations Council 1921
Most Rev. Joseph Henry Conroy is appointed bishop of RCC Diocese of Ogdensburg (18 Jan) 1921
USGS 15’ Santa Clara quadrangle is published 1921
USGS 15’ Stark quadrangle is published 1921
Lake Placid Ski Club forms, Lake Placid, and a 25-meter ski jump erected at Intervale 1921
Lake Placid Ski Club organizes ski competition incl. cross-country with some 3,000 attending (Feb) 1921
Rick Slesinger and Helen and Douglas Haskel build Camp Treetops at Round Lake, North Elba 1921
Biography William F. Fox appears A. L Donaldson’s A History of the Adirondacks, Vol. II 1921
Hudson Valley (vic. West Park) nature essayist John Burroughs, born 1837, dies 1921
Meade Dobson catches an illegal trout through the ice on a pond near Utica (Jan) 1921
Bill is introduced to fund a study on Lake George fish in anticipation of establishing a hatchery 1921
The Otter Lake Community Church is dedicated at its first service (9 July) 1921
Adirondack fire observers begin using panoramic maps for fire location and control 1921
St. Mary of the Snows Church at Otter Lake is dedicated 1921
State records note 944 visitors to the fire tower on St. Regis Mt. 1921
Percy W. & Charles V. Dake begin making Dake's Delicious Ice Cream at their Greenfield farm 1921
The Dixon Co. graphite pines at Graphite cease operation 1921
Ario Pardee gives NY easement for 4.132 a. on summit of Whiteface Mt. for fire tower (8 Feb) 1921
Gov. Miller signs bill repealing mandatory NYS Daylight Saving Time law (11 Apr) 1921
J. & J. Rogers Co. mill adopts Daylight Saving; hamlet of Au Sable Forks follows suit (Apr) 1921
Saranac Lake voters overwhelmingly approve adoption of Daylight Saving Time (7 May) 1921

While at this time Saranac Lake received much notice over its adoption of Daylight Saving Time, it was not the only municipality or business entity inside the Blue Line to adopt it. J. & J. Rogers Company, a private entity at Au Sable Forks was actually first, adopting it for operations at their mill; this action forced Au Sable Forks to adopt it as well. Before the year was out, Lake Placid, Keeseville and Plattsburg were operating on Daylight Saving Time, though they did not continue it in subsequent years.

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(from contemporary newspaper articles)
NYS appropriates by eminent domain Lot 120, T. of Benson, from Raquette Falls Land Co. 1921
Forge Dam, a.k.a. Chateaugay Lake Dam (181-0256) is reconditioned 1921
G. Michelson wins elite international x-country ski race at Lake Placid Club 1921
Alfred L. Donaldson pub A History of the Adirondacks (2 vol.) 1921

Donaldson’s history is riddled with errors, misconceptions, and fantasies. His sins of omission are even greater than his sins of commission. Today no Adirondack historians worth their salt accept anything in Donaldson as gospel. I don’t mean to imply there is nothing at all worthwhile in Donaldson. Of course there is. It’s just that you never know what is correct unless, with real effort, you check it out yourself.

Mary MacKenzie

M.A. Leonard organizes a Whiteface Mt. tourist road promotional committee 1921
Harold Weston paints Last Glow 1921
CC secretary W. Carpenter and J.S. Apperson expose presale timbering 1921
Edmund Lamy, Saranac L., wins ¼ mi professional speed skating race (37.2 sec) at Lake Placid 1921
VIS sells Triangle Park to Saranac Lake Vill. so long as WWI memorial is retained in perpetuity 1921
Marian Coffin, landscape architect, designs the walled ‘King’s Garden’ at Fort Ticonderoga 1921
Thomas Midgley, Jr., (1889-1944), American, disc tetraethyl lead as anti-knock gasoline additive 1921
On use of lead as anti-knock gasoline additive bromine is also added to reduce lead build-up 1921
GE develops magnetron tube, key component for radar and, eventually, microwave oven 1921
Martha Ludington of Springfield, MA, leaves endowment for new Moses Hospital at Ticonderoga 1921
CC estimates the presence of 15,000 to 20,000 beaver in the Adirondacks 1921
Strike-breakers result in 5-year strike at IP paper mill at Corinth 1921
Paul Smith, Jr., sells Electric Light & Power Co. shares to Assoc. Gas & Electric Co. of Delaware 1921
Georgia O’Keeffe paints Lake George with Crows 1921
Paul Schaefer’s parents buy small cabin near North Ck., el 2,200’, near Siamese Ponds Wilderness 1921
Airplane is used to spread insecticide dust for the control of catalpa sphinx in Ohio 1921
Lake Placid Club builds a 25-m ski jump at Intervales 1921
Gov. Nathan L. Miller appoints Ellis J. Staley to CC 1921
Iron bridge replaces covered bridge crossing Boquet River at Whallonsburg (Dec.) 1921
Lake Placid Club Sno Birds begins winter sports championship competitions for women 1921
R. Torrey et al. est. the New York- New Jersey Trail Conference 1921
Adk Air Service Inc., Ticonderoga, begins charter air service btw various lake resort hotels (Aug) 1922
George O’Keeffe paints Lake George With Crows (o.o.c., 28 ½ x 25’), one of few with birds 1921
H.K. Clark, R. and G. Marshall ascend Herbert, Street, Nye, S. Dix peaks 1921
S.T. Mather of the USDI est. the (annual) National Conference of State Parks 1921
Thomas Midgley, Jr., Delco/GM Research Lab., invents tetra ethyl lead anti-knock gasoline additive 1921
Some 5000 household refrigerators are manufactured in the US 1921
M. Dobson and W. G. Howard have dinner at NYC Log Cabin leading to founding of ADK (Dec) 1921
Solar superstorm occurs blasting Earth with protons and other charged particles (May) 1921
‘Fire Towns’ of the FP report 726 fires, burning 26,663 a., causing damage of c. $49,920 1921
‘Fire Towns’ report that smokers and fishermen, i.e. sportsmen, are primary cause of FP forest fires 1921
Governor Miller and head foresters of Cornell and Syracuse urge cutting of the FP 1921-22
Northern New York Telephone Company exists (1 Jan) 1922
NYS’s first radio station, WGY, is established in Schenectady (Feb) 1922
Marconi uses a parabolic antenna for reception of short-wave signals 1922
St. Lawrence University Physics Department sponsors student radio experiments (future WSLU) 1922
NYC Log Cabin Conference est. Adirondack Mountain Club (ADK) with 208 charter Members 1922
Albany Chapter of the ADK is established 1922
WRUC, Union College radio station, Schenectady, goes on air with scheduled program (14 Oct) 1922
Wisconsin DNR notes this year for presence of HWA in British Columbia 1922
U.S. Eastern Amateur Ski Association is formed at Saranac Lake 1922
Edmund Lamy, Saranac L., wins ¾ mi professional ice-skating race (1 m, 55 sec) at Saranac L. 1922
Edmund Lamy, Saranac L., wins 1/2 mi professional ice-skating race (1 m, 16 sec) at Saranac L. 1922
Edmund Lamy, Saranac L., wins 5 mi professional ice skating race (14 m, 15 sec) at Saranac L. 1922
Roman Catholic St. Bernard’s School opens at Saranac Lake village 1922
M. Dobson, G. D. Pratt and W. G. Howard dine at Log Cabin, NYC, to plan est. of ADK (3 Apr) 1922
NYT article discusses Veteran’s Mountain Camp (for convalescence) at Tupper Lake (20 Apr) 1922
Major flood (21,300 cfs) occurs on the Hudson R. at North Creek (12 Apr) 1922
J. LeSure, E.B. Barrett, B. and R.C. Higby form Central Adirondack Hotel Association 1922
Albert Calmette and Camille Guerin of France develop the TB vaccine BCG 1922
NYS Indian Commission ‘Everett Report’ saying Treaty of Fort Stanwix is still in effect is hidden 1922
Aquatic floatplanes (‘seaplanes’) are now numerous in the Adirondack region 1922
Aquatic floatplane is planned to ferry campers to Paul Smith’s hotel 1922
J. & J. Rogers Co. gives a tract of land in John Brook Valley to the ADK 1922
Melville Dewey (of Dewey Decimal System) est Lake Placid Club Educational Foundation 1922
Bob Marshall hikes watershed of Oswegatchie R., site of largest stands of virgin timber in east US 1922
The first meeting of Adirondack Mountain Club (ADK) is held at the Lake Placid Club 1922
John Apperson becomes ADK charter member and is appointed to its Conservation Committee 1922
Governor Nathan L. Miller appoints Alexander MacDonald to CC 1922
Gypsy moth is now spread northwards from New York City to the Canadian border 1922
AuSable Club (AMR) sells some of its Adirondack lands to NYS 1922
Ross Mansion, Elizabethtown, is razed to make room for annex on Windsor Hotel 1922
American Legion’s Veterans Mountain Camp, ALG, on Big Tupper Lake is chartered (22 May) 1922
Lathrop Pack et al. found the American Tree Association 1922
NYS Law provides that up to 100,000 a. of Adirondack FP can be set aside as game refuges 1922
Georgia O’Keeffe paints o.o.c. My Shanty, Lake George — “all low toned and dreary” 1922
Georgia O’Keeffe draws, pastel-on-paper, Pool in the Woods, Lake George 1922
A major invasion of the gypsy moth occurs in New York 1922
Logging in the vicinity of Marcy Dam in the High Peaks area ends 1922
Report on the lichens of the Lake George area is published 1922
CC now issues 22 different kinds of licenses for game management 1922
Moses Hospital at Ticonderoga is replaced with new 50-bed facility: Moses-Ludington Hospital 1922-23
Third version of the Sagamore Club House is opened 1922
NYS legislature establishes the Hudson R. Regulating District (HRRD), Article 15, Title 21, ECL 1922
Grace L. Hudowa 15 years old, climbs Mount Marcy on rainy, foggy day (2 Aug) 1922
Lt. Norman H. Wood, Ticonderoga, begins passenger air service btw various lake resort hotels (Aug) 1922
HRDD proposes a set of flood-control dams for the upper Hudson watershed 1922
Needham et al. publish report on Lake George fish, calls for protection of native fish 1922
CC pub A Biological Survey of Lake George, New York by J.G. Needham et al. 1922
Camp and Trail Club promotes erection of a stone hut on the top of Mt. Marcy 1922
David Sive, becoming one of America’s great legal advocates of wild, born, Brooklyn, NY (22 Sep) 1922
Schenectady Illuminating Co. merges with Adirondack Power & Light Co. 1922
Mead Reservoir Dam (218-0236) is built or reconditioned 1922
Gifford Pinchot wins are for governor (R.) of PA 1922
Charles Lathrop Pack et al. organize the American Tree Association 1922
Harley Sims pub “Ginsing – the Lure of the Woods” (in Profitable Outdoor Pursuits) 1922
The Isaac Walton League of America is founded 1922
Lake Placid Club Sno Birds begin women’s intercollegiate winter games 1922

... college women visiting Lake Placid Club will be surrounded by wholesome influences, including counsel, fellowship and, if wished, chaperonage of influential college women graduates among Club members and officers.

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T. Morris Longstreth pub The Lake Placid Country Tramper’s Guide 1922
Sunmount Veterans Administration Hospital, specializing in TB, is est. at Tupper Lake 1922
Lake Pleasant Golf Course is established at Lake Pleasant 1922
Lake Clear Outlet Dam, a.k.a. Lake Clear Outlet Dam (167-0646) is built or reconditioned 1922
Metropolitan Opera soprano Marcella Sembrich acquires Bay View at Bolton Landing 1922
ADK begins to build the Long Trail, now called the Northville-Placid Trail, c. 133 miles long 1922
A record breaking lake trout weighing 31 lbs. is caught at Tupper Lake 1922
Bob Marshall and the ADK publish The High Peaks of the Adirondacks 1922
Harold Weston, St. Huberts, paints Giant Mountain Sunrise 1922
Utica Gas & Electric Co. installs a GE electric power line (6 Dec) 1922
Rudolph Valentino spends August at Foxlair on the Hudnut estate at Bakers Mills 1922
Grumman’s Metropolitan Theatre in Los Angeles opens with an air-conditioning system 1922
Highway Research Board studies snow and ice removal in 2nd annual meeting 1922
J.A. Bombardier and E.M. Tucker, Sr., independently begin snowmobile designs c. 1922
Hydroelectric power is established at Crescent and Vischers Ferry dams 1922-23
A NYS public campsite is established at east and west fork on Sacandaga R. near Wells 1923
BRRD reports intense summer drought impacting the Adirondacks 1923
Charles Proteus Steinmetx, GE and Union College, holder of nearly 200 patents, dies 1923
AMR & McIntyre Iron Co. sell the top of Mt. Marcy and Johns Brook Valley to NYS for FP 1923
Fawn Ridge Golf Club Course (now defunct) is established at Lake Placid 1923
James McGill exhibits the western paintings of Alfred Miller in Baltimore (see 1837) 1923
Albany-Montreal ‘International highway’ (now route 9) is proposed in Troy 1923
A wolf, assumed of Canadian origin, is killed (by whom?) on Whiteface Mt. 1923
Black bear is protected in NY with limits of one per season limiting means of harvest 1923
William H. Miner establishes William H. Miner Foundation 1923
Arthur H. Masten’s The Story of Adirondac is privately printed 1923
A.B. Rechnagel, Professor of Forest Management, Cornell, pub The Forests of New York State 1923
Albon Glazier hires German sausage maker and begins selling sausages, hams & bacon 1923
Albon Glazier incorporates Glazier Packing Company at Malone 1923
W.C. Hull becomes president of Oval Wood Dish Co. on death of his father Henry S. Hull 1923
Lake Placid Club trims an old road to make a down-mountain ski run in Sentinel Range 1923
AfPA et al. defeats construction of the Salmon River Reservoir saving WTD yards 1923
Approximately 80% of American chestnut trees are now infected with the chestnut blight fungus 1923
Voters defeat proposed amendment for hydropower in the FP 1923
CC est. the Chateaugay Field Station for rearing fry and fingerlings from hatcheries 1923
Francis Bayle makes the photograph *Evening at Lake George* 1923
Two women, Helen Church and Ruth Langham, ascend Whiteface Mt. on an AMC outing (Jan) 1923
C.C. Adams and American Society of Mammologists oppose USBS predator control program 1923
John Apperson advocates the creation of a Lake George Park 1923
John Apperson is appointed to NYS Association Committee on State Park Planning 1923
John Apperson *et al.* “kidnap” Gov. Al. Smith for NW Bay-Tongue Mt. tour at L. George (Aug) 1923
Inlet Hose Company (volunteer fire department), Hamilton County, is formed (Jun) 1923
Gov. Al Smith supports NYS acquisition of NW Bay and Tongue Mt. at Lake George for FP 1923
New road is planned around Tongue Mt. from head of NW Bay to Sabbath Day Pt. (Aug) 1923
NYS legislature appropriates $75,000 to purchases Tongue Mountain peninsula at Lake George 1923
Lake George Association strongly opposes any plan for a Lake George Park 1923
Voters disapprove constitutional amendment, Art VII, for water power development on FP 1923
Clifford Pettis, G. Marshall & A. S. Houghton select a 15.5 a. site for an ADK lodge on Johns Brook 1923
ACTC is reorganized as the Camp and Trail Club of the Lake Placid Club 1923
Barton Mines builds a garnet separation mill on Gore Mt. 1923
John Apperson promotes bill introduced to NYS legislature for L. George land preservation (Mar) 1923
Chapter 695, NYS Laws, provides $75,000 for FP acquisition on Tongue Mt., Lake George 1923
J. & J. Rogers Co. donates land in Johns Brook Valley to the ADK 1923
Port Henry Iron Ore Co. ends mining and assigns its operation to Witherbee Sherman Co. 1923
Delano Island Diversion Dam (089-0106A) is built or reconditioned 1923
Dexter North Channel Dam (078-0016) is built or reconditioned 1923
Herring Dam (099-0206) is built or reconditioned 1923
Lighthouse Hill Dam, a.k.a. Salmon R. Lower Res. Dam (090-0830) is built/reconditioned 1923
Sherman Island Dam (223-0364) is built or reconditioned 1923
South Glens Falls Dam (223-0388) is built or reconditioned 1923
Original Moses Hospital at Ticonderoga is converted to a nurses’ home 1923
Irving Langmuir and John Apperson begin documentary filming of Adirondacks 1923
P.M. Silloway reports presence of blackpoll warbler at Cranberry Lake, St. Lawrence Co. 1923
Heuvelton Dam (109-0068A) is built or reconditioned 1923
Church of the Assumption opens at Gabriels, T. Brighton, on land donated by I. and M. Stern 1923
Northville-Lake Placid Trail (hiking) is completed under sponsorship of Adirondack Mountain Club 1923
Frederic Remington’s family home at Ogdensburg opens as a museum showing his works 1923
The last sawlog runs are conducted on the Au Sable and Moose Rivers 1923
With much controversy O’Shaunessy Dam is built on Tuolumne R, Hetch Hetchy V, Yosemite NP 1923
Up to this date 14 hydroelectric dams have been proposed for the Adirondacks 1923
Gov. Smith signs Walker Law making oath-bound groups report bylaws, oaths, and membership 1923
The 2nd chapter of the ADK is est in NYC 1923
George Foster Peabody donates his Prospect Mountain properties to NY State for public use 1923
Legislature authorizes the CC to set a harvest season for Adirondack beaver 1923
R.S. Wade of McGill University wins 1st 25-mile x-c ski race at L. Placid Club 1923
A.B. Recknagel, Cornell U., reports area of FP at 1,992,516 a, including both lands and water 1923
A.B. Recknagel, Cornell U., reports area of Adirondack Park as 3,313,564 acres 1923
Marjorie Merriweather Post, founder General Foods, builds Camp Topridge, 207 a., St. Regis L. 1923
Stewarts Landing Dam, a.k.a. Canada Lake Dam, (157-0513A) is built/reconditioned 1923
Iroquois League issues passport to Cayuga statesman Deskaheh to attend League of Nations, Geneva 1923
Thomas Chamberlin, Amer. Phil. Soc. president, calls idea of continental drift “utter damned rot” 1923
Alexander Stevenson, Jr., of GE completes exhaustive study of domestic refrigerator economics 1923
Sir Gilbert Walker identifies and names “Southern Oscillation” for Pacific-Indian Oceans (GCC) 1923-24
Roads in the Plattsburgh area are snow plowed throughout the winter 1923-24

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A major irruption of the Black-backed Woodpecker occurs in the Adirondacks 1923-24
NYS Police Troop B sells captured rum-running cars for $35,000 1923-25
Northern New York Telephone Corp. purchases Northwestern Telephone Corp. (1 Jan) 1924
The last drive of thirteen-foot logs occurs on the Hudson R. 1924
Bond issue of $15 million passes supporting $5 million, 273,000 acre addition to the FP (Nov) 1924
Charles Jewtraw, Lake Placid, wins 500 m Olympic speed skating event, Chamonix, France (26 Jan) 1924
New York State Council of Parks (NYSCP) is founded with Robert Moses as head (23 Apr) 1924
The first mill of the Barton Mines begins operation 1924
Jay N. Darling wins Pulitzer Prize for his conservation cartoons 1924
Alfred Steiglitz and Georgia O’Keeffe marry 1924
Oswald D. Heck graduates from, Union College 1924
Georgia O’Keeffe paints From the Lake, No. 3 during her Lake George period 1924
Georgia O’Keeffe paints Autumn Trees: The Maple during her Lake George period 1924
Georgia O’Keeffe paints Autumn Trees: The Chestnut during her Lake George period 1924
Herbert K. Clark, Bob and George Marshall ascend Couchsachraga Mt. 1924
Lung damage due to asbestos inhalation is reported in England 1924
Bob Marshall graduates from the NYSCF and tops US Civil Service Forester’s Exam 1924
Taylor Pond Dam (201-0427) is built or reconditioned 1924
Sir Gilbert Walker, GB, describes and names the ‘North Atlantic Oscillation’ (NAO) 1924
VIS is gifted with Olive Street Jenkins property, Saranac Lake (fut. Sunset Park Adk Arboretum) 1924
Dexter South Channel Dam, a.k.a. Black R. Lake Dam (078-0018) is built or reconditioned 1924
Flat Rock Dam (124-0376) is built or reconditioned 1924
Wisconsin DNR notes this year for presence of HWA in Oregon 1924
1154 guides are licensed in NYS, number steadily declines though WWII 1924
Archer M. Huntington, son of C. P. Huntington, inherits Camp Pine Knot 1924
Grand jury fails to indict Noah Rondeau after 22 days in jail for allegedly firing at game protector 1924
Gov. A.E. Smith, because of fire danger, closes NY forests (31 Oct.-14 Nov) 1924
Forge House (hotel) burns having history of 21 different proprietors since inception in 1871 1924
Donaldson Mt. is named after historian Alfred L. Donaldson 1924
Carl J. Eliason develops a motorized toboggan, an early form of snowmobile 1924
Adirondack Council of the BSA is formed 1924
Advent of Asian clam in British Columbia as reported by Lake Champlain Committee 24 S., 2010 1924
G.M.B. Dobson measures atmospheric ozone (regularly) at Oxford using his spectrophotometer 1924
Airplanes are adapted for the dusting of crops growing on the Mississippi delta 1924
ADK completes and officially opens the Northville-Placid Trail 1924
Veterans’ Administration Hospital with TB as specialty opens in Tupper L. 1924
Weeks Law is amended to permit forest purchase for timber/stream-flow protection 1924
Clinton Rickard establishes the Indian Defense League of America 1924
Congress delegates the Secr. of the Interior to certify American Indian citizenship 1924
Haudenosaunee cite Two-Row Wampum when rejecting U.S. citizenship per U.S. Citizen Act 1924
D&H RR est. apple orchards at Chazy featuring 29,000 trees of the McIntosh variety 1924
The Asian Exclusion Act greatly reduces Asian immigration and residency 1924
HWA, of Japanese origin, appears on Western Hemlock in the Pacific NW 1924
Edwin Hubble, cosmologist, U Chicago rep billions of galaxies beyond our Milky Way 1924
North Creek Enterprise newspaper is founded at North Creek 1924
Chapter 6503, NYS Laws, authorizes purchase of lands on Tongue Mt. for ‘Park on Lake George’ 1924
Over 272,000 a. are added to Adk FP at average per cost per acre of $12.24 1924
Barton Mines Co. opens a “modern” garnet processing plant at Gore Mountain 1924
Finch, Pruyn & Co. now owns 230,700 a. of Adirondack timberland 1924
Robert F. Ritchie, est Petrified Sea Gardens W of Saratoga Springs - inspiring for Stephen J. Gould 1924
28 public campsites now exist, some on Adirondack and Catskill FP land 1924
The McCollum’s Hotel, on Rt. 30 north of Paul Smiths, burns to the ground 1924
Derris root extracts are tested as insecticides in the United States 1924
Alexander Fleming discovers the antibiotic penicillin 1924
CC declares an open season on beaver for most of the Adirondack region 1924
CC defines land acquisition policy for expenditure of funds, e.g. role of slope, lumbering, etc. 1924
Adirondack Sign Law banning billboards and signboards along FP roads is enacted 1924
The WTD season is suspended because of fire danger (31 Oct-14 Nov) 1924
W.G. Howard (of the CC) and ADK publish Northville-Lake Placid Trail 1924
Rainstorm overflows Au Sable River flooding homes, roads and damaging four bridges (30 Sep) 1924
No rain since September, in fire towns >111 forest fires occurred, 8 still burning (30 Oct) 1924
Gov. Al Smith closes Adirondack woods (fire towns) to all hunters and hunting (31 Oct-14 Nov) 1924
Approx. 21,000 a. burn in 238 forest fires costing NYS $25,000 ($350,000 in 2015) (15 Oct-10 Nov) 1924
Aldo Leopold succeeds in exclusion of roads and use permits for the Gila River headwaters 1924
Robert Moses promotes a successful $15 million bond act for NYS park development 1924
Highway Law Section 212 is amended removing restrictions for farm or prison purposes 1924
Clarence Birdseye founds Birdseye Seafoods, Inc., for production of ‘flash-frozen’ fish 1924
Local KKK members stage cross burnings in the North Country about every two weeks 1924-27
North Country KKK targets blacks, Jews, Catholics, immigrants, criminals, incl. bootleggers 1924-27
Local North Country citizenry apply severe pressure on KKK and refuse to be intimidated 1924-27
Sacandaga R. is dammed at Town of Wells forming Lake Algonquin 1924-29
U.S. implements national numbered highway system, i.e. US Routes 1925-27
Robert and George Marshall and guide Herb Clark climb last of Adk 4,000’-high peaks (10 Jun) 1925
Joint Board of State and Federal Highway Officials adopts route numbers 1925
Sklansky & Hourgin, Trotskyites, drown in Long Lake (Sklansky was former Red Army organizer) 1925
BRRD reconditions and enlarges Stillwater Reservoir (125-0517) 1925
Lake Titus Dam (166-0206) is built or reconditioned 1925
Fifty-sixers of Troy is est, later to become the Adirondack Forty-sixers, a mountain climbing club 1925
Deferiet Dam (099-0195) is built or reconditioned 1925
High Falls Dam (112-0345) is built or reconditioned 1925
Pine Lake Dam and Dike, a.k.a. Long Pond Dam (240-0981) is built or reconditioned 1925
Joe Frieber opens new Scaroon Manor resort on Schroon Lake near International Highway 1925

Joe Frieber decided to promote the hotel as a lovers’ paradise after he realized that honeymoons could be big business. His advertising consigned Niagara Falls to an older generation and implied that these days the desirable place to honeymoon was Scaroon Manor.

Romance was a vigorously marketed product under the slogan ‘Scaroon loves you’. But which waggish vulgarians soon countered with an alternative motto: ‘Scaroon Loves You!’ (and you love screw-in’!). Frieber never did dispute the corruption of his motto which promoted the fantasy of love for everyone, at all ages. He knew a good thing when he saw it. It suggested to single young people that a vacation at Scaroon Manor meant finding a mate, at least temporarily. There were indeed plenty of summer romances, but thousands of people met and formed lifelong relationships at the hotel.

Paraphrased from Ann Breen Metcalfe, Warren County Historical Society; and Amy Godine,
Saranac Lake village board adopts Daylight Saving Time for fifth consecutive year (Apr)  

Saranac Lake thus extends for another year the practice of observing advanced time, and no doubt again will be alone among the Northern New York communities in the adoption of the daylight-saving schedule.

“Saranac Lake to go on ‘fast time’,”  

Much of business district of Au Sable Forks, Essex Co., is destroyed by monstrous fire (14 May)  
Parishville Development Dam (136-0271) is built or reconditioned  
Ayerst, McKenna & Harrison Ltd. is formed in Canada to develop new biological products  
Lake Champlain Bridge Commission is formed with three commissioners each from VT and NY  
Bob Marshall receives a masters degree from Harvard Forestry School  
Orra A. Phelps and Mary McGehee hike from Baltimore to Phelps farm at Wilton, near Saratoga  
Gypsy moth infests the Towns of Chesterfield and Moriah, Essex Co.  
Inlet Hose Company (volunteer fire department), Hamilton County, is incorporated (18 Mar)  
The Canadian, Arthur Sicard, invents the snow blower  
The teaching of evolution is outlawed in Tennessee  
Sallie Dolley’s evergreen garden is assigned to City of Richmond, VA, probably fostering HWA  
The second First Methodist Church (Episcopal) is erected on Church St, Saranac Lake  
USDA/Cornell Univ. Agricultural Experiment Station complete soil survey of St. Lawrence Co.  
Clara Barton Memorial Forest, 10 a. of Scotch Pine, is planted in Town of Harrietstown  
IP acquires Ticonderoga Pulp & Paper Co. Lower Falls mill at Ticonderoga  
ADK opens Johns Brook Lodge in Johns Brook Valley, High Peaks region  
CC uses license fees to establish the Conservation Fund in support of hunting and fishing  
The Craig Wood Country Club and Golf Course is established at Lake Placid  
Nick Stoner Golf Course is established at Caroga Lake  
Nelson Green edits _History of the Mohawk Valley: Gateway to the West 1614-1625_  
Bonniewood Golf Course (now defunct) is established at Wilmington  
Antlers Golf Course (now defunct) is established at Raquette Lake  
Bend of the River Golf Course is established at Hadley  
Father John Fitzgerald of St. Bartholomew’s Church in Old Forge dies  
The dam at Stillwater Reservoir is raised nineteen feet  
Village of Speculator is established by a vote of 42 to 2 (23 May)  
Chapter 357, NYS Laws, allows CC to accept land in FP counties without assignment to the FP  
George Foster Peabody assigns his 174-a. Prospect Mountain property to NYS (13 May)  
An earthquake of magnitude 7 strikes La Malbaie, Québec, shaking the Adirondacks  
NYS Police Troop B adds a model T to its horse and motorcycle transport system  
Using a radio-microphone Chief Deskaheh makes his last speech (10 Mar)  
Chief Deskaheh dies at Tuscarora Reservation on Niagara River (27 Jun)  
CC creates the combined hunting, fishing and trapping license  
Johns Brook Lodge of the ADK opens (July)  
AuSable Club (AMR) sells Adk lands to NYS  
_Mountain Update_, a quarterly newsletter, is est by Mountain Protected Areas Network  
William La Fontaine tries salt for street ice removal in Scranton, PA  
Lake Placid Club introduces slalom ski competition to the Adirondacks
Roy G. Finch pub *The Story of the New York State Canals* celebrating the Erie Canal centennial 1925
Ed Lamy sets the world barrel jump record at 27 ft., 8 in. at Saranac Lake 1925
VIS buys site along the approach to Saranac Lake village, ‘long an eyesore,’ for Baldwin Park 1925
VIS buys small strip of land across from St. Bernard’s Convent, Saranac Lake, for Seymour Park 1925
Saranac Lake School (grades K through 12) is built on Petrova Avenue for $650,000 1925
Maternity wing & other improvements are added to General Hospital at Saranac Lake 1925
Willis Carrier installs an air conditioning system for the Rivoli Theatre in New York City 1925
J. & J. Rogers Lumber Co. cuts the John’s Brook Valley c. 1925
NY newspaper production falls as SE US and Canadian production climbs c. 1925
A “coyote” is shot in Adirondacks by T. Belmont of Franklin Co. c. 1925
A. Saunders finds English sparrow numerous at L. Placid, Newman, L. Clear Junction 1925-26
Adirondack experiences severe winter with 4-5’ of snow and heavy WTD mortality 1925-26
HRRD purchases 29,000 a. to establish the Sacandaga Reservoir 1925-27
Bob Marshall works for the USFS 1925-28
Top of the World Golf Course is established at Lake George 1926
Deer Run Golf Course is established at Inlet 1926
Curtiss Flying Service charter plane lands on Mirror Lake to pick up 2 fares at Alford Hotel (17 Feb) 1926
Winter guests of Alford Hotel, Lake Placid, enjoy skijoring behind Curtiss biplane (17 Feb) 1926
Electors in Saranac Lake disapprove Daylight Saving Time after five years with it (15 Apr) 1926
Floyd Bennett flies R. Byrd over the North Pole in a Fokker Tri-motor to much controversy (9 May) 1926
Harry Rogers lands float biplane on Raquette Lake, first since 1912, everyone wants a ride (summer) 1926
Curtiss Flying Service, Inc. provides charter summer air service between Lake Placid and NYC 1926
Curtiss Flying Service plane falls thru ice on L. George; pilot & 2 others rescued by boat (22 Dec) 1926
John Apperson, GE engineer, writes key letter to Franklin Roosevelt re. L. George land pres. (26 Apr) 1926
Georgia O’ Keeffe paints, o.o.c., *Old Maple, Lake George* 1926
Georgia O’ Keeffe paints, o.o.c., *Lake George Barns* 1926
Ticonderoga Golf Course is established at Ticonderoga 1926
Bert Burns quits North River Garnet Co. to run American Glue Co. Casey Mtn garnet mines (Mar) 1926
Chazy Lake Dam (199-0282) is built or reconditioned 1926
Phillips Collection, Washington, D.C., acquires Georgia O’ Keeffe’s *My Shanty, Lake George* 1926
Black River Canal is decommissioned 1926
Laura Kirkwood of White Pine Camp dies, husband, Irwin, hosts Pres. & Mrs. Coolidge for summer 1926
Pleasant Lake Dam (157-0536) is built or reconditioned 1926
Oneida City Reservoir Dam, a.k.a. Gilmore Res. Dam (102-0447), is built or reconditioned 1926
Weather recording begins at Wanakena 1926
John Logie Baird, Scot, demonstrates moving TV for Royal Institution members, London (26 Jan) 1926
Lake Placid Riding Club is organized (9 Jul) 1926
W.B. Newell founds the Society for Propagation of Indian Welfare in NYS 1926
A successful light gasoline tractor is invented 1926
The number of NYS game protectors statewide is now 150 1926
St. Joseph Lead Co. buys assets of Northern Ore Co., including Balmat and Edwards zinc mines 1926
L.U. Gardner is appointed director of Saranac Laboratory of the Trudeau Foundation 1926
Harrietstown Town Hall burns, offices and archives of *Adirondack Daily Enterprise* are lost (26 Jul) 1926
Adirondack Hose Company (fire department), formed in 1926, is abandoned at Speculator 1926
Auxin, a kind of plant hormone, is discovered and its action demonstrated 1926
NYSM herbarium sheets confirm water chestnut presence in Mohawk R. 1926
Champlain Memorial Lighthouse is deactivated/deeded to NYS as Historic Landmark 1926
ESA Committee for Preservation of Natural Conditions pub *Naturalists Guide to the Americas* 1926
Wilmington Notch PC opens near Lake Placid. 1926
Pres. Coolidge est. Adk summer White House at White Pine Camp on Osgood Pond (7 Jul-18 Sep) 1926
Chapter 16, NYS Laws, provides funds for acquisition of c.7,000 a. at Lake George incl. Turtle I. 1926
Tupper Lake Free Press newspaper begins publication at Tupper Lake 1926
Indian Mountain House (hotel) at Cranberry L. burns to the ground (26 Aug) 1926
Pres. C. Coolidge inspects Sunmount VA hospital & American Legion Mt. Camp, Tupper L. (2 Sep) 1926
NYS road planners include Lake George-Fort Edward road in major NYC-Canada route 1926
Adirondack Arrow newspaper is founded at Old Forge 1926
Camp Lincoln for Boys moves from Warm pond (‘because of noise’) to Augur Lake, Keeseville 1926
Junior Achievement Bureau becomes Junior Achievement, Inc. 1926
Horace Moses builds Hancock House at Ticonderoga, duplicating John Hancock’s Boston home 1926
Horace Moses donates Hancock House at Ticonderoga to NYS Historical Association (NYSHA) 1926
Andreas Stihl (German) patents electric-powered chainsaw 1926
Adirondack Trailways, a family-owned motorcoach service, begins NYC-Kingston run 1926
TCTC celebrates one hundredth anniversary of its incorporation (14 Sep) 1926
Lake Placid Club introduces downhill ski racing to the Adirondacks 1926
Noah Rondeau is acquitted in a jury trial at Saranac Lake for alleged game law violations (Nov) 1926
J.S. Ridenour pub Adirondack Daily Enterprise continuing The Adirondack Enterprise (15 Nov) 1926
NYS legislatures appropriates $55,000 to purchase lands at L. George Battlefield and Tongue Mt. 1926
USDA Secretary William H. Jardine signs plan to protect the Superior NF 1926
NYS rebuilds road from Bolton to Hague (now Rt. 9N) in response to increased traffic 1926
A. L. Wegener, 1880-1930, German, pub English version The Origin of the Continents and Oceans 1926
William H. Miner donates $4M for Physicians Hospital at Plattsburgh 1926
Some 75,000 home ice-delivery contracts are cancelled as electric refrigerators prevail 1926
Electric refrigerators are placed outdoors due to fatalities caused by toxic and flammable gas leaks 1926
Thomas Midgley, Jr., et al. at GM begin systematic search for nontoxic, nonflammable refrigerant 1926
Canaries become kitchen residents for detection of toxic (and flammable) refrigerants 1926
Harry K. Annin, son of James Annin, jr., surveys and reports on ALC waters 1926-27
Curtiss Flying Service, Inc. provides charter winter air service between Lake Placid and NYC 1926-27
AfPA opposes Whiteface Mountain Highway, a.k.a. Veterans Memorial Highway 1926-27
NYS Constitution is amended to allow a road on FP from Wilmington to Whiteface Mt. summit 1927
National Vaudeville Artists builds National Variety Artists Lodge, a TB sanatorium in Saranac Lake 1927
Al Jolson presents a three-hour long benefit at Saranac Lake village 1927
CC absorbs State Council of Parks and is reorganized as the Conservation Department 1927
Poplar Point PC opens near Piseco on Old Piseco Road 1927
Curtiss Flying Service, Inc. proposes regular passenger air service btw L. Placid and NYC (26 Jan) 1927
Gov. Al Smith appoints Robert Moses executive director of the State Council of Parks (27 Jan) 1927
Russell M.L. Carson pub Peaks and People of the Adirondacks 1927
NYS starts building Batchellerville Bridge, 3,078’ long, over future Sacandaga Reservoir 1927
Robert (Bob) S. Sleicher born Troy, NY – to become highly awarded artist of Adirondack nature 1927
NYS starts construction of the Conklingville Dam to create the Sacandaga Reservoir 1927
Allen Falls Development Dam (136-0754) is built or reconditioned 1927
Voters in Saranac Lake again disapprove Daylight Saving Time (Jun) 1927
Gouverneur Village Dam (110-0247) is built or reconditioned 1927
Norwood Dam (122-0237) is built or reconditioned 1927
Stewart Lake Dam (205-0791) is built or reconditioned 1927
CD est. the Lake George (fish) Rearing Station 1927
CD establishes a fish hatchery at Crown Point 1927
Reverends V. L. Mackey and A. Dean dedicate the Raquette Lake Chapel (winter) 1927
General Electric stuns its competition when it markets the first “monitor top” refrigerators
1927
IP converts mill at Piercefield from specialty papers to bond paper
1927
John Apperson names his new ChrisCraft inboard motorboat the Art. VII Sec. 7
1927
Gov. Alfred E. Smith reappoints Alexander MacDonald to CD
1927
Post fire aspen and birch growth support recovery of beaver and legal trapping
1927
Carl J. Eliason patents a motorized toboggan, an early snowmobile
1927
Five students, ¼ of senior class, drown on Chazy Lake during Dannemora School picnic (3 Jun)
1927
Tackawanna Golf Course (now defunct) is established at Willsboro
1927
Unusual spellings of ‘Adirondak Loj, Hart Lake’ are due to Melvil Dewey!
1927
ADK turns over maintenance and upkeep of the Northville-Placid Trail to the CD
1927
D&H RR Co. plants 14,764,846 trees on 12,500 a. of its Adirondack holdings
1927
Dutch Elm Disease appears in Great Britain
1927
NYS CD pub ‘blue-line’ *Map of the Adirondack Mountains and the St. Lawrence Reservation*
1927
Expenditure of $7.5 M 1916 bond issue is complete with 413 acquisitions, 245,000 a. in Adk Park
1927
Adk FP now consists of 1,917,063 acres
1927
Georgia O’ Keeffe paints o.o.c., *Lake George*
1927
Georgia O’ Keeffe paints o.o.c. *Lake George, Autumn, 1927*
1927
Paul Swan paints *The Three Graces* (oil on Belgian linen) at Skiwaukie Farm, near Stony Creek
1927
W.E. Cooke, British pathologist, describes asbestosis as lung scarring causing shortness of breath
1927
Commercial production of polyphenyl begins at Southern Manganese Corp., Anniston, AL
1927
E.R. Baldwin, Saranac Lake, receives Trudeau Medal from American Thoracic Society
1927
Clifford R. Pettis, “Father of Reforestation” is buried at Paul Smiths, NY (29 Jan)
1927
Charles Lathrop Pack purchases 2,500 a., Warrensburg, est. C. L. Pack Dem. Forest, SUNY-ESF
1927
Irving and Marion Langmuir and nephew, David, ski Mt. Marcy from AuSable Lake
1927
E.F. Alexanderson “televises” from GE lab to his Schenectady home
1927
Irwin Kirkwood of White Pihe Camp, Osgood Pond, fame dies
1927
George Parrott opens 18-hole miniature golf course at Lake George village
1927
Lake George Battleground PC opens 1/4 mi. S of Lake George village
1927
Hotel Saranac w/ 100 rooms, (Wm. Scopes & M. Feustmann architects) opens in Saranac Lake (Jul)
1927
VIS buys land to create Mullen Park, Saranac Lake
1927
1927
Hearthstone Point PC (99 a.) opens two mi. N. of Lake George village on Rt. 9N
1927
Melvil Dewey convinces populace of Lake Stearns, FL, to rename itself Lake Placid, FL
1927
NYS WTD hunters are required to buy a hunting license costing $1.25
1927
Non-resident WTD hunters are required to buy a hunting license costing $10.50
1927
The total number of hunting licenses issued for NYS for this year is 72,841
1927
The number of NYS game law violators prosecuted this year is 6,344
1927
The last drive of 13'-long sawlogs occurs on the Hudson R.
1927
The last virgin spruce are cut from private uplands of the Adirondacks
1927
Saranac Lake radio station WNBZ begins broadcasting under Earl Smith ownership (11 Sep)
1927
Sagamore Hotel, Long Lake, announces new golf course being prepared for the next season (Oct)
1927
Draft horse is used to drag building materials to Mt. Marcy summit (Dec)
1927
Ernst Alexanderson, GE, develops TV broadcasting from GE’s WGY station
1927
Lake Placid Club builds/opens Adirondak Loj near Hart Lake, North Elba, Essex Co. (26 Dec)
1927
Artificial ice industry of the US now produces 658 lbs of ice per person annually
1927
Willis Carrier develops a residential air conditioning unit for private home use 1927
The Catholic monk George Lemaître proposes the Big Bang for the origin of the Universe 1927
KKK activity and influence in the North Country is greatly diminished late 1927
DEC reports decline of trapped fisher to 61 animals for the year 1928
I.P. MacDonald and CD build a stone hut on the summit of Mt. Marcy 1928
E.P. Stamm invents a blade attachment for caterpillar tractors useful in building log hauling roads 1928
ALC removes 2,500 suckers (fish) from Bisbys, Little Moose, Panther and Green lakes 1928
Robert H. Boyle is born in Brooklyn – to become esp well published on the Hudson River (21 Aug) 1928
Legislature forgoes amendment for FP timber sale in detached areas 1928
Stephen Vincent Bennet pub. epic poem *John Brown’s Body* to win Pulitzer Prize following year 1928
Elizabethtown-Keeseville section of the “International Highway” (Route 9) is opened 1928
IHA is est. in Montreal to keep the “International Highway” open all year 1928
Village of Ticonderoga goes on Daylight Saving Time (27 May) 1928
Otto Frederick Rohwedder’s new machine begins commercial production of sliced bread (7 Jul) 1928
Solar Cycle 16 peaks at 78 sunspots per day, very low compared with the average (GCC) 1928
IP forms IP&PC as a holding company for IP and its hydroelectric power business 1928
The Scott Co. of Morrisville, Ohio, begins marketing of turf building fertilizers 1928
D.P. Church takes flying lessons Buffalo (to eventually log 2,000 hours, c. 75,000 mi. Adk Region) 1928
T. Midgley, Jr. *et al.* at GM synthesize the refrigerant dichlorodifluoromethane (CFC R-12) 1928
Sir Alexander Fleming discovers the antibacterial properties of penicillin 1928
Barton Mines closes its Balm-of-Gilead mine site 1928
Barton Mines Corp. and North River Garnet Co. join to become largest garnet source in the world 1928
Loon Lake Mountain fire tower is replaced after winter storm blows it down (spring) 1928
Spruce Mt. fire tower, 73'-tall, tallest of NYS fire towers, is erected on 2009 ft summit, S. Corinth 1928
D.E. Cummings, chemical engineer, joins L.U. Gardner for dust studies at Saranac Laboratory 1928
Mrs. Frank Black funds construction of library and 100-seat lecture room at Saranac Laboratory 1928
New Harrietstown Town Hall designed by Saranac L. architects Scopes and Feustmann is built 1928
Albany municipal airport is established - the first in the US 1928
Woodward Lake Dam (188-0783) is built or reconditioned 1928
Moshier Dam (125-0831) is built or reconditioned 1928
The third chapter of the ADK is established at Glens Falls 1928
Adirondacks are again opened for beaver harvest and some 5,000 are trapped 1928
Constitutional amendments allowing sale and exchange of FP land are proposed 1928
Irving Bachellor pub *The House of the Three Ganders* 1928
Horace Moses finds 8-12 yo. are too young and Junior Achievement should focus on 16-21 yo. 1928
Jean DeRousse beats former male champion at Lake Placid Club ski jumping event 1928
Split Rock Lighthouse is replaced with unmanned steel tower with acetylene light 1928
“Wilderness as a Minority Right” is pub in Forest Service Bull (27 Aug) 1928
A notable earthquake (mag. 4.5) occurs at Saranac Lake (18 Mar) 1928
Walter Collins O’Kane pub *Trails and Summits of the Adirondacks* 1928
Adirondack Garnet Products Co. ceases operation (Dec) 1928
Aldo Leopold, hired in 1909, resigns from the USFS 1928
US Supreme Court upholds New York’s Walker Law of 1923 late 1928
Francis Bayle, hiker, author and photographer, edits ADK *High Spots Magazine* 1928-32
More than 1,000 inmates storm walls in major riot at Clinton Prison and three are killed (22 Jul) 1929
Maurice Frank Kelly born Cape Vincent: father Mohawk-Irish, mother Seneca-Scottish (16 Aug) 1929
A steel trestle replaces the reinforced concrete one for loading iron at Port Henry 1929
Rainbow smelt (5 million) are stocked unsuccessfully in Lake George 1929
Chapter 242, NYS Laws, divides NY into 11 park regions, each with its own jurisdiction 1929
Balsam woolly adelgid, Adelges piceae, appears in the forests of the US West Coast 1929
Louis Marshall ends 17-year presidency of American Jewish Committee 1929
The Sagamore (hotel) Golf Course is established at Bolton Landing 1929
Louise Carson is on winning US bobsled team at Murray Bay, Québec 1929
Earl W. Covey, of Big Moose, promotes production of crepe snow tires by Firestone Co. 1929
Terris Moore et al. overnight in a stone hut to film sunrise from Mt. Marcy summit (Jan) 1929
Franklin B. Kellogg, Long Lake resident as child, wins Nobe Peace Prize; received in 1930 1929
Bachellerville-Edinburgh covered bridge is burned making way for Sacandaga Reservoir 1929
Lake Champlain Bridge, 2,184', spanning Crown Point narrows, Ch. M. Spofford designer, opens 1929
Thomas Weatherwax ceases running steam ferry between Crown Point and Addison, VT (Nov) 1929
A. Saunders pub “The Summer Birds of the Northern Adirondack Mountains” 1929

Note the absence in the Aretas A. Saunders list of several bird species now found in the northern Adirondacks: mallard, ring-necked duck, mourning dove, northern cardinal, house finch, ring-billed gull, greater black-backed gull, golden eagle and tufted Ttmouse.

The Editors

Tourist boat, Miss Lake George, catches fire and sinks; all rescued, most by the Forward (21 Jul) 1929
Andreas Stihl (German) patents a gasoline-powered chainsaw for tree cutting 1929
Harry K. Annin determines pH of Honnedaga Lake at 6.5 (versus 5.4 in 2000) 1929
Nikolai Vavilov discovers wild apples in Alma-Ata forests of Kazakhstan 1929
AfPA Executive Secretary Edward H. Hall ends his 27 years of service 1929
Ario Pardee gives summit of Whiteface Mt. to NY for “park or reservation purposes” (20 Mar) 1929
Northville Reservoir Dam (188-0841) is built or reconditioned 1929
Noah Rondeau begins living year-round as a hermit at “Cold River City” 1929
Theresa Dam (088-0832) is built or reconditioned 1929
Beech bark disease is detected for the first time in US in eastern Massachusetts 1929
Local businessmen est. the Central Adirondack Association (CAA) at Old Forge 1929
Georgia O’ Keeffe paints Lake George Window 1929
Speculator Volunteer Fire Department is organized under village board per Village Law (Apr) 1929
Paul and Vincent Schaefer buy Old Log Cabin, 7a., Baker Mills, from Johnny Morehouse 1929
Stephen Williams, DG, notes closure of William West Durant’s tourist RR at Marion River Carry 1929
Marion River Carry RR of the Raquette Lake Transit Co. is discontinued 1929
Dr. R.S. Lindsay Sr. et al. form Central Adirondack Association (CAA) 1929
The purpose or purposes for which it is to be formed are to promote, to foster and to develop in every way the commercial, industrial and civic interests of the Central Adirondacks.

Central Adirondack Association, 1929

Loon Lake House has its last good season hosting 800 guests 1929
Northampton STP, T. of Northampton, Fulton Co., is est. releasing product to Sacandaga R./Res. 1929
A bobsled run is proposed on FP land, Sentinel Range, T. of N. Elba, for III Olympic winter games 1929
Hammond Library relocates to Crown Point Central School 1929
Chapter 23, NYS Laws, directs CD Commissioner to erect, equip, etc. bobsled run in T. of N. Elba 1929
Chapter 417, NYS Laws, approves bobsled run or slide on the FP in T. of N. Elba, Essex Co. 1929
AfPA Pres. John Agar and trustees successfully engage bobsled case of McDonald v. Association 1929
William Distin designs Olympic Arena for figure skating and hockey at Lake Placid 1929
The long bow for WTD hunting is legalized in NYS 1929
A.F. Butenandt (Germany) and E.A. Doisy (USA) separately isolate female sex hormone, estrone 1929
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Victor Schwenker est. the Tumblebrook (laboratory animal) Farm at Brant Lake 1929
U.S. Migratory Bird Conservation Act promotes waterfowl wetland acquisition 1929
Edwin Hubble, based on Doppler effect and red shift, proposes accelerating galactic recession 1929
Edwin Hubble proposes the Big Bang for the origin of the Universe 1929
AfPA does not contest an extensive road-building program in Lake Placid area 1929
Paul Swan, dancer, poet, artist, spends his last summer in Adirondacks at Skiwaukie Farm 1929
IP closes Island mill at Ticonderoga 1929
Hudson River Boom Association disbands 1929
NYS ADJ Harold J. Hinman denies Olympic bobsled run on FP, Sentinel Range, T. of N. Elba 1929

We must preserve it (the Forest Preserve) in its wild nature, its trees, its rocks, its streams. It was made a wild resort in which nature is given free rein . . . It must always retain the character of wilderness.  
Judge Harold J. Hinman  
NYS Appellate Court, Third Division  
In the 1929-30 case of McDonald v. Association for the Protection of the Adirondacks

Newman-Cascade Road (Rte. 73) and Wilmington Highway (Rte 86) to Lake Placid are rebuilt 1929-32
More than 10,000 U.S. banks go out of business 1929-33
NYS executes major renumbering of state highway system to match US Highway System (Jan) 1930
Port Kent and Hopkinton Turnpike from Duane to Merrillsville is designated NY 99 1930
A bobsled race is held at Intervales bobsled run (22 Jan) 1930
Hydroelectric plant at new Hogansburg Dam, St. Regis River, Akwesasne, goes into operation (Feb) 1930
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Judge Fred. C. Crane, NYS Court of Appeals, affirms Hinman’s decision re. bobsled run (19 Mar) 1930
Gates on Conklingville Dam (205-0415) are closed to begin filling Sacandaga Reservoir (27 Mar) 1930
Sacandaga Dam and Reservoir (42 sq. mi., 283 billion gal.) are activated (27 Mar) 1930
CD takes the North Elba “bobsled case” to the NYS Court of Appeals 1930
Justice Harold J. Hinman, NYS Appellate Division denies validity of Chaper 417, 1929 re. bobsled 1930
Mineville Miners of Section VII win NYSPHSAA Class D state basketball championship 1930
Chapter 677, NYS Laws, repeals Chap 23, Law of 1929, for est. of bobsled run, T. of N. Elba (Apr) 1930
Northwood Estates, Inc., grants easement on S. Meadow Mtn for bobsled run, T. of N. Elba (25 Jul) 1930
Clearing for 1½ mile, 26-curve, 1932 Olympic bobsled run starts and opens148 days later (Aug) 1930
Alfred Lother Wegener, b. 1880, dies Clarinetania, Greenland, after rescue expedition (c. 3 Nov) 1930
Mt. van Hoevenberg Olympic bobsled run opens for public use (25 Dec) 1930
CD builds a bobsled run on South Meadow Mt. through easement with the LPC 1930
Bob Marshall earns Ph.D. in plant physiology at Johns Hopkins University 1930
John Apperson joins the AIPA 1930
Will Rogers Institute, 70,000 ft², devoted to TB therapy, Tudor style, opens at Saranac Lake 1930
Andrew Ellicott Douglas of Vermont dates an American Indian site using dendrochronology 1930
Mayor’s Relief Committee forms at Tupper Lake to collect food and clothing for those without 1930
NYS Economic Council votes to weaken Art.VII, Sec. 7, NY Constitution 1930

For the following discussion I shall use the word ‘wilderness’ to denote a region which contains no permanent inhabitants, possesses no possibility of conveyance by any mechanical means and is sufficiently spacious that a person in crossing it must have the experience of sleeping out.

Robert Marshall
The Problem of the Wilderness
The Scientific Monthly 1930:141-148

NYS opens Batchellerville Bridge (steel), 3,078’ long, over Sacandaga Reservoir, Saratoga Co. 1930
Saratoga Co. assumes maintenance for driving surface of Batchellerville Bridge, Saratoga Co. 1930
Filling of Sacandaga Reservoir floods The Vly, a 13,000 a. wetland 1930
Starbuckville Dam (204-0650) on Schroon River near Chestertown is rebuilt 1930
IP closes Upper Falls mill at Ticonderoga 1930
Georgis O’Keefe paints Early Moonrise (o.o.c.), her last landscape of Lake George 1930
The Sagamore (hotel) at Bolton Landing is fully reconstructed 1930
Mayfield Lake Dam (172-0880) is built or reconditioned 1930
Both houses NYSL endorse “closed-cabin amendment” fostering recreational development for FP 1930
Gifford Pinchot is elected governor of PA for a second term 1930
Anna B. Comstock, born 1854, Cornell U. graduate, its 1st female professor, naturalist-author dies 1930
USGS 15’ Big Moose quadrangle is reprinted (surveyed 1900-1901; see 1930) 1930
Bluff Point Lighthouse, L. Champlain is decommissioned, light moved to automated steel tower 1930
At end of season, Paul Smith’s Hotel, shore of Lower St. Regis Lake, burns to the ground 1930
Following Paul Smith’s Hotel fire Paul Smiths Electric Railway discontinues operation 1930
Isaac Jogues, Jean de la Lande and René Goupil are canonized by Pope Pius XI (29 Jan) 1930
Christine Buisman and Bea Schwarz find the Dutch Elm Fungus, Ceratocystis ulmi, in Ohio 1930
Valcour Island Lighthouse is replaced by a nearby automated steel tower light 1930
Society for Propagation of Indian Welfare in NYS is renamed Six Nations Assoc. 1930
Alfred A. (Dad) Kunz est. Deerfoot Lodge, a Christian summer camp for boys, near Speculator 1930
Georgia O’Keeffe paints Lake George, Early Sunrise, Spring, 1930 1930
JSA pub “Analysis of Tree Cutting Amendment Improperly Called Reforestation Amendment” 1930
Southern Manganese Corp. is renamed Swann Chemical Company after its founder 1930
General Electric Co. begins to use PCBs in manufacture of capacitors and transformers 1930
Gas street lighting across the U.S. is eclipsed by electricity 1930
FJGRR makes its last run, drowned out by the rising waters of the Sacandaga Res. 1930
E. F. Alexander shows TV on a 6 foot screen at Proctors Theater, Schenectady 1930
Thomas Midgley, Jr., et al. apply difluorodichloromethane (CFC R-12) to refrigeration at GM 1930

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Fire destroys Big Moose Chapel (19 July) 1930
Macadam road from Blue Mt. Lake to Raquette Lake is completed 1930
Edith Stern/Adele Levy, daughters of Julius Rosenwald of Sears-Roebuck, buy White Pine Camp 1930
Witherbee, Sherman & Co. extract more than one million tons of iron ore in Mineville area 1930
Witherbee, Sherman & Co. close the Port Henry blast furnace 1930
St. Joseph Lead Co. begins production of zinc at Balmat and Edwards mines 1930
USCB reports that the year-around population of Hamilton Co. has fallen to 3,929 citizens 1930
NY Gov. Franklin Delano Roosevelt closes forests in all “fire towns” (12-13 May) 1930
Intense summer drought occurs in the Adirondacks (BRRD) 1930
Paul Schaefer ascends Crane Mountain in the winter on snowshoes 1930
NYS Ct App rules for AfPA in case against McDonald re. high-speed mechanism use in FP 1930
Green Mansions Golf Course is established at Chestertown 1930
Robert Moses, chair of NY State Council of Parks, promotes Porter/Brereton (closed-cabin) Bill 1930
As required by constitution legislature passes Porter/Brereton bill, “the closed-cabin amendment” 1930
Jenny Lake Dam (205-5057) is built or reconditioned 1930
Cronin’s Vacationland Golf Course is established at Warrensburg 1930
M. Milankovitch suggests astronomical-orbital basis for GCC in Handbuch der Klimatologie 1930
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Thomas Midgley, Jr., produces Freon™, a chlorofluorocarbon refrigerant and spray-can pressurizer 1930
British M.D. Merewether reports that one of four asbestos workers suffers from asbestosis 1930
Big Wolf Golf Course is established at Big Wolf Lake 1930
General Electric awards (eventual Nobel Laureate) Irving Langmuir with Cine-Kodak camera 1930
CD pub A Biological Survey of the Champlain Watershed 1930
E. P. Jackson pub Mts. and the Aborigines of the Champlain Lowlands 1930
Lake Placid Riding Club inaugurates annual horse show (15-16 Aug) 1930
Rockwell Kent finishes the o.o.c. Adirondacks/Old Farm in the Wilderness 1930
Box lacrosse is invented and quickly achieves wide popularity among Haudenosaunee 1930
Charles M. Spofford is awarded ASCE gold medal for his design of the Champlain Bridge 1930
Chainsaw is used in logging by Eastman Gardner Co. in Laurel, MA 1930
National forest timber sales peak at 1.65 billion board-feet, bd-ft, i.e. 12” x 12” x 1” 1930
Sydney Chapman explains formation of atmospheric ozone: sunlight striking diatomic oxygen 1930
European beech scale insect, Cryptococcus fagisuga, appears New Brunswick and Maine c. 1930
R. Balk suggests that Adirondack labradorite forms with syenite as a mother liquor 1930
NYS population reaches 12,588,000 with a density of 262.6 per square mile 1930
WTD season is suspended because of fire danger (15 Oct – 19 Oct) 1930
Drip torch and flapper are developed for forest-fire control 1930
Alfred Wegener, continental drift proponent, freezes to death during blizzard in Greenland (Nov) 1930
D. Priscilla Edgerton of the USDA Forest Service pub The Forest, a Handbook for Teachers 1930
CD receives 99-year easement for 320 acre site for bobsled run at Mt. van Hoevenberg c. 1930
Elm bark beetle, Scolytus multistriatus, appears in US c. 1930
Rudd, Scardinius erythropthalmus, fish native to Europe/middle Asia is found in lower Hudson R. 1930s
Bucksaw becomes popular among Adirondack loggers 1930s
The gray fox, Urocyon cinereoargenteus, recovers its Adirondack range 1930s
‘Coyote-wolf hybrids’ are collected (by whom?) in northern New York 1930s
CCC builds Lewey Lake PC on Rt. 30 between Speculator and Indian Lake village 1930s
CCC adds ponds and buildings to Clear Pond Adirondack (trout and salmon) Hatchery site 1930s
Adk Ecological Center, Huntington Forest, ESF, (current title) begins its phenological record 1930s
Bird dealers in NYC release western NA house finch as “red-headed linnet” in response to new laws 1930s
Ethyl mercury, Thimerosal, is added to vaccines as a preservative 1930s
Mall Tool Co. of Chicago develops several models of gasoline-driven chain-saw 1930s
Sheldon G. Hayes applies Barber-Green finisher to the laying of asphalt, a major advance in the Adirondacks. 1930s
Mix of sand, cinders and salt is used on icy road surfaces in the Adirondacks. 1930s
Adirondack Power and Light Co. merges with Niagara-Mohawk Power Co. 1930s
John and Mack Rust invent mechanical cotton picker beginning urbanization of black population 1930s
After the riot of 1929, Clinton Prison is reconstructed 1930-40
Severe winter strikes the Adirondacks with extensive WTD starvation and mortality 1930-31
Constitutional amendments allowing the cutting of firewood on the FP are defeated 1930-32
Donald P. and Wilhelmina Ross build ‘grand camp’ Land’s End at Upper Saranac Lake c. 1931
Vern and Lu Walter est. Ski-Hi Ranch, a dude ranch, at base of Crane Mtn, T. of Thurman 1931
Blue Line is enlarged to 5.6 million a. to include L. George, Sacandaga Res., parts of L. Champlain 1931
Golden Beach PC opens near Raquette Lake 1931
Fish Creek Pond PC with 264 sites is visited by 45,750 campers 1931
Melvil Dewey, founder of the Placid Park Club, later the Lake Placid Club, dies at age of 80 1931
Paul Schaefer and John Apperson meet for 1st time in campaign against “closed-cabin amendment” 1931
A major wheat glut occurs in the US and wheat prices fall precipitously 1931
The Lincoln (mineral) Baths of Saratoga Springs, on Rte. 9, open in the spring 1931
NYS establishes Chief Game Inspector Office to oversee inspectors and protectors 1931
AfPA promotes one-year delay in public vote on “closed-cabin amendment” 1931
Voters approve amendment for forestry of state lands outside of the Blue Line 1931
AP incr to 5.6 M acres: E to L. Champlain, S to Sacandaga Res, W to Oneida L., N beyond L. Placid 1931
A public health law is established in England for the protection of asbestos workers 1931
Vincent Schaefer proposes Long Path from George Washington Bridge to Whiteface Mt. 1931
ALC opens a new but unsuccessful fish hatchery 1931
Netting cisco for bait in Lake George has been illegal but practiced; the law will now be enforced 1931
Camp Whippoorwill for Girls is est. at Augur Lake sharing 150 a. with Camp Lincoln for Boys 1931
A.F. Buddington proposes gravitational separation as means of anorthosite formation 1931
Hunting season for WTD is reset with opening of October 26 and limit of one WTD 1931
Fritz Wiessner immigrates to US introducing German rock climbing techniques 1931
The electron microscope is invented 1931
Georgia O’Keeffe brings a barrel of bones from New Mexico to Lake George to paint them 1931
Georgia O’Keeffe paints Horse’s Skull with White Rose (painted at Lake George) 1931
Georgia O’Keeffe paints o.o.c. Skull with Calico Roses (also painted at Lake George) 1931
Citizen’s Unemployment and Relief committee is formed at Saranac Lake to help unemployed 1931
Lend-A-Hand Society is formed in Saranac Lake to help those without 1931
Graham Clarke, Cambridge U., notes stone-age deer antler tool, 36 m. depth, Lemon & Owen Bank 1931
Dam for Lake Byron (now called Lake Adirondack) is completed 1931
Clifford R. Pettis Memorial Forest is established between Ray Brook and Lake Placid 1931
A notable earthquake of magnitude 4.5 occurs at Warrensburg (20 Apr) 1931
Alister MacKenzie remodels the ‘Mountain Course’ for Golf at Lake Placid Club 1931
Tupper Lake Country Club and Golf Course is established at Tupper Lake 1931
The Wawbeek (inn) is rebuilt on the original site of the old Wawbeek Hotel 1931
Colba F. Gucker, Columbia Univ., est. Camp Whippoorwill (for girls), Augur Lake 1931
Minerva Lake Dam (203-0915) is built or reconditioned 1931
Jennings Park Pond dam (126-0930) is built or reconditioned 1931
Ireland Vly Dam (188-0918) is built or reconditioned 1931
Dam is built to create Raquette Lake Reservoir for drinking water 1931
Iron bridge on Boquet River, Whallonsburg, slips off abutments and falls four feet (21 May) 1931
Paramount Films produces a film based on Theodore Dreiser’s An American Tragedy 1931
Ernest S. Griffith hikes 11 Adk High Peaks (24 mi., 10,720 ft of elev.) in 13 hrs 5 min (20 Aug) 1931
Gov. Franklin D. Roosevelt appoints Henry Morgenthau, Jr. commissioner of CD 1931
Gov. Roosevelt expands Adk Pk. to include L. George, Sacandaga Res., parts of L. Champlain 1931
Dam is built on Sandy Crk est. Long Lake Reservoir as public water supply for hamlet of Long Lake 1931
The Big Moose Chapel is rebuilt and rededicated as nondenominational 1931
North Creek American Legion volunteers cut ski trails on Gore Mountain 1931
New York Central Lines abandons its Hinckley Branch 1931
DC pub ‘blue-line’ Map of the Adirondacks, 31” height by 31” width 1931
Stephen Pell founds non-profit Fort Ticonderoga Assoc. with Stephan Hyatt Pelham as 1st pres. 1931
Challenger biplane hits tree while landing on makeshift runway near Ticonderoga, 3 hurt (6 Sep) 1931
Earl Covey builds, of local granite, Big Moose Community Chapel at Big Moose Lake 1931
Albert Leo-Wolf pilots a three-seat Fleet biplane for CD fire patrol and observation 1931
Hewitt (silviculture) Amend passes 778,192 to 554,55 allowing CD to buy land outside Park (3 Nov) 1931
Charles Martin and Otis King drive dogsleds to the top of Whiteface Mountain 1931
Butenandt isolates male sex hormone androsterone, and defines it structure 1931
CD pub A Biological Survey of the St. Lawrence Watershed 1931
Wallace Hume Carothers (1896-1937), American, using diamines/dicarboxylic acids creates nylon 1931
Auguste Picard (1884-1962), Swiss, ascends 10 mi into stratosphere in sealed aluminum gondola 1931
GM Frigidaire Div. markets its Freon gas (dichlorodifluoromethane, CFC R-12) for refrigeration 1931
Some one million household refrigerators are manufactured this year in the US 1931
Construction of Whiteface Mountain (4,865’ el) Memorial Highway begins (25 Dec) 1931
NYS purchases the Meacham Lake Hotel lands 1931-32
Governor F. D. Roosevelt closes state forests because of fire danger (25-27 May) 1932
Dow Jones Industrial Average (of the US stock market) falls to record low of 41.28 (8 Jul) 1932
White Scar Slide on Kilburn Mt. in the Sentinel Range results from a severe thunderstorm (Aug) 1932
Major flow of 20,300 cfs occurs on Hudson R. at North Creek (7 Oct) 1932
AfPA chairs statewide committee to counter Closed-Cabin Amendment, aka Recreation Amendment 1932
Closed-Cabin Amendment is defeated in a public vote - 623,542 yes, 1,326,599 no 1932
The NY special game protective force is reduced and qualifications are changed 1932
Variable-leaf milfoil, Myriophyllum heterophyllum, native to SE US, is found at Bridgeport, CT 1932
CD pub A Biological Survey of the Oswegatchie and Black R. Systems 1932
CD purchases a plane equipped with a two-way radio for fire patrol and observation 1932
Godfrey Dewey, son of Melvil Dewey, presides over the Third Winter Games Committee 1932
Chisso Corporation begins discharge of mercury contaminated effluent into Minamata Bay, Japan 1932
Fred Kelsey of both ADK and LPC est. the Adirondak Loj Corp. and leases Adirondak Loj 1932
Bob Marshall sets out at 3:30 AM to see how many Adk peaks he can climb in one day. (15 Jul) 1932
Paul Schaefer and Bob Marshall meet by chance on the top of Mount Marcy (15 Jul) 1932
Bob Marshall hikes 14 Adirondack High Peaks all in one day 1932

We simply must band together—all of us who love the wilderness. We must fight together—wherever and whenever wilderness is attacked. We must mobilize all of our resources, all of our energies, all of our devotion to the wilderness. To fail to do this is to permit the American wilderness to be destroyed.

Bob Marshall to Paul Schaefer on summit of Mount Marcy, 15 July 1932

Vincent J. Schaefer et al. found Schenectady Wintersports Club with V.J. Schaefer as president 1932
A rum runner is shot and his load of beer hijacked on Blue Mtn. Rd. near St. Regis Falls (25 Jun) 1932
Henry Smith begins bus line between Tupper Lake and Potsdam, making one round trip daily 1932
Spellman Oliver Co. begins laying Portland cement concrete for Malone-Chateaugay Highway 1932
Mrs. John Corey, Vermontville, loses 107 chickens, killed by a marauding dog (15 Jul) 1932
Stocking of Adirondack Lakes with yellow perch ends with some 200,000 fish introduced 1932
Mayor’s Relief Committee begins serving free soup to schoolchildren at Tupper Lake (Jan) 1932
LeRoy Wheeler of Dickinson Center is the youngest registered guide in New York State 1932
III Olympic Winter Games are held in Lake Placid 1932
Gov. Franklin Delano Roosevelt opens III Olympic Winter Games at Lake Placid (4 Feb) 1932
Schenectady Wintersports Club members volunteer to help with III Olympic Winter Games 1932
Jack Shea of Lake Placid administers Olympic oath to 252 athletes 1932
Major thaw ruins bobsled run, skating rink, XC trails and ski jumps at Lake Placid 1932
Cold weather and heroic efforts including imported snow from Ontario salvage Olympic venues 1932
Two are critically injured as Germans crash two 4-man bobsleds in Olympic practice 1932
Officials stop 2nd heat of Olympic 1,500-meter speedskate race due to “loafing” and restart race 1932
Jack Shea of Lake Placid wins gold medals in 1,500- and 500-meter speedskating 1932
Irving Langmuir, GE, ‘student of Lake George’, wins Nobel Prize for his work on surface chemistry 1932
Rule change in 10,000-meter Olympic speedskate race causes widespread protests and a rerun 1932
Irving Jaffee wins gold medals in 5,000 and 10,000 meter Olympic speedskating 1932
Canadian women win one gold and two silver medals in Olympic speedskating demonstration 1932
Eleanor Roosevelt takes a bobsled ride on Mt. van Hoevenberg (4 Feb) 1932
Saranac Lake Curling Club wins Gordon International Medal (6 Feb) 1932
Billy Fiske, Eddy Eagen et al. win 4-man bobsled race at Lake Placid (15 Feb) 1932
Olympic bobsled race attendance reaches 14,000 1932
J. Hulbert Stevens and Curtis Stevens of L. Placid win gold medal for US in 2-man bobsled race 1932
Sonja Henie captivates audience and wins Olympic figure skating gold medal 1932
Canada is declared winner over US in hockey after three scoreless overtime periods 1932
Int’l Skating Union bans N.A. rules in L. Placid post-Olympic races and Shea and Jaffe opt out 1932
Irving Jaffee, in financial crisis, pawns his two Olympic gold medals 1932
E. Blanchard & L. Turner, running trap lines, are accosted by a ‘wild man’ near Indian Lake 1932
‘Wild man of the Adirondacks’ is shot, killed by state police, forest ranger posse (4 Mar) 1932
Coroner’s inquest justifies killing of ‘wild man of the Adirondacks’, a negro of unknown origin 1932
Chap 273, NYS Laws, transfers bobsled run & facilities, T. of N. Elba, from LPC to CD (18 Mar) 1932
NYC police arrest 5 men in NYC after seizure of narcotics at Clinton Prison, Dannemora 1932
CCCs rebuild dam at Duck Hole on the Cold River 1932
E. Stanton pub “Report on Cause and Effect of Abnormally High and Low Water in L. George” 1932
Oval Dish Corp. cuts 6 million feet of hardwood on Bay Pond and Everton tracts to employ 300 1932
Jeanne Robert Foster leaves NYC to est. home in Schenectady and to work at Housing Authority 1932

Earlier, at 1762 Albany Street she helped her parents establish a Schenectady home in 1901.

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AuSable Club (AMR) sells their Adirondack lands to NYS 1932
A Bureau of Game is now incorporated within the CC 1932
New York Central Lines abandons Old Forge Branch and ends service on Raquette L. Branch 1932
Chateaugay Field Station is upgraded to the Chateaugay Fish Hatchery 1932
Plattsburgh Common Council defeats effort to implement Daylight Savings Time by a 4-2 vote 1932
Saranac Lake village board adopts Daylight Savings Time by one vote (18 Jun) 1932
Voters in Saranac Lake ratify referendum in favor of DST by one vote (21 Jun) 1932

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Saranac L. Chamber of Commerce declines to enact referendum on DST (Jun) 1932
Lake Placid and T. of N. Elba stay on standard time to be consistent with Saranac Lake (Jun) 1932
Intercollegiate Outing Club Association is formed (6 May) 1932
Kunjamuk Creek Dam, a.k.a. Kunjamuk Lake Dam (170-0942) is built/reconditioned 1932
Archer Milton Huntington and Anna Hyatt Huntington Wildlife Forest, Newcomb, is est. 1932
Huntington Research Station is founded at Huntington Wildlife Forest, Newcomb, Essex Co. 1932
A heavy snowstorm blankets the northern Adirondacks (24 Sep) 1932
Lands basic to formation of the Pepperbox WA, NW of Stillwater Res., are added to the FP 1932
Roads of Avery Island, Louisiana, and Ithaca, NY, are stabilized using salt 1932
Saranac Lake STP, Saranac village, Essex Co., is built releasing product to the Saranac River 1932
Saranac Lake residents receive 20% reduction in cost of illuminating gas (15 Oct) 1932
Fire razes five businesses and apartments on Aaron Cautin block of Elizabethtown (17 Dec) 1932
Saranac Laboratory begins industrial dust field studies as experimental research funding dries up 1932
W. O. Hicks is caught with 100 gal. of alcohol in his car and is charged with violating Volstead Act 1932
Prospect Mountain House Hotel is destroyed by fire and is replaced with a steel fire tower 1932
CD aircraft patrols begin aerial detection of forest fires using Fleet biplanes 1932
The Lake Placid Club, in a cost cutting move, closes Adirondak Loj 1932
Frederick Kelsey leases the Adirondak Loj and opens it to the public 1932
Clinton County has 12,000 registered automobile drivers 1932
Beech bark disease (vector Cryptococcus fagisuga, pathogen Nectria spp.) appears in Maine 1932
A 14 mile-long expressway is built along the Rhine River in Germany 1932
The Thorne Co. markets the window air conditioner 1932
Robert Hall, under influence Great Depression, joins Communist Party, edits The Student Review c. 1932
International Polar Year is second major coordinated worldwide effort in physical sciences 1932-33
V. Schaefer, C. Guy Suits, Hosmer Norris arrange snow trains from Schenectady to North Creek 1933
Snow trains (D&H RR) are cancelled 7 weeks in a row for lack of snow in North Creek (Jan-Mar) 1933
President Franklin D. Roosevelt establishes the Civilian Conservation Corps (4 Apr) 1933
Voters in Village of Tupper Lake reject referendum on DST; most opposition is in Faust (29 Apr) 1933

According to the Ticonderoga Sentinel, many communities in NYS have adopted daylight saving time. Of the major cities, only Rochester, Syracuse, Watertown, Binghamton, Elmira, Oswego, Corning and Ogdensburg remain on standard time. Glens Falls, Whitehall and “other cities and villages in that area (Washington County) have adopted daylight saving,” but all other communities in Clinton and Essex Counties are on standard time.

“Many communities in state have adopted daylight saving time,” Ticonderoga Sentinel, 4 May 1933, p. 1.

Cobton Corners CCC Camp “P-83” opens in the Adirondacks (15 May) 1933
Camp Roosevelt CCC cadre is enlisted for work in George Washington NF (10 Apr) 1933
100 men quell stubborn 75-acre fire of pine, birch and balsam at Little Square Pond (12 May) 1933
The last train leaves Raquette Lake station (30 Sep) 1933
CCCs establish Camp S-59 (tents) on 4.4 a. in Town of Lake Pleasant (12 Jun) 1933
Village of Saranac Lake goes on Daylight Saving Time, a.k.a. ‘fast time’ (25 Jun) 1933
Soil Erosion Service is created in US Department of Interior with H. H. Bennett is director (Sep) 1933
Riverside Inn, Saranac Lake village closes (11 Sep) 1933
CCC chief Robert Young Stuart dies in fall from his office window (23 Oct) 1933
Mirror Lake is covered with ice (16 Nov) 1933
The sky over Albany is darkened with the dust of the Great Plains wind storms (Nov) 1933
CD Comm. Osborne sends game protectors to Owl’s Head, NY, to eradicate a ‘wolf pack’ (Dec) 1933
Number of Adirondack lumber camps falls to 20 from some 150 working in the 1920s.

IP closes its mill at Piercefield Falls on the Raquette River.

Making a deal with Halsey Page, A.A. (Dad) Kunz relocates Deerfoot Lodge to Whitaker Lake.

Foreclosure sale at Witherbee Sherman & Co. iron mines is held.

NYS DOS charters L. George Transportation Co. to take over D&H RR steamboats (28 Apr).

Agriculture commissioner C. H. Baldwin advises destruction of NY apple orchards to reduce glut.

The NYS constitution is amended to construct the Indian Lake-Speculator road on FP.

Meadowbrook PC opens 4 miles west of Lake Placid on Rt. 86.

Civilian Conservation Corps is authorized to work in the Adirondacks.

Delmar Game Farm, New Scotland, Albany Co. is est. on 1 a. of land costing $150 (25 Feb).

Annual fisher harvest for Adirondack region falls to 31 animals.

Lake Durant Dam (169-0979) is built or reconditioned.

Joseph F. Grady pub *The Adirondacks: Fulton Chain-Big Moose Region*.

Alice and John Scott acquire Up Yonda (farm) at Lake George near Bolton Landing.

John Case and Betty Woolsey make a roped ascent of the Wallface cliffs.

Three young Plattsburgh climbers are rescued after 31-hrs on 2 ft ledge, Wallface cliff (30 Aug).

NY Conservation Council founds an alliance of anglers and hunters.

William Avery Rockefeller est. Camp Wonundra, later The Point, on Upper Saranac L.

APFA does not contest the construction of the Speculator-Indian Lake road.

NYS Constitution is amended to allow Speculator-Indian Lake road.

J.T. Thorndyke opens a wollastonite mine in California to make mineral wool; it fails within a year.

Route 28 opens to eventually connect Warrensburg, Blue Mt. Lake, and Old Forge.

New York Central Lines abandons Raquette Lake Branch.

Tahawus Club lease for use of Tahawus lands expires and the Tahawus Club disbands.

Hamlet of Derrick has shrunk to only 3 or 4 families after sawmill closure.

Mabel Douglass, founder New Jersey College for Women, is lost at Lake Placid while canoeing.

PSC accepts petition of RR and steamboat serving Raquette Lake to close.


Lake George shoreowners (150) appeal to Gov. Lehman for Lake George water level regulation.

Proctor & Gamble Co. of Cincinnati, Ohio, produces a synthetic detergent.

NYS Penal Law protects ten flowering plants and all ferns on public land.

GE develops high-pressure mercury lamps for road lighting – thus illuminating some Adk streets.

Prohibition ends with the repeal of the Volstead Act.

FDR extends the Blue Line to include Lake George.

The number of Atlantic Ocean storms peaks at 21.


Mariette Anne LaBastille is born of Ferdinand and Irma LaBastille in Montclair, NJ (20 Nov).

Tillamook forest fires burn 250,000 acres of virgin conifer forest in Oregon.

Alpina Dam, a.k.a. Lake Bonaparte Dam (111-4666) is built or reconditioned.

Hadlock Pond Dam (233-1098) is raised to allow enlargement of the reservoir.

Gov. Herbert H. Lehman appoints Lithgow Osborne commissioner of the CD.

NYS Delmar Experimental Game Farm and Zoo is established in Delmar.

NYS AG finds that roads built in fire suppression do not violate constitutional protection of FP.

NYS Conservation Council is founded, with special interest in oversight of legislative actions.

A northern cardinal Cardinal is seen at Wadhams Park.

Aldo Leopold pub a text book dealing with game management.

Aldo Leopold joins faculty of University of Wisconsin and starts game management program.

The Tennessee Valley Authority is established.
Bob Marshall writes recreation section of National Plan for American Forestry 1933
CD pub A Biological Survey of the Upper Hudson Watershed 1933
L.U. Gardner et al. deduce protective action of inhaled coal dust against tuberculosis 1933
D.E. Cummings, Saranac Laboratory, is stopped from pub silicosis study by industry objections c. 1933
D.E. Cummings, Saranac Laboratory, conceives the Threshold Limit Value (TLV) c. 1933
U.S. unemployment rate reaches 25 percent with 15 million out of work 1933-34
Wages and work hours are cut for 25 percent of U.S. workers 1933-34
Bob Marshall serves as Chief of Forestry, US Bureau of Indian affairs 1933-37
NYS AG opinion is ski trails on FP not requiring tree removal to any material degree are ok (18 Jan) 1934
NYS experiences a bitterly cold winter with Long Island Sound freezing over (Feb) 1934
Paul and Carolyn Schaefer complete construction of home on St. David’s Lane, Niskayuna (Feb) 1934
Marion Clark wins the junior AAU bobsledding championship at Lake Placid (Feb) 1934
Inaugural snow train (D&H RR) departing Schenectady arrives at North Creek (4 Mar) 1934
John Bird Burnham promotes passage of the federal “Duck Stamp Act” (16 Mar) 1934
Ayerst, McKenna & Harrison Ltd. est. manufacturing & distribution site at Rouses Point (Mar) 1934
Old Bed Mine at Mineville reopens putting 400 workers back to work (6 Apr) 1934
An earthquake of magnitude 4.5 occurs at Dannemora (15 Apr) 1934
Global record wind speed of 231 mph is measured at top (6,288’) of Mt. Washington, NH (Apr) 1934
Pres. Franklin Delano Roosevelt proclaims annual federal Columbus Day as October 12, 1934 (Apr) 1934
Air temperature at Stillwater Reservoir, NY, falls to record breaking minus 52 °F 1934
Russian ecologist G. F. Gause proposes that two species cannot occupy the same ecological niche 1934
L. U. Gardner hosts Saranac Laboratory’s First Symposium on Silicosis 1934
Irving Langmuir is awarded Franklin Medal for chemistry work by Franklin Institute, Philadelphia 1934
Northwood School, Lake Placid, is chartered by NYS Board of Regents 1934
Orra Phelps and the ADK publish Guide to Adirondack Trails 1934
Carl Schaefer establishes a ski tow and ski school (1st in NY) on Gore Mountain, North Creek 1934
Paul Schaefer and Carolyn Keseberg, a vigorous outdoor woman, are married 1934
Paul Schaefer acquires land on St. David’s Lane, Niskayuna, Schenectady, from Henry G. Reist 1934
Indian Reorganization Act becomes law 1934
CD pub A Biological Survey of the Raquette Watershed 1934
Georgia O’Keeffe ends her ‘Lake George Period’, begun in 1918, resulting in some 200 works 1934
Setting Pole Rapids Dam, a.k.a. Raquette Pond Dam (153-0987) is built or reconditioned 1934
President Roosevelt appoints Jay N. Darling head of the US Biological Survey, later USFWS 1934
Cumberland Head Lighthouse is relocated yet again to site with steel tower and acetylene light 1934
W. Steenken, Jr., et al. find virulent and non-virulent TB bacilli strains at Trudeau Laboratory 1934
W. Steenken, Jr., stores TB strains H37Rv and H37Ra at Trudeau Laboratory for researchers 1934
Butenandt isolates key hormone of pregnancy, progesterone; to receive 1949 Nobel Prize 1934
A dam is built on Tupper Lake 1934
International Bobsled Federation (FIBT) est. one-mile standard for all bobsled tracks 1934
Upper half mile of Olympic Bobsled Run, Mt. van Hoevenberg, is closed to conform to FIBT rules 1934
Ticonderoga is one of very few places in the Adirondacks remaining on standard time. It would appear that the majority of persons residing in the village proper are in favor of swinging into line with other cities and towns and adopting the new time, but residents on the outskirts of the village are heartily opposed to the change. In towns surrounding Ticonderoga, the new time has been put into effect, summer residents are accustomed to it, and perforce this community to them is backward and “hickish” in its stubbornness. In other words, it is literally “behind the times.”


Village of Tupper Lake adopts Daylight Saving Time “for 1st time in eight years” (11 May) 1934
Village of Ticonderoga goes on DST, but Ticonderoga Pulp & Paper Co. stays on standard time 1934
CCC begins the Saranac Lake Islands PC 1934
CCC builds the Meacham Lake PC 1934
CCC starts barracks, 4.4 a. site, T. of Lake Pleasant est. Camp S-90, “Camp Sacandaga” (11 May) 1934
A severe forest fire occurs at Bay Pond near Paul Smith’s (May-Jun) 1934
U.S. Weather Bureau establishes the Air Mass Analysis Section 1934
Gov. H. H. Lehman closes NYS forests because of fire danger (1-7 Jun) 1934
Intense summer drought strikes the Adirondacks 1934
The United States experiences the worst drought of record 1934
Whiteface Mountain Veteran’s Memorial Highway opens (20 Jul) 1935
George E. Inman and team, GE Nela Park, Ohio, develop the fluorescent lamp 1934
Raccoons (Procyon lotor) released in Germany to ‘enrich the local fauna’ multiply across Europe 1934
Researchers initiate search for controls against alfalfa snout beetle, Otiorhynchus ligustica 1934
G. Reis & A. Bowers aboard El Lagarto win Lake George Gold Cup powerboat races (Sep) 1934
NYS ADA declares that IP does not have the right to use Lake George as a “mill pond” 1934
Water chestnut is now estimated to cover up to 486 acres of the Mohawk R. 1934
Commercial breeders release 44,000 pheasants and more than 10,000 ducks in NY 1934
Robert C. Pruyn, Albany, founder of Camp Santanoni, one of the “great Camps” dies (29 Oct) 1934
NYS AG renders opinion that dead FP timber can be used for fuel at public campsites (30 Oct) 1934
John Apperson, Irving Langmuir et al. incorporate the Forest Preserve Association of NYS 1934
John Apperson pub (c. 23,000 cc.) “Tragic Truth About Erosion”, pamphlet on soil erosion 1934
R. Marshall, B. MacKaye, H. Broom, B. Frank est. Wilderness Society in ‘roadside decision’ (Oct) 1934
American Airlines Curtiss Condor crashes on Wilder Mt., 28 Dec; all 4 rescued (28-31 Dec) 1934

American Airlines Flight 166, a twin-motored Curtiss-Condor air mail plane from Syracuse to Albany went down in a snowstorm on Friday at dusk due to icing on the wings and engine trouble. Searchers spent two days looking before finding the wreckage on the northerly slopes of Wilder Mountain, Hamilton County. The crash victims were forced to survive more than 30 hours at temperatures ranging down to -28 F with no food (save a few chocolate bars), no water and scant shelter, with only a small fire, while searchers looked for them. No one knew they were situated only a mile and a half from the ghost town of California, NY, and a dirt road that would have saved rescuers many hours of arduous labor to rescue them earlier. Fortunately, all survived, but some with serious frostbite injuries.

Reports from newspaper articles of the time

Severe winter takes a heavy toll of apple trees in Chazy area of Clinton Co. 1934-35
Bob Marshall et al. formalize the founding of The Wilderness Society at the Cosmos Club, NYC 1935
Bob Marshall on founding of The Wilderness Society provides much of its financial support 1935

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Sale of native cottontail, varying hare, lake trout and muskellunge is prohibited in NY 1935
CD releases a pair of beavers on lands of Dorothy and Al Richards, Dolgeville 1935
CD pub A Biological Survey of the Mohawk-Hudson Watershed 1935
NYS AG opinion is making scenic views without cutting trees to any material degree is ok (17 Jan) 1935
Eighth Lake Campground at Inlet, formerly W. Webb land, opens 1935
New York Central Lines becomes the New York Central System 1935
Fish Creek Public Campsite is enlarged by the CCC 1935
U.S. Army conducts maneuvers with 35,000 troops at Pine Plains and vicinity 1935
US War Department acquires 9,000 additional acres at Pine Plains (Pine Camp Mil. Res.) 1935
Charles Francis Richter (1900-1985), American, est “Richter Scale” to measure earthquake intensity 1935
Barber Point Lighthouse, Essex Co., is replaced by an unmanned light 1935
The Public Utility Act is established to regulate general practices of public utilities 1935
American gunboat Philadelphia is salvaged at Valcour I. for display at Smithsonian Institution 1935
Gov. Lehman declares ‘Conservation Week’ to celebrate 50 years of Adk Forest Preserve (1 Apr) 1935
Joe Frieber hires David Bines to produce first-class stage shows at Scaroon Manor 1935
Northern Tissue invents splinter-free toilet paper 1935
A major dust storm devastates the Great Plains (14 April) 1935
The US Soil Conservation Service is established in the US Department of Agriculture (27 Apr) 1935
Village of Ticonderoga and Ticonderoga Pulp & Paper Co. go on DST (28 Apr) 1935
Lake Placid Village Board of Trustees postpones DST until end of school year (12 May) 1935
Village of Tupper Lake stays on standard time; CCC Camp 15 at Cross Clearing goes on DST 1935
Tyler Merwin sells Blue Mountain House (an inn) to William L. Wessels 1935
Joseph P. Pollia’s sculpture of abolitionist John Brown is unveiled at his farm site, N. Elba (9 May) 1935
Pres. F.D. Roosevelt establishes the Rural Electrification Administration (11 May) 1935
New York State Planning Board advocates cutting FP timber for WTD browse 1935
John Apperson urges CD Comm. Lithgow Osborne to add Dome Island, Lake George, to FP 1935
James A. Goodwin climbs the Golden Trap Dike in winter 1935
Robert J. Linney of Lyon Mt., NY, invents the flexible 4-man bobsled 1935
James N. Rosenberg and John D. Shattuck give 33.09 a. of land in strips along Boquet R. (10 Jun) 1935
Homer D. House pub Wild Flowers, a revision of his 1918 flora 1935
Hough Peak (4,400 ft.), Essex Co., is named in honor of Franklin B. Hough and 50th year of FP c.1935
Dam at 34th Flow, now Lake Durant, is built by the CCC 1935
Herbert S. Kales paints his watercolor McIntrye Iron Works 1935
State Planning Board proposes habitat management for WTD and other wildlife in FP 1935
Gurth Whipple pub Fifty Years of Conservation in New York State 1935
Social Security Act provides income for retirees, excluding farm workers and domestic servants 1935
The Wilderness Society begins publication of The Living Wilderness 1935
Riverside Inn, Saranac Lake village is dismantled 1935
Eastman Kodak Co. begins commercial production of Kodachrome film for 35 mm color slides 1935
Wagner Act grants unions power of collective bargaining and right to exclude non-whites 1935
Haudenosaunee reject U.S. Indian Reorganization Act requiring dissolution of traditional gov’ts 1935
A glacial erratic called “Sunday Rock” is saved by the Sunday Rock Association 1935
ACA and National Conf. for City Planning merge to form American Planning and Civic Assoc. 1935
Frederick M. Jones produces an automatic refrigeration system for long-haul trucks 1935
Pres. Franklin D. Roosevelt dedicates Whiteface Memorial Highway to WWI veterans (14 Sep) 1935
Pres. Franklin D. Roosevelt attends 50th anniversary celebration of the Adk FP at L. Placid (14 Sep) 1935
G. Reis & A. Bowers aboard El Lagarto win Lake George Gold Cup powerboat races (Sep) 1935
Paul Schaefer, age 17, harvests his first WTD buck, a rite of passage (the rack surviving at the KAC) 1935
Over eight million household refrigerators using dichlorodifluoromethane (CFC R-12) are sold.


NYS voters reject the Hewitt “Tree Cutting” Amendment thus retaining Art. VII, Sec. 7.

NYS Planning Board suggests 75% state ownership goal for Adirondack park.


Charles F. Richter, American seismologist, proposes standard for measurement of earthquakes.

NYS Maple Association, meeting in Gouverneur, proposes 4 grades of maple syrup.

Long Lake Volunteer Fire Department, Hamilton Co., is incorporated (19 Dec).


L.U. Gardner hosts Saranac Laboratory’s Second Symposium on Silicosis.

Monsanto Industrial Chemical Co. buys Swann Chemical Co. and markets PCBs as Arochlor.

Trucks are used to haul logs out of the Everton and Meacham tracts of the Adirondacks.

Donald P. Ross buys 26,000 acres of former Rockefeller estates to create Ross Park, fut. Brandon Park.

E. Higgins and B. Burns establish ski tows in the vicinity of Gore Mt.

CD engages the CCC to build/upgrade roads, fire trails and campsites in the FP.


VIS hires Philip G. Wolff to design / develop Riverside Park on lands of former Riverside Inn.

Ernest R. Ryder and Edward Hudowalski climb their 46th peak, Dix Mountain.

H.L. Malcolm, Lake Placid Club, hikes 17 High Peaks in 24 hours, an ascent of 25,551 feet.

The National Wildlife Federation is founded.


James A. Goodwin and Bob Notman climb the Chapel Pond Slabs in winter.

Kate Smith and Ted Collins of Kated Corp. purchase a home on Lake Placid.

National Variety Artists Lodge is renamed Will Rogers Hospital, Saranac Lake.

Saranac Lake Village buys land occupied by former Riverside Inn after it had been razed.

Albert and Elsa Einstein spend the summer (sailing, etc.) at Saranac Lake.

Asbestos companies hire animal studies at Saranac Laboratory, but keep right to control results.

Mastodon remains found Hillsborough, New Brunswick, are associated with woody dung balls.

Record breaking 18-pound bullhead is caught in Lake George.

Johnson Pulp Mill west of St. Regis Falls closes.

Bobsled pilots shatter single heat German course record 4 times; competition is called off (21 Feb).

I. Brown and A. Washbond, of Keene Valley, win Olympic gold in two-man bobsled, Germany.

Maximum recorded discharge occurs at several Hudson R. stations (18 Mar).

Hadley SD #1, T. of Hadley, Saratoga Co., is established releasing product to the groundwater.

A closed season is declared in NY for fisher, otter and pine marten.

J. Apperson, T.F. Malone et al. founded the New York State Trails Conference, Inc. (16 May).

The village of Lake George installs a waste-water treatment plant.

Village of Tupper Lake goes on DST (22 Jun).

Niagara Hudson Power Corp. and subsidiaries provide fishing rights on 65 mi. of SW Adk rivers.

CD barters CCC stream improvement for fishing rights on 38 mi. of Oswegatchie River.

Charles “Lucky” Luciano (aka Salvatore Lucania) begins prison term at Clinton Prison (2 Jul).

Henry Billings completes mural at the new post office of Lake Placid.

Wells Volunteer Fire Company, Wells, NY, is established.

Inlet Volunteer Hose Company enters into contract with Town of Inlet for fire protection (25 Jul).

Finch, Pruyn & Co. rebuilds Boreas Pond dam with log cribs.

Chapter 807, NYS Laws, allow construction of elevator at the summit of Whiteface Mtn.

Children demonstrate for better work conditions at Mineville and Witherbee.

Major flood on the Mohawk R. occurs in Schenectady (130,000 cfs, 17.5’stage).

American College of Surgeons lists GHSL as a first-class hospital.
CCC restores the 125-foot long dam at the Duck Hole on the Cold River
Northeastern US experiences a record breaking cold winter
USDI ends predator control program in national parks
BLMI hires L.U. Gardner of Saranac Lab. to run animal studies on health impacts of asbestos

During these studies (which ran for several years), Gardner discovered three salient facts about asbestos: 1. Asbestos caused cancer in the animals without first producing fibrosis, 2. The guideline that had been tentatively implemented to protect workers from asbestosis was too high, 3. The guideline had been designed to measure the wrong thing (total dust and not fibers). (Gardner had determined that it was the fibers, not the chemical composition that caused disease.)

Village of Boonville completes initial section of a municipal sanitary sewer system
Fire destroys American Glue Company’s mill at its North River garnet mine on Casey Mtn (27 Oct)
CD reconditions the van Hoevenberg hiking trail as the Marcy Ski Trail
J. Armand Bombardier markets the Model B7 Snowcat
Jack Shea, speedskater, at top of his game, boycotts IV Winter Olympic Games, Germany
127 rattlesnakes are killed in Warren County with a bounty of $2.50 per snake
*Troy Record* announces establishment of the “Forty-Sixers of Troy, New York”
Homer Schantz becomes first director of FS wildlife management
J&J Rogers Pulp Mill Dam, aka Rome Dam, W. Branch, Ausable R., near Ausable Forks rebuilt
A.E. Douglass pub Vol. 3 of *Climate Cycles and Tree Growth*, coining word “dendrochronology”
Augustus Houghton serves as president of AfPA
Phelps Smith, son of Paul Smith, wills land to est. a college named after his father (Jan)
Blue Mountain Lake Volunteer Fire Department is established (3 May)
Charles L. Pack (b. 7 May 1857) dies NYC, buried among white pine Pack Forest, W’burg (14 Jun)
J. Armand Bombardier patents major drive components for modern snowmobile (29 Jun)
CD begins a formal program of ski trail construction on FP land
A draft horse drags a generator to the top of Mt. Marcy for centennial radio broadcast
The West Nile virus is detected in West Nile district of Uganda, Africa
C. Howard est. Tail O’ the Pup, roadside stand w/ red hots, burgers & steak sandwiches, Ray Brook
Chazy Orchards builds modern cold-storage shed with capacity of 100,000 standard apple boxes
Hammond Mill, St. Regis Falls, closes
Cascade Woods Product Co., St. Regis Falls, closes
“The Ole Time” Woodsman’s Liquid Fly Dope becomes available as insect repellent
CD replaces the old ranger’s cabin at Lake Colden, to John Apperson’s consternation
Noted painter Rockwell Kent writes to O. B. Brewster disapproving of PSC founding (9 Jul)
‘Marihuana Transfer Tax Act’ is passed placing tax on sale of cannabis, hemp & marijuana (2 Aug)
Boulder Greens Dude Ranch, (fut.) Sun Canyon Ranch, is est. in T. of Stony Creek, Warren Co
NYS Board of Regents grants charter est. Paul Smith’s College of Arts and Sciences (15 Oct)
PSC charter signers meet at Paul Smith’s Cottage, old hotel grounds, to adopt by-laws (11 Dec)
O.B. Brewster is elected president of the PSC board, 13 board members attending (11 Dec)
Horace H. Lamberton chairs 1st and long meeting of (inept) PSC Planning Committee (31 Dec)
A PSC board faction emerges opposing the idea of establishing the college
Grace Hudowalski, at age of 31, becomes 1st woman (9th overall) to climb the 46 High Peaks
Igor Sikorsky builds a helicopter and many lives are eventually saved in the Adirondacks
Resistance emerges on the naming of Adirondack peaks for prominent Jews
Middle Dix Peak is renamed Hough Mountain in honor of Franklin B. Hough, but see 1935
Joseph P. Knapp et al. found Ducks Unlimited to preserve the wetlands of Canada
Koert Burnham rediscovers wollastonite at Fox Hill, a family site, near Willsboro
Koert Burnham starts wollastonite research to learn its properties and if it has commercial value
P. Drinker reports on dust concentrations and their measurement at Third Symposium on Silicosis
Harvard School of Public Health holds symposium on systemic health effects of PCBs
F. R. Kaimer of GE pub an article reporting on acne in GE workers linked to PCBs
Florence (Mom) Kunz est. Kariwiyo Lodge, a Christian summer camp for girls, at Sabael
Rouses Point Bridge, built of granite block from old Fort Montgomery, opens
Max Theiler. (1899-1972), South African born, dev safe and effective vaccine for yellow fever
Marcella Sembrich Opera Museum is established at Bolton Landing, Lake George
D&H RR Co. decommissions the sidewheel steam boat Sagamore
New York Central System (railroad) abandons its Ottawa Division from Tupper Lake to Helena
Comm. L. Osborne claims ADK “obsessed with the groundless fear” of new trails
Dairy farmers of the Dairy Farmers Union strike for better prices
Jay N. Darling oversees passage Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act (Pittman-Robertson)
CC est. open season for beaver depending on reported damage
Lake Flower Dam (183-1107) is built or reconditioned
Rondaxe Lake Dam (139-1130) is built or reconditioned
US post office opens at Ticonderoga with a mural by Frederick Massa
Long Pond Dam (091-1112) is built or reconditioned
Appalachian National Scenic Trail, ‘Appalachian Trail’, c. 2,200 mi long, is completed
Mosher Pond Dam (081-1076) is built or reconditioned
T. Wilmington replaces wooden dam on West Branch Au Sable River at Lake Everest with concrete
Grace Hudowalski climbs Mt. Esther, completing ascent of all Adk peaks over 4,000 ft. (26 Aug)
NY & Ottawa RR ends service to Tupper L. and removes trackage
Indian L. SD #1 and STP, T. of Indian Lake, Hamilton Co. are est. releasing product to Cedar R.
Indian Bureau of the US Dept. Interior est. 16 federal roadless reservation tracts, 4.8 million acres
Glens Falls Hospital raises $500,000 to construct its South Wing containing 200 new beds
Some six million household refrigerators are manufactured in the US
Bob Marshall becomes chief of USFS Division of Recreation and Lands
Bob Marshall serves as Head of Recreation Management, USFS
Bob Marshall writes the USFS “U Regulations” increasing wilderness protection
Bob Marshall fosters access to for lower income groups to NF
Severe flooding of Mohawk River destroys carpet mill in Amsterdam (Feb)
Nobel Laureate Irving Langmuir shows that the deer fly cannot fly 800 mph; more likely 25 mph
Irving Langmuir corrects deer-fly-speed record, Science: 25 mph rather than 800! (Mar)
Tupper Lake voters defeat referendum authorizing support of Chamber of Commerce (15 Mar)
Westport Chamber of Commerce proposes that all Essex Co. towns and villages go on DST (1 Apr)
CD opens Wright Peak Ski Trail on the FP
The first ski trail is cut at the Mount Whitney ski area.
A radio broadcast is made from the summit of Mt. Marcy
Man-made 34 Flow is rechristened Lake Durant by Durant’s widow
Alphonzo Goff (M.D.) carries airmail from Keene Valley to Albany
High temperatures and snow-melt cause flooding of the Black River Valley
Aubrey (Bucky) Wells, Keene, wins 5 four-man bobsled championships at Mt. van Hoevenberg
Pres. Franklin Delano Roosevelt proposes a national highway system
Insect repellent, Rutgers 612 (ethyl hexanediol), becomes commercially available
68 rattlesnakes are killed in Warren County
GE markets a practical, low-pressure discharge, fluorescent, white light lamp 1938
Fritz Wiessner develops many new climbing routes in the Adirondacks 1938
Art of David Smith is featured at Marian Willard’s East River Gallery in NYC 1938
Fire destroys the rectory and all records at St. William’s at Long Point, Raquette L. 1938
North Country School is established at Round Lake off Route 73 between Lake Placid and Keene 1938
Gould Paper Co. Dam (101-1132) is built or reconditioned 1938
Winifred Goldring pub on stromatolites of Petrified Sea Gardens, c. 490 MBP, W of Saratoga 1938
Irving Bachellor pub From Stores of Memory 1938
Irving Langmuir explains the silvery streaks on Lake George in an article in Science (87:119-123) 1938
Governor grants authority to Warren Co. supervisors to fund a fish screen at outlet of Lake George 1938
Whitney Pond Dam (091-1136) is built or reconditioned 1938
Lake George town and village WWTP, Warren Co. is est. releasing product to the groundwater 1938
Great Hurricane of 1938 batters Rhode I., Long Island, CT, MA, then heads northward (21 Sep) 1938
Great Hurricane of 1938 quickly drops 3 to 5 in. of rain across eastern and central Adks (21 Sep) 1938
Great Hurricane of 1938 raises water level of Lake Champlain by 24” in <48 hours (21 Sep) 1938
Constitutional Convention recodifies Article VII to Article XIV, David McClure in key role 1938
John Apperson renames his inboard ChrisCraft (used mostly at Lake George) Art. XIV, Sec. 1 1938
NYS Law provides that lands may be given to Adk Park. for fish and game management 1938
Indian Lake Theater for movies is opened at Indian Lake 1938
Koert Burnham begins mining wollastonite, to be used as a welding flux, at Fort Knoll, Willboro 1938
Henry Graves donates his Upper Saranac Camp to the GSA to found Camp Eagle Island 1938
Marjorie Merriweather Post buys a Spectacle Pond from Paul Smith’s estate, Upper St. Regis Lake 1938
Stern and Levy families donate White Pine Camp to newly formed Paul Smith’s College 1938
Oval Wood Dish Co. at Tupper Lake produces 35 million flat wooden spoons 1938
Asian clam, Corbicula fluminea, is discovered in the western US 1938
J.A. Goodwin and E. Stanley climb Porter Mt. slabs via a ‘darn-fool route’ 1938
Emmitt Tucker, Sr., begins development of the Sno-Cat snowmobile 1938
Rosalie Edge deeds lands to incorporate Hawk Mt. Sanctuary Assoc., Blue Mt., PA 1938
NY App Div. rules trails on state lands are public highways open to all conveyances, incl. dog sleds 1938
Rev. Frank A. Reed begins the newsletter Lumberjack News at Old Forge 1938
The North Creek News Enterprise continues North Creek Enterprise newspaper 1938
Conservation law is passed allowing gifts to NYS for fish and wildlife management purposes 1938
Frank Bellrose and Arthur Hawkins design wooden nesting boxes for Wood Duck 1938
Walter and Lenore “Leo” Clark est. North Country School at Round Lake, North Elba 1938
F. Wiessner, R. Notman and M. B. Howorth climb Wallface Cliff chimneys 1938
Republic Steel of Pittsburgh leases Witherbee and Sherman iron mines 1938
G.S. Callendar suggests that CO₂ greenhouse GCC is already underway 1938
City of Utica acquires Consolidated Water Company 1938
Gov. H.H. Lehman closes Adirondack woods due to dry conditions and forest fires (17-24 Oct) 1938
Fonda, Johnstown & Gloversville Railroad files for bankruptcy 1938
Frederick Jones founds Thermo King Corporation to make refrigeration units for long-haul trucks 1938
P.W. & C.V. Dake purchase and operate Saratoga Dairy at the Old Patsy Hayes barn, Saratoga 1938
Michigan and Indiana highway departments use salt in road maintenance 1938
Gerhardt Schrader discovers the organophosphate insecticide TEPP 1938
The WTD season is suspended because of fire danger (17 Oct – 24 Oct) 1938
I.I. Rabi invents a device for the control of magnetic resonance at Columbia University 1938-40
I.I. Rabi proposes the concept of atomic clocks 1938-40
Bacterium, Bacillus thuringiensis (Bt), is commercially released for insect control in France 1938
Paul H. Muller (1899-1965), Swiss, disc insect toxicity dichlorodiphenyltrichloroethane (DDT) 1939
A.F. Buddington pub Adirondack Rocks and Their Metamorphism 1939
A.F. Buddington describes igneous rocks of Adks and their metamorphism to form anorthosite 1939
Syracuse, a long-holdout, adopts DST by a 3 to 1 vote (Apr) 1939
Cedar River Golf Course is established at Indian Lake 1939
The Lumber Camp News appears as a new periodical for the logging industry 1939
Inmates start building St. Dismas Chapel, funded by Charles ‘Lucky’ Luciano, at Clinton Prison 1939
John Steinback pub Grapes of Wrath 1939
Fishery biologist Edward R. Hewitt reports on Honnedaga Lake for ALC 1939
ALC applies five tons of lime and two tons of superphosphate to Honnedaga Lake 1939
Forester Walter C. Lowdermilk proposes 11th commandment in Jerusalem lecture 1939
CCC crews begin construction of Lake Durant Campground 1939
Archer & Anna Huntington give additional lands to Huntington Wildlife Forest, now c. 6,000 ha. 1939
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Venn donate 35a Boquet R. Valley site to Schenectady YMCA to est Lodge 1939
Roy L. Donahue writes a thesis linking Adirondack tree growth and soil character 1939
The Ritespoon™ and Ritefork™ are marketed by Oval Wood Dish Co. of Tupper Lake 1939
BRRD reports on the ongoing drought in the Adirondacks 1939
IP sells 50 a., incl. ‘Indian Island’ at Whitaker Lake, to Deerfoot Lodge, dba Christian Camps Inc. 1939
Karawiyo Lodge relocates to Whitaker Lake with Deerfoot Lodge 1939
Otto Hahn (1879-1968) German, disc nuclear fission (receiving Nobel Prize in 1946) 1939
John Apperson and William M. White plant white pine trees on Dome Island but none survive 1939
John Astor buys Four Brothers Islands in Lake Champlain from the Hatch family 1939
Indian Lake Volunteer Fire Department is formed 1939
AAU votes to allow women to compete with men in top bobsledding events in the U.S. 1939
Asphalt is an essential material in nearly every form of highway construction and maintenance 1939
Most Rev. Francis Joseph Monaghan is appointed RCC Diocese of Ogdensburg bishop (2 May) 1939
Attorneys defending Phelps Smith will charge highly controversial $175,000 in fees 1939
NYS legislature okays ‘Empire State’ trademark for NYS potatoes, maple ‘sugar’ & eggs 1939
Seaplane carrying US ambassador to Belgium falls into Big Pollywog Pond, 3 injured (28 Aug) 1939
Taylor Cub plane loses power taking off, falls onto telephone lines near Faust, no one hurt (28 Aug) 1939
PSC board member Mrs. George D. Townsend opposes expense of Hotel Co. building repair 1939
PSC board president O. B. Brewster opposes est. PSC on basis of doctrine of cy pres (13 May) 1939
Albany Girl Scouts buy 2,300 a. from Mt. Hope Mining and Iron Co. to est. Camp Little Notch 1939
Members of the Farmers Dairy Union strike for a second time 1939
Huntington Wildlife Forest, Newcomb, reaches 15,000 a. in size, as administered by NYS ESF 1939
Softwood nursery at Saranac Inn Station, Franklin Co. closes because of the depression 1939
Bob Marshall (39 y.o.), wilderness advocate, author, 46er, dies on NYC-Wash night train (11 Nov) 1939
Harry Hess of Princeton Univ. pub seminal article on the mechanisms of continental drift 1939
St. William’s Church is moved to Raquette Lake village and rededicated (1 Dec) 1939
French Point of Tongue Mt. at Lake George is added to FP in memory of George F. Peabody 1939
John Apperson purchases Dome Island at Lake George 1939
Village of L. George builds waste-water treatment facility discharging into rapid infiltration beds 1939
Sidewheel steam boat (230’ l.) *Horicon* II is decommissioned at Lake George by D&H RR Co. 1939
D&H RR Co., with steamboat *Mohican II* (of Lake George), is sold to Captain George Stafford c. 1939
*Nazi Blitzkrieg* begins WW II as 50 German divisions enter Poland (1 Sep) 1939
With beginning of World War II Iroquois enlistment to fight begins 1939
Packard Motor Car Co. applies air conditioning systems to its automobiles 1939
Owens Illinois Glass Co. and Corning Glass Works produce fiberglass insulation 1930s
Blast furnaces at Standish and Port Henry cease operation late 1930s
Grand strategy of WW II is largely driven by need to control global oil fields 1939-45
G. Bump reports on the introduction of animals to NYS in *Trans. North America Wildlife Conf.* 1940
Pine Camp Military Reservation acquires c. 75,000 a. of mostly sandy farmland 1940
CD acquires a Waco ZKS-7 airplane for diverse duties 1940
Bob Marshall Wilderness (950,000 a.) is established in Montana (16 Aug) 1940
ALC applies five tons of boiled ground bone meal to Honnedaga Lake shore 1940
Rainbow trout (2,500, 7- to 8-inch long) are stocked in vain at Honnedaga Lake 1940
*American Forests* opens a National Register of Big Trees 1940
Milutin Milankovitch, Serbia, pub *Canon of Insolation and the Ice-age problem* (GCC) 1940
Workforce of Oval Wood Dish Co. of Tupper lake peaks at 539 1940
Harold F. Heady reports Common Reed (*Phragmites communis*) at Newcomb 1940
John Apperson authorizes planting of American chestnut trees on Dome Island but none survive 1940
Harold W. Thompson pub *Body, Boots and Britches* 1940
Basic to PSC board planning, value of Phelps Smith estate is finally defined 1940
PSC board member Arthur F. Chase proposes scholarship alternative to est. of college 1940
*Malone Evening Telegram* pub strong and influential editorial favoring est. of PSC (22 Jun) 1940
PSC board appoints five-member committee to coordinate diverging ideas on est. of PSC (23 Aug) 1940
Paul Smiths Electric Light & Power Co. gives T. of Harrietstown 1,200 a. for airport at L. Clear 1940
Katherine Dewey wins U.S. national AAU bobsledding championship at Mt. van Hoevenberg 1940
Henry & Mildred Uihlein buy Heaven Hill & Tableland Farms and move to L. Placid, T. of N. Elba 1940
AAU men vote to ban women from top level U.S. bobsled competition in perpetuity 1940
Beaver are now being trapped in 19 NYS counties 1940
A single beaver pelt now sells for more than $200 in NYS 1940
NYS legislature passes amendment allowing ski trails on Whiteface Mt. FP land 1940
All Lake George yacht clubs merge to form the Northern Lake George Yacht Club 1940
LGA announces plans to est. a lab at Lake George with RPI professor Davison 1940
D&H RR abandons 22 miles of trackage from Plumadore to Lake Clear 1940
David Smith and Dorothy Delmar become year-around residents at Bolton Landing 1940
Bald eagle is now federally protected by the Bald Eagle Protection Act 1940
P. Dubuc catches US record Northern pike, 46 lbs 2 oz, 52 1/2 inch, at Sacandaga Res. (15 Sep) 1940
The antibiotic actinomycin is extracted from soil fungi 1940
Stratford population reaches 1,000 as lumbering and tanning industries prosper, Fulton Co. 1940
Snowmobiles are used in the lumbering of the Moose River Plains 1940
U.S. Weather Bureau is transferred to the Department of Commerce 1940
National Lead and federal Defense Plant Corp override NYS law activating McIntyre Iron Co. mine 1940
Buckshot is prohibited in WTD hunting in NYS 1940
A new record peak of National Forest timber sales reaches 1.78 billion board feet 1940
Finch, Pruyn & Co. begins conversion of mill for high-quality specialty paper production 1940s
National Lead builds 30 mi. access road to old McIntyre Iron Co. mine site est. a new village 1940s
Logging roads improved by bulldozing end the era of ‘sleep-in’ lumber camps 1940s
The Gregory Lumber Co. is established at Dannemora 1940s
Evening grosbeak continues eastward expansion 1940s
CD establishes record book of freshwater fish 1940s
Use of DDT for control of insects is now widely practiced 1940s
Wood, pressure treated with copper, chromium and arsenic enters the market 1940s
Benjamin Green develops a rub-on cream to protect against sunburn 1940s
NCCh launches ‘A Christian Ministry in the National Parks’ program 1940s
Transition away from coal to fuel oil for home heating begins in Adirondacks 1940s
Under Charles P. Winslow, FPL greatly fosters pine and hardwood pulp technology 1940s
Nitrogen runoff increases following application of man-made, N-rich fertilizer to cropland (late) 1940s
Fort Covington hydroelectric dam on Salmon River is abandoned 1940s
Eurasian milfoil, an aggressive weed, is discovered in the waters of the District of Columbia 1940s
Road maintenance agencies begin use of various forms of chloride as “road salt” 1940s
Finch, Pruyn & Co. replaces paper machine No. 1 and completely rebuilds Nos. 2 and 3 late 1940s
Use of liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) expands in the U.S. and North America 1940s-60s
George Welwood Murray serves as president of AfPA 1940-44
Eastern US experiences major outbreaks of the eastern spruce budworm 1940-50
NYS legislature passes amendment, 2nd time, allowing ski trails on Whiteface Mt. FP land 1941
Voters amend NY constitution to allow est. of 20 mi. of ski trails of 80’ width on Whiteface Mt. 1941
Benson Mines near Star Lake is leased by Jones and Laughlin Steel Corp. 1941
Joker shaft headframe, 100 feet high, burns at Mineville 1941
Titanium is added to steel and other metal alloys to give greater strength and lightness 1941
John Apperson pub the pamphlet “Lake George: A Mill Pond” 1941
Male house finch is seen at Jones Beach, Nassau Co., NY (11-20 Apr) 1941
Governor H.H. Lehman closes the NYS forests because of fire danger (30 Apr) 1941
Governor H.H. Lehman reopens NYS forests except in the Adirondacks and Catskills (8 May) 1941
Governor H.H. Lehman opens Adirondack forests following fire danger (28 May) 1941
Chapter 805, NYS Laws provides $200,000 for FP acquisition specifying east shore of L. George 1941
CD has some 114 fire towers operating throughout NYS for detection of forest fires 1941
NYS acquires 4,300 a. of land and 8 miles of shore on the east side of Lake George 1941
National Lead Co. of New Jersey acquires rights to Tahawus lands, Sanford Lake 1941
National Lead Co. begins blasting at Tahawus to mine ilmenite ore (titanium, titanium dioxide) 1941
USDA Yearbook rep date of average first killing frost at Lake Placid as September 11. 1941
USDA Yearbook rep date of average first killing frost at Keene Valley as September 17. 1941
HRBRRD reports an intense summer drought in the Adirondacks 1941
Saranac Laboratory hosts symposium on tuberculosis in industry (9-14 Jun) 1941
Asbestos industry sponsored study at Saranac Laboratory demonstrates health hazard of asbestos 1941
Glens Falls Feeder Canal is closed to navigation 1941
Loon Lake Dam (204-1485) is built or reconditioned 1941
Ned Harkness, 22 y.o., is appointed lacrosse and hockey coach at RPI 1941
US post office opens at Lake George Village with mural by Judson Smith 1941
O.W.D. purchases 35 million board feet of hardwood timber on Santanoni Preserve (Jul) 1941
The “Jencks Correlation Report” is delivered to the heavily attended PSC board meeting (7 Aug) 1941
PSC board appoints a Committee on Organization to employ a president-elect of PSC (7 Aug) 1941
PSC Committee on Organization selects Earl C. MacArthur as 1st president of PSC (20 Aug) 1941
Irving Bachellor pub The Winds of God 1941
CD recognizes a 6 lb. 12 oz. brook trout as state record (Sep) 1941
John Apperson is appointed to ADK Committee on Education, Information and Publications 1941
NYS acquires (most) of the George O. Knapp estate at Shelving Rock, Lake George, for FP 1941
Emmitt Tucker, Sr., markets the Tucker Snow-Cat snowmobile 1941
Nahan Farb is born in Ada, Oklahoma, but moves as a child to Lake Placid 1941
Howard Florey, Australian, Norman Hatley, British, introduce spores of *Penicillium notatum* to US 1941
Gerald Hull becomes president of Oval Wood Dish Co. of Tupper Lake on the death of his father 1941
NORAD-DEW radar facility is built at Blue Mt. under the War Powers Act 1941
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NYS buys 7300 a. of G.O. Knapp estate, incl. 8 miles of shoreline, near Shelving Rock for FP 1941
US War Dept. expands Pine Camp Mil. Res. adding 75,000 a. and $20 million in construction 1941
Commercial television station, WBNT, goes on the air (1 Jul) 1941
Following hot, dry summer the Boot Tree Pond Fire occurs south of Massawepie Lake 1941
Japanese aircraft and submarines attack Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, at 7:55 AM (7 Dec) 1941
M. Milankovitch, Yugoslavian geophysicist-astronomer, elaborates astronomical climate theory 1941
T. Wood Clarke pub *Emigres in the Wilderness* 1941
Prolonged drought results in some 30,000 a. being burned in NYS, the majority in the Adks 1941
Adirondack iron mines begin working twenty-fours hours per day 1941
Federal Gov. takes permanent easements for 30-mi. rail spur from North Creek to Tahawus 1941
Stolen Aeronca plane crashes into hill west of Port Henry; a 22-yro dies; one 21 yro injured (26 Dec) 1941
AfPA and NYS oppose federal taking of lands to est. permanent easement for Tahawus rail spur 1941
Tahawus rail spur has a 13 mi. temporary easement on FP, permanent easements on private land 1941
Orsa A. Phelps, M.D., enlists as Lieutenant with the U.S.N. medical staff 1941
At this time more than 98% of American lumber comes from private holdings 1941
Notable irruption of boreal chickadee occurs in NY 1941-42
National Emergency Act overrides NYS law to access ilmenite (TiO$_2$) at McIntyre Iron Co. mine 1942
NLC builds $3 M access railroad for transport of ilmenite (a TiO$_2$ mineral) through FP 1942
Saranac Lab. documents anthophyllite, tremolite, and other fibers in St. Lawrence Co. talc mines 1942
D&H RR removes its tracks from the central Adirondacks 1942
U.S. adopts year-round Daylight Saving Time for the war effort (9 Feb) 1942
Enrico Fermi *et al.* demonstrate self-sustaining nuclear reaction at the University of Chicago 1942
Electric City (motorcycle) Riders is est. in Schenectady (see ice racing at Lake George) 1942
Clinton Hart Merriam, prominent Adirondack naturalist, dies in Berkeley, CA (19 Mar) 1942
Snow train (D&H RR) ceases operation between Schenectady and North Creek 1942
Plant growth regulating role of 2,4-D (dichlorophenoxyacetic acid) is discovered 1942
Lake George record Lake trout is caught weighing 27.5 pounds 1942
A batch of DDT is shipped to the United States for experimental use 1942
Margaret March-Mount is lauded by Washington Post for DAR tree planting work 1942
ACE builds military airport (later Adk Regional Airport) with 4,400’ runways at Lake Clear 1942
Walt Disney’s movie “Bambi” is released, increasing public awareness re. forest fires 1942
More than 110,000 Japanese US residents are relocated to barbed-wire camps 1942
Eliz. Lawrence and Wilma Schields est. canoe and hike guide service for women at North Creek 1942
Deerfoot Lodge and Karawiyi Lodge close for the duration of WWII 1942
Donald P. Ross buys 2000 a. from Angelina Peryea to straighten property lines at Ross Park 1942
Federal government constructs 30-mile Tahawus rail spur for $3.0 m., leases it to NL Industries 1942
NYS & AfPA sue federal government over appropriation of FP easement for Tahawus rail spur 1942
Four RCAF Harvard trainers crash, 3 on Ragged Lake Mtn, 1 on W Mtn; 3 dead, 5 injured (16 Jun) 1942
NYSBGN endorses names for mountains: Emmons, Phelps, Gray (26 Jun) 1942
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Haudenosaunee declare war on the Axis Powers accenting right as a sovereign nation 1942
Gov. Lehman appoints John T. Gibbs as commissioner of the CD 1942
Raquette Lake Fire Department is founded (4 Jul) 1942
NYS sues System Properties, Inc., (IP owner) charging misregulation of Lake George water levels 1942
John Apperson et al. become interveners in NYS v. System Properties, Inc. re. L. George levels 1942
W. J. Clench reports presence of Chinese mystery snail in Niagara River 1942
CD report notes feeding of “deer cakes” to WTD and elk at DeBar Mt. Game Refuge 1942
Evening grosbeak are seen in the summer in Essex and St. Lawrence counties 1942
House finches (7) are seen at Babylon, western Suffolk Co., NY 1942
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A storm causes Mt. Colden landslides impacting Avalanche Lake and Flowed Lands (Sep) 1942
PSC opens, leasing facilities from the Hotel Co. (17 Sep) 1942
IP receives license to manufacture machine-coated paper at Hudson River Mill, Corinth 1942
Alonzo Potter (Union C.) et al. give 88 a. on NE shore of L. Placid, T. of Elba, to NYS (30 Oct) 1942
NRECA is founded to represent interests of cooperative electric utilities 1942
Hundres of cars are stored out-of-use during the winter in Utica when gasoline is rationed 1942
CCC program closes after nine years with 2.5 million youth participating 1942
Speculator CCC Camp “S-90” closes, the last of 86 camps in the Adirondacks 1942
Enrico Fermi and Leo Szilard operate “Chicago Pile-1”, Univ. of Chicago into “criticality (2 Dec) 1942
War stimulates NF timber harvest to reach a new peak of 2.2 billion bd. ft., 2% of total 1942
Horace A. Moses resigns as president of Junior Achievement 1942
Federal funding supports erection of 125 kV power line to serve mines of Mineville 1942
Clarence Petty, CD forest ranger, questions legality of floating camps at Cranberry Lake 1942
Floating islands, 11 a. in extent, are discharged from Higley Flow during a major spring flow 1943
State of NY and AfPA lose in federal lower court in Syracuse on Tahawus railroad case 1943
DDT is used to control a major typhus epidemic in Naples, Italy (Dec) 1943
Lake George Association’s (LGA) fish screen is endorsed by the NYS legislature 1943
The Mohawk potato variety is released by the plant breeders of Cornell University 1943
Canadian Air Force transport plane lost in blizzard crashes into Winch Mtn; two killed (8 Feb) 1943
Jay N. Darling wins 2nd Pulitzer Prize for his conservation cartoons 1943
ADK grants charter est Bouquet River Lodge Chapter based in Schenectady (Apr) 1943
Bouquete River Lodge Chapter of ADK holds 1st meeting at Schenectady YMCA (May) 1943
Schenectady Mayor Mills Ten Eyck and UC president Dixon Ryan Fox join ADK BRLC 1943
DEC issues permit to keep beaver to Dorothy Richards at Beaversprite Sanctuary, Dolgeville 1943
Adirondack Council of BSA opens 150 a. Camp Bedford, Clear Pond, T. of Duane, Franklin Co. 1943
Bela Bartok summers at Saranac Lake village 1943
John Apperson evades subpoena by hiding in rock crevice on West Dollar Island at Lake George 1943
Saranac Laboratory links asbestos and lung cancer; research sponsors suppress report 1943
Owens-Illinois contracts with Saranac Laboratory to investigate hazards associated with Kaylo™ 1943
L.U. Gardner, Saranac Lab, finds lung cancer in 82% of mice breathing asbestos dust after 24 mo. 1943
L.U. Gardner, Saranac Lab, informs his clients they “have the makings of a first-class hazard” 1943

... the question of cancer susceptibility now seems more significant than I had previously imagined.

Leroy Upson Gardner
Saranac Laboratory, Saranac Lake, NY

AIHA establishes the Donald E. Cummings Memorial Award 1943
Metropolitan Life Ins. Co. TB sanitarium on Mt. McGregor closes 1943
Lamb Lumber Co. acquires the Smith and Wells mansion (Wellscroft) at Keeseville 1943
Gov. Thomas E. Dewey appoints John A. White to CD 1943
Jacques-Yves Cousteau develops/demonstrates the aqualung; Adk lakes are now better seen 1943
Most Rev. Bryan Joseph McEntegart is appointed RCC Diocese of Ogdensburg bishop (9 Aug) 1943
Ayerst, McKenna & Harrison Ltd. joins American Home Products (AHP) 1943
Christian Rural Fellowship reprints Liberty Hyde Bailey’s The Holy Earth 1943
An earthen dam is rebuilt at Ironville to reestablish Penfield Pond 1943
D&H RR opens spur from North Creek to ilmenite (iron, titanium oxide ore) mines at Tahawus 1944
House finch nest is found at Babylon, western Suffolk Co., NY 1943
Defense Plant Corp. erects 29-mile connection to Delaware & Hudson RR, Tahawus-North Creek 1944
McIntyre Iron Co., now McIntyre Development, begins rapid expansion, pit reaching 300’ depth 1944
NYS legislature issues Lake George water conditions report 1944
Oswald Theodore Avery (1877-1955), American, et al., extract and purify pneumococcal DNA 1944
NYS, AfPA lose in federal appeals court on taking of FP easement for Tahawus rail spur 1944
Koert Burnham joins Titanium Alloy Mfg. Co. and is dispatched to Willsboro to mine wollastonite 1944
Pentagon begins takeover of the Lake Placid Club for military purposes 1944
Two military arsonists burn a Lake Placid Club building at foot of Cobble Hill 1944
Water chestnut, an invasive, floating aquatic plant, is now widespread in lower Hudson R. 1944
Chapter 691, NYS Laws, creates Whiteface Mountain Authority, with funding of facilities 1944
Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp. restarts mining & shipping of ore from Benson Mines, St. Law. Co. 1944
International Pulp Co. changes its name to International Talc Co. 1944
John Apperson et al. form the Lake George Protective Association, Inc. (8 Sep) 1944
S. A. Waksman et al. of Rutgers Univ. isolate streptomycin (Jan) 1944
Jörgen Lehmann and Gylfe Vallentin use para-aminosalicylic acid (PAS) to treat TB in Sweden 1944
Merck & Co., Rahway, NJ, produce streptomycin for use in TB control 1944
Seligman family sells Fish Rock Camp, Upper Saranac Lake, to Mildred C. Dellevie (16 Aug) 1944
R. M. Smock, Cornell Univ., designs controlled-atmosphere apple storage for Chazy Orchards 1944
The broadleaf herbicide 2,4-D is developed in Great Britain 1944
Earthquakes of magnitude 6.0 (5 Sep) and 4.0 (9 Sep) at Massena cause $2M in damages (Sep) 1944
USAAF C-46A transport, 3 aboard, crashes on Blue Ridge Mtn., near Indian Lake (20 Sep) 1944
Paul Schaefer discovers illegal logging at dam site near Panther Mt., 80,000 a. Moose R. Plains 1944
Strathmore Paper Co. introduces Strathmore fine paper grades 1944
USFS, National Association of State Forests et al. gives birth to Smokey Bear, no middle name ‘the’ 1944
Ivan and Judith Galamian found Meadowmount (string music center) in Lewis-Wadhams area 1944
The National Congress of American Indians promotes concept of pan-tribalism 1944
Skidmore College buys a copy of E. J. Curtis’ The North American Indian 1944
Minnie Billingham gives 239 a. at Woodworth Lake to Sir William Johnson Boy Scout Council 1944
USDA’s Forest Service begins Smokey Bear public awareness program re. forest fires 1944
Federal Highway Act authorizes national 40,000-mile interstate highway system 1944
Aircraft, using radar, develop the first spirally armed images, with eye, of a hurricane 1944
Oak Wilt, a fungus disease caused by Ceratocystis fagacearum, is discovered in Wisconsin 1944
Japanese U.S. residents are released from barbed-wire camps 1944
Water chestnut is discovered in shallow bays of southern Lake Champlain 1940s
American salt application to icy roads reaches one-half million tons per year 1940s
Turkey reappears in NY with birds entering the SW tier counties from Pennsylvania 1940s
Frederick T. Kelsey serves as president of AfPA 1944-53
Fish Rock Camp is operated as Sekon Lodge on Fish Rock by the Dellevie family 1945-48
German armed forces surrender on VE Day (7 May) 1945
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NYS CD approves construction of Higley Dam on the south branch of Moose River 1945
Camp Sacandaga of the CCC at Pleasant Lake is assigned to 4-H coalition involving five counties 1945
Carl-Gustaf Arvid Rossby (1898-1957), American, desc 300 mph jet streams, hundreds miles wide 1945
Hans Winbauer develops Hickory Ski Center, Warrensburg c. 1945
Oval Wood Dish Co. of Tupper Lake ceases production of wooden dishes c. 1945
A single-engine plane crashes along the Robinson River, Five-Ponds WA c. 1945
Eastern spruce budworm, Choristoneura fractivittana, impacts 25 mill. ha., eastern N. America 1945-55
Resort Airlines, Inc., begins daily NYC-Lake Clear passenger service (21 Jun) 1946
Vincent Jos. Schaefer (1906-1993), American, using refrigerated boxes disc CO2 cloud seeding (Jul) 1946
Howard Zahnizer and family visit Paul Schaefer’s cabin near Bakers Mills (Aug) 1946
CD begins publication of The New York State Conservationist (Aug) 1946
L.U. Gardner, Saranac Laboratory of the Trudeau Foundation, Saranac Lake, dies (24 Oct) 1946
NY Daily Mirror reports shooting of 520 lb elk on lands of North Woods Club (30 Oct) 1946
Vincent Schaefer, GE, seeds clouds west MA with 6 lbs frozen CO2 initiating snowstorm (13 Nov) 1946
Pres. H. Truman declares official cessation of WWII hostilities (31 Dec) 1946
Vincent Schaefer and Irving Langmuir, again seed clouds NE by aircraft causing major snowstorm (20 Dec) 1946
Vincent Schaefer/I. Langmuir, G E limit cloud seeding because of inevitable litigation 1946
GE begins capacitor manufacture using PCBs at Fort Edward, NY 1946
Forked Lake Public Campground (57 a.) is established at Deerland in Hamilton Co. 1946
Koert Burnham leaves Titanium Alloy to est. Northern Minerals, Inc. to mine Willsvoro wollastonite 1946
Jerry Quinter opens Oscar’s Smokehouse to sell smoked meats and cheese in Warrensburg 1946
ESPRA funds founding of the Empire State Paper Research Institute at SUNY-ECF 1946
Howard Zahniser, August guest of Paul Schaefer at his Adk cabin, writes seminal diary on meeting 1946
Young evening grosbeak confirms breeding of species at Bay Pond, Franklin Co. 1946
Mirror Lake, Town of North Elba, has an early ice-out (27 Mar) 1946
NTA sets W. Steenken’s TB culture collection at Trudeau Clinical and Research Lab as standard 1946
Halfway House, regional landmark on Rt. 9 between Lake George and Glens Falls, burns 1946
NY State Forest Practice Act defining forestry standards for private lands is signed into law 1946
NYS Bureau of Land Acquisition is established within the DC 1946
Division of Lands and Forests of the CD divides NYS, exclusive of NYC, into 15 districts 1946
Germany releases organophosphate insecticide TEPP 1946
United States releases organophosphate insecticide Parathion 1946
Frank Craighead et al. discover DDT resistance in fruit flies in Canada 1946
New York Central Lines acquire D&H RR trackage between Saranac Lake and Lake Placid 1946
D&H RR abandons trackage between Lyon Mountain and Plumadore 1946
Horace A. Moses funds modernization and new wing at Moses-Ludington Hospital, Ticonderoga 1946
Deerfoot Lodge, dba Christian Camps Inc., buys 560 a., incl. Whitaker Lake from IP 1946
Adirondack hotels & resorts begin extending summer season into autumn with discounted prices mid-1940s
Post-WWII housing boom gives Barton Mines new market in glass grinding for picture windows 1946
Northern Frontier Camp for boys is est. at OK Slip Pond on Finch, Pruyn & Co. land 1946
Late blight-resistant Placid potato variety is released by Cornell Univ. plant breeders 1946
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Robert and Bill Linney of Lyon Mt., NY, invent an all-steel, four-man bobsled 1946
3,000’ T-bar installed at North Creek Ski Bowl providing lift of 830’ 1946
Forest industry executives and historians found the Forest Products History Foundation 1946
Oval Wood Dish Co. opens new plants at Potsdam and Québec City 1946
Clayton Shear, Schenectady, renames Montain Terrace, Skene Manor, converting it to restaurant 1946
Miners of Republic Steel strike at Lyon Mountain 1946
Gifford Pinchot, born 1865, 1st professional US forester, coiner of the term ‘conservation’ dies 1946
Rooms now cost three dollars a night at Northland Motor Court in Lake George 1946
U.S. Congress est. Indian Claims Commission to hear claims and grievances by Indian nations 1946
Richard H. Pough pub. Audubon Land Bird Guide with arguments supporting species protection 1946
Richard H. Pough, National Audubon Soc., pub influential article on DDT in The New Yorker 1946
McLaughlin-Millard, Inc., Dolgeville, begins making baseball bats of Adirondack white ash (spring) 1946
Georgia O'Keeffe buries ashes of husband Alfred Stieglitz at foot of a Lake George pine tree 1946
Howard Zahnizer acquires land for cabin near Bakers Mills and Paul Schaefer’s cabin 1946
Hamilton County Republican newspaper is founded at Inlet, Hamilton Co. 1946
First class of students enrolls at Paul Smith's College, Paul Smiths, N.Y. 1946
Rockwell Kent paints the o.o.c. Oncoming Storm, an Au Sable Valley scene 1946
Fifteen people climb all 46 High Peaks raising total number of “46ers” to 46 1946
Committee for the Preservation of Natural Conditions, later to become TNC, splits from ESA 1946
Bureau of Land Management is formed from General Land Office and Grazing Service 1946
Federal government extends its easement to the TiO2 mine at Tahawus to 1967 1946
As of this date more than 15,000 patients have been treated at Trudeau Sanatorium, Saranac Lake 1946
Demand for American room air conditioners increases to 30,000 units 1946
US Atomic Energy Commission, devoted to peaceful use of atomic energy, is established 1946
W. Steenken, Jr. et al. est. Culture Depot to keep standard reference strains of TB at Trudeau Lab 1946
HMBC est The Century Run, a regular annual bird survey for the Capitol Region, NYS c. 1946
Clarence Petty sprays DDT by USDA plane to control eastern spruce budworm, Bloomingdale c. 1946
Baby boom with 60 million births and low interest rates foster suburbanization 1946-64
Hamilton County News newspaper continues Ham. County Republican and Indian Lake Bulletin 1947
Dewey Brown, African American, acquires Cedar River House & golf course west of Indian Lake 1947
Town of Lake Pleasant, Hamilton Co., opens Oak Mt. Ski Center with two rope tows and T-bar 1947
Gordon M. Meade, Rochester, camp at Kiawasa L., becomes 1st pres. NY Federation of Bird Clubs 1947
Gordon M. Meade founds Saranac Lake Christmas Bird Clount (SLCBC) at a prime location 1947
SLCBC conducts its first count noting 63 birds representing 15 species (21 Dec) 1947
NYS constitution is amended to build a ski center at Gore Mt. 1947
Assembly Speaker O.D. Heck est. Joint Legislative Committee on River Regulation for NYS 1947
GE introduces jet engine leading to the massproduced J-47, etc.; an Adk ‘acoustic intrusion’ 1947
Rogers Rock PC opens 3 mi. north of Hague on the west shore of Lake George 1947
Piseco Volunteer Fire Department, organized in 1946, is incorporated 1947
Governor T.E. Dewey halts efforts to build Higley Dam on south branch Moose River 1947
Governor T.E. Dewey endorses larger dam and reservoir at Panther Mountain 1947
Governor T.E. Dewey closes the forest north of Mohawk R. to reduce fire danger 1947
Torrential 2-hour rainstorm destroys 3 to 4 mile section of Town of Saranac, three die (12 Jul) 1947
Chapter 415, NYS Laws, provides $5,547.47 for c. 6,000 a. FP addition, Hamilton-Herkimer Cos. 1947
Chapter 421, NYS Laws, provides $45,000 for FP additions on Lake George, incl. Black Mt. 1947
Insecticide Toxaphene is released in the United States 1947
John Bardeen et al. develop transistor; ubiquitous, revolutionary electronic semiconductor 1947
GE begins use (and release) of PCBs at Hudson R. facilities in Hudson Falls and Fort Edward 1947
Gypsy moth nucleopolyhedrosis (NPH) is discovered in limp gypsy moth caterpillers 1947
Leaks at Kushaqua Lake Outlet Dam drops lake level 6 feet exposing many yards of mud flats (Fall) 1947
William Wessels, Harold Hochschild et al. found the Adirondacks Historical Association 1947
L. Wyrtzen of The Word of Life Institute buys an island in south Schroon Lake 1947
Paul Smith’s (junior) College opens on the estate lands of Phelps Smith 1947
H. Metcalf & W. Thurber, Cortland State Teacher’s College, ‘find’ Camp Pine Knot 1947
V. Schaefer and I. Langmuir, using a cloud seeder, induce rainfall to control a fire in NH (29 Oct) 1947
Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act is passed replacing Act of 1910 1947
Arthur J. Vorwald is appointed director of Saranac Laboratory, Saranac Lake 1947
W. Steenken, Jr. is appointed director of Trudeau Laboratory 1947
Saranac Laboratory’s Sixth Saranac Symposium on beryllium disease precipitates intense study 1947
Horace Augustus Moses dies at Springfield, MA (22 Apr) 1947
The Public Roads Administration completes the first part of its interstate system 1947
Georgia O’ Keeffe gives her painting, Skull with Calico Roses, to The Art Institute of Chicago 1947
J. Reiss teams with Arto Monaco and Harold Fortune to plan fut. Santa’s Workshop theme park 1947
Studio artist/cartoonist Arto Monaco designs Santa’s Workshop theme park for Julian Reiss 1947
John Apperson retires from GE, Schenectady, after 47 years of service 1947
The antibiotic polymyxin is released for commercial distribution 1947
Mohican II steamship of Lake George is converted from coal to diesel fuel 1947
Gouverneur Talc Company, a subsidiary of R.T. Vanderbilt Co., is organized at Balmat (19 Jul) 1947
Glenmore, an academic retreat in Keene, closes 1947
Saint Regis Falls Dam, a.k.a. Saint Regis River Dam (151-1275) is built/reconditioned 1947
A major forest fire destroys many buildings at Bar Harbor, Mt. Desert Island, ME 1947
High Falls Dam (200-1257) is built or reconditioned 1947
Mary Prime organizes The (Lake) Placid Memorial Hospital Fund 1947
Major flow of 23,600 cfs occurs on the Hudson R. at N. Creek, Warren Co. (6 Mar) 1947
A landslide occurs on the west flank of Mt. Macomb 1947
CD features Noah Rondeau at National Sportsmen’s Show in NYC (15-23 Feb) 1947
CD acquires five airplanes for observation, forest fire control and rescue 1947
Judge Andrew F. Ryan finds in favor of Systems Properties, Inc., re. L. George water levels 1947
The Saturday Evening Post lists Fulton Co. as America’s richest county per capita 1947
Ferocious storm floods Moffitsville, Picketts Corners, Saranac Hollow; 3 people die (12 Jul) 1947
Dartmouth College initiates a woodsmen’s weekend for timbersport competitions (May) 1947
Paul Smith’s College forms a woodsmen’s team for timbersport competitions 1947
Father of Howard Zahniser buys a cabin and 31 a. of land near Baker Mills, T. Johnsburg 1947
Gifford Pinchot pub his autobiography Breaking New Ground 1947
Willard Frank Libby (1908-1980), American, uses radioactive C14 isotope (5,700 YHL) in dating 1947
Orra A. Phelps, M.D. and prominent Adk naturalist, becomes the 47th Forty-Sixer 1947
Richard W. Lawrence Jr. settles in Elizabethtown 1947
Television technology advances to become a feature of home entertainment, news and education 1947
AT&T and Bell Labs develop North American Numbering System for telephone area codes 1947
Telephone area codes 315 and 518 encompassing Adirondack Park are established 1947
Project Cirrus (military/GE) drops 180 lbs crushed dry ice on clouds to modify a hurricane (13 Oct) 1947
Project Cirrus hurricane reverses direction to strike near Savannah, GA, provoking litigation (Oct) 1947
NYS Music Camp is founded at Otter Lake and to continue at this site for 9 years 1947
National Lead Co. builds a trail from its upper works to Calamity Bk. & Indian Pass 1947
Paul Schaefer begins publication of The Forest Preserve magazine 1947
The WTD season is suspended because of fire danger (17 Oct – 1 Nov) 1947
Herb Helms, WW I pilot, est. Helms AeroService (using floatplanes) at Long Lake c. 1946
Severe winter drought and cold strikes the Adirondacks (Oct-Feb) 1947-48
NYS Travel Bureau rep. 27% more summer resorts remain open after Labor Day than 1947 (3 Sep) 1948
Earl V. Shaffer walks the Appalachian Mt. trail end-to-end in 123 days from April to August 1948
P.H. Muller is awarded the Nobel prize for use of DDT in human health 1948
Town of Webb, Herkimer Co., uses DDT for black fly control (Jun) 1948
Rensselaer Outing Club members make a winter ascent of Cliff and Marshall Mts. 1948
Evidence emerges that ocean water temperatures much reach 80° F for hurricane formation 1948
George Gamow (1904-1968), Russian-American, proposes “Big Bang”, stellar synthesis of elements 1948
Gov. Thomas Dewey signs a bill authorizing NYS acquisition of Camp Pine Knot 1948
The Woodruff and the Miller Hose Cos. join to form Woodruff-Miller Hose Company at Saranac L. 1948
Kim Hart and Kay Flickinger ski up Iroquois Peak traversing Algonquin twice 1948
BRRD reports an intense summer drought impacting the Adirondacks (GCC) 1948
BRRD board approves plans for the Panther Mountain Dam on the Moose River (16 Mar) 1948
Water Power and Control Commission approves the BRRD Panther Mountain dam 1948
Aldo Leopold, U. Wisc., author, naturalist, educator, dies of heart attack, Baraboo, Wisc. (21 Apr) 1948

Professor Aldo Leopold’s major work, A Sand County Almanac, one of the most quoted and cited works on American conservation over the last one-hundred years, has sold more than two million copies.

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The last documented log drive on the South Branch of the Moose River is completed 1948
Forty-Sixers of Troy are reformed as the Adirondack Forty-Sixers, Inc. (30 May) 1948
Stewart’s Shops introduces a square, folding half-gallon ice cream carton 1948
P.E. Dake introduces idea of letting people make their own sundaes with a choice of toppings 1948
Old Forge & T. of Webb suppress blackflies on 1000 a.of Fulton Chain shoreline with DDT fogging 1948
BRRD conducts seven public hearings on Panther Mountain Dam (8 Jun - 9 Jul) 1948
AIPA provides funds for legal opposition to Panther Mountain Dam 1948
Eastern Power Corp. replaces wood crib Kushaqua Lake Outlet Dam (182-1308) with concrete dam 1948
Benson Mines Little River Dam (138-1927) is built or reconditioned 1948
Dennis Puleston studies impacts of biocides of the birds of eastern Long Island 1948
Joseph and Rose Church acquire land and begin restoration of Cumberland Head Lighthouse 1948
Windover Lake dam, a.k.a. Ross Lake (186-1322) is built or reconditioned 1948
NYS Travel Bureau rep. 27% more summer resorts remain open after Labor Day than 1947 (3 Sep) 1948
Camp Echo is sold to establish a private camp for children 1948
Word of Life Institute hosts an audience of 40,000 at Madison Square Garden 1948
PSC fields a woodsmen’s team for inaugural spring competition, a.k.a. Woodsmen’s Weekend 1948
T. of Harrietstown and SLAC builds terminal building at Saranac Lake Airport at Lake Clear 1948
BRRD board initiates construction of Panther Mountain Dam (11 Nov) 1948
A.J. Vorwald, Saranac Laboratory tells Owens-Illinois that Kaylo™ is a hazardous dust (16 Nov) 1948
Gouverneur Talc Co. begins talc production on leased lands of the McLear brothers at Balmat 1948
Adirondack League Club et al. initiate court proceedings against Panther Mountain Dam 1948
CD opens two boys’ camps for conservation education 1948
Bendix and other members of BLMI are convicted of violating federal price-fixing statutes 1948
Grace L. Hudowalski is elected president of the Adirondack Forty-Sixers, Inc. 1948
Rev. Francis A. Reed et al. est. annual Woodsmens’ Field Day at Boonville 1948
Downhill and slalom ski events are added to the Olympic winter program at Innsbruck 1948
Fred Fortune of Lake Placid wins Olympic 2-man bobsled bronze medal at Innsbruck 1948
Codmon Hislop, Union College, pub. The Mohawk (Rivers of America series) 1948

Codmon Hislop of Union College provides us the name of the Mohawk River as used by our native peoples: “Te-non-an-at-che’ the River flowing through the mountains.

Codmon Hislop,
The Mohawk, p. 12
Pres Harry Truman integrates the armed forces and the federal workplace 1948
Francis Tyler et al. win Olympic 4-man bobsled gold medal at Innsbruck 1948
Aldo, born 1887, founder of American wildlife ecology, forest, cofounder NWF dies 1948
CD stocks 3,000 Atlantic salmon yearlings in Lake George 1948
College of Environmental Science and Forestry (ESF) becomes founding member of SUNY system 1948
Record flow of 28,900 cfs occurs in Hudson R., North Creek, Warren Co. (31 Dec) 1948
Hague Volunteer Fire Department, organized in 1947, is incorporated 1948
The persistent soil insecticidal organochlorines aldrin and dieldrin are released to commerce 1948
Carl Nielsen and J. Donald design/install heat pump at Equitable Building, Portland, Oregon 1948
Last drive of thirteen-foot logs occurs on the Moose River 1948
Federal Water Pollution Control Act becomes law; amended 1972 to become Clean Water Act 1948
William Denton, Elizabethtown, founds Denton Publications and begins Valley News newspaper 1948
The Disston one-man chainsaw wins all prizes at the Woodsman Field Day contest 1948
L. Peets, Schuylerville, NY, reports a ‘wild man’ while deer-hunting, near Kildare (Nov) 1948
Charles Grothe est. Heartwood (charcoal) Products Co. at The Glen, Warren Co. 1948
Lake Durant Public Campground opens near Blue Mt. Lake 1948
Artificial snow making experiments are conducted near Milford, CT 1948
A special archery season for WTD is allowed immediately preceding regular season 1948
Richard W. Lawrence, Jr., et al. est. the Cray Foundation, Brewster Library, Essex Co. c. 1948
Noah Rondeau achieves celebrity after appearing in sportsmen’s shows across the NE 1948-50
Three areas in Lake George are closed to all fishing for five years to improve the fishery 1948-53
C. Emiliani, U. Chicago, est. C, O isotope composition of carbonate sediments det. temp. and sal. 1948-56
White Pine Camp, Paul Smith’s College, is used for summer classes, dormitories & staff quarters 1948-83
NYS CD permits fisher trapping in a short season and 113 are taken 1949
Franklin, Hamilton, Jefferson and Lewis Cos. now pay bounties for coyotes 1949
St. Lawrence, Warren and Washington Cos. now pay bounties for coyotes 1949
The CD investigates and describes hybrids between coyotes and dogs 1949
FIBT World Championship bobsled tournament is held at Mt. van Hoevenberg, L. Placid (Feb) 1949
Stan Benham of Lake Placid and team wins 4-man bobsled FIBT world championship (Feb) 1949
Jim Bickford, Henry Sterns et al. win silver medal at 4-man bobsled world championships (Feb) 1949
Harold Weston, St. Huberts, paints Chapel Pond 1949
William Cummings Rose (1887-1985), American, defines 8 essential dietary amino acids 1949
Cortland State Teacher’s College acquires Camp Pine Knot at Raquette Lake 1949
Koert Burnham sells Northern Minerals’ processing rights to Willsboro Mining Company 1949
Willsboro Mining Co. builds wollastonite refining plant Willsboro; Burnham closes Essex refinery 1949
CD discontinues the cross-country Ski Trail Program because of lack of use 1949
McCulloch Motors Corp. introduces a lightweight chainsaw (Jun) 1949
Bacterial ring rot-resistant Saranac potato variety is released by Cornell University plant breeders 1949
The battle begins to defeat the Echo Peak Dam at the Dinosaur National Monument 1949
Fran Betters, Wilmington, creates fisherman’s dry-fly called ‘Haystack’ (June) 1949
600 attend dedication Woodworth Lake Scout Reservation, Fulton Co., A. R. Kimball princ. speaker 1949
Gov. Thomas Dewey attends the ground breaking of the “Million Dollar Beach” at Lake George 1949
Julian Reiss opens Santa’s Workshop theme park at fut. North Pole, Wilmington, NY (1 Jul) 1949
Planting and/or transport of Water chestnut, Trapa natans, is prohibited in NYS (1 Jul) 1949

No person shall plant, transport, transplant or traffic in plants of the water chestnut or in the seeds or
nuts thereof nor in any manner cause the spread of such plants. Any person aiding in any manner in such
prohibited acts shall be deemed to have violated this section.

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AG opines that IRC’s occupancy of FP at Indian Lake dam is illegal violating Art. XIV (5 Jul) 1949
NYS Supreme Court unanimously upholds the BRRD on the Panther Mountain Dam 1949
The NYS Water Pollution Control Act becomes law 1949
T. of Caldwell (now Lake George) assigns 1,556 a. to Lake George Park (29 Aug) 1949
Treatment using a combination of streptomycin and PAS reduces resistance in TB bacilli 1949
W. Steenken, Jr. receives the Medal of the University of Liege, Belgium 1949
G.W.H. Schepers, Saranac Laboratory, informs Johns Manville of asbestos-related mesothelioma 1949
VIS purchases Denny property at corner of Bloomingdale Ave and Pine Street 1949
NYS Travel Bureau rep. 60% of state’s summer resorts will stay open in Sep; 50% thru Oct (6 Oct) 1949
Central Greyhound Lines begins “Take-a-Trip Time” promotion to attract leaf peepers (Oct) 1949
Cancerous mouse slides mysteriously vanish from G.W.H. Schepers’ files at Saranac Laboratory 1949
Glens Falls Hospital begins construction of its ‘Central Wing’ 1949
Winifrde Goldring, now fourth NYS paleontologist, is elected president Paleontological Society 1949
State College of Forestry endorses FP timbering to avert economic loss 1949
Aldo Leopold pub A Sand County Almanac and uses the term “land ethic” 1949
Chapter 340, NYS Laws, provides $50,000 for FP acquisitions 1949
NYS AG determines that use of state land by IRC at Indian Lake Dam by gate tender is illegal 1949
BRRD reports one of the worst droughts in 50 years for the Adirondacks 1949
The Northeastern Interstate Forest Fire Protection Compact is approved 1949
Don Sage, Edmund Morette, et al. found Adirondack Conservation Council (ACC) at Paradox L. 1949
Don Sage begins publication of the ACC quarterly, Adirondack Echoes 1949
Whiteface Mt. Authority opens a ski center on Marble Mt. and Mt. Esther (Dec) 1949
CD acquires an Otter model plane from De Havilland Aircraft Co. of Toronto c.1949
During this winter 61 coyotes are killed in Adirondack counties for bounties 1949-50
PRB estimates human global population at 2.521 billion 1950
Wayne Pierce of the Tey Manufacturing Co., CT, patents a snowmaking machine 1950
American Cyanamid Co. develops and releases the organophosphate Malathion™ 1950
FIS World Championship ski jumping tournament is held at Intevales, Lake Placid 1950
Stan Benham of Lake Placid and team wins 4-man FIBT bobsled world championship in Cortina 1950
CD stocks 6,000 Atlantic salmon yearlings in Lake George 1950
CD opens a youth conservation education camp at Ray Brook, NY 1950
Record of NYS tornadoes begins as national Tornado History Project 1950
ADK 46ers begin placing registers (canisters) on ‘trailless’ peaks, starting with Mt. Emmons (3 Sep) 1950

This plan was controversial from the start. By the late 1940s, the trailless peaks had become cluttered with personal markers (metal discs, cans, jars, pieces of paper, etc.) and were being trampled with
multiple herd paths made by those looking for the true summits. A 46ers committee was appointed to study the situation and develop alternative solutions. After receiving approval from the Conservation Department, the placement of steel marker registers on ‘the remotest of the trailless peaks’ for the purpose of identifying the true summits was approved by a membership vote. George Marshall lobbied vigorously against this plan saying that a summit free from any traces of man was much more valuable than the registers would be. Three canisters were placed in 1950, and certain Forty Sixers began cleaning up the trailless summits. Two more canisters were placed in 1952 and in 1953. Additional canisters were added periodically until the early 1960s. “While George Marshall could not convince the 46ers to remove the canisters and leave the trailless peaks free from any sign of human presence, he did succeed in convincing club members to rethink their hobby and the impact it was having on the mountains.” It would take another fifty years for the 46ers to realize Marshall had been right.


Following J. Bull, white-throated sparrow nest. populations begin expansion to lower elevations 1950
A. Vanderbilt’s widow, Margaret Emerson, donates her estate to Syracuse University 1950
Extratropical cyclone, ‘Great Appalachian Storm’ strikes Eastern United States (25-27 Nov) 1950
Heavy winds, rain, blizzard conditions in 22 states: 353 dead, $66.7M damage (25-27 Nov) 1950

Although this is not a traditional “Northeast snowstorm,” since the heaviest snows fell far to the west of the Northeast coastline, it is included here (Northeast Snowstorms) because it represents perhaps the greatest combination of extreme atmospheric elements ever seen in the eastern United States. We feel that this storm is the benchmark against which all other major storms of the 20th century could be compared. . . .

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Southeasterly storm winds devastate 424,000 a. in Cold River area of the Adirondacks (25 Nov) 1950
1.25 million bd. ft. of hardwood and 2 billion bd. ft. of softwood fall in Adk storm (25 Nov) 1950
Blowdown forces Noah Rondeau to move away from long-standing home on Cold River (25 Nov) 1950
Cold River hiking trails are closed for five years following severe November blowdown in Adks 1950-55
ADK opposes salvage operations following major Adirondack blowdown of 25 November 1950
NYS Legislature approves timber salvage, until June 1955, on FP following 25 November storm 1950
Average area of one-hundred largest American cities is now 50 square miles 1950
Adirondack Echo newspaper continues the Adirondack Arrow at Old Forge (16 Nov) 1950
Penal Law of 1933 is extended (s. 1425) to protect 4 species of Lady Slipper, Cypripedium, et al. 1950
BRRD carries Panther Mountain Dam proposal to the US Supreme Court but loses its case 1950
USCB shows year-round population of Hamilton County at 4,105 citizens 1950
Gov. T. E. Dewey halts, by Stokes Act, Panther Mountain Dam on the south branch of Moose River 1950
Stokes Law revises BRRD to prohibit construction of the Panther Mt. Dam on S. Br. Moose River 1950
Lucy Braun pub Deciduous Forests of Eastern North America 1950
Fire towers are erected on 10 new peaks; Whites Hill is tallest ever at 80 feet 1950
Eleanor Ann Fair Brown is employed by Schenectady GE beginning her many Adk contributions 1950
Henri Martin, Cilag (a Swiss pharmaceutical company), synthesizes chemical now called glyphosate 1950
Hotel Glenmore at Moose Lake burns to the ground 1950
NYS Conservation Department pub map *Adirondack Canoe Routes*. 14” height by 29” width 1950
Special Game Protectors number 1,000 and perform much day-to-day game law enforcement 1950
Initial CD fish survey of Brooktrout Lake, Hamilton Co., finds 60 brook trout 1950
Clear Pond is reclaimed with rotenone and is restocked with Adirondack brook trout 1950
ALC and Cornell Univ. establish a cooperative agreement for fishery science 1950
T. of Harrietstown and SLAC builds 100 ft x 100 ft hanger at Saranac Lake Airport, Lake Clear 1950
ALC introduces a landlocked salmon fishery to Little Moose Lake 1950
Fire towers are erected on 10 new peaks; Whites Hill is tallest ever at 80 feet 1950
Charles Severinghouse of the CD reports coyote as widely present in central Adks 1950
Dwight Webster is appointed as a fishery consultant for the ALC (Aug) 1950
Nesting of the mallard duck begins in New York State on Staten Island 1950
David Smith completes *The Forest*, a polychromed steel sculpture 1950
A WW II ship is transported in three sections to Lake George and rebuilt as the *Ticonderoga* 1950
Ecologists’ Union changes its name to The Nature Conservancy (11 Sep) 1950
Softwood pulp drive moves 10,000 cords down Hudson R. to Finch, Pruyn & Co., Glens Falls 1950
Finch, Pruyn & Co. mill at Glens Falls shifts from Hudson R. to trucks for log transport 1950
Saratoga Dairy and Stewart’s Ice Cream are incorporated 1950
ADK Winter Activities Committee establishes rescue cache at timberline on Algonquin Peak 1950
NYS builds Lake George Drive at south end of lake to serve a new beach 1950
NYS population is 14,830,000 with a density of 309.3 per square mile 1950
National forest timber harvest reaches a new peak at three billion bd. ft. 1950
Jones and Laughlin Steel Corp.‘s Benson Mines is now world’s largest open-pit magnetite mine 1950
More than 80% of US farms and 90% of urban homes now have a refrigerator 1950
G.W.H. Schepers report on mesothelioma is confiscated by S.A. gov’t and A.P.A. 1950
Annual US sale of room air conditioners now exceeds 100,000 units 1950
Families with home air conditioning sleep longer, enjoy food more and have more leisure time! 1950
Paul Schaefer et al. establish not-for-profit corporation Friends of the Forest Preserve, Inc. (20 Dec) 1950
Baby Boom, aftermath of WW II, leads to onset of suburban sprawl with extensive roadbuilding 1950s
Strontium 90, from atomic testing, is now found in the teeth of babies 1950s
The Brandreth Lake Corp., responsible for logging of Brandreth Park, closes 1950s
ALC introduces a rainbow trout fishery at Little Moose Lake and First Bisby Lake 1950s
Hemlock woolly adelgid, *Adelges tsugae*, is found near Richmond, Virginia 1950s
Ray Fadden presents authentic Native American dances at Lake George village 1950s
NYS fisheries workers apply hydrated lime to Adirondack lakes 1950s
Insecticidal principle of *Bacillus thuringiensis* is determined to be a protein 1950s
Open landfills support expansion of range and numbers of opossum in Adirondacks 1950s
Bald eagle and golden eagle nesting success declines greatly in Adirondacks 1950s
Gas chromatography is developed as a chemical analytical technique 1950s
Widespread incidence of DDT residues in wildlife is discovered 1950s
Lake trout fishery of Lake George collapses 1950s
Cisco, *Coregonus artedii*, populations of Lake George collapse 1950s
Decline in sugar maple reproduction in western Adks is linked to acid deposition 1950s
The chainsaw displaces the two-man crosscut saw and the bucksaw in Adirondack lumbering 1950s
Only 20% of original US population of American chestnut survive 1950s
Bureau of Indian Affairs begins sale of reservations and relocation of tribes 1950s
Iron mine profitability falls as other sites are developed and mines become deeper 1950s
GE develops power transistors and rocketry 1950s
*Bacillus thuringiensis* (Bt) is introduced to the US for insect control 1950s
Arthur Masten Crocker and George E. Brewer, Jr., found the Conservation Foundation 1950s
Heirs of Seneca Ray Stoddard assign his photographic archives to Maitland DeSormo 1950s
Electronic leveling is applied to asphalt highway construction 1950s
Julian J. Reiss est Old MacDonald’s Farm, Lake Placid, bringing Adk values to underprivileged 1950s
Asphalt production plants become major source of American air pollution 1950s
National Lead Co. produces some 50% of all titanium produced in the US 1950s
Titanium is used to strengthen aircraft frames, especially frames used in military aircraft 1950s
Hyrilla or water thyme, *Hydrilla verticillata*, escapes from aquaria in Tampa-Miami area, Florida 1950s
Unable to properly care for 5 parks, VIS turns them over to Saranac Lake Village ‘in perpetuity’ late 1950s
Market forces and public resentment of pollution impact NY papermaking 1950s-80
Cabot Minerals of Godfrey L. Cabot, Inc. leases wollastonite mines and acquires Willsboro refinery 1951
Rollins Pond Public Campsite is established west of Upper Saranac Lake 1951
Grace L. Hudowalski is elected historian of the Adirondack Forty-Sixers, Inc. 1951
Society of Jesus purchases the Hotel Champlain to establish Bellarmine College 1951
Aerial DDT spraying begins for control of gypsy moth in the Lake George basin 1951
Camp Baco (for boys) is established at Lake Balfour near Minerva 1951
Gooseneck Reservoir Dam (221-1575) is built or reconditioned 1951
Howard Zahniser presents, for 1st time publicly, idea of wilderness law at Sierra Club conference 1951
J. Bull marks this year as beginning of major NYS influx of Northern Mockingbird 1951
D. LeBeau, S. ‘Bud’ Smith & D. Bernays ice climb Rainbow Falls at Lower AuSable Lake (winter) 1951
Pine Camp Military Reservation, U.S. Army training facility, is renamed Camp Drum 1951
Nancy C. Rogers gives 5.25 a. of land on Plumley Point, Raquette Lake, to NYS (24 Apr) 1951
Otter trapping yields 121 skins, most from Hamilton, Franklin and St. Lawrence Cos. 1951
The Adirondack annual harvest of male WTD peaks for period of 1927-53 at 9,799 1951
Panther Lake is reclaimed by the ALC using the fish poison rotenone 1951
Lucky Star Lake Dam (078-1500) is built or reconditioned 1951
CD announces a coyote control trapping program for the Adirondacks 1951
The View art and conference center is est at Old Forge 1951
Noah Rondeau makes a second appearance at the National Sportsmen’s Show in NYC 1951
Stewarts Bridge Dam (205-1280) is built or reconditioned 1951
Fluoridation becomes important in American public water supply as means of caries prevention 1951
(Lake) Placid Memorial Hospital opens on Church St. parcel given by Shea family 1951
Saranac Laboratory omits mention of cancer in final report on mouse-asbestos study per contract 1951
A.J. Vorwald, Saranac Laboratory, terminates asbestos studies too soon to achieve true results 1951
A.J. Vorwald suggests impossibility of comparing diverse industrial exposures to asbestos dust 1951
L.U. Gardner’s mouse-asbestos study is published without mention of 82% rate of lung cancer 1951
Saranac Laboratory recommends certain improvements to dust control measures at Owens-Illinois 1951
Organ dispute leads Inlet Community Church to separate from Church of the Lakes 1951
American chemical companies produce more than one million pounds of DDT/year 1951
The carbamate insecticides Isolan, Dimetan, Pyramat and Pyrolan are introduced 1951
Hugh Bradner tells Navy diving suits need not be watertight to afford thermal insulation (21 Jun) 1951
Otetiana Council, BSA, buys Hotel Childwold from Emporium Forestry Co to est. summer camp 1951
“Million-Dollar Beach” at south end of Lake George opens (16 Jun) 1951
J. R. Arnold and W. F. Libby report a catalogue of radiocarbon dates in *Science* 1951
Atomic power is converted into electrical energy 1951
Paramount Films remakes *An American Tragedy* resulting in award winning *A Place in the Sun* 1951
The JLCNR is established by concurrent resolutions of NYS Senate and Assembly 1951
Wheeler Milmoe, Chair of JLCNR, appoints an advisory committee on the FP 1951
American Scenic and Historic Pres. Soc. gives Diamond Island (1.54 a.), L. George, to NY (10 Apr) 1951
Virginia Dept. of Agriculture entomologist discovers HWA on E. hemlock in Richmond, VA 1951
Santa’s Workshop, Wilmington, NY, single-day attendance peaks at 14,000 (2 Sep) 1951
The Otetiana Council of BSA buys c. 2,850 a, of land at Massawepie Lake (Sep) 1951
Howard Thomas pub *Trenton Falls, Yesterday and Today* 1951
The Nature Conservancy, formerly a committee of ESA, is est. in Washington, D.C. (Oct 22) 1951
Richard H. Pough is elected president of TNC and serves until 1956 1951
Trappers in Adirondack counties yield 4,365 beaver pelts 1951
B. Thomson, NY Giants, hits 9th inning 3-run homer with Adk Model 302 to beat Dodgers (1 Oct) 1951
TNC resolves to prevent introduction of non-native species to the US 1951
Ski lodge serving NYS Marble Mt. ski center on shoulder of Whiteface Mt. burns (6 May) 1951
NYS $100,000 T-bar ski lodge for Whiteface’s Marble Mt. is built using logs salvaged from FP 1951
Atomic bomb is exploded underground at Frenchman Flat, NV (29 Nov) 1951
Biographical sketch of Bob Marshal is published in *Adirondac* magazine 1951

**Miriam Kashiwa founds the Arts Guild of Old Forge with a show on her front lawn.** 1951

Major Adirondack irruption of the Boreal Chickadee occurs 1951-52
Rev. Frank A. Reed *et al.* est. the Northeastern Logger’s Association at Old Forge 1951-52
Fish Rock Camp enters foreclosure and is owned by Franklin Co. and Adirondack Lodge Inc. 1951-53
Pres. Truman declares WWII officially over starting a 15-year term for Tahawus rail spur easement 1952
Time magazine pub image of Cuyahoga R. on fire, Cleveland, Ohio engulfing ship (Nov) 1952
William Countryman reports presence of water chestnut in narrows of Lake Champlain 1952
Harold Hochschild pub *Township 34* 1952
Stan Benham of L. Placid and bobsled teams win two silver medals in Oslo Olympic Winter Games 1952
FIBT institutes major rule change limiting total weight of bobsled and crew 1952
Camp Pioneer of BSA at Massawepie Lake opens with 1,375 scouts attending 1952
Bill Schwartau acquires North Brook Lodge to continue its operation as commercial lodge 1952
Logs salvaged from FP after 1950 hurricane are used to build $50,000 Ray Brook CD facility 1952
CD awards 131+ contracts for timber salvage on Adk FP lands following hurricane of 1950 1952
*The Conservationist* articles suggest use of 70% of the FP for scientific lumbering 1952
Martha Reben (pseudonym of Martha Rebentisch) pub *The Healing Woods* 1952
A merger forms the NY Ore Division of the Jones and Laughlin Steel Corp. 1952
CD, AAHWF, and timber salvage companies build roads to Shattuck Clearing and Cold River 1952
Victor Animal Trap Co. introduces the hollow, molded duck decoy 1952
Rev. Frank Reed enlarges Lumberjack News into *Northeastern Logger* 1952
Carmelite Sisters (Diocese of Ogdensburg) est. a cloistered convent (monastery) at Saranac Lake 1952
Ottaway Newspapers, Inc., buys the *Plattsburgh Press-Republican* (newspaper) 1952
BRRD appeals “Stokes Law” on constitutional grounds and fails (Nov) 1952
Gov. T. E. Dewey closes all NYS woods, except those of Long Island, because of fire danger 1952
Sylvans (ponds) are reclaimed by the ALC using the fish poison rotenone 1952
Payroll for the Moriah mines is $4.058 million 1952
“*Ivy Mike*”, thermonuclear device in Teller-Ulam configuration explodes at Eniwetok Atoll (I Nov) 1952
34 NY public campsites host 137,091 people spending 647,020 camper-days 1952
CD begins Turkey stocking program using game-farm reared birds 1952
Water chestnut has now spread from Mohawk R. to cover some 1,416 ha. of the Hudson R. 1952
Big Boom on the Hudson R. at Glens Falls ceases operation 1952
Charlotte Hyde bequeaths her Glens Falls home and contents to found a collection and museum 1952
Adirondack loggers apply self-loading log trucks to their operations 1952
Towns of Forestport and Webb, Herkimer Co., continue DDT black fly control 1952
John McCormick, Manchester Depot, VT, buys Follensby Pond tract near Tupper Lake 1952
Hydropower facility (30,000 kw) is est. at Steward’s Br. by NiMo Poweer Co., Conklingville 1952
Arthur Benson et al. found Frontier Town theme park near Rte. 9 at North Hudson
Electricity is extended to hamlet of Swastika, Essex County
Adirondack Guides Association is disbanded for lack of interest
NYS Joint Legislature Committee on Natural Resources (JLCNR) forms, reporting annually
RPI lacrosse team, coached by Ned Harkness, wins national championship
Paul Schaefer/friends complete 12’ x 10’ Adk relief map, his Niskayuna home; copy to Adk Mus
Resources for the Future is founded with Horace M. Albright as chairman
US hydrogen bomb is tested at Eniwetok Atoll in the Marshall Islands (1 Nov)
Chapter 56, NYS Laws, provides $25,000 for FP land acquisition
McCarran-Walter Act removes racial barriers to naturalized US citizenship
WTD season is suspended because of fire danger (2 Nov – 7 Nov)
Severe drought in watershed of Catskill reservoirs prompts cloud seeding for mitigation
Hugh Bradner et al. form EDCO to market wet suits for cold-water swimming and diving
Saranac Laboratory issues Kaylo™ report to Owens-Illinois, warning of asbestosis (Feb)
Saranac Laboratory pub Kaylo™ report without mention of Owens-Illinois
Ostrander Amendment, outlawing further ADK reservoir construction on FP, passes
Asbestos is linked to lung cancer at Seventh Saranac Symposium; proceedings are never published
Isoniazid™, in pill form, becomes available for TB therapy
NYS fish hatchery opens near Upper Saranac L. opening era of lake eutrophication and anoxia
CD releases 20,000+ pen-reared mallard in various parts of New York
Major flow of 21,200 cfs occurs in the Hudson R. at North Creek (27 Mar)
Forest fire up-river from Big Eddy in Cold River region burns nearly 50 acres (late Jul)
Word of Life Institute buys the Brown Swan Club at Schroon Lake (15 Aug)
INCO develops an iron-ore smelting facility at Copper Cliff (near Sudbury), Ontario (Sep)
International Talc Co. acquires the holdings of the W. H. Loomis Talc Co. (Dec)
Cabot Minerals est. a high-capacity, automated refining operation for wollastonite at Willsboro
The WTD season is suspended because of fire danger (24 Oct – 28 Oct)
Concerned citizens of Westchester Co. begin talks with TNC to preserve Mianus River Gorge
Governor T.E. Dewey closes all State woods, except Long Island (24-28 Oct)
Meeting of 60, Iroquois Hotel, Tupper L., plans an Adirondack Development Commission (Nov)
Some 100 persons meet at Tupper Lake to form the Adirondack Association (Dec)
Santa’s Workshop, Wilmington, receives Rural Postal Station status as North Pole, NY (16 Dec)
Little Sand Point PC opens on Old Piseco Rd. near Piseco
‘John Brown’s Body’ appears on Broadway with Tyrone Poer, Judith Anderson, Raymond Murray
Sperry Pond Dam (153-1743) is built or reconditioned
H. Clark of RPI detects the fallout of radioactive iodine and cesium in NY
W. Steenken, Jr., Saranac Laboratory, receives Pasteur Medal of Pasteur Institute, Lille, France
Reconstructed Fort William Henry opens to the public as a museum at Lake George
James Loeb and Roger W. Tubby est. Adirondack Publishing Company for newspaper business
James Loeb and Roger W. Tubby purchase Adirondack Daily Enterprise newspaper (1 Jun)
Republic Steel achieves peak annual production of 2,006,866 tons
Colgate family assigns land to establish the Colgate Univ. Camp at Upper Saranac Lake
Stream-flow regulation is removed from the 1913 Burd amendment
The 3% allotment amendment for water storage in the FP is withdrawn from the NYS constitution
James Dewey Watson/ Francis Harry Compton Crick pub, Nature, DNA structure model (25 Apr)
Maurice Ewiong (1906-1974)/Bruce Charles Heezen (1924-1977) disc Great Global Rift
Nystatin, a successful antifungal material, is developed
The insecticide Diazanon is developed in Germany
Chapter 428, NYS Laws, reassigns care of abol. John Brown’s Farm to NYS Education Department 1953
East Lake/Pond is reclaimed by the ALC using the fish poison rotenone 1953
The Baton Rouge Bus Boycott is organized and enacted 1953
P. Schaefer invents, patents (No. 2,740, 397) & markets Adk Cooking Crane (Adk Cabin Country) 1953
Mary & Rita Donnelly start ‘Donnelly’s Ice Cream’ at Crystal Spring Dairy, T. of H’town 1953
Heavy truck breaks through floor of north end of covered bridge over East Branch Au Sable R, Jay 1953
Center Pond is reclaimed with rotenone and restocked with native brook trout 1953
The Melvin family of Syracuse acquires Pruyn’s Santanoni lands 1953
Fish Rock Camp is bought by W. Mladek Willy and operated as a resort hotel 1953
Voters amend constitution Art. XIV Sec 2 to stop dam building on FP for stream flow regulation 1953
Harvey L. Dunham pub French Louis 1953
The Howard Johnson Chain, c/o Joe DeSantis, opens at Lake George 1953
Handsome Pond Dam (168-1851) is built or reconditioned 1953
O.L. Butcher, E. J. Dailey et al. found the New York State Trappers Association at Piseco Lake 1953
William H. Miner Foundation sells 650 a. of Lake Alice property to NYS for game management 1953
DDT black fly larvicide is spread by airplane over North Elba near Lake Placid 1953
Carry Falls Dam and Reservoir (5.3 sq. mi.) are completed 1953
Resources for the Future organizes a major conference in Washington, DC 1953
Annual US sale of air conditioners exceeds 1 million units, failing to meet demand 1953
Studio artist Arto Monaco establishes the Land of Makebelieve, Upper Jay 1954
Animal Land (theme park) opens four miles south of Lake George on Route 9 1954
Charley Wood opens Storytown, USA (now Great Escape) theme park 4 mi. south of L. George vil. 1954
Ray Fadden plans creation of Six Nations Indian Museum at Onchiota 1954
Essec Co. Historical Soc. is formed with Harry MacDougall serving as first president 1954
Essex Co Board of Education sells old high school, Elizabethtown, to ECGS for one dollar 1954
Keith Runcorn et al. publish seminal paper on paleomagnetism affirming idea of continental drift 1954
ESFPA seeks a constitutional FP amendment to ‘make multiple benefits possible’ 1954
Adirondack Park Assoc., Inc., (later ANCA) meets at Lake Placid Club, L. Placid (5 May) 1954
Miller amendment to Food, Drug & Cosmetic Act of 1906 est. pesticide tolerances 1954
George Gamow proposes multinucleotide genetic code of DNA 1954
The Federal Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act is passed 1954
Margaret Vanderbilt gives Sagamore Lodge to Syracuse University as conference center 1954
USGS Big Moose quadrangle is remapped by on aerial survey and field checked 1954
Vice-President Richard Nixon addresses National Governors’ Association at The Sagamore (hotel) 1954
Gov. Thomas E. Dewey appoints Louis A. Wehle as commissioner of the CD 1954
G.W.H. Schepers is appointed director of Saranac Laboratory, Saranac Lake (5 Apr) 1954
Ivan Galamian renames Meadowmount as Meadowmount School of Music of the Soc. of Strings 1954
William Chapman White pub Adirondack Country 1954
Paul Schaefer et al. make first version of “great topographical map of Adirondacks” 1954

The great topographical map of the Adirondacks, exhibited at the Center for the Forest Preserve at 897 St. David’s Lane in Niskayuna, NY, is twelve feet high by ten feet wide and based on 62 USGS sheets of the Adirondack region. Some fifty individuals labored 13,000 hours in its production. Colonel William Hannah provided guidance on the techniques of production. Elliot Howe provided the overall coloring; David Utterback delineated the rivers, water bodies and developed areas. Alverra Johnson coordinated the project. This fabulous undertaking was stimulated in a conversation between Paul Schaefer and George Marshall. Harold Hochschild, founder of the Adirondack Museum, contracted a Philadelphia firm to make a fiberglass replica for display at The Adirondack Museum in Blue Mountain Lake. The original mold was later lost in a fire at Paul’s home.
GE increases PCB capacitor production in Hudson Falls, NY
Most Rev. Walter Philip Kellenberg is appointed RCC Diocese of Ogdensburg bishop (25 Mar)
David Johnson of Polaris Industries develops a new and competitive snowmobile
Barton Mines provides garnet abrasives to grind cathode ray tubes for color television
Color television is introduced to the American public (spring-summer)
Four Lake Placid policemen respond to burglary in progress; three are shot, one dies (5 Aug)
Mysterious burglar/gunman evades police, escaping into woods; major manhunt ensues (5 Aug)
HWA appears in Maymont Park, Virginia
Winifred Goldring retires as NYSM Paleontologist to spend 16 years at home in Slingerlands, NY
Schools of the Salmon River area, Fort Covington, are centralized
Bell Laboratories develops the photovoltaic cell
Regional Synod of Albany, Reformed Churches of America, est. Camp Fowler, 245 a, Speculator
Camp Fowler is named after Lewis M. Fowler, founder of Palatine Dyes Co, St. Johnsville
Camp Fowler occupies grounds of former Anthony B. Farrell Great Camp incl 1915-1920 log cabins
Louis Chisman is appointed director of Camp Fowler, Sacandagas Lake (serving until 1972)
Suits Nature and Arts Center, originally a dining hall, is est at Camp Fowler, Sacandaga Lake
The P.S. Olt Co. introduces the Canada goose flute (call)
ADK hosts first winter mountaineering school (Dec)
Atlantic Chapter of the Sierra Club is formed, covering all states east of the Mississippi R.
Lake George Steamboat Co. builds steel pier at Lake George to edge of King George’s grant
American Medical Association recommends automobile seat belt
Adirondack Park Association is established to foster Adirondack business
The Essex County Historical Society is established
Last log drive and sluicing of logs at Indian Lake Dam (by IRC) occurs; this facility on the FP
IRC continues to make water releases at Indian L. Dam to augment downstream flow for hydro
Word of Life Institute acquires 135-acre tract of land at Schroon Lake
“Old Iron Bridge” spanning Hudson River at Corinth is replaced by new steel structure
Queensbury Golf Course is established at Queensbury
Gov. Thomas Dewey signs legislation to build a highway up Prospect Mountain
Forked Lake Sluiceway Dam (154-2154) is built or reconditioned
South Colton Dam (136-1519) is built or reconditioned
Friends Lake Dam (204-2199) is built or reconditioned
Clinton-Essex-Franklin Library System begins bookmobile service to many of its communities
Plattsburgh Air Force Base groundbreaking ceremony occurs (29 Jan)
RPI hockey team, coached by Ned Harkness, wins NCAA national championship
Manhunt for L. Placid gunman involves 500 law enforcement and volunteers and lasts 104 days
L. Placid gunman zig-zags 382 miles through woods evading law to Schoharie Co. & vanishes (Oct)
WWNY TV begins broadcasting at Watertown, St. Lawrence Co., (22 Oct)
The taking of antlerless WTD is permitted in two Adirondack wilderness tracts
William L. Vessels sells his Blue Mt. House to Adirondack Historical Association
Georgia O’ Keeffe’s painting Lake George Barns is allotted to Walker Art Center of Minneapolis
The anti-tuberculosis drug Isoniazid is released for therapy
Number of TB sanatoria in the U.S. peaks with 108,457 beds
James A. Call is arrested in Reno, NV, and is linked to L. Placid policeman shootings (10 Nov)
When effective antibiotic treatments limit its usefulness, Trudeau Sanatorium closes (1 Dec)
Trudeau Research and Clinical Laboratory, a.k.a. Trudeau Laboratory continues
Joseph R. McCarthy is condemned by US Senate “for conduct unbecoming a senator” (2 Dec)
Harold K. Hochschild succeeds William L. Wessels as president of the AHA 1954
INCO builds a 637-foot tall (highest in world) smelter chimney at Sudbury, Ontario 1954
Hunters take 10,192 WTD bucks in Adk Park, the annual record 1954
Major irruption of Boreal Chickadee occurs 1954-55
Lithgow Osborne serves as president of AfPA 1954-55
Adirondacks Historical Association changes its name to Adirondack Historical Association 1955
Moose R. dam constitutional amendment vote fails thus avoiding flooding 1,500 acres of FP (Nov) 1955
KC-97 (fuel transport aircraft) lands at Plattsburgh Air Force Base (7 Nov) 1955
JLCNR, CD & ADK support FP amendment for increased public camping facilities 1955
NWS begins official naming of Atlantic storm systems 1955
NYSDOT uncovers large boulder (fut. Pig Rock) on east side of Rte 30, 6 miles north of Speculator 1955
A paved road (Route 30) is completed from Northville to the Town of Long Lake 1955
W.J. Hamilton, Jr. and A.A. Cook estimate the Adirondack fisher population at 3,000-4,000 1955
R. Smith reports on the experimental control of water chestnut in NYS 1955
TNC makes its 1st acquisition, Mianus River Gorge (60 a.), Westchester Co., using revolving fund 1955
E. Cushman proposes Student Conservation Association (SCA) in thesis at Vassar College 1955
USDA Forest Service establishes the Hubbard Brook Experimental Forest (HBEF), NH 1955
G.R. Trimble describes the research program at the Hubbard Brook Experimental Forest, NH 1955
1,720 NY forest fires burn 23,127 acres 1955
Thurman Volunteer Fire Department, Warren County, is organized 1955
Minerva Historical Society is formed to preserve history of Minerva and Irishtown (22 Apr) 1955
Construction of The Adirondack Museum begins at site of the old Blue Mountain House (an inn) 1955
As of this date 38 dams and reservoirs planned for Adirondacks in 1945 none have been realized 1955
USFWS inaugurates the Waterfowl Breeding Population Survey 1955
Forest Products History Foundation is renamed the Forest History Foundation 1955
Ray Kroc begins national franchising of McDonald’s 1955
W. Steenkens, Jr. receives honorary Doctor of Science from Univ. of Maryland 1955
Maj. James A. Call, AWOL USAF, pleads guilty to Aug ‘54 murder of L. Placid policeman (7 May) 1955
Maj. James A. Call is sentenced to 20-25 years to life in Clinton Prison (7 May) 1955
Two reports on the success of stocking land locked salmon in Lake George streams are issued 1955
Beaver are being trapped in every rural county of NYS 1955
Ron Mason trails magnetometer from USCG ship to find ocean floor paleomagnetism reversal 1955
Flatfish Pond Dam (154-2216) is built or reconditioned 1955
Lake Snow Dam (185-2298) is built or reconditioned 1955
Martha Reben pub *The Way of the Wilderness* 1955
Anne LaBastille receives BS in Conservation of Natural Resources, Cornell Univ. 1955
Fuller Kline enlarges existing pond with earthen dam to form Woodland Lake, Saratoga Co. c.1955
Julian Reiss est. Montserrat, a summer camp for youth of NYC on 200 a. site at Lake Placid c.1955
Pickwacket Pond Dam (168-2266) is built or reconditioned 1955
National Bituminous Concrete Association (see NAPA) is established 1955
Five Falls Dam (136-1518) is built or reconditioned 1955
Godfrey Cabot, Inc., is now the only mining company in the world producing wollastonite 1955
Stewart’s Ice Cream Shops operates 50 stores 1955
New management takes over Sherman’s Amusement Park at Caroga Lake 1955
Johnny Podres (Mineville), Dodgers, pitches shutout against Yankees in World Series Game 7 1955
CD reports completion of trail cleanup of 1950 blowdown debris 1955
Trails in the Cold River area are reopened – following the cleanup 1955
Optical fibers are developed 1955
Fifty-five million passenger cars are now registered in the US 1955
Some one million dollars accrues from sale of fallen timber following 1950 Adk blowdown 1955
Montgomery, Alabama, Bus Boycott is organized and enacted. 1955-56
Finch, Pruyn Co. and IP give nearly 15,000 a. of Adk lands, in four parcels, to NY ‘for forestry’ 1955-60
S. Robeson pub “More about wild turkeys” 1956
NE Blue Line is extended to include some 100,000 a. enlarging Adirondack Park to 5,693,500 acres 1956
Beech bark disease appears in Warren County, NY 1956
A stream is gauged at the HBEF in NH 1956
Robert Hall, wife Euphemia and children move to Elizabethtown, Essex Co. 1956
Arthur Tyler team wins Olympic bronze in 4-man bobsled at Cortina D’Ampezzo, Italy 1956
Federal Highways Act defines financing, gas taxes and layout for the Interstate Highway System 1956
Federal Highways Act opens door to suburban housing with $51 billion in funding 1956
Highway Act appropriating $25B for fiscal years 1957-1969 for 41,000-mi system (29 Jun) 1956
Interstate highway system begins – eventually to include 47,000+ miles of highway 1956
Annual road salt application in the US is now estimated at 10 million tons 1956
Main building of one-time Mary/ Ferd Chase’s Loon Lake House, Loon Lake burns to the ground 1956
Lake George Power Squadron pub a hydrographic survey of Lake George 1956
NYS court rules that the state and not shoreowners has right to regulate Lake George water levels 1956
The insect repellent DEET (N, N-diethyl-m-toluamide) is commercially released 1956
John Apperson authorizes 2nd planting of American chestnut on Dome Island; again none survive 1956
Alvin Whitney and Wm. M. White successfully plant poison ivy on Dome I. for erosion control 1956
Alvin Whitney, NYSM, uses chicken wire and straw to control erosion at Dome I., Lake George 1956
John. S. Apperson/Alvin Whitney assign Dome Island (16 a), south end of Lake George to TNC 1956
Camp Voyageur of the BSA opens at Massawepie Lake hosting 125 scouts 1956
Rainbow Falls Dam (136-1517) is built or reconditioned 1956
Journal of Forest and Conservation History is est 1956
Gus Lussi builds private dam on Averyville section of the Chubb Riber 1956
Hydroelectric turbines are damaged and removed from Lower Mill Pond dam, Lake Placid 1956
Shell Oil geologist M. King Hubbert predicts that U.S. oil production will peak in 1970 1956
J. Bardeen, W. Brattain, W. Shockley are awarded Nobel Prize for development of transistor 1956
FP blowdown timber salvage of 245,000 cords and 40 million bd. ft. is completed 1956
Norman Meyer buys Hotel Saranac at Saranac Lake (1 Oct) 1956
First Wilderness Bill, as drafted buy Howard Zahniser, is introduced to U. S. Congress 1956
CD ends control program for eastern coyote in New York 1956
C. W. Severinghouse and C. P. Brown, CD, pub, NYFGJ, detailed history NYS WTD (Jul) 1956
Bob Marshall posthumously pub Arctic Wilderness 1956
Joint Legislative Committee on Natural Resources promotes Adk long-term land acquisition plan 1956
Roberg Hall 11-year editor of The Daily Worker, communist newspaper, resigns “abruptly” 1956
Chapter 60, NYS Laws, provides $50,000 for FP land acquisition 1956
To date, following blowdown of 1950, 45 fires burn 230 a. of the impacted region 1956
Glutaraldehyde is applied to the tanning of leather as a substitute for hexavalent chromium 1956
Lake George fisherman survey reports important issues: fish screen and declining trout populations 1956
Richard J. Carota, eventual CEO, begins work with Finch, Pruyn & Co., Glens Falls 1956
USDA engages in spraying, by airplane, of one million acres with DDT 1956
Gypsy moths are controlled by DEC with DDT in the Lake Gerorge basin; but with consequences! 1956
Lake trout fry based on eggs taken from Lake George experience severe hatchery mortality 1956
Acquisition of lake and large-river fishing access begins with 26.7 a. on south shore of Oneida L. 1956
J.E. Asher, CA forester, drafts memo proposing automobile emissions as cause of forest decline 1956
G.W.H. Schepers tells Owens Corning that asbestos is “fairly well incriminated as a carcinogen” 1956
Dr. Hajime Hosokawa of Chisso Corp. Hosp. reports on a disease at Minamata River and Bay 1956
E. L. Cheatum, Conservationist, est. 400,000 NYS WTD pop. with repro. rate of 200-225 thousand 1956
Jarrold Zacharias and National Co. invent Atomicron, a self-contained, portable atomic clock 1956
380th Bomber Wing (medium and heavy bombers) begins residency at Plattsburgh AFB 1956
380th Air Refueling Squadron begins operation of tanker aircraft at Plattsburgh AFB 1956
Gov. Averill Harriman appoints Sharon J. Mauhs to direct CD 1956
Attorney general denies L. George fish screen because the trustees of Dartmouth own the outlet 1956
IP installs 60,000 ton/yr machine for making machine-coated production paper at Corinth 1956
The sugar maple is selected as the official NYS tree 1956
Beckos family opens Montcalm Restaurant on Rt. 9 in Lake George village 1956
Lawrence Grinnell pub Canoeable Waters in New York State 1956
Echo Peak Dam proposal for Dinosaur National Monument is defeated 1956
The Enchanted Forest – later called the Water Safari Park (see 1984) – opens at Old Forge (7 Jul) 1956
British team detects major drop in atmospheric ozone concentrations at Halley Bay, Antarctica 1956
Water Pollution Control Act provides funding for construction of water treatment plants 1956
Robert Cushman Murphy, AMNH, sues USDA for its gypsy moth spraying program on L.I. 1956
NYS Commerce Dept. pub. “Autumn Colorama in New York State” for leaf peepers (Sep) 1956
CD stocks Brooktrout Lake with brook trout annually 1956-71
Irving Langmuir dies Woods Hole, MA (16 Aug) 1957
Howard Zahniser speaks at annual convention of NYS Conservation Council, Albany (4 Oct) 1957
The Adirondack Historical Association opens The Adirondack Museum at Blue Mountain Lake 1957
Peregrine falcon, Falco peregrinus, is extirpated from Cascade Lakes near North Elba due to DDT 1957
American Management Association purchases the Trudeau Sanatorium property (Jan) 1957
Lake George fish screen is rejected by public works for lack of adequate proposal 1957
NYS legislature authorizes survey of Lake George shores and structures 1957
The Lake George Association begins publication of a newsletter 1957
E. Cushman & M. Hayne est. SCA with volunteers at Olympic and Grand Teton NP 1957
Treetops and North Country School join as single educational entity 1957
Point O’Pines Camp for Girls opens on site of Brant Lake Camp on Brant Lake 1957
The Civil Rights Act is passed 1957
On death of Frederick Kelsey, LPC sells Adirondak Loj to ADK 1957
Chazy Orchards adds Styrofoam-insulated structure for apple storage of 60,000 standard boxes 1957
NYS Air Pollution Control Board is established with broad powers of inspection 1957
Pandemic ‘Asian flu’ (H2N2) causes 70,000 deaths in the U.S, 2 million deaths worldwide 1957
USSR lofts a space satellite called Sputnik 1 prompting new funding and cooperation in West 1957
Roger Revelle, WHOI, finds that atmospheric CO₂ is not readily absorbed by the oceans (GCC) 1957
The USSR lofts the space satellite Sputnik 2 with an animal on board 1957
Camp Voyageur of the BSA at Massawepie Lake expands to host 250 scouts 1957
A camper drowns at Camp Fowler, Sacandaga Lake 1957
USDA sanctions application of DDT to 3-million acres of forest in New England 1957
Bill Denton of Denton Publishing, Elizabethtown, appoints Robert Hall editor of The Valley News 1957
Haudenosaunee goaltender Oren Lyons earns All-America on undefeated Syracuse lacrosse team 1957
The laser is invented 1957
Melvin Ellis Calvin (1911-1997), American, et al., define chemical pathways of photosynthesis 1957
Voters approve constitutional amendment for sale, etc. of FP tracts 10 a. or less outside Blue Line 1957
Chapter 30, NYS Laws, provides $100,000 for FP land acquisition 1957
Republic Steel’s Fisher Hill Mine at Port Henry closes laying off 130 men (15 Oct) 1957
Jim Fernandez and George Yentzen patent the double-reed duck call 1957
Mohawk, Tuscarora and Seneca become militant following reserve encroachments 1957
Kinzua Dam is proposed threatening flooding of Seneca reservation lands 1957
Honeyville Marsh Dam (089-2598) is built or reconditioned 1957
Woodland Lake Dam (206-2639) is built or reconditioned 1957
As part of IGY, Antarctic research stations begin regular ozone measurements 1957
USDA engages in spraying, by airplane, of three million acres with DDT 1957
Blake Falls Dam (151-1516) is built or reconditioned 1957
Ira Yonket et al. est. The Colonial Gardens, Elizabethtown. 1957
Germain family acquires the Oak Mountain Ski Center at Speculator, Hamilton Co. 1957
Stark Falls Dam (137-1515) is built or reconditioned 1957
Governor W. A. Harriman closes all state woods because of fire danger (4-11 May) 1957
600 firefighters and a timely rain put out 500 a. forest fire on Willsboro Mountain (7 May) 1957
Balsam woolly adelgid appears in southeastern US, esp. in Fraser fir (Abies fraseri) 1957
Robert F. Hall buys the Warrensburg News newspaper 1957
The (Hudson R.) White Water Derby is inaugurated 1957
Fed. gov’t takes FP land on Blue Mountain summit and private land on north side for radar station 1957
A service road is built to summit of Blue Mountain for Air Force radar station 1957
Paul Schaefer becomes vice-president of AfPA and remains so until 1998 1957
British Antarctic Survey begins monitoring stratosphere at Halley Bay, Antarctica 1957
J. & J. Rogers Co. union workers (143 members) reject $0.11 raise and go on strike 1957
J. & J. Rogers Co. union workers (143 members) accept $0.15 raise retroactive to 1 Jun (11 Jun) 1957
Stewart’s challenges and wins USDA permission to sell their own milk from their own shops 1957
Most Rev. James Johnston Navagh is appointed bishop of RCC Diocese of Ogdensburg (14 Jun) 1957
Finch, Pruyn & Co. builds a neutral sulphite semi-chemical bleached pulp mill at Glens Falls 1957
Hollywood movie “Marjorie Morningstar” is filmed at Scaroon Manor, Schroon Lake (summer) 1957
Hoby and Norma Rosen found Point O’Pines Camp for Girls at Brant Lake 1957
New York Serpentarium opens at site of former Deadwater Iron Works, N. Hudson 1957
Forest fire consumes 3,000 a. of jack pine in Altona Flat Rock SF pine barren, Clinton Co. 1957
Voters approve constitutional amendment, Art. XIV Sec. 1, for a 400-acre land bank for highways 1957
Annual High Peaks Art Show is organized for Keene Valley 1957
Plan for 175 mi. Adirondack Northway (I-87), Albany-Montreal, is presented to NYS legislature 1957
AfPA proposes running Northway through the Champlain Valley to avoid the FP 1957
Adirondack business interests and CD Commissioner Wilm favor upland route for Northway 1957
Roger Revelle and Hans Suess pub Tellus article on CO$_2$ transfer from atmosphere to sea 1957
Roger Revelle and Hans Suess downplay role of oceans in absorption of CO$_2$ in Tellus article 1957
NY State Commerce Dept. maintains weekly fall foliage report for leaf peepers (Sep) 1957
USAF KC-97 explodes and crashes into Lake Champlain after take-off from Plattsburgh AFB 1957
NYS legislature sets Lake George water level at a height determined by IP 1957
Boquet River and S. Br. Au Sable River flood New Russia, Underwood, Keene (17 Dec) 1957
Soviet Union and IGY est. Vostok Station at el. of 3,488 m, geomagnetic South Pole, Antarctica 1957
Antarctic research stations begin regular ozone measurement as part of IGY 1957
Major El Nino strikes northern Peru with flooding and loss of life and developed land 1957-58
Third International Geophysical Year is undertaken worldwide in 12 scientific disciplines 1957-58
A World Data Center (WDC) is established for each IGY discipline 1957-58
J. Armand Bombardier builds the prototypes for the Ski Doo, a small snowmobile 1957-58
C. Emiliani, U. Miami, uses oceanic carbonate sediment to define past climate of earth (GCC) 1957-93
Gov. Harriman, an ardent skier, becomes ‘stuck’ on the Whiteface Mt. chairlift during its dedication 1958
Whiteface Mountain Ski Center opens, replacing old facility established in 1949 (Jan) 1958
Rockwell Kent paints, o.o.c., *Asgaard in January, 1958; Asgaard: Farm of the Gods* (Jan)  1958
Montgomery Co. receives massive snowfall isolating some rural families for 2 weeks or more (Feb)  1958
Meltwaters of a massive snowstorm causes flood damage along lower Mohawk Valley (spring)  1958
Following floods ACE begins construction major array of retaining walls around south Amsterdam 1958
Salmon River Central School, County Rte 637, Fort Covington, opens (11 Feb)  1958
Sir Gilbert Walker, UK meteorologist, Southern Oscillation proponent, dies Coulston, UK (4 Nov)  1958
Civil Service assumes responsibility for the selection of Forest Rangers  1958
Adirondack Division of the NYCRR ends passenger service to Gabriels, Town of Brighton  1958
Adirondack Museum purchases Cold River artifacts and other belongings from Noah Rondeau  1958
Dorothy Plum and the ADK publish the *Adirondack Bibliography*  1958
DEC reclaims, i.e. removal of yellow perch, Embody Pond, 3 a, Franklin Co, using 5% rotenone  1958
Lake trout are seen by the hundreds rolling on the surface in a state of lethargy in Lake George  1958
Powassen virus (fatal), aka (later) deer tick virus, detected human brain tissue, Powassen, Ontario  1958
Paul Harvey, radio personality from Chicago, is Saranac Lake Winter Carnival King  1958
President Eisenhower creates the Outdoor Recreation Resources Review Commission (ORRRC)  1958
Laurance Rockefeller chairs ORRRC with Henry L. Diamond as editor of ORRRC reports  1958
The Adirondack Museum, Blue Mt. Lake, hosts a major exhibition of Winslow Homer’s Adk art  1958
D.A. Benson reports association of fatal ‘moose illness’ with WTD in Nova Scotia  1958
Anne LaBastille receives MS in Wildlife Management from Colorado State Univ.  1958
Adirondack Association opposes the proposed Adirondack National Park  1958
James A. Van Allen (1914-2006), American, using satellite Explorer I, discovers “magnetosphere”  1958
C. Mason pub “The return of a native: the wild turkey digs in to stay”  1958
USDA and Cornell Univ. Agricultural Experiment Station complete soil survey of Franklin Co.  1958
McLaughlin-Millard, Inc. of Dolgeville is superceded by Adirondack Bats, Inc.  1958
J. H. Oort, F. J. Kerr, G. Westerhout explain, on basis of H radio line, Milky Way as a spiral galaxy  1958
Robert Moses Hydroelectric facility opens at Massena on St. Lawrence River  1958
‘Greased’ Diane C. Struble swims 32 mile length of Lake George in 35 h, 33 min (22-23 Aug)  1958
CD Commissioner Mauhs closes Siamese Ponds area to motorized vehicles  1958
Piseco Volunteer Ambulance Corps, affiliated with Piseco VFD, is formed  1958
Chapter 218, NYS Laws, provides $100,000 for FP land acquisition  1958
Rome Reservoir Dam, a.k.a. Boyd Dam, (102-2546) is built or reconditioned  1958
ALC fishery biologists note acidification and loss of brook trout at Mountain Pond  1958
Chisso Corp. of Japan diverts flow of Minamata R. resulting in new outbreaks of disease  1958
The triazine herbicide Atrazine™ is released  1958
Telescope observation shows greenhouse effect raising temp. of Venusian air above BP of H₂O  1958
The bicyridylium herbicide Paraquat™ is released  1958
U.S. launches Explorer 1 satellite  1958
James Van Allen, using radiation counters aboard Explorer 1, discovers “Van Allen Belt”  1958
Bob Kampf begins cooperative weather observations at Ray Brook for the U.S. Weather Bureau  1958
Sergei A. Wilde pub *Forest Soils: Their Management and Their Relation to Silviculture*  1958
The Hudson White Water Derby begins its very successful annual program (May)  1958
The Brown Tract PC opens NW of Raquette Lake village  1958
United States, for the first time, now consumes more energy than its produces  1958
Eisenhower and Snell Locks open at Massena on the St. Lawrence R.  1958
Following heavy spraying with DDT gyspy moth population of Long Island resurges  1958
Crotchet Pond is reclaimed and restocked with native Adirondack brook trout  1958
Federal Aviation Act becomes law  1958
J. Reiss/daughter crash plane near Wanika Falls, overnight, walk 9-mi to Averyville (31 Oct-1 Nov)  1958
New 450 lb engine and radio equipment are stolen from J. Reiss’ crashed plane at crash site (Nov) 1958
CD Game Protectors are assigned tan, four-door Ford vehicles for patrol 1958
Paul Jamiesen completes climb of the High Peaks becoming 46er No. 146 1958
Lake Placid Club sells Adirondak Loj and 700 acres to Adirondack Mountain Club 1958
Saranac Laboratory drastically reduces staff and curtails most research activity 1958
Whiteface Mountain Ski Center is dedicated to 10th Mountain Division and WWII ski troops 1958
Charles Keeling begins CO2 monitoring at 11,500 ft el., Mauna Loa, Hawaii and South Pole 1958
Evile Gorham reports on the impacts of acid rain on the English Lake District 1958
Robert Hall edits and publishes weekly newspapers devoted to the northern Adirondacks 1958-71
Gov. Nelson Rockefeller appoints R. Watson Pomeroy chair of JLCNR 1959
Chapter 68, NYS Laws, provides $250,000 for FP land acquisition 1959
Lake Placid and State Police catch man who stole J. Reiss’ aircraft engine and radio gear (8 Jan) 1959
The Gables, lavish camp of Thomas C. Durant, burns 1959
JLCNR proposes creation of a FP “road bank” for enhancement of Adirondack road system 1959
NYS constitution is amended allowing use of up to 300 a. for 7 1/2 mi. of Adk Northway (I-87) 1959
The Antlers Hotel at Antlers Point, Raquette Lake, ceases operation 1959
Judith Miller begins cooperative weather observations at Newcomb for U.S. Weather Bureau 1959
Julian Reiss, prominent Adk leader and founder Santa’s Workshop, 1st American theme park, dies 1959
Lake Algonquin Dam (171-2700) is built or reconditioned 1959
CAMP-of-the-WOODS Christian girls’ camp, Tapawingo, is est. on island at Lake Pleasant, NY 1959
Prospect Dam (127-2530) is built or reconditioned 1959
The Skenesborough Museum is established – in the old canal terminal bulding 1959
NYS legislature combines BRRD and HRRD to form the HRBRRD (Jan) 1959
P. Karlson and M. Loscher coin the term ‘pheromone’ 1959
Slippery Corners Dam (081-2759) is built or reconditioned 1959
Lens Lake Dam (187-2760) is built or reconditioned 1959
CD begins trapping and relocating turkey from Allegany State Part to other sites in NY 1959
Luna 3 (U.S.S.R.) photographs the far side of the moon 1959
Explorer 6 (U.S.) makes television images of the earth – fostering idea of earth as an ecosystem 1959
Yellow Clover is noted at Dome Island, Lake George, perhaps introduced in hay mulch 1959
Oswald D. Heck ends his service to NYS House beginning 1932 ending with his death (21 May) 1959
Oswald D. Heck Moose R plains defender dies heart attack, buried Vale Cemetery, Schen (21 May) 1959
Charles Wood founds the Tiki Motor Inn at Lake George – following a Florida model 1959
Robert F. Hall buys *Lake George Mirror* and *Hamilton County News* (Speculator) newspapers c. 1959
A. Tyler, G. Sheffield team wins 4-man bobsled world championship gold medal, St. Moritz (Feb) 1959
Richard Pough, ornithologist, becomes president of AIPA 1959
Research of Dr. Hosokawa on Minamata Disease link to mercury is terminated by Chisso Corp. 1959
Triple therapy, the combination of Isoniazid, streptomycin and PAS, becomes standard for TB 1959
Richard Pough, Sharon Mauhs and Paul Schaefer promote a conservation easement for Elk Lake 1959

You fail to understand me, I will take nothing more than a dollar.

Samuel Bloomingdale’s response to Conservation Commissioner Sharon Mauhs’ offer for a conservation easement for the shores and islands of Elk Lake 1959

John Alexander establishes Cold Spring Granite Co. quarry at Au Sable Forks 1959
Permission granted to build Lake George fish screen at lake outlet, IP paying more than half the cost 1959
CD completes aerial survey of Lake George shore detecting 2,000+ FP encroachments (23 Apr) 1959
St. Lawrence Seaway, 2,342 mi from the Atlantic to Duluth, MN, opens (25 Apr) 1959
DDT is confirmed as the cause of hatchery lake trout fry mortalities in NY 1959
USDA abandons DDT gypsy moth control program because of public reaction 1959
J. Armand Bombardier patents a small snowmobile 1959
Oval Wood Dish Co. begins production of maple bowling pins 1959
CD ends turkey stocking program using game farm-reared birds 1959
CD conducts “Outdoor Recreation Survey” to suggest fishing access for 1,200 mi of NY streams 1959
Gordon-Pomeroy CD WTD bill supported Conservation Council for Adks; an historic landmark 1959
A hunting season for the turkey is declared in NY 1959
Forest History Foundation changes its name to Forest History Society 1959
CD fisheries DeHaviland Otter crashes on McNaughton Mtn; one dead, four injured (20 Sep) 1959

This airplane was purchased new in August 1958 to replace the CD fisheries’ Grumman “Goose” amphibian that crashed near Rhinebeck, NY in January 1957. The Otter was for firefighting, fish stocking, aerial photography, transporting surveyors and equipment into backcountry. Before it crashed it had been the fifth plane in the CD squadron which also included a twin-engine Beechcraft, two ‘aerial spray’ planes and one Cessna.

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Charley Wood opens the Gaslight Village theme park at Lake George 1959
Division of Budget funds a crew of three to survey Lake George shore; 14 were requested by CD 1959
CD crew of three surveys 44 miles of the Lake George shore 1959
The Gordon-Pomeroy bill assigns limited game regulatory authority to the CD 1959
CD begins trapping and relocating turkey from Allegany State Part to other sites in NY 1959
McCaeley Mountain Ski Area opens at Old Forge 1959
A. B. Hatch, NYS Fish/Wildlife Management Board, Conservationist, discr. WTD issues (Oct-Nov) 1959
Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller appoints Harold G. Wilm as commissioner of CD 1959
CD commissioner H.G. Wilm begins era of highly invasive policies re. the FP (ending 1966) 1959
Phytochrome is isolated, important in the regulation of flowering/seed germination 1959
Pieter Fosburgh pub The Natural Thing 1959
George Griffen, et al., found Trout Unlimited near Grayling, Michigan 1959
Neil Stout and Clarence Petty begin survey of Adk wilderness for the JLCNR 1959
Wayne Trimm attends NYS College of Forestry, Syracuse Univ., Syracuse 1950s
Quasars (quasi-stellar objects), celestial, remote, massive, starlike are discovered (200,000 currently) 1950s
Gouverneur Talc Company expands production capacity by 25% 1959-60
Clarence Petty and Neil Stout map 12 wilderness areas (> 10,000 a.) 1959-63
Richard H. Pough serves as president of AfPA 1959-63
JLCNR authorizes major study of the FP 1960
CD submits key report to Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller on statewide recreational facilities (1 Feb) 1960
Population Reference Bureau estimates the human global population at 6 billion 1960
Cabot Minerals begins underground mining of wollastonite at Willsboro when beds dip downward 1960
Weather satellite Tiros I is launched by US to transmit global cloud conditions (1 Apr) 1960
A gypsy moth pheromone is discovered and used to disrupt its mating 1960
Beaver trapping is now allowed throughout NYS with exception of NYC 1960
Almy D. Coggeshall introduces “Carry it In, Carry it Out” philosophy to the ADK and DEC 1960
Adirondack trappers now take some 5,000 beavers per year 1960
The common mockingbird appears in the Adirondacks 1960
A NYS armory is est. at Lower Saranac Lake (now for Co. A, 2nd Bn, 108th inf. NYARNG) 1960
NYS armory is built along NY Rte 3 near Saranac Lake (now Co. A, 2nd Bn, 108th inf. NYARNG) 1960
Town of Harrietstown begins operating Saranac Lake Airport at Lake Clear 1960
U.S. Weather Bureau issues air pollution advisories for the eastern U.S. 1960
Crippling nor’easter hits East Coast with high winds, heavy snow; 80 dead (2-5 Mar) 1960
Congress passes Multiple Use Act assuring recreational use of national forests 1960
Chapter 637, NYS Laws, allows DEC to accept lands within blue lines for scientific forestry 1960
Chapter 637, NYS Laws, allows that lands given to the Adk Park may be excluded from the FP 1960
“Multiple use”, non-FP lands, may be added to the Adirondack and Catskill Parks 1960
Evergreen Lake Dam (156-2918) is built or reconditioned 1960
Game Proectors’ Ford patrol cars serving heavily hunted areas are equipped with two-way radios 1960
Bolton WWTP, Town of Bolton, Warren Co., is est. releasing product to the groundwater 1960
Party permit system becomes important in Adirondack WTD management 1960
Remington Arms Co. introduces the plastic cartridge case for shotgun shells 1960
NYS Law allows the giving of land to Adirondack Park, for silviculture and scientific forestry 1960
Fifth World Forestry Congress (in Seattle) develops the concept of multiple-use forestry 1960
Greenleaf Chase notes peregrine falcons at Record Hill and Chapel Pond 1960
A major upgrading of facilities occurs at the Ranger School at Wanakena 1960
General Conference of Weights and Measures sets standard meter on basis of a krypton spectral line 1960
Nesting bald eagles no longer occur in the Adirondacks 1960
Rockwell Kent paints, o.o.c. Mountain Road (Adirondack Museum Collection) c. 1960
Hugh Fosburgh pub One Man’s Pleasure 1960
Indian Lake Islands PC on Rt. 30 between Speculator and Indian Lake opens 1960
National Multiple Use-Sustained Yield Act becomes law 1960
Chapter 144, NYS Laws, provides $100,000 for FP land acquisition 1960
Park and Recreation Land Acquisition Bond Act allocates $4.9 M to develop public campsites 1960
American Inst. of Steel Construction celebrates twin bridges of Northway crossing Mohawk R. 1960
Adirondack Development Corp. discovers two large deposits of wollastonite near Lewis, Essex Co. 1960
Jones and Laughlin Steel Corporation now employs 840 at Benson Mines, St. Law. Co. 1960
Niagara Mohawk Power Co. sells 705 a. of land at Massawepie Lake to the BSA 1960
Sunmount Veterans Administration Hospital at Tupper Lake becomes a general hospital 1960
Gould Paper Co. sells 15,710 a. of Limekiln Lake Tract to NYS for FP 1960
Indian Lake Bulletin biweekly newspaper is founded at Indian Lake 1960
James Loeb and Roger Tubby purchase the Lake Placid News from Mrs. Grace Lattimer (Sep) 1960
Student Non-Violence Coordinating Committee is founded 1960
Richard D. Chapin, Watertown, invents drip irrigation system for green houses 1960
Kanes Falls Electric Co. offices burn and hydroelectric plant at Hadlock Pond is abandoned 1960
Chapter 522, NYS Laws, approves vote for Park and Recreation Land Acquisition Bond Act 1960
Chapter 523, NYS Laws, defines procedures for implementation of $75 M Chapter 522 act 1960
Weather satellite Tiros II, is launched by US yielding 20,000 weather photos in 10 weeks (Nov) 1960
NYS voters approve Chapter 522 (land acquisition): 2,390,585 for, 869,284 against (6 Nov) 1960
W.E. Sanderson grants NYSM study privileges at the Garoga Mohawk site 1960
Marshall McLuhan coins the term “global village” 1960
Ivan A. Gettings forms Aerospace Corp. to develop a global positioning system 1960
National forest timber harvest triples above 1950 level to a new peak of 9 billion bd. ft. 1960
Emporium Forestry Co. mill ceases operation after 50 years at Conifer 1960
Old Forge native skier Gary Vaughn competes as an alternate in the Squaw Valley Olympics 1960
Combined bond acts approve $2.6 mill for 102,000 a. FP addition 1960-62
NYS Department of Commerce pub map Explore the Adirondacks, 16” height by 17” width 1960s
Homelands and buildings of Allegany Seneca (Haudenosaunee) are flooded by dams 1960s
Beech bark disease appears in the Siamese Ponds area of the Adirondacks 1960s
Small hydroelectric power generating facilities are abandoned in the Adirondacks 1960s
*Giardia lamblia*, pathogen for “beaver fever”, is found in Adirondack waters 1960s
The tufted titmouse is recorded in the Lake Champlain area 1960s
ALC introduces hybrid brook trout (Temiiscamie x Domestic) to the Adirondacks 1960s
ALC fishery biologists implicate airborne pollutants in decline of fish populations 1960s
Neoprene lacing is used in the making of wooden snowshoes 1960s
New England/New York experience major regional drought; worst drought of record for NYC 1960s
Algal sediment cores, Wolf Pond, Newcomb, mark severe dry period (Stager, *The Holocene*, 2016) 1960s
Adirondack White Cedar oil sells for about 2 dollars per pound 1960s
Last of the manufactured gas plants in U.S. cease operation 1960s
Norm Borlaug *et al.* introduce the Green Revolution 1960s-70s
Centre for Ice & Climate, U. Copenhagen notes 400pg/g lead (gas additive) in Greenland glacial ice 1960s
Jacob Bjerkness, Norwegian, UCLA, proposes El Nino as a global phenomenon (GCC) 1960s
Second-home development becomes a major issue for the Adirondacks 1960s
Whitaker Lake residents paint huge boulder to create ‘Pig Rock’ on Rte 30 north of Speculator 1960s
Lumber industry develops self-loading trucks, aka cherry pickers 1960s
Refrigerated vending machines, ice vendors and ice machines replace many commercial ice plants 1960s
Man-made satellites begin systematic instrumental meteorological measurements 1960s
David Newhouse along with ADK associates and DEC est. the “carry-in and carry-out ethic” 1960s
The glove industry of Gloversville declines as fashion changes 1960s
CD surveys report the demise of the once-proud fishery of Brook trout Lake, SW Adks 1960s
John Pond Dam, a fish barrier, is built by CD Div. of Fish & Wildlife, T. of Indian Lake 1960s
Public Campsites within the two parks and no longer part of FP become exempt from taxation 1960s
Hydro-Quebec est. hydroelectric reservoir at Manicouragan Lake; circular c. 40 mi. diam, Quebec 1960s

Manicouragan Lake, Quebec, Canada, fills a meteorite impact lake, possible one of five globally formed 214 billion years ago. The Northeast now benefits from the electricity generated at this massive reservoir. Google this site for a NASA image - being thankful that Adirondack lakes and rivers are not serving in this role.

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Sudbury, Ontario, begins major land restoration efforts as INCO SO₂ emissions are reduced 1960s-70s
Pomeroy and JLCNR recommend creation of 12 FP wilderness areas in the Adirondack FP 1961
Pomeroy and JLCNR withdraw wilderness bill from NYS legislature 1961
NYS legislature establishes Lake George Park (c. 200,000 a.) 1961
NYS legislature establishes Lake George Park Commission (LGPC); Article 43-0112 (5) 1961
Town of Bolton builds a waste-water treatment facility discharging into rapid infiltration beds 1961
The Chapel by the Lake is erected at Camp Fowler, Sacandaga Lake 1961
Town of Indian Lake acquires Allen Brooks home built in 1865 for its library 1961
AG assures CD it has ‘care, custody and control of the FP and the right to regulate uses thereof’ 1961
CD has contracted to purchase 42 FP parcels with area of 12,467 a. for $205 645 by end of year 1961
John Pond is reclaimed with rotenone and restocked with Adk strain of brook trout 1961
A pair of peregrine falcons rear young at Mt. Tom in Plumadore Range of Adirondacks 1961
Atmospheric Sciences Research Center opens its Whiteface Mountains Observatory 1961
Kinzua Dam, PA, is completed flooding the burial place of the Seneca leader Complanter 1961
William C. Wessels pub *Adirondack Profiles* 1961
David Smith completes steel sculpture ‘Dido’s Circle on a Fungus’ 1.5 cm. thick sheet, c. 9’ tall 1961
TNC land holdings nationally exceed 10,000 a. 1961
FIBT World Championship bobsled tournament is held at Mt. van Hoevenberg, L. Placid (Feb) 1961
Eugenio Monti team wins 2-man bobsled FIBT world championship held at Lake Placid 1961
Eugenio Monti team wins 4-man bobsled FIBT world championship held at Lake Placid 1961
Edmund Lamy, Saranac Lake, is elected to the USA Hall of Fame of Speed Skating 1961

Out of 74 races, Edmund Lamy participated in during his career as an amateur he won 69, came in 2nd three and 3rd in two. He could jump 12 horizontal barrels ‘nicely’ and 8 standing on end. His record skating broad jump (now called the long jump) was 27.5’. In comparison, Peter O’Connor of Dublin won Olympic gold with a land jump of 25.2’ in 1901. In 1991, sixty years later Mike Powell of the USA won gold with a land long jump of 29.63’, the current world record. The community of Saranac Lake is quite justly proud of Ed Lamy.

Carl George, Editor
Adirondack Chronology

Lake George Winter Carnival, heavily dependent on ice cover of the Lake, is established 1961
Alvin Breisch, et al., TNC, est. two transects for survey of trees at Dome Island, Lake George 1961
Oak Mountain Ski Center at Speculator begins making artificial snow 1961
Northeastern Logger is renamed Northern Logger 1961
Oval Wood Dish Co. closes its plants at Potsdam and Québec City 1961
Litchfield Park Corp. establishes charcoal kilns at Tupper Lake 1961
Voters disapprove constitutional amendment (Art. XIV) for relocation of Arietta Road, Ham. Co. 1961
The Calvin Cycle, the central process of photosynthesis, is defined 1961
Northern NY Agric. Dev. Program forms to aid Cornell Cooperative Extension agents 1961
NYS legislature establishes regional agriculture research stations in northern New York 1961
William H. Miner’s Miner Lake area is deeded to the Town of Altona for public recreation 1961
Chicago Conference of Native Americans pub The Declaration of Indian Purpose 1961
Abscisin, one of the five kinds of plant hormones, is extracted from cotton burrs 1961
Whetstone Gulf Storage Dam (101-2862) is built or reconditioned 1961
Town of Indian Lake constructs a dam at the outlet of Lake Abanakee 1961
PSC buys Hotel Saranac for use in its Hotel Restaurant and Culinary Arts program 1961
Chitting Pond Dam (116-2997) is built or reconditioned 1961
Jeanne Robert Foster is assigned the Schenectady Patroon Award, the highest given by the city 1961
Ice cover record is begun for Cranberry Lake at Clifton, St. Lawrence Co. 1961
AfpA again works against a “closed cabin amendment” 1961
SUNY ASRC Field Station is est. on Marble Mt. of Whiteface Mt. in former ski center lodge 1961
Ethambutol is found to protect mice from lethal infections of TB bacillus H37rv 1961
Joe Frieber sells Scaroon Manor to Brandt Bros., The Sagamore Hotel, Bolton Landing (Oct) 1961
Adirondack Community College (ACC), SUNY, Queensbury, 141 a., 2-year degree, opens 1961
Richard A. Cohen establishes the Water Safari (theme) Park at Old Forge 1961
An amendment to NYS Constitution proposes regrading of Arietta Road (Rt. 10) 1961
ADK leads the opposition to the Arietta Road amendment of NYS Constitution 1961
Otter Lake Community Church celebrates its centennial with 67 ministers attending 1961
Cornell Univ. rents 4 a. of Tableland Farm from Henry & Mildred Uihlein for state seed potato farm 1961
NYS Cornell-Uihlein Foundation Seed Potato Farm begins operation in North Elba 1961
Henry & Mildred Uihlein donate 317 a. Tableland Farm to Cornell Univ. for NYS seed farm (Dec) 1961
NYS AG Nathaniel Goldstein affirms CD regulatory authority over motor vehicles in FP (5 Dec) 1961
Rockwell Kent paints o.o.c. Asgaard Farm (Whiteface background; Adk Mus. Coll.) 1961
R.E. Funk, NYSM, excavates Garoga Mohawk site, Fulton Co. 1961
A major irruption of Boreal Chickadee occurs 1961-62
556th Strategic Missile Squadron, Plattsburgh AFB, operates 10 silos in upstate NY (2 in VT) 1961-65

CD Commissioner Wilm supports the Bartlett-Anderson bill to repeal Article XIV 1962

The satellite Telstar transmits a video image across the Atlantic 1962

An international treaty, the Nuclear Test Ban, ends the atmospheric testing of nuclear weapons 1962

The Hunter’s Rest Hotel on Lonesome Bay of Raquette Lake closes 1962

The NY State legislature names Route 30 “The Adirondack Trail” 1962

Big Rock (nuclear power) Plant, Charlevoix, Mich., begins commercial operation (Nov) 1962

J.G. Broughton et al. pub The Geology of New York State, a map at 1:250,000 1962

Lake George fish screen is replaced because 1959 version was not working 1962

Tupper Lake STP, Tupper Lake village, Franklin Co., is est. releasing product to Raquette Pond 1962

The New Yorker pub a series of articles by Rachel Carson basic to book The Silent Spring 1962

Francis Crick, Jim Watson and Maurice Williams win Nobel Prize for DNA structure 1962

Domtar Industries of Canada begins land acquisition in Lyon Mt. Region of Adirondacks 1962

Edgar B. Blean reaches top of Blake Peak to complete winter ascents of all 46 High Peaks 1962

Marshall Warren Nirenberg (1927-2010) disc genetic code, i.e. specific 3 nucleotides per amino acid 1962

H.S. Yoder and C.E. Tilley use pressure and temp. experiments to study anorthosite formation 1962

Winebrook Hills STP, Town of Newcomb, Essex Co., is est. releasing product to Wine Brook 1962

Annual Willard Hanmer Guideboat (and Canoe) Race(s) begins at Saranac Lake-Lake Flower 1962

R.E. Funk of the NYSM excavates the Garoga Mohawk site, Fulton Co. 1962

Kenny Lebel of Lake Placid jumps 17 barrels to set the world record (14 Jan) 1962

Richard Avery shoots a black bear weighing 652 pounds in the Town of Benson, Hamilton Co. 1962

Richard D. Chapin incorporates Chapin Watermatics to promote and sell drip irrigation systems 1962

Maitland De Sormo, Adk historian, collects major part Seneca Ray Stoddard archives 1962

Cartoonist-conservationist Jay N. Darling, born 1876, dies 1962

The Cold War peaks with the Cuban Missile Crisis 1962

USAF B-47E bomber on training flight from P-burgh AFB crashes on Wright Peak, 4 dead (16 Jan) 1962

NL tries to purchase Tahawus rail spur right-of-way and rails from federal GSA 1962

GSA goes to court, extends 15-year easement on the FP for the Tahawus rail spur for 100 years 1962

Hope Volunteer Fire Department is formed (8 Jun) 1962

GSA will pay $63.50 a year for extension of Tahawus rail spur easement for 100 years 1962

Testing of atomic weapons in Nevada ends (11 Jul) 1962

The Great Wallendas begin performing at The Enchanted Forest, Old Forge (Jul-Aug) 1962

Penfield Foundation is established at Ironville to oversee Penfield Pond and remaining buildings 1962

AfPA again works against a “closed cabin amendment” 1962

US Congress passes Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act making their killing, molesting illegal 1962

Park and Recreation Land Acquisition Bond Act is supplemented by $800 K for public campsites 1962

Maitland De Sormo acquires more of Seneca Ray Stoddard’s photofile from Bertha Stoddard 1962

Warren County Town of Caldwell is renamed Town of Lake George 1962

Saranac Inn on Upper Saranac Lake closes, once operating 500 rooms and many cottages 1962

Glens Falls Hospital adds a new east wing 1962

Main building, cottages, golf course and undeveloped land of Saranac Inn are auctioned (Sep) 1962

Scaroon Manor, now called Scaroon Manor Motor Inn, closes at end of season 1962

CD acquires permanent easement for 320 a. holding Mt. van Hoevenberg bobsled run 1962

CD acquires 350 a. adjoining Mt. van Hoevenberg run but this is not added to FP 1962

First of twelve Atlas ICBMs is installed in Chazy Lake-Alburg sector of NY-VT 1962

Adirondack sculptor David Smith completes Wind Totem, a welded steel sculpture 1962

David Smith completes ‘Voltri Series’ of 27 pieces in steel during Italian stay 1962

Hammermill Paper Co. acquires Strathmore Paper Company 1962

Chapter 443, NYS Laws, approves public vote for $25 M (additional) bond issue 1962
Public vote approves Chapter 443: 1,786,496 for, 889,924 against (6 Nov) 1962
Rosalie B. Edge, one of US’s greatest conservationists, dies (30 Nov); burial New Windsor, NY 1962
Fed. McIntyre-Stennis Act fosters forestry/forest product research at land-grant universities 1962
Harry Hess pub a “classic paper” outlining the theory of continental drift 1962
Orra A. Phelps becomes a naturalist for the ADK and establishes a small museum 1962

President Kennedy receives report of Outdoor Recreation Resources Review Commission report recommending creation of the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund by Congress and creation of the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation in the US Department of the Interior by Secretary Stewart Udall.

The northern hawk owl visits New York in a winter irruption 1962-63
The NYS Constitution is amended to exchange FP and other lands at Saranac Lake 1963

A study of the history of the Forest Preserve makes it clear that we may expect attacks on the Forest Preserve by commercial interests from time to time. It is our intention to be prepared for such attacks at all times; if we are, many otherwise serious issues can be discouraged before they have made too much headway.

Board of Trustees of AfPA
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John S. Apperson dies Schenectady, burial Round Hill Cemetery 8C, Adrian Smyth Co., Va. (1 Feb) 1963
John S. Apperson estate assigns papers to Forest Preserve Association of NYS (see ARL) 1963
Edward Hamilton pub The French and Indian Wars 1963
Home of Franklin B. Hough, Lowville, NY, becomes a National Historic Landmark 1963
Most of the buildings of the village of Adirondac are moved to Newcomb 1963
JLCNR unanimously adopts a plan for a detailed FP survey (7 Mar) 1963
Hubbard Brook Ecosystem Study in NH documents acid rain in North America 1963
William H. Miner Foundation sells 750 acres of Lake Alice property to NYS 1963
Conservation Foundation organizes a conference on global impact of CO₂ (12 Mar) 1963
Samuel J. Bloomingdale buys land including Elk Lake 1963
Richard H. Pough forms Open Space Action Committee, a program of Natural Areas Council 1963
John Eaton of J. & J. Rogers Co. est. AuSable Acres at Jay with 500+ homes on 5000+ acres 1963
Mt. Agung (volcano) erupts, Bali, Indonesia, killing 1584, impacting global climate (18 Feb-Feb’64) 1963
Dr. Hollis Boren is appointed director of new Trudeau Research Laboratories (Trudeau Institute) 1963
Strenuous local opposition and political pressure halt sale of Scaroon Manor to NYS (3 May) 1963
Paul Miller, CA forest pathologist, experimentally links smog to tree death in L.A. area 1963
Most Rev. Leo Richard Smith is appointed bishop of RCC Diocese of Ogdensburg (13 May) 1963
Paul Schaefer acquires archives of AfPA and moves them from NYC to his Niskayuna home 1963
Local heavy rains cause “great avalanche” on Giant Mt. and washout of Rt. 73 (29 Jun) 1963
Gov. Rockefeller establishes Northern Tier Expressway ‘Rooftop Highway, but no funding 1963
DEC opens Warrensburg Region 5 office 1963
Quasars are discovered – releasing energy equal to 100,000 billion suns 1963
Al Fischer, Princeton, et al., pub on the periodic reversal of the earth’s magnetic field 1963
William H. Miner’s Heart’s Delight Farm at Chazy is dissolved (1 Aug) 1963
Tumblebrook (laboratory animal) Farm ceases operation at Brant Lake 1963
Domtar Industries, Inc., acquires several Adirondack forest tracts from the D&H RR. Co. 1963
Gov. N.A. Rockefeller closes all state woods, except Long Island and NYC (13 Oct-1 Nov) 1963
Mrs. Wallace Yeaple sells 240 a. to OEC of SUNY Cortland at Raquette Lake 1963
Old Forge STP, T. of Old Forge, is established releasing product to M. Branch of Moose R. 1963
CD crew completes 179.5-mile shore survey at Lake George noting 2250+ FP encroachments 1963
CD crew determines that 250+ FP encroachments occurred as the survey was being conducted 1963
Fran Betters, Wilmington, creates fisherman’s dry-fly called ‘Au Sable Wulff’ (Sep) 1963
Arthur Gillette opens Christmas City, USA (theme park) on Rt. 9 near L. George and Glens Falls 1963
*The Conservationist* pub the CD’s plan regulating motor vehicles in FP 1963
Commissioner Wilm allows snowmobiles on snow-covered trails of the FP (3 Oct) 1963

R. Watson Pomeroy, Chairman of the Joint Legislative Committee on Natural Resources, takes exception to Commissioner Wilm’s action on snowmobiles stating that it was an “unconstitutional assumption of authority to permit a certain class of vehicles to travel anywhere in the preserve roads or no roads.

In a letter to Paul Schaefer
January, 1964

Commissioner Wilm restricts snowmobiles to designated trails in the FP 1963
R.H. Pough founds Open Space Action Committee (later the OSI) to protect wild land development 1963
Sisters of Mercy sell their Gabriels Sanatorium to Paul Smith’s College 1963
AfPA and ADK threaten law suit against the CD on matter of snowmobile use in FP 1963
F.H. Bormann, G.F. Likens, N.M. Johnson and R.S. Pierce publish on studies at the HBEF, NH 1963
Jim & Keela Rogers buy AM radio station WNBZ, Saranac Lake, from Jeanne & Jacque DeMatos 1963
Limekiln Lake Public Campground at Inlet in Hamilton Co is established 1963
McIntyre Development moves iron mining 15 miles south to new site adjacent Tahawus plant 1963
Calculations suggest that water vapor will amplify effects of atmospheric CO₂ levels 1963
Voters allow village of Saranac L. to exchange 10 a. of FP ‘dump land’ for 30 a. of village land 1963
Howard Thomas pub *Black River in the North Country* 1963
Canadian divers find body of Mabel Douglass, founder NJ College for Women, in Lake Placid 1963
Pres. Kennedy is assassinated by gun fire while in a motorcade, Dealey Plaza, Dallas, TX (22 Nov) 1963
Finch, Pruyn & Co. sells Elk Lake Lodge tract (c. 11,000 a.) to a NYC buyer 1963
Gould Paper Co. ‘gifts’ NYS with easements for 26.2 miles of roads in Moose River Plains 1963
USFWS estimates the presence of 417 nesting pairs of bald eagle in the lower 48 states 1963
Cadbury family closes Back Log Camp, a Quaker retreat, at Indian Lake 1963
Bergen Council, BSA, Bergen, NJ, acquires Floodwood Mountain Scout Reservation 1963
CD opens the Lake Colby State Environmental Education Center at Saranac Lake 1963
Pete Rickard, Inc. adds DEET to its “Ole Time” Woodsman Fly Dope formulation (19 Dec) 1963
Charlotte Hyde Pruyan dies and the Hyde Museum is founded in her memory at Glens Falls 1963
250,000 civil rights proponents march on Washington, D.C. 1963
NCCh founds the Faith-Man-Nature Group 1963
Howard Clinton Zahniser dies of heart failure; is buried Tionesta Riverside Cemetery, Pa. (5 May) 1964
National Wilderness Act, after 66 revisions by Howard Zahniser, is signed by Pres. LBJ (3 Sep) 1964
NWA creates National Wilderness Preservation System covering 54 areas, 9.1M a., 13 states (3 Sep) 1964
NWA prohibits mountain bikes, as “mechanical devices”, on lands of its domain (3 Sep) 1964
The Civil Rights Act is signed into law 1964
New Bremen Volunteer Fire Department, Lewis Co., begins ice-harvest demonstration/festival 1964
G.E. Burdick et al. pub *The Accumulation of DDT in Lake Trout* 1964
Adirondack Forest Preserve is registered as a National Historic Landmark by National Park Service 1964
Association of State Foresters is renamed National Association of State Foresters 1964
CD proposes forestry in 64% of the FP wilderness 1964
Adirondack Plywood Corp. acquires Oval Wood Dish Co. plant at Tupper Lake 1964
Roger Sullivan, Oval Wood Dish Co. employee, acquires Woodware Div. and begins plasticware 1964
CD restricts snowmobiles to signed roads and trails in response to AfPA efforts

Paul Schaefer fosters establishment of the TNC Lisha Kill Preserve in Schenectady

The Schenectady chapter of the ADK publish *The Forest Preserve of New York State*

The ADK has 2,550 members

Shirley (Kris) Hansen opens Camp Woodsmoke on Lake Placid as summer camp for girls

Rachel Carson, born 1907, marine biologist, author, editor-in-chief USFWS publications, dies

Francis B. Trudeau, Jr., grandson of E. L. Trudeau, est. Trudeau Institute on Lower Saranac Lake

Little Red, former TB cure cottage, is moved from ACS to Trudeau Institute at Lower Saranac L. Saranac Laboratory closes its doors transferring all research to Trudeau Institute

T. of Port Henry and Moriah V., Essex Co., est. joint WWTP releasing product to L. Champlain

The Penfield Homestead Museum is founded by the Penfield Foundation at Ironville

Anne LaBastille builds small log cabin at Twitchell Lake, Old Forge

R.E. Funk, NYSM, excavates the Garoga Mohawk site, Fulton Co.

Film *12 Years a Slave*, featuring life of Solomon Northrop, wins 3 Academy awards

U.S. celebrates 50th-year birthday of Civil Rights Act

Stauffer Chemical patents glyphosate, N-(phosphonomethyl)glycine 3 as chelator (USP 3,160,632)

Jim Shea of Lake Placid competes in Olympic nordic combined and xc skiing at Innsbruk

R.C. Anderson demonstrates association of WTD brainworm with ‘moose illness’ in Ontario

International Talc Co. est. an open-pit mine at Fowler producing 80,000 tons/year; asbestos?

Hydroelectric dam on Chateaugay River ceases operation

Gene Simmons does gravity survey of northern NY defining extent of Adirondack anorthosite

The Christmas Bird Count detects an irruption of the pine siskin in the Adirondacks

CD acquires a TBM Avenger, a plane modified to carry water for forest fire control

International Talc Co. acquires the Carbola Chemical Company of Natural Bridge (Mar)

Commissioner H. G. Wilm initiates an F.M. radio system for the CD

Bruce Brownell begins building passive solar homes at Edinburg, NY

Sisters of Mercy shift program emphasis at Gabriels Sanatorium from TB to geriatrics

Most Rev. Thomas A. Donnellan is appointed RCC Diocese of Ogdensburg bishop (13 Apr)

Yauney Reservoir Dam (157-3344) is built or reconditioned

Perch River Wildlife Refuge Dam (078-3250) is built or reconditioned

Paul Jamieson and the ADK publish *The Adirondack Reader*

Gould Paper Co. sells 50,970.11 a. of Moose R. plains to NYS for FP, incl. ‘gifted’ roads (17 Jan)

Gould Paper Co. sells 2,408 a. in Nelson Lake area, Town of Webb, to NYS for FP (17 Jan)

Gould Paper Co. land sales, in amount of $872,690.08, are largest ever made for FP land, (17 Jan)

Arthur Masten Crocker becomes president of AfPA – ending his service in 1982

Closure of Sunmount Veterans Administration General Hospital at Tupper Lake is announced

Ray Fadden and family establish the Six Nations Museum at Onchiota

Henry Uihlein II starts demonstration project for maple syrup at Heaven Hill Farm, T. of N. Elba

*Northern Logger* (journal) is renamed *Northern Logger and Timber Processor*

National Indian Youth Council organizes a fish-in to protect fishing rights in WA

Governor N. A. Rockefeller closes woods in twenty counties (17 Oct-20 Nov)

National Land and Water Conservation Fund Act is signed into law

Wilderness Act (36 USC 1131-1136) bans mech transport, incl trail bikes, in designated Wilderness

Charles W. Bryan pub *The Raquette: River of the Forest*

Bob Marshall Wilderness, Flathead and Lewis Clark NF, Montana; lands set aside in 1941

Charlie Nolan takes up residence at Lake Colden as ‘interior ranger’

NYCRR stops passenger transport (but continuing freight) in Adirondacks

Adk Park Assoc. (later ANCA) starts highway touring promotion incl. campaign for Northway

The Hyde Collection Museum opens in Glens Falls
Sam. J. Bloomingdale gives conservation easement for 1,000’ margin and islands of Elk L. to FP 1964
Sculptures/drawings of David Smith are featured at Hyde Collection, Glens Falls (7 Jun – 5 Jul) 1964
US Navy initiates the TIMATION program for 3-dimensional world-wide navigational system 1964
President Lyndon Johnson founds the federal Job Corps 1964
Frederick Addicott, associates and other groups disc (Google) role of abscisin/dormin (C_{15}H_{29}O_{4}) 1964

The plan hormone abscisic acid (ABA), in cooperation with ethylene, plays a major transformative
role in the vegetated landscape. The system regulates leaf, flower and fruit fall acting on the abscissional
zone, a small segment of the structures supporting leaves, flowers and fruits. Three research teams working
independently in the discovery recognized, on the basis of molecular structure, that they had found the
same molecule and settled on the name abscisic acid (ABA). ABA is produced in the roots and moves
upward to its target sites through the xylem during key events such as drought or shorter day length. Very
small things can regulate great changes in the Adirondacks

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Timberlock (hotel), Sabael, Indian Lake, passes to new proprieters Bruce and Holly Catlin 1964
TNC Mianus River Gorge becomes nation’s first National Natural Landmark 1964
The contemporary version of the Lake George Historical Association (LGHA) is formed 1964
Gutzam Borglum’s sculpture of E. L. Trudeau is relocated to TI at Lower Saranac Lake 1964
CD prohibits use of DDT in the FP 1964
CD fish survey of Brooktrout Lake, Hamilton Co., finds 32 brook trout 1964
Richard H. Pough et al. incorporate Open Space Action Committee 1964
Charles Vosburgh buys Sekon Lodge properties, subdivides them and auctions them off (11 Jul) 1964
CD changes the title Game Protector to Conservation Officer (CO) 1964
The Boundary Waters Canoe Area of the Minnesota lake region is dedicated 1964
H.P. Luterbacker and P. Silva publ on clay layer of Cretaceous-Tertiary (K-T) boundary, Italy 1964
Adirondack counties yield 282 otter 1964-65
Northern New York experiences major drought (Oct-Jul) 1964-65
A major irruption of Boreal Chickadee occurs 1964-65
A major winter irruption of Red Crossbill occurs 1964-65
A major winter irruption of White Crossbill occurs 1964-65
Arthur M. Crocker serves as president of AfPA 1964-76
Richelieu River dams at Saint-Ours and Chambly, Québec, are refurbished w/o fish ladders mid-1960s
Lake Champlain American eel population begins falling late-1960s
IP payroll at its Corinth paper mill peaks at $9 million annually for a workforce of 1500 1965
Federal Solid Waste Disposal Act is passed 1965
Donald P. & Wilhelmina Ross donate Land’s End property to Presbyterian Synod of New York (Jan) 1965
NYS bans use of DDT for control of the black fly 1965
The Gooley Dam initiative for the upper Hudson R. is defeated 1965
CD acquires a Bell 204 B helicopter for forest fire control and observation 1965
CD Commissioner Wilm proposes 12 wilderness tracts in Adks and 4 in Catskills (27 Apr) 1965
President Johnson appoints Adirondack sculptor David Smith to National Council of the Arts 1965
Morehouse Volunteer Fire Company is formed (May) 1965
Sculptror David Smith dies in an automobile accident near Bennington, VT (23 May) 1965
David Smith’s death leaves 425 sculptures at Bolton Landing (23 May) 1965
David Smith’s sculpture Zig 5 is shown at the Adirondack Museum 1965
Northern cardinal is now frequent in lower elevations of Adirondacks 1965
Open Space Action Committee pub. Stewardship: the Land, the Landowner, the Metropolis 1965
The Voting Rights Act becomes law 1965
Highway Beautification Act becomes law thus regulating billboard use on Interstate system

1965

Scenic Hudson Preservation Conference (SHPC) hires David Sive as defense council

1965

Pres. Lyndon Johnson signs Medicare, Title XVIII of Social Security Act, into law (Jul)

1965

2nd Court of Appeals allows SHPC to sue Con Edison on Storm King Mt. power plant (29 Dec)

1965

2nd Court of Appeals requires Federal Power Comm. to review aesthetics of Storm King Mt. proj.

1965

Sunmount Veterans Administration General Hospital at Tupper Lake closes

1965

Sunmount, at Tupper Lake, reopens as a residential facility for the mentally retarded

1965

Hilda, Elma and Sylvia Loines (daughters of Mary) give Northwest Bay, 25 a, L George, to TNC

1965

Developmental Disabilities Services Office is opened in the village of Tupper Lake

1965

Adirondack Division of the NYCRR ends freight service to Gabriels, Town of Brighton

1965

Adirondack Division of the NYCRR ends passenger service to Lake Placid

1965

Pharaoh Lake Dam (221-0792) is built or reconditioned

1965

Putnam Pond Dam (221-0792) is built or reconditioned

1965

Glen Lake Dam (223-3243A) is built or reconditioned

1965

Elk Lake Dam (202-3454) is built or reconditioned

1965

President Lyndon Johnson establishes the Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund

1965

New York Central Lines (railroad) ceases passenger service between Lake Placid and Utica (Apr)

1965

Christmas City, USA (theme park) changes name to Magic Forest adding Indian Village

1965

NYS applies $1 billion to statewide Pure Waters Bond Act est. a model for U.S. congress

1965

Atlas ICBM squadron is deactivated, its missiles removed from near Plattsburgh

1965

One pair of breeding bald eagle survives in NY, at a site south of Rochester in Finger Lakes area

1965

Voters allow exchange of 27.6 a. of FP to expand airstrip for 43.7 a. owned by Town of Arietta

1965

CD completes survey of Lake George shore but without action on the many FP encroachments

1965

Ronald B. Stafford is elected as representative to the NYS senate

1965

The Water Quality Act authorizes the Federal Water Quality Administration

1965

US launches Early Bird communications satellite for commercial use; 240 voice circ, 1 TV (6 Apr)

1965

W. Steenken, Jr., Saranac Lake, receives Trudeau Medal from American Thoracic Society

1965

OEC of SUNY Cortland at Raquette L. acquires Antlers (5 a.) from D. Langham

1965

Asian Exclusion Act of 1924 is abrogated.

1965

Meteorologists meet in Boulder, CO, to discuss GCC with accent on chaotic aspect of system

1965

Chinese Mitten Crab appears for first time in Great Lakes-St. Lawrence basin

1965

C.S. Robbins et al. suggest this year as beginning of wood thrush expansion into northern NY

1965

Camp Canaras, site of St. Lawrence Conference Center, Upper Saranac Lake, opens

1965

Paul Schaefer pub seminal article in The Living Wilderness -

1965

Starbuckville Dam (204-0650) on Schroon River near Chestertown is rebuilt

1965

Adirondack Plywood Corp. sells Tupper Lake site (Oval Wood Dish Co.) to U.S. Plywood Corp.

1965

W.R. Kellen et al. report on Bacillus sphaericus, a highly toxic pathogen of mosquitoes

1965

The United States enters the Vietnam conflict

1965

James and Sheila Hutt propose an Adirondack Lakes Center for the Arts, Blue Mt. Lake

1965

The molecular structure of transfer RNA is discovered

1965

Oscar “Ozzie” Sweet, photographer, loses equipment and negatives in fire at Franchise town, NH c. 1965

1965

B. Liddy enters a moose shot in Canada in Saranac L.’s Trudeau Big Buck Contest; he doesn’t win

1965

Abscisins II, a 2nd plant hormone active in leaf fall, autumnal coloration and tourism(!) is isolated

1965

National Bituminous Concrete Association changes name to National Asphalt Pavement Assoc.

1965

Bergen Council, BSA, Bergen, NJ, establishes ‘outpost camp’ at Rollins Pond

1965

Lock 3 on Champlain Barge Canal at Mechanicville (225-0119) is built or reconditioned

1965

NYCRR Adk Division ends passenger service from Remsen to Lake Placid (24 Apr)

1965

NYS Conservation Department annual report is published for the last time

1965

Finch, Pruyn & Co. installs paper machine No. 4 at Glens Falls, doubling production to 430 ton/d

1965
Mr/Mrs Henry Uihlein fund est Uihlein Sugar Maple Research & Extension Field Station, L Placid 1965
Cornell Maple Sugar Research & Extension Program is est. at Maple Field Station at Lake Placid 1965
NLMA is renamed the National Forest Products Association 1965
Peregrine falcon is thought extirpated from NY with similar losses expected in other states 1965
Canachagala Lake is reclaimed by the ALC using the fish poison rotenone 1965
NY forest fires (1,200) burn 8,469 a. (7.1 a./burn) 1965
William A. Ritchie, State Archaeologist, NYS MSS, pub The Archaeology of New York State 1965
Power outage darkens northeastern US and southeastern Canada (9-10 Nov) 1965
Saranac L. village disconnects from electrical power grid to retain power during Northeast Blackout 1965
NYS Pure Waters Bond Act provides one billion dollars for restoration of water quality 1965
White racial preference policy for US immigration ends 1965
Almy D. Coggeshall and William M. White begin promoting x-c skiing in Adk backcountry 1965
Environmental Science Services Administration is created within the Department of Commerce 1965
President Lyndon Johnson forms a Commission on Natural Beauty 1965
Henry L. Diamond is appointed co-ED of White House Conference on Natural Beauty 1965
US Weather Bureau is incorporated into the Environmental Science Services Administration 1965
J. Tuzo Wilson, University of Toronto, pub key article in Nature on plate tectonics (24 Jan) 1965
Four-drug therapies including rifampin and pyrazinamide result in hospital-free TB treatment 1965
Arthur Kleps est. branch of Neo-American Church at Morning Glory Lodge, Cranberry Lake 1965-66
Watersheds of the HBEF are variously modified at the HBEF, NH 1965-74
NYS forms a Natural Beauty Commission 1966
JLCNR requests forestry and game management for 70% of FP wilderness 1966
Endangered Species Preservation Act (PL 89-669) is passed, expanding upon Lacey Act of 1900 1966
G.B. Mackaness is appointed director of Trudeau Institute, Asian carpSaranac Lake 1966
Thomas McCabe & Co. found the Fulton Chain of Lakes Improvement Assoc. 1966
Paul Schaefer receives Governor Rockefeller’s Award, NYS Conservation Council 1966
St. Armand WWTP, T. of St. Armand, Essex Co., is est. releasing product to Sumner Brook 1966
PSC wins last of 10 consecutive Woodsmen’s Spring Meet competitions 1966
Juliet Chapman dedicates her home as a museum for people of Glens Falls 1966
Mt. Meadow Golf Course is est. at Long Lake (now defunct) 1966
J.T. Scott pub on hydrography and morphometry of Lake George 1966
Carolyn Schaefer opens Skyline Outfitters, Keene, to sell essential gear to hikers and climbers c.1966
Y.W. Isachson and J.F. Olmsted host anorthosite symposium at SUNY, Plattsburgh (Oct. 6-10) 1966
Parade Magazine marks a 23-mile sector of Northway as America’s Most Scenic New Highway 1966
B-52 Stratofortress bombers replace B-47s at Plattsburgh AFB (19 Jun) 1966
David L. Newhouse et al. form Constitutional Council for the Forest Preserve (CCFP) 1966
A lost hunter is found and evacuated by helicopter from the Raquette Lake area 1966
Florence W. Erdman Trust of Philadelphia assumes oversight of Beaversprite Sanctuary, Dolgeville 1966
NY App Div of Hamilton County fixes the NY tax liability on non-FP land 1966
ALC reclaims Rock Pond removing invasive fish species by means of rotenone 1966
Nathan Farb, at age of 26, begins photographic career “focusing” on people of East Village, NYC 1966
Enabling legislation enacted for town conservation advisory councils, GML 239-x 1966
George King III forms a fire department at Paul Smith’s College 1966
Joyce Carol Oates pub “In the Region of Ice”, The Atlantic Monthly (Aug) 1966
Chapter 815, NYS Laws, est John Brown’s Farm as NYS Historic Trust, Division of Parks, DEC 1966
Governor Rockefeller holds NYS Conference for Natural Beauty in Biltmore Hotel, NYC 1966
Enabling legislation creates NYS Natural Beauty Commission in State Office for Local Govt. 1966
Federal ban on growing black currant plants is rescinded but with NYS ban retained 1966
DEC concludes Lake George cisco population depressed, possibly due to DDT 1966

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C.S. Robbins *et al.*, USFWS BBS, note this year as onset of NE white-throated sparrow decline 1966
IRS revokes Sierra Club’s tax exemption because of ‘excessive lobbying’ 1966
Gov. Nelson Rockefeller signs legislation funding highway up Prospect Mountain 1966
Gov. Nelson Rockefeller award of NYS Conservation Council is assigned to Paul Schaefer 1966

See Paul Schaefer’s *Adirondack Cabin County*, as edited by Noel Riedinger-Johnson (1993) for the listing of other Schaefer awards and also many of the award plaques on display at the Kelly Adirondack Center in Niskayuna.

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Dan Plosilla reports on the effects of liming Adirondack lakes and ponds 1966
Dr. Soren Jensen is credited with coining acronym ‘PCB’ for polychlorinated biphenyl 1966
Dr. Soren Jensen pub studies showing capacity of PCBs to bioaccumulate along the food chain 1966
Pete Seeger est. environmental organization called Clearwater to fight Hudson R. PCBs 1966
Alpine Club of Canada purchases Keene Farm on Styles Brook as Adirondack base camp 1966

The Chapman Historical Museum of Glens Falls (1-518-793-2826) holds one of the major archives dealing with the works of Seneca Ray Stoddard (1843-1917); some 10,000 photographs and additional textual items. The Adirondack Museum, Blue Mountain Lake, hosts another 5,000 photographs. Maitland De Sormo was the prime source of these collections.

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A less arduous trail to the peak of Mt. Colden is est. 1966
Louis Wolfe is appointed Chair of JLCNR 1966
D&H RR abandons trackage between Lyon Mt. and Dannemora 1966
Juvabione, a substance inhibiting the maturation of insects, is found in balsam fir 1966
American Paper Institute is formed from 15 associations including the APPA 1966
S.W. Morse proposes anorthosite formation by plagioclase flotation in basaltic parent material 1966
Charles H. W. Foster becomes the first full-time president of TNC 1966
Sergio Zardini dies in North American Bobsled Championship held at Lake Placid 1966
Trudeau Institute gives Saranac Laboratory building to PSC 1966
NYS opens Gore Mountain Ski Center, featuring T-bar, J-bar and advanced double chair (25 Jan) 1966
Victor Yaccone esq. and Brookhaven Town Natural Resources Comm. sue to end Town DDT use 1966
Niagara Mohawk acquires Paul Smith’s Electric Power and Light Co. 1966
A major winter invasion of White Crossbill occurs in the Adirondacks 1966-67
Fresh Water Institute of RPI is established at Lake George 1967
Town of Lake Pleasant sells Oak Mountain Ski Center to Tom and Milly Novosel 1967
Temperature falls to minus 46 F at Gabriels, T. of Brighton, Franklin Co. (13 Feb) 1967
Old Forge is struck by 50-mile wide pre-dawn power outage at minus 43 °F (13 Feb) 1967
Ivory-billed woodpecker is listed as endangered (11 Mar) 1967
NY Constitutional Convention is convened (5 Apr) 1967
A lost girl is found and rescued by helicopter in the Stony Creek area (Apr) 1967
U.S. Navy launches TIMATION-I satellite as basis for 3-D navigation (31 May) 1967
Governor Nelson Rockefeller releases proposal for Adirondack Mountains National Park (30 Jul) 1967
DOH approves partial reimbursement for municipal mosquito control 1967
RPI Fresh-water Institute (FWI) is est at Smith Bay, north end of Lake George 1967
Supernova 1987A, Greater Magellanic Cloud explodes confirming that we are indeed “star stuff” 1967
Camp MacCready (for girls) is founded near Willsboro 1967
J.B. Belknap notes (Kingbird) presence of Turkey Vulture in western Adirondacks 1967
Proposal for Adirondack Mountains National Park is strongly opposed by AfPA et al. 1967
The Environmental Defense Fund is founded by David Sive et al. 1967
David Sive et al. est Environmental Defense Fund (EDF), Suffolk Co., NY, to ban DDT 1967
Open Space Action Committee is renamed the Open Space Institute (OSI) 1967
NYS CD buys Scaroon Manor, Schroon L.; state pays half, US Dept. Interior grants the rest (2 Aug) 1967
Deed for sale of Scaroon Manor to NYS says ‘these lands will never be deemed ‘Forest Preserve’” 1967
Maitland C. De Sormo pub Old Times in the Adirondacks featuring Stoddard’s life and photographs 1967
The Arts Guild of Old Forge, Inc. is established 1967
Adirondack Lakes Center for the Arts is funded at Blue Mt. Lake by the Hochschild family et al. 1967
CD Division of Parks is removed from CD as separate Council of Parks and Outdoor Recreation 1967
Management of Public Campsites outside of the two parks is assigned to CPOR (Sep) 1967
Rare plant protection is dropped during a revision of the NYS Penal Code (1 Sep) 1967
Voters soundly reject new NYS constitution (Nov) 1967
M.W. Lankester identifies gastropods as intermediate hosts of P. tenuis in ‘moose illness’ 1967
GHSL moves to a new site on Lake Colby donated by the Latour Fuel Company 1967
DDT egg shell thinning/habitat loss linked to major decline in bald eagle populations of lower U.S. 1967
“Great Salinity Anomaly” appears in North Atlantic off the east coast of Greenland 1967
John B. Gurden, British, performs nuclear transplant in frog to est new clonal form 1967
Round Lake Dam (153-3763) is built or reconditioned 1967
Historian Lynn White pub ‘The Historical Roots of Our Ecological Crisis” 1967

The emergence in widespread practice of the Baconian creed that scientific knowledge means technological power over nature can scarcely be dated before about 1850, save in the chemical industries where it is anticipated in the 18th century. Its acceptance as a normal pattern of action may mark the greatest event in human history since the invention of agriculture, and perhaps in nonhuman terrestrial history as well.

Lynn White
Science 1967 155(3767):1203-1207

Charles C. Morrison selected from 150 applicants to head NYS Natural Beauty Commission 1967
Wakely Dam, a.k.a. Cedar River Flow Dam (170-0789) is built or reconditioned 1967
Trudy Healy and the ADK pub A Climber’s Guide to the Adirondacks 1967
Jay and Fran Yardley begin restoration of many buildings and grounds of Bartlett Club 1967
U.S. Uniform Time Act mandates Daylight Saving Time from last Sun Apr thru last Sun of October 1967
TNC and the federal government cooperate to preserve Mason Neck, VA 1967
Jack Swan opens Camp MacCready, summer camp for girls, near Camp Pok-O-Moonshine 1967
Tony Holtzman, AL, dates last sighting of Norman Bethune’s mural at Saranac Lake Free Library 1967
The iron mines at Lyon Mountain cease operation 1967
Wilbur Dow of Lake George Steamboat Co. renovates the Mohican II at Lake George 1967
Oval Wood Dish plant at Tupper Lake burns 1967
Fire destroys U.S. Plywood Corp. warehouse (full of wood) at Tupper Lake 1967
Edwin Ketchledge applies fertilizer and grass seed to damaged Adk alpine meadows, e.g. Dix Mt. 1967
Dr. James Kuntz describes Butternut Canker in Wisconsin 1967
Gondola, 1st in NYS, installed Gore Mt. (remaining until 1999) 1967
Maitland De Sormo pub biography of Seneca Ray Stoddard 1967
Noah John Rondeau, Adk diarist, violinist, entertainer, hermit dies at Lake Placid (24 Aug) 1967
Herbicide 2,4-D reduces Water chestnut control harvest in Lake Champlain to 8 bushels 1967
National Audubon Society begins program opposing use of DDT at their annual meeting 1967
Concrete and steel suspension bridge is built over Sacandaga R., Siamese Ponds WA 1967
Nelson A. Rockefeller appoints R. Stewart to direct the CD 1967
Joyce Carol Oates, b. Lockport, wins O. Henry Award for “In the Region of Ice” Atlantic Monthly 1967
The passenger ship Mohican II of Lake George is renovated 1967
Cornell University hockey team, coached by Ned Harkness, wins NCAA national championship 1967
Petrified Sea Gardens NNL, featuring stromatolites, opens to the public west of Saratoga Springs 1967
Luzerne PC opens at Fourth Lake, 8 mi. SW of Lake George village on Rt. 9N 1967
The Adirondack Northway, Albany-Montreal, (I-87) opens – passing through 7 1/2 miles of the FP 1967
Adirondack Trailways, a motorcoach service, expands service into Adirondack region 1967
International Global Atmospheric Research Program (IGARP) is est. for study of GCC 1967
The World’s Fair occurs at Montreal 1967
Chapter 665, NYS Laws, redefines parks assigning mgmt to Div. of Parks, now OPRHP (1 Sep) 1967
Most Rev. Stanislaus Joseph Brzana is appointed RCC Diocese of Ogdensburg bishop (22 Oct) 1968
ADK pub key article in Adirondac with map by Lawrence King on Gooley Dam project (Sep-Oct) 1968
Great Northern Corp. proposes subdivision and sale of 300 building lots near Indian Lake 1967
US Weather Bureau under ESSA is renamed National Weather Service 1967
Svetlana Stalin, daughter Josef Stalin, visits Adirondacks with Ambassador George Kennan and wife 1967
Lake Placid Club experiences a record year for activity 1967
Black bear weighing 604 lbs. is caught, ear-tagged and released in the Adirondacks 1967
Ling-Temco-Vought of Dallas, Texas, buys Jones and Laughlin Steel Corp. iron mines 1967
Laurance Rockefeller, brother of the governor, proposes Adirondack Mountains National Park 1967
G.C. Carlton hears common raven at Knob Lock Mt., Essex Co. (BBA) 27 May 1968
G. Chase observes common raven pair nesting, Chapel Pond, 6 miles from Knob Lock Mt. 28 May 1968
G.C. Carlton observes 3 young raven at cliff nest site, Chapel Pond (BBA) 1 June 1968
Lake Champlain Freezes from shore to shore (c. 7 Jan) 1968
Gov. Nelson Rockefeller est. Temorary Study Commission on Future of the Adirondacks (19 Sep) 1968
Gov. Nelson Rockefeller appoints Harold A. Jerry, Jr., Executive Secretary of the TSCFA 1968
Adirondack Museum and Syracuse Univ. Press reprint Arthur Masten’s The Story of Adirondac 1968
TSCFA contracts Ralph D. Semerad, SUNYA law professor, to review Article XIV 1968
R.D. Semerad claims Ray Brook hospital, Cranberry L. biology station, John Brown site illegal 1968
TSCFA makes a report to the governor titled The Future of the Adirondack Park 1968
TSCFA recommends Adirondack Park State Land Master Plan with five land classes 1968
Tioga Point CG, formerly the Raquette L. Boys Camp, is opened at Raquette L. 1968
John Mack Pond is reclaimed and restocked with Adirondack brook trout 1968
Albert Fowler pub Cranberry Lake from Wilderness to Adirondack Park 1968
John Pond is reclaimed a second time and restocked with Adirondack brook trout (see 1961) 1968
Juliet Chapman gives her home, Delong House, to est. Chapman Historical Museum, Glens Falls 1968
Kelvin Conrad of Rothamsted Agr. Res. Stat. begins quantitative study English moth populations 1968
LPMH is renovated to include auxiliary generator, elevator, and lab improvements 1968
Statewide Scenic Roads Program initiated by NYS Natural Beauty Commission 1968
National Council of BSA gives highest rating to 4 Woodworth Lake Scout Reservation programs 1968
Martin Luther King, Jr., is assassinated in Memphis, Tennessee 1968
Atwood Manley pub “Rushton and His Times” in American Canoeing 1968
Deer’s Head Inn (100 rooms), Elizabethtown, is razed and name assigned to the surviving annex 1968
Clayton Jacobsen II designs a personal watercraft now called the “jet ski” 1968
Bombardier Co. markets the “Sea Doo” jet ski 1968
Canadian authorities require Mohawk using Cornwall Bridge to pay tolls and duty 1968
Canadian authorities arrest Mohawk blockading International Seaway Bridge (Dec) 1968
Uihlein Medical Center with 96 beds opens at Lake Placid 1968
Sisters of Mercy move long-term geriatric care at Gabriels to Uihlein Mercy Center, Lake Placid 1968
Greenleaf Chase finds three Raven, Corvus corax, nestlings on the cliffs at Chapel Pond 1968
Hunters harvest 20,287 WTD in the Northern Zone of NY 1968
New York Central Lines merges with Pennsylvania RR becoming Penn Central Transport Co. 1968
WSLU (radio) begins formal on-air operation at St. Lawrence University 1968
Harold Hochschild is appointed to the Temporary Study Commission on the Future of the Adks 1968
1,000 Acres Golf Course is established at Stony creek 1968
Rob’t G. Wahle buys 1,067 a., 17,000’, on L. Ontario, Henderson (former Stony Pt. Rifle Range) 1968
Natural Beauty Commission pub sample local law to create conservation advisory councils 1968
Natural Beauty Commission pub sample local law to regulate on-premises signs 1968
Asphalt highway finishers capable of paving two lanes at once make debut 1968
Arthur Masten Crocker is name advisor to TSCFA 1968
Radar station on Blue Mountain summit is closed; lands revert to the State 1968
NYS obtains perpetual easement for service road and 50 ft right of way on north side of Blue Mtn 1968
Former radar site on Blue Mountain summit is converted to communications facility used by many 1968
US explodes hydrogen bomb underground 100 miles NW of Las Vegas 1968
Melting of Antarctic ice sheets and shelves becomes an issue re. sea-level change 1968
Chisso Corporation ends discharge of mercury contaminated effluent into Minamata Bay, Japan 1968
Keeseville WPCP, Keeseville, Clinton Co., is est. releasing product to Au Sable River 1968
North Country Community College opens in Saranac Lake village 1968
McGregor Dam, a.k.a. Miner Lake Dam (217-3627) is built or reconditioned 1968
Wawbeek Inn expands with purchase of the adjacent former lands of Moritz Walter 1968
Charles E. Little pub. Challenge of the Land, a manual for open space preservation at local level 1968
G.E. Burdick et al. pub “Methoxychlor as a Blackfly Larvicide . . . .” 1968
S. Oden of Sweden pub a seminal paper on “acidification of air” 1968
Based on 1868 Sioux Treaty, Native Americans begin 1 1/2 year Alcatraz occupancy 1968
New York State Outdoor Education Association (NYSOEA) is founded Cortland, NY 1968

Many Adirondackers have received Awards from NYSOEA. In example Nancy Slack and Allison W Bell have received their Environmental Impact Award for their text: Adirondack Alpine Summits: An Ecological Field Guide as published 24 January, 2007.

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American Indian Movement (AIM) is founded with focus on cities and land restoration 1968
Svante Oden of Sweden reports on acidification of lakes and loss of fish due to acid rain 1968
CD removes the summit shelter from Mt. Marcy 1968
Leo J. Hickey discovers $40,000 statue by Frederic Remington buried in Keene Valley (24 Aug) 1968
CD opens the Buck Pond State Campground at Onchiota 1968
TI contracts with NIAID to collect and expand the TMCC 1968
SLCBC notes 1st common raven after many years of absence (Dec) 1968
Sen. Robert Kennedy skis at Big Tupper Ski Area, Tupper Lake (Feb) 1968
American Graphite Mill closes as its Ticonderoga facility burns to the ground 1968
Dixon Co. ceases production of graphite pencils and crucibles at Ticonderoga 1968
National Audubon Society Manhattan headquarters show a membership of 88,000

Study of West Antarctic Ross and Filchner-Ronne ices shelves suggests disintegration in 40 years

USFWS begins annual survey of woodcock in NYS

Old Forge skier Louie Ehrensbeck competes in the Grenoble Olympics

Eastern spruce budworm, *Choristoneura fractivittanaea*, impacts 55 mill. ha. of E. North America

Pandemic ‘Hong Kong’ flu (H3N2) causes 34,000 U.S. deaths, 1 million deaths worldwide

Severe Adk winter results in white-tailed deer winterkill with 25% harvest decline

Ghetto rebellions follow assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr.

NYS Constitution is amended to found The State Nature and Historical Preserve

St. Regis Mohawk participants in blockade of Cornwall Bridge are acquitted

AIM participates in occupation of Alcatraz Island in San Francisco Bay

Wakely Lodge Golf Course is established at Indian Lake

G. M. Friedman, RPI, begins series of pub on stromatolites of Petrified Sea Gardens, Saratoga

Akwesasne Notes, dedicated to the Mohawk community, begins publication

DEC undertakes reclamation Lost Pond, Franklin Co. using 5% rotenone to restore brook trout

Prospect Mt. Highway, now Veterans Memorial Highway, opens at south end of L. George (Jan)

INCO sinks shaft No. 9 at its Creighton Mine near Sudbury, Canada, to depth of 7,138 feet

National Environmental Policy Act is passed, PL 91-190, req. EIS and est. Council Envir. Quality

Sound levels of some snowmobiles at full throttle are recorded at 102 dB(A) at 50 feet

Winifred S. LaRose of Lake George is named New York State Conservationist of the Year.

Chain pickerel detected in Trout lake, has since spread throughout the Lake George watershed

A.M. Crocker and AfPA organize conference at Newcomb Central School opposing Gooley Dam

Gov. Rockefeller approves red silicate mineral, garnet, an abrasive, as the official NYS gem

DEC considers Silver Lake, southern Hamilton County, a dead lake, fishless, from acid rain

U.S. Plywood Corp. closes its Tupper Lake facility ending employment of 150 workers

Annual meeting of Faith-Man-Nature Group pub *A New Ethic for a New Earth*

Student leaders of Kent State Univ. expand Black History Week to Black History Month (Feb)

CD finishes removal/burning of 140 buildings at fmr. Scaroon Manor, Schroon Lake (15 Feb)

FIBT World Championship bobsled tournament is held at Mt. van Hoevenberg, Lake Placid (Feb)

Anne LaBastille earns PhD in wildlife ecology from Cornell University

NYS Hudson R. Protection Bill prohibits dams on Hudson R. watershed above Luzerne (Apr)

Port Kent and Hopkinton Turnpike is co-designated NY 99 and Franklin County Rte 26

Oil field lease sale in Alaska nets proceeds of $900,220,590 in one day

Wilbur Dow, Lake George Steamboat Co., launches sternwheeler steamboat *Minne-Ha-Ha*

Adirondack Forest Preserve is designated a National Historic Landmark

F. Peter Simmons survives Piper Cherokee airplane crash in pass SW of Iroquois Peak (9 Aug)

Center Pond is a “reclaimed” using rotenone second time and restocked with Adirondack brook trout

ALC “reclaims” Fourth Bisby Lake using rotenone to remove invasive fish species

Yvon Chouinard climbs the ice route, now called Chouinard’s Gully, at Chapel Pond
David Sive, Laurance Rockefeller, *et al.* found Environmental Advocates of NY 1969
Gerald Maurice Edelman (1929-2014), American, defines structure of the protein gamma globulin 1969
Friends Lake Inn (formerly Murphy’s Friends Lake Inn), due to Northway diversions, closes 1969
Interspace Corp. acquires Cabot Minerals and mineral rights to all new nearby wollastonite ore beds 1969
John S. Apperson papers, c. 20 lineal ft. in extent, given to ARC, now Adirondack Research Library) 1969
Quinault Tribe closes 29 miles of marine Pacific Northwest beach to non-Indians 1969
Mikhail I. Budyko, Leningrad, and W.D. Sellers, U. Arizona, pub key (separate) articles on GCC 1969
US Nimbus III satellite begins measurment of global atmospheric temperature, basic to GCC 1969
Fish are found to bioaccumulate PCBs 1969
DEC acquires some 53 a. along Hague Brook, west shore of Lake George, for fish management 1969
Arizona places a moratorium on the use of DDT in agriculture 1969
Massively polluted Cuyahoga R., catches fire near a Republic Steel mill, Cleveland, Ohio (Jun) 1969

This was not the first time! *Time* magazine provided an image of a burning in 1952 damaging a ship and two bridges but both events were treated casually at the time with the rationale that this was just the price of ‘progress’ but, eventually, the Sunday morning, June 1969 burning grew into a major stimulus for reform prompting great improvement of water quality for this 84.9 mile-long river entering Lake Erie and much more attention to the pollution of many other other American waters including those of the Adirondack region.

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Charles Kline, student programmer, UCLA sends 1st ARPANET message to SRI (10:30 PM, 29 Oct) 1969
Voters amend NYS constitution by a huge margin to include Conservation Bill of Rights (4 Nov) 1969
Mohawk Airlines Flight 411 from Albany to Glens Falls crashes on Pilot Knob killing 14 (19 Nov) 1969
Massive snowstorm drops record-breaking quantities of snow on Adirondacks (25-28 Dec) 1969
Stuart Ludlum and Robert Hall found and pub the first issue of *Adirondack Life Magazine* (Dec) 1969
Monsanto develops Pollution Abatement Plan for dealing with PCBs in their business model 1969
Congress passes National Environmental Act requiring Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) 1969
GE ends sale of waste PCB oil to employees for use in dust suppression, wood preservation, etc. 1969
Lands assigned to agriculture is now reduced to 0.6 % of Warren Co. land area (see 1910) 1969
Paul Schaefer is honored as International Safari Conservationist of the Year 1969
Finch, Pruyn & Co. builds ammonium-based bi-sulfite, continuous digesting process for pulp 1969
Jacob Bjerkness, UCLA, gives theoretical basis for El Nino/Southern Oscillation, ENSO (GCC) 1969
Hudson-Mohawk Group of the Atlantic Chapter of the Sierra Club is founded 1969
A military aircraft based at Camp Drum crashes at Wolf Pond c. 1969
Severe Adirondack winter results in WTD winterkill with 47% harvest decline 1969-70
A major irruption of boreal chickadee occurs 1969-70
Eleanor Ann Fair Brown serves as member of the ACTSFA 1969-71
Eleanor Ann Fair Brown serves as editor *The Adirondack* (bimonthly periodical) 1969-71
Darren Bonaparte posts [www.wampumchronicles.com](http://www.wampumchronicles.com) /old-mohawk-words (1 Jan) 1970
Art. XIV, Sec. 4, Conservation Bill of Rights approved by voters on 4 Nov ’69 is enacted (21 Apr) 1970
Earth Day is declared to promote national day of consciousness-raising about environment (22 Apr) 1970
NYS develops control program for use of pesticides (Jul) 1970
Some 650,000 tons of PCBs have been produced in U.S. since 1930 1970
U.S. Rep. William Fitz Ryan (D, NY) proposes total ban of PCBs 1970
Canadian sugar maple sugar production challenges NE and NY sugar industry 1970
Thirty states retain a bounty for killing a wolf 1970
Reid Bryson calls further attention to role of aerosols in shaping GCC 1970

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East Kiln Pony Club of Au Sable Forks holds ‘horse show’ at Ruth Newberry farm 1970
Tupper Lake Veneer and Fishing Pole Co. occupies U.S. Plywood Corp. site at Tupper Lake 1970
Neil Surprenant pub. an index to the first ten years (1970-79) of *Adirondack Life* 1970
Piper PA-32 airplane crashes in zero visibility and drizzle near Saranac Lake killing five (26 Jun) 1970
Eurasian pine adelgid is found in Hawaii 1970
Marihuana Transfer Tax Act is repealed and replaced by the Controlled Substances Act 1970
Average daily temperature in Albany of 9.7° F for January breaks record as coldest month (Jan) 1970
Franklin County legislature is reorganized into seven districts on the basis of population 1970
Adirondack Bats, Inc., Dolgeville, introduces its Adirondack “Big Stick” baseball bat 1970
Artificial pheromone, Disparlure™ is synthesized for attraction of male gypsy moths 1970
The ADK acquires an interior outpost cabin in the John Brook Valley of Keene 1970
NSF-International Biological Program (NSF-IBP) engages DFWI for ecosystem studies L. George 1970
NYS Delmar Experimental Game Farm and Zoo ceases operation 1970
A second winter with heavy snow-fall in up-state New York causes major WTD mortality (GCC) 1970
U.S. oil production peaks 1970
Great Northern Capital Corp. withdraws its proposal to develop the De Camp Tract 1970
Dept. of Environmental Conservation, NYSDEC, is formed from CD, parts of NYSDOH, etc. (1 Jul) 1970
John Wilson becomes director of NYSDEC region 6 1970
H.L. Diamond, DEC Commissioner, names Robert F. Hall editor of *The Conservationist* magazine 1970
Robert F. Hall sells all of his newspapers and devotes himself to *The Conservationist* magazine 1970
DEC changes name of Conservation Officer (CO) to Environmental Conservation Officer (ECO) 1970
Lloyd Bartlett is fined $100 by DEC for killing a bull moose in his pasture 1970
DEC confiscates antlers of Bartlett’s moose for décor of Watertown regional office 1970
TSCFA pub *The Future of the Adirondacks* (Dec) 1970
TSCFA proposes expansion of Adirondack Park to 5.9 million acres 1970
TSCFA proposes creation of Adirondack Park Agency 1970
TSCFA offers a total of 181 recommendations on the future of the Adirondack Park 1970
John McCormick appoints Thomas Lake, logger, pilot, caretaker of Follensy Pond tract 1970
Charles Severinghouse and Jackson publish *Feasibility of Stocking Moose in the Adirondacks* 1970
WTD nematode, “moose brainworm”, *Pneumostrongylus tenuis*, is found in Adks 1970
D.F. Behrend rep. 77% of Adk WTD sampled carry meningeal worm, *Pneumostrongylus tenuis* 1970
Landslides occur on the Elk Lake side of Dix Mountain 1970
NYS population is 18,237,000 with a density of 381.0/square mile, 14.4% rural 1970
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) is est. with one focus being GCC 1970
Bergen Council, BSA, Bergen, NJ, develops West Pine Pond for camping 1970
Sales contract between GE and Monsanto recognizes PCBs as an “environmental contaminant” 1970
Governor Rockefeller forms the State Council of Environmental Advisors 1970
Word of Life Bible Institute is founded on Schroon Lake west shore at Pottersville 1970
Lakeside Hall and two fine boats burn at Camp Canaris, Upper Saranac Lake 1970
A ‘wolf’ is killed (by whom?) near Caroga Lake, Fulton Co. 1970
Lloyd Bartlett shoots bull moose in his cow pasture at Hansen Bridge, Jefferson Co. (Nov) 1970
Naj Wikoff founds the Lake Placid School of Fine Arts, now Lake Placid Center for the Arts 1970
Loon Lake Mountain fire tower is taken out of service (fall) 1970
The Forest Industries Exhibit Hall is opened at Old Forge 1970

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James Lovelock measures chlorofluorocarbons, CFCs, using his electron capture detector 1970
Nimbus Satellite Series begins ozone measurements 1970
Ayerst Laboratories’ Animal Health Division opens new facility at Chazy 1970
E. Capon, R. Clapp and W. Campobell propose that oil companies overlook ‘the winner’s curse’ 1970
ESSA becomes the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration 1970
Herbert Strong discovers aquatic plant Fanwort, Cabomba sp., in Jenny Lake, Saratoga County 1970
Clinton Prison is renamed Clinton Correctional Facility 1970
President Richard M. Nixon signs the National Environmental Policy Act, NEPA (1 Jan) 1970
The (national) Council on Environmental Quality is established in accord with NEPA PL 91-90 1970
NEPA authorizes establishment of the Federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) 1970
Clean Air Act is amended, PL 91-604, auth. EPA dated air quality standards and emission limits 1970
Fine-Wanakena SD #1, T. of Fine, St. Lawrence Co. is est. releasing product to Oswegatchie R. 1970
National Park Service General Authorities Act becomes law 1970
G. B. Mackaness, TI, discovers cells that activate the immune system against pathogens 1970
R. J. North, TI, receives Friedrich Sasse-Stifflung Prize for Immunology 1970
All U.S. TB therapy now requires multiple-drug combinations to overcome resistant strains 1970
Penn Central abandons Carthage Branch removing trackage between Remsen and Snow Junction 1970
Penn Central declares bankruptcy 1970
Governor Rockefeller names Robert Hall editor of The Conservationist 1970
Cyrl Ponnamperuma (1923-1994), Sri Lankan-American, disc 5 amino acids in Australian meteorite 1970
Sherman brothers sell Sherman Amusement Park at Caroga Lake to William H. Morris 1970
Harold Hochschild becomes chairman of the Temporary Study Commission 1970
Jeanne Robert Foster, 91 yo, receives honorary doctorate, art-literature, Union College, Sch’dy 1970
Jeanne Robert Foster is buried in Chestertown Rural Cemetery by grave of John Butler Yeats (Oct) 1970
Federal Clean Air Act (CAA) becomes law 1970
DEC est. monthly tabloid newspaper with Gail Wallace as its first editor 1970
Cornell University hockey team, coached by Ned Harkness, wins NCAA national championship 1970
Cornell University hockey team, coached by Ned Harkness, has perfect record of 29-0-0 1970
Ned Harkness is appointed team coach of Detroit Red Wings (NHL) 1970
Lake George fish screen is removed 1970
Wollastonite mining in California ceases 1970
Bureau of Community Assistance created in DEC’s Executive Division 1970
Hudson R. is so polluted that Port of Albany is anoxic with fish at the surface gulping air 1970
Northern cardinal now breeds in 59 of NY’s 62 counties 1970
Enabling legislation is enacted for county environmental management councils; $500,000 approp. 1970
The term “subduction zone” enters the geological literature in an article in Nature (14 Nov) 1970
Honda engineer Osamu Takeuchi and team invent the three-wheel ATV to satisfy US dealers 1970
The (national) Council on Environmental Quality is established in accord with PL 91-90 1970
Edwin Ketchledge and Almy Coggeshall introduce “carry it in, carry it put” idea to Adks 1970
Clarence Petty, CFA, continues mapping of 1,300 square miles of Adirondack primitive areas 1970
David Sive and associates est. the National Resources Defense Council (NRDC) 1970
William and Susan Doolittle purchase Adirondack Daily Enterprise newspaper (Dec) 1970
Jotron Electronics (of Norway) develops Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacon (EPIRB) 1970
Ted Mack, Librarian, PCS, begins ice-sheet data collection for Lower St. Regis L. (see web) 1970
Maitland DeSormo assigns archives of Seneca Ray Stoddard to Adirondack Museum c. 1970
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Finch, Pruyn & Co. builds two-stage wastewater treatment plant at Glens Falls early 1970s
Special Game Protectors are abolished at CD early 1970s
Camp Pok-O-Moonshine and Camp MacCready merge to form Pok-O-MacCready Camps late 1970s
The three-wheel ATV becomes important transport in wild areas, especially for hunters 1970s
Atlantic Chapter of Sierra Club opposes developments for the XIII Olympic Games 1970s
Once stable landlocked-salmon fishery of Little Moose Lake collapses 1970s
Rainbow trout fishery of Little Moose Lake and First Bisby Lake fails 1970s
DOH funds Adk municipalities to use Dibrom-14 for black fly & mosquito control 1970s
Purple loosestrife disperses widely in the moist areas of the Adirondack lowlands 1970s
Eagle Lake Property Owners, Inc. recognize Eurasian milfoil as non-native plant 1970s
Adirondack coyote population expands receiving much public attention 1970s
Recession reduces need for titanium dioxide stressing McIntyre Development at Tahawus 1970s
Pesticide DDT is phased out in the United States 1970s
Clouds passing over Whiteface Mt have pH ‘hovering’ as low as 2.6, pH of lemon juice or vinegar 1970s
Catalytic converters using platinum, rhodium and palladium are introduced 1970s
Octane enhancer ethyl tertiary butyl ether (MTBE) is added to gasoline 1970s
The eastern coyote becomes an important factor in WTD mortality in NY 1970s
Except for a few isolated holdouts, fuel oil has replaced coal for home heating in Adks 1970s
Northern rough-winged swallow breeds in most NY river valleys/lakes but not in Adirondacks 1970s
Original records of AfPA are photocopied and assigned to Adirondack Museum 1970s
Chapin Watermatics further adapts commercial drip irrigation systems for developing countries 1970s
Beech scale-nectria disease impacts mature Adirondack beech forest of Finch, Pruyn & Co. 1970s
Changes in paper industry and papermaking begin slow decline in profit and rise in competition 1970s
Glove industry of Gloversville continues to decline with outsourcing to cheaper labor markets 1970s
Off-road vehicle (ORV) use becomes a serious problem in open-space management 1970s
Soviet scientists extract ice cores from Vostok areas, Antarctica, to depth of 952 m 1970s
Energy crisis prompts recycling of asphalt road base and surface courses 1970s
Marcy Dam is reconstructed (according to Tony Goodwin, High PeaksTrails guidebook) 1970s
WHOI et al. report large amounts of methane hydrates in deep ocean sediments (GCC) 1970s
David M. Darrin, RPI class ’40, begins endowment program for DFWI, Bolton Landing, L. George 1970s
Right-to-farm-laws are inacted nationwide to protect farmers from nuisance suits re. odor, noise, etc. 1970s
Dr. Anne LaBastille receives a NYSDEC guide’s license 1970s
Thirteenth Lake and several tributaries are reclaimed using rotenone 1970-71
Severe Adk winter results in WTD winterkill with 16% harvest decline 1970-71
The winter snowfall at Lake Placid is reported at 167 inches 1970-71
Global emission of greenhouse gases grow at c. 1.3% per year (GCC) 1970-2000
The fall harvest of WTD in the Adirondacks falls to a record low 1971
Some 800 to 1,000 homes are now constructed annually in the Adirondacks 1971
An earthquake of Mod. Mercalli intensity V strikes the Blue Mt. Lake area (23 May) 1971
Gov. Rockefeller signs bill (see Art. 27, SEL) creating Adirondack Park Agency (7 Jun) 1971

The agency prepares long-range land use plans for both public and private lands in the park. The eleven-member body is an independent, non-partisan agency within the state’s executive department.

Membership consists of eight private citizens appointed by the Governor for limited terms. Five of the citizens must be residents of the park. Three citizens must reside in parts of the state outside of the park. Members continue serving beyond expiration of their terms until a successor is named. Three state officials complete the agency structure: the Commissioner of Environmental Conservation, the Commissioner of Commerce and the Secretary of State. Vincent Moore was appointed as the first chair.

Chronicles 1981
Adirondack Park Agency
Mirror Lake, North Elba, Essex Co., has a late ice-out (13 May)
A 24-foot tall ‘Leather Guy’ statue is erected at Alvord House of Leather, Mayfield (13 May)
Clinton Community College is founded on the former grounds of Bellarmine College
Use of DDT is banned in NYS
CD completes FP acquisitions funded by bond issues: $19.2 M, 271 Adk parcels, 101,000 a.
Monsanto ceases manufacture of PCBs at its Anniston, AL, plant
Douglas Legg, 8-years old, disappears from family hike on Melvin estate, Newcomb Lake (10 Jul)
Searchers, 250 strong, incl. USAF, bloodhounds & infrared aerial photos look for D. Legg (14 Jul)
Melvin family appeals to public for more volunteers to help look for Douglas Legg (14 Jul)
Official search for Douglas Legg ceases; Legg (Melvin) family search continues (11 Aug)
TNC announces purchase of Melvin estates near Newcomb Lake, Newcomb, NY (1 Dec)
Ling-Temco-Vought of Dallas, TX, produces 1.8 mill. long tons of concentrates at Star Lake mine
Microcomputer is invented

J. & J. Rogers Company, Au Sable Forks, ceases operations with loss of 250 jobs
Toad Hill Maple Farm is established at Thurman
Franciscan Friars of the Atonement open St. Joseph’s Rehabilitation Center at Saranac Lake
Fielding Lewis gives George Lowery, LSU, two possible photos of ivory-billed woodpecker
WSLU (radio) with 10-hr daily broadcast becomes charter member of National Public Radio
Angry student chops down the Leaning Pine at Paul Smith’s College, the College’s symbol
Russian taxonomists reclassify brainworm Pneumostrongylus tenuis as Parelaphostrongylus tenuis
NYS begins phase-out of leaded gasoline sale as c. 3,000 tons of lead/yr is released in NYC alone
NYS announces new emission standards for industrial plants
Woodland Indian Cultural Educational Centre is est. at Brantford, Ontario
1st 4 winter 46rs complete climb (1st 1962): E. B Bean, J.W. Collins, D. A. Vermilyea, E. Bigelow
NYS Indian Commission ‘Everett Report’ re. Treaty of Fort Stanwix (written in 1922) is released
Ian McHarg pub Design with Nature

2nd earthquake of Mod. Mercalli intensity V strikes the Blue Mt. Lake area (10 July)
Republic Steel closes its iron mines in Mineville and Lyon Mountain (see Witherbee)
Excessive sulfite discharge results in the closure of Westvaco Mill at Mechanicville
NYS ends all bounties on eastern timber rattlesnake (Crotalus horridus)
Ling-Temco-Vought changes its name to the LTV Corporation
DEC reports 97 percent reduction in aquatic discharge of mercury in NYS; based on new controls
St. Lawrence Univ. begins annual Adirondack Conference at Camp Canaras, Upper Saranac L.
DEC Bureau of Forest Fire Control closes along with 61 of its 102 towers
DEC dismantle fire observation tower on top of Whiteface Mt.
DEC BLE becomes Division of Law Enforcemen (DLE) giving ECO police officer status
Private contractors begin aerial detection of forest fires in the Adirondacks
A FB-111 bomber wing (with nuclear warheads) replaces B-52s at the Plattsburgh Air Force Base
The iron mines at Moriah cease operation
Joe Torre & Tony Oliva lead their respective baseball leagues in hitting with Adk “Big Stick” bat
NYS legislature ends bounty on bobcat (Lynx rufus) in NYS
NYS public campsites now include 33,252 a. in 164 parcels bought for $5,658,982.34
SUNY ESF est. Adirondack Ecological Center (AEC) at Huntington Wildlife Forest, Newcomb
George Davis prepares example UMPs for wilderness, primitive and forest areas
Workers of National Lead Co. strike at Newcomb site
Comm. Henry Diamond dedicates a new office complex for DEC Region 5 at Ray Brook
DEC et al. expand ECO duties to full police officer authority and statewide jurisdiction (1 Sep)
Adirondack Park Agency Act becomes effective, Gov. Nelson Rockefeller signing (1 Sep)
Adirondack Park Agency Act requires Unit Management Plans for Adirondack FP lands 1971
Richard W. Lawrence Jr. serves as chair of the APA now in the process of formation 1971-75

Project Canniken, underground nuclear test at Amchitka I., Alaska, proceeds (6 Nov) 1971
Division of Legal Affairs and Law Enforcement is added to the DEC (25 Sep) 1971
DEC requests Rainbow Lake Dam owners to implement repairs 1971
Following severe winters of ’69,’70, ’71 Adk WTD buck harvest falls to 2,907 1971
NYCRR stops freight transport in Adirondacks 1971
Chapman Dam (098-3972) is built or reconditioned 1971
USAEA explodes a hydrogen bomb beneath Amchitka Island, Alaska 1971
NYS ends bounty program for all species prohibiting the use of bounties by counties and towns 1971
Georgia O’ Keeffe develops macular degeneration and ceases painting 1971
Amtrak National Rail Passenger Corp. is established by Congress 1971
Bounty payments for Adirondack wolves and other predators cease 1971
A landslide at Whiteface Mt. follows heavy rains (Sep) 1971
NYS passes endangered animal species law 1971
Adirondack Nature Conservancy (chapter/committee) established Union College, Schenectady (Oct) 1971
Adirondack Conservancy acquires Santanoni lands for eventual assignment to FP 1971
Upstate History Alliance is est. in Oneonta, NY 1971
NYS Association of Conservation Commissions is est. at L. Minnewaska, with DEC assistance 1971
Nettie Marie Jones funds establishment of the W. Alton Jones Cell Science Center, Lake Placid 1971
TNC acquires Buttennut Brook Preserve at Pilot Knob on the east side of Lake George 1971
DEC study of mercury in Lake George fish concludes elevated levels in bass and trout 1971
Finch, Pruyn & Co. is denied its development of 1,125 a. in Town of Newcomb 1971
Monsanto Co. voluntarily restricts PCB sales to sealed systems 1971
TNC forms Adk Conservancy Committee to execute plan to acquire private lands for the FP (1 Dec) 1971
Adk Conservancy Committee exercises option to buy Melvin family’s Newcomb estates (1 Dec) 1971
Chazy Orchards adds concrete tilt-up apple storage unit with capacity of 60,000 standard boxes 1971
NRDC leads campaign for passage of the Clean Waters Act 1971
Richard Anthes, NCAR, develops 3-D hurricane simulation 1971
OSHA lists worker exposure to asbestos under ‘mine dusts’; tremolite is listed separately 1971
IP opens its $76 million kraft paper process plant at Ticonderoga, closing its old Lower Falls mill 1971
Prof. Heinz Meng rears a young peregrine falcon of Peale’s subspecies 1971
James Peterson and Geoffroy Hope report rate of glacial retreat in Indonesia at c. 30 m./year 1971
Champlain Barge Canal handles less than half the freight tonnage of the NYS Barge Canal 1971
Schenectady banding by Robert Yunick indicates major irruption of pine siskin 1971-72
Robert F. ((Rob) Hall servs as editor for New York’s Conservationist Magazine 1971-76
Greenwich Mean Time (GMT) is superceded by Coordinated Universal Time (UTC) (1 Jan) 1972
Maitland C. DeSormo pub Seneca Ray Stoddard 1972
Ton-De-Lay is denied development of 18,400 a. in the Town of Altamont 1972
Roman Catholic Diocese of Ogdensburg (RCDO) celebrates its centennial (16 Feb) 1972

At its centennial celebration, the Roman Catholic Diocese of Ogdensburg noted that it had 122 parishes, 40 missions, 249 priests, 34 elementary schools, 6 high schools, 506 religious sisters and 34 brothers, 171,539 Catholics out of a population of 374,854.
Adk Conservancy Committee of TNC buys, then donates Melvin estates to NYS for the FP (18 Feb) 1972
Horizon Adirondack Corp. is denied development of 24,300 a. near Cranberry Lake 1972
USFWS joins NYSDEC & VT Fish & Wildlife Dept to restore L. Champlain’s Atlantic salmon 1972

At this time there were no landlocked Atlantic salmon (*Salmo salar*) in Lake Champlain or any of its tributaries on either the New York or the Vermont side, zero, none. There had not been any for a century or so. This was an audacious undertaking. Going from dead zero to a viable fishery required, among other things, seeding the lake and adjoining tributaries with salmon, and then letting nature do its thing. It had never been done before on such a large scale. There were many factors to consider and a lot to do. They started with a salmon strain originating in Sebago Lake, ME, home of one of the last remaining native populations of landlocked Atlantic salmon in the United States. Sea lamprey (*Petromyzon marinus*) immediately discovered a new food source and used it with a vengeance. They then realized this was going to take some time. . .


Raptors and corvids (crows and ravens) are added to the federal Migratory Bird Act (MBTA) 1972
Major flow of 20,200 cfs occurs on Hudson R. at North Creek, Warren Co. (5 Mar) 1972
G.E. Likens, F.H. Bormann and N.M. Johnson publish on acid deposition in *Environment* 1972
Gene E. Likens coins the term “acid rain” 1972
Louis Chisman ends his directorship of Camp Fowler, Sacandag Lake (appointed 1954) 1972
Blue Mountain Wild Forest is established as a legal entity 1972
Temporary State Commission to Study Environmental Education is est. (20 Apr) 1972
Fred Sullivan, Paul Schaefer *et al.* of AfPA produce the influential doc film *Of Rivers and Men* 1972
NYS Environmental Conservation Law (ECL) reorganized and codified 1972
Gov. Rockefeller signs APA-DEC Adirondack Park State Land Master Plan (SLMP) 1972
**The Adirondack State Land Master Plan defines “wilderness”** 1972

A wilderness area, in contrast with those areas where man and his own works dominate the landscape, is an area where the earth and its community of life are untrammeled by man – where man himself is a visitor who does not remain. A wilderness area is further defined to mean an area of state land or water having a primeval character, without significant improvement to or permanent human habitation, which is protected and managed so as to preserve, enhance and restore, where necessary, its natural conditions, and which (1) generally appears to have been affected primarily by the forces of nature, with the imprint of man’s work substantially unnoticeable; (2) has outstanding opportunities for solitude or a primitive and unconfined type of recreation; (3) has at least ten-thousand acres of contiguous land and water or is of sufficient size and character as to make practicable its preservation and use in an unimpaired condition; and (4) may also contain ecological, geological or other features of scientific, educational, scenic or historical value.

A Definition of the Wilderness Class
*Adirondack Park State Land Master Plan*, 1972, page 15

Adirondack State Land Master Plan presents a number of “controversial elements” 1972
The most controversial aspects of the Plan was a directive that certain nonconforming uses in wilderness and primitive areas “be phased out as rapidly as possible and in all cases by December 31, 1975, on a scheduled basis”. In the wilderness areas, the nonconforming uses included jeep tails; snowmobile trails; manned and unmanned fire towers; observer cabins, telephone lines and state truck rails; horse barns; tent platforms; lean-tos above 3,500 feet, and lean-to clusters; helicopter platforms; and ranger cabins.

Rosemary Nichols
“Letter from Albany”
Adirondack Life, March-April 1977

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No person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.

Title IX, Education Amendments of 1972
(Title 20 U.S.C. Section 1681(a))

- NSF-IBP report of Post Glacial Diatom changes in Lake George
- Federal Water Pollution Conrol Act of 1948 is amended to est Clean Water Act (CWA)
- DEC acquires rights to maintain fish migration between Lake George and Hague Brook (Sep)
- Ruth Newberry hires Eugene R. Mische to run the Lake Placid Horse Show
- Gouverneur Talc Co. purchases International Talc Co. mineral properties at Balmat
- OSHA sets fibrous talc and tremolite exposure limits at the asbestos limit (18 Oct)
- OSHA does not differentiate between asbestiform and non-asbestiform ATA
- Stuart D. Ludlum (ed.) pub *Exploring the Adirondack Mountains 100 Years Ago*, richly illustrated
- Lake Placid village sewage treatment plant (STP) goes on line
- Maitland DeSormo, Sarana Lake, sells ($1 each) 500 S. R. Stoddard photos to NYSM
- Chapter 660, NYS Laws, reassigns care of John Brown’s Farm to Office of Parks and Recreation
- Village of Boonville constructs a sewage treatment plant (STP)
- EQBA provides $44 M for land acquisition in Adk Park. (Nov)
- USPO, Gabriels, is looted and burned; trailer is placed near Church of the Assumption (26 Nov)
- Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act becomes law
- Wayne Trimm begins annual portraiture biggest WTD buck taken in NYS for NYS Big Buck Club

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Voters approve constitutional amendment changing possible use of FP tracts outside of blue lines 1972
Westport SD #1, T. of Westport, Essex Co., is established releasing product to Lake Champlain 1972
UN Stockholm Conference accents importance of education in environmental matters 1972
Wild boar (7 individuals) are discovered and 2 shoats (young) are road-killed in Indian Lake area 1972
Ed Palen and Sharpe Swan hike all 46 High Peaks in six days and 18 hours 1972
*Understanding Climatic Change*, a NAS report, devotes two paragraphs to role of CO₂ (GCC) 1972
Speculator WWTP, Speculator village, Hamilton Co., is est. releasing product to Sacandaga R. 1972
AIM organizes the Trail of Broken Treaties, a march on Washington, D.C. 1972
American Indian traditionalists claim/occupy FP lands at Mossy Lake, Old Forge 1972
US government recognizes the St. Regis Tribal Council 1972
Federal Marine Mammal Protection Act becomes law 1972
NYS Pure Waters Bond Act of 1965 is extended by 650 million dollars 1972
The ADK has more than 7,500 members 1972
A biological control for the American chestnut blight is introduced to the US from Europe 1972
Adirondack Park is enlarged to 5,927,600 a. with addition of Valcour Island 1972
INCO builds 1,250 ft. tall chimney with emission controls at Copper Cliff, Ont. for $26 million 1972
The eminent Adirondack landscape painter Harold Weston dies 1972
St. Joseph Lead Co. Balmat mine starts new zinc ore concentration mill with 5000 ton/day cap. 1972
NYS Wild, Scenic, and Recreational Rivers System is created 1972
First US Landsat (earth resources satellite) is launched, others follow in 1975, 1978 and 1982 1972
Landsat images are collected for the AP 1972
Blue Line extended to center of L Champlain, N to include Valcour I, parts Clinton and Franklin Cos 1972
NYS Assoc. of County and Regional Environmental Management Councils is created 1972
Gene and Bill Prater develop an aluminum-frame, neoprene deck Sherpa™ snowshoe 1972
LWCF assists in addition of Santanoni Preserve (12,000 a.) to FP with $875,000 grant 1972
A “confirmed” photograph is taken of a mountain lion near Indian Lake 1972
DEC prohibits open burning of residential waste in any city, town or village <20K pop. 1972
Five Rivers Environmental Education Center is established at Delmar 1972
Adirondack Division of New York Central RR ends freight service from Remsen to Lake Placid 1972
The Adirondack Bluegrass League is founded at Corinth 1972
Herbert Keith pub *Man of the Woods*. 1972
The Peck’s Lake Protective Association is founded and incorporated 1972
Hurricane Agnes strikes eastern US causing $8.6 in damages but marginal influence in Adks 1972
The periodical *Adirondack Life* adds advertising to its format with summer issue 1972
Peter Van de Water *et al.* establish Citizens to Save the Adirondack Park 1972
EDF, National Audubon Society, Ford Foundation *et al.* force ban of DDT use in US 1972
The United Nations Environment Program is created 1972
Nettie Marie Jones founds Lake Placid Center for the Arts providing 2.4 a. and buildings 1972
The Hoffman Wilderness area (now 36,211 a.) is established 1972
NYS Big Bucks Club is est. awarding graphics by Wayne Trimm for record bow and gun WTD 1972
U.S.Board of Geographic Names codifies Mount Marshall of the McIntyre Range 1972
Natural recruitment found in lake trout of Lake George, ending era of immediate impacts of DDT 1972
Biologist C.H.D. Clarke estimates Adirondack carrying capacity for beaver at 100,000 1972
Some 5,000 gallons of heating oil are spilled into Lake George stream, fish mortality is reported 1972
Mercury-treated grain results in methyl mercury poisoning of 6,500 people in Iraq 1972
Post office at Gabriels is robbed and burned to the ground (26 Nov) 1972
Oregon passes a bill requiring the recycling of beverage bottles 1972
NYS adds eight significant pollutants to standards for air emissions 1972
Federal Water Polution Control Act (Clean Water Act), PL 92-500 is amended auth. EPA actions 1972
Federal Environmental Pesticides Control Act, PL 92-516, auth., EPA to regulate pesticides 1972
Federal Noise Control Act permits regulation of noise pollution 1972
Bonanza aircraft, 2 aboard, in Montreal to Albany flight crashes near Meacham Lake (27 Dec) 1972
Jetstar aircraft, 3 aboard, in flight from Calif. to Adk Regional AP crashes on Johnson Hill (Dec) 1972
Old Forge native skier Hank Kashiwa competes in the Sapporo Olympics 1972
Stanley Legg transfers from DOT to DEC to study and propose more efficient structure of DEC c. 1972
A seaplane fly-in is established at Speculator c. 1972
Osprey population of Adirondacks falls to its nadir with about 15 nesting pairs detected c. 1972
Highland Forests partnership is founded based on former lands of John Bird Burnham c. 1972
Salim B. ‘Sandy’ Lewis and Barbara Lewis purchase 1200 a. farmstead in T. of Essex c. 1972
Severe drought strikes C. America, Sahel, India, Australia, China, Peru 1972-73
Strong El Nino causes torrential rains mobilizing earthquake debris of early 1970s, Peru (GCC) 1972-73
US Supreme Court in 7-2 decision affirms Roe v. Wade; right of women to have abortion (Jan) 1973
NY constitution is amended to modify use of parcels in the FP outside of Parks 1973
Charles Severinghouse and S. Eabry pub WTD Losses in Peripheral Adirondacks 1973
APA completes Adirondack Park Land Use and Development Plan (APLUDP) (Mar) 1973
NYS legislature approves APLUDP 1973
Gov. Nelson Rockefeller signs APLUDP (May) 1973
Adirondack Local Government Review Board is established 1973
The CSAP disbands and its records are assigned to Paul Schafer 1973
DEC holds national conference at Silver Bay, Lake George for local conservation commissions 1973
Anthony D’Elia proposes a development for 3,500 a. at Loon Lake, Town of Franklin 1973
APA and DEC hold 28 day-long public hearing on the D’Elia Loon Lake estates proposal 1973
Anthony D’Elia’s Loon Lake Estates proposal is approved but with over 60 conditions 1973
Lake Placid STP, Lake Placid Village, Essex Co., is est. releasing product to the Chubb River 1973
Anthony D’Elia sues NYS on legality of conditions placed on Loon Lake Estates proposal 1973
Abbie S. Verner serves as Director of Planned Parenthood, Hamilton Co. 1973-78
World Barrel Jumping Championships are held at Petrova Rink, Saranac Lake (Feb) 1973
FIBT World Championship bobsled tournament is held at Mt. van Hoevenberg, L. Placid (Feb) 1973
Federal Endangered Species Act, PL 93-205 auth. USFWS, USDI, to protect rare species (28 Dec) 1973
Martin Cooper of Motorola places a call on his newly invented cell phone (3 Apr) 1973
Atlantic salmon, extirpated for nearly 10 years, are stocked in the Connecticut River 1973
Robert Funk discovers bones (c. 400 B.P.) of Sandhill Crane at Garoga Site, Fulton Co. 1973
Robert Funk discovers bones (c. 400 B.P.) of Turkey at Garoga Site, Fulton Co. 1973
Robert Funk discovers bones (c. 400 B.P.) of passenger pigeon, Garoga Site, Fulton Co. 1973
Governor Nelson Rockefeller signs bill enacting severe penalties for drug abuse (8 May) 1973
APA, after a long series of amendments, is formally established (May) 1973
APA limits the extent of clear cutting (on private Adk, lands) 1973
John Adams assumes leadership of Open Space Institute at request of Richard H. Pough 1973
Full scale restoration program for landlocked Atlantic salmon in Boquet River begins 1973
Congress overrides presidential veto to establish the War Powers Act 1973
Almy Coggeshall and Bill White est. Rogers Rangers Run (32 mi.) for x-c skiers at Lake George 1973
W.B. Scott and E.J. Crossman publish Freshwater Fishes of Canada, a key reference for Adk fish 1973
UNEP hosts the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species 1973
Alicia Hauck disappears while on her way home from high school, Syracuse, NY (11 Jul) 1973
Alvin and Bonnie Vicki Breisch est. quadrats for study of trees on Dome Island, Lake George 1973
LaChute Hydro Co. installs a hydroelectric facility at the Lake George outlet dam, Ticonderoga 1973
Daniel Porter is found murdered and Susan Petz disappears near Wevertown (20 Jul) 1973
Philip Domblewski is murdered near Wells prompting manhunt for Robert Garrow (29 Jul) 1973
Robert Garrow is shot and taken into custody near Mineville (10 Aug) 1973
Garrow lawyers decline to report discovery of body of Susan Petz at Mineville (Aug) 1973
Garrow lawyers decline to report discovery of body of Alicia Hauck in Syracuse (Aug) 1973
Sacandaga Reservoir (29 mi long, 280 billion gallons capacity) is renamed Great Sacandaga Lake 1973
Word of Life Institute Ranch-Ranger Complex is opened at Schroon Lake 1973
Elsie Chrenko climbs the 46 High Peaks in winter 1973
John Bull reports 16 historical, i.e.1800s to 1973, breeding sites for spruce grouse in Adirondacks 1973
Voters approve amendment to Art. XIV Sec. 3.2 (6 Nov) 1973
R. Stolarski and R. Cicerone discover stratospheric chlorine chain reaction 1973
C. George, Union C, finds red-breasted & pumpkin seed sunfish dominant in L George littoral zone 1973
Hilda Webb is the first woman to enroll at the Ranger School at Wanakena 1973
Stanley H. Cohen/Herbert W. Boyer develop DNA transfer technique initiating genetic engineering 1973
Elsie Chrenko climbs the 46 High Peaks in winter 1973
Richard W. Lawrence Jr. founds and chairs (until 2000) the Crary Foundation at Elizabethtown 1973
The Sagamore (hotel) is denied development of 55 acres on Green Island, L. George 1973
Michael Kudish notes Japanese knotweed (Polygonum cuspidatum) at Saranac Lake Village 1973
OPEC oil embargo leads to fuel shortage and currency and energy crisis in the US 1973
AIM confronts the FBI and federal marshals in the Siege of Wounded Knee, S.D. 1973
Camp Woodsmeke goes co-ed 1973
Jenny Lake banding indicates a peak population for purple finch 1973
Richard Denker walks the Northville-Lake Placid Trail end-to-end in 40 hours, 20 minutes 1973
The Conservationist doubles circulation; AACI names it as “best conservationist publication” 1973
Control of Lake George outlet dam is transferred from IP to DEC 1973
ADK provides new public 200-car parking lot at van Hoevenberg trailhead 1973
Temporary State Commission on Youth Education in Environmental Conservation pub final report 1973
Dr. Hajime Hosokawa finally testifies re. research on Hg poisoning at Minamata Bay, Japan 1973
Chisso Corp. is found liable for Minamata Disease (Hg poisoning) and begins compensation 1973
Eric Fromm, German-American, pub The Anatomy of Human Destructiveness using term “biophilia” 1973
US FDA establishes PCB tolerance level of 5 ppm in fish for human consumption 1973
Philip G. Terrie, Jr., pub “R.I.P.: The Adirondack Moose” in Adirondack Life 1973
Richard Persico is appointed executive director of the APA 1973
NYSM pub map Landforms and Bedrock Geology of New York State, 22 ½” height by 35” width 1973
Mountain lion, Puma concolor, is placed on national endangered species list (Jul) 1973
U.S. emissions of SO2 peak at 28.8M tons 1973
NYS legislature est Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board (APLGRB) 1973
State-funded APLGRB is comprised of one member from each of the 12 Adirondack counties 1973
INCO opens its $140 million nickel refinery at Copper Cliff, near Sudbury, Ontario (Oct) 1973
Champlain shore from Crown Pt. to Valcour and other lands (234,000 a.) are added to Adk Park 1973
The Adirondack Park now has an area of 5,927,600 acres 1973
DEC creates Office/Planning, Program Development, Research (OPPDR), executive level (Sep) 1973
Ned Harkness is appointed general manager of the Detroit Red Wings (NHL) 1973
NiMo removes Reach Nine Dam, Fort Edward, releasing PCB-laden sediments 1973
Kawasaki Corp. markets the stand-up “Jet Ski” personal water craft 1973
Universal Product Code, using the bar code, is endorsed and widely adopted by grocery industry 1973
Henry Seton sells 129.5-acre Valcour Island to The Adk Conservancy (26 Dec) 1973
S. Cohen, Stanford Univ., and H. Boyer, Univ. California, combine DNA of unrelated organisms 1973
TIMATION and Air Force 612B Program merge to develop Defense Navigation Satellite System 1973
Clear cutting practices of the USFS are legally challenged for the Monongahela NF 1973
NRDC works to phase-out of lead in gasoline 1973
Congress approves licensing 789-mi. long oil pipeline from North Slope to Port of Valdez, Alaska 1973
Arab oil embargo creates an energy crisis in US with serious shortages of gasoline and heating oil 1973
NOAA satellites begin annual measurement of n. hemisphere snow cover and Antarctic ice cover 1973
Louis Curth et al. found the Upper Hudson Environmental Action Committee (UHEAC) c. 1973
Prof. Kenneth P. Able and B. R. Noon, SUNYA, conduct survey of Whiteface Mt birds 1973-74
AACI names The Conservationist “Best conservation publication” 1973-74
Major winter irruption of the Red Crossbill occurs 1973-74
James L. Biggane serves as commissioner of DEC 1973-75
46ers’ canisters are deemed illegal by NYSDEC Rules & Regs and non-conforming to APSLMP mid-1970s
Wambat Realty Corp. proposal for 2,200-a. Valmont Village, Black Brook, is denied 1974
G.E. Likens and F. H. Bormann publish a key paper on acid rain in Science 1974
Acid rain receives coverage in the New York Times 1974
NIOSH study shows high rate of lung disease in talc workers exposed to tremolitic talc (Jan) 1974
Gouverneur Talc Co., subsidiary of R.T. Vanderbilt, buys assets of International Talc (23 May) 1974
Bill to create $5 bounty on rattle snakes dies in committees during legislative session 1974
USAF F-106 military training jet crashes near Hopkinton in flight from Griffiss AFB (19 Mar) 1974
F.S. Rowland and M. Molina of U. California at Irvine demonstrate ozone destruction by CFCs 1974
Carl George and John H. Gordon II see spawning rainbow smelt in tributary of L. George 1974
Clinton Co. legislature seizes J. & J. Co. paper mill and 40 acres for nonpayment of taxes (Apr) 1974
Assembly bill for WTD habitat improvement in the FP fails in the senate 1974
Commissioner James Biggane forms the Council on Environmental Conservation 1974
Bureau of Land Management (BLM) allows ORV use on U.S. lands unless specifically excluded 1974
The Ironville Historic District is added to the National Register 1974
Traditional Mohawks establish Ganienkeh community at Moss Lake, Herkimer Co., NY (13 May) 1974
Eagle Bay residents allegedly fire shots into Ganienkeh community, Moss Lake, Hamilton Co. 1974
Endangered plant species are added to the federal endangered species act 1974
F. Sherwood Rowland/Mario Molina, American, propose CFC desctruction of stratospheric ozone 1974
Robert Garrow murder trial begins at Speculator, T. of Lake Pleasant, Hamilton Co. (10 Jun) 1974
Robert Garrow is convicted of murder and sentenced to 25 years to life (27 Jun) 1974
US Supreme Court rules in favor of Oneida Iroquois land claims 1974
D. P. Church, pilot, photographer, canoeist, swimmer, hiker dies Canton, St. Lawrence Co. (10 Mar) 1974
Part of 76th Engineer Battalion is based at Camp Drum and redesignated Fort Drum 1974
World Wildlife Fund awards Gold Medal for Conservation to Dr. Anne LaBastille 1974
Captive-bred peregrine falcons (2) are released in the Shawungunk Mts. 1974
John L. Bull pub Birds of New York State listing 410 species, detailing Adk region; 60 y after Eaton 1974
National Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act becomes law 1974
AACI names The Conservationist as “best conservationist publication” 1974
NYS Mined-land Reclamation Law is enacted 1974
Jack Swan forms Pok-O-MacCready Outdoor Education Center for year-round operations 1974
DEC Comm. J. Biggane appoints High Peaks Advisory Committee to study overuse 1974
H. Hochschild give conservation easement on 1,600 a. on south shores of Utowana and Eagle L. 1974
Saranac Lake Rugby Club hosts inaugural Canadian-American Rugby Tournament 1974
Dr. John Rugge opens medical health center in Chestertown, progenitor of future HHHN 1974
Open Space Institute is incorporated as not-for-profit Open Space Institute, Inc. 1974
A 40-bed nursing home is constructed at Moses-Ludington Hospital at Ticonderoga 1974
PSC opens Trudeau House, a dormitory, in renovated former Saranac Laboratory building 1974
The Faith-Man-Nature Group of the North Country Church disbands 1974
ALC hatchery at Little Moose outlet is reopened as a Cornell research center 1974
The Northern Hawk Owl is seen at North Gage (20 Dec) 1974
DEC opens interior lean-to sites at Taylor Pond at Silver Lake hamlet 1974
Gov. Malcom Wilson appoints James L. Biggane to direct the DEC 1974
Motorized access (including floatplanes using 700 lakes) to Wilderness Areas is prohibited 1974
Herb Helms, pilot/air-touring company owner, sues to overturn ban on motorized access to WA 1974
NYS Police investigate Ganienkeh shootings at Moss Lake as violation of 1794 treaty 1974
Secretary of State Mario Cuomo begins talks with Ganienkeh community at Moss Lake, Ham. Co. 1974
*The Adirondack*, a daylight, fast AMTRAK train begins run between NYC and Montreal 1974
Piercefield Flow hydroelectric dam (153-0527) is built or reconditioned 1974
IP commercializes oxygen bleaching technology at Ticonderoga mill 1974
EPA bans dieldrin and aldrin (270M kg produced), insecticidal organochlorines, used in agriculture 1974
NYS Conservation Law requires landowner permission for collecting of wild plants 1974
NYS Conservation Law protects orchids, club mosses, most ferns & selected others 1974
Lake George Outlet Dam (239-0808) is built or reconditioned 1974
John Franz independently discovers and identifies its herbicidal properties 1974
Monsanto patents glyphosate as herbicide (USP 3,799,758) and brands it Roundup® 1974
Roundup® is used as herbicide in Malaysia (rubber plantations) and UK (wheat growing) 1974
EPA registers glyphosate for industrial (chelating) non-crop use in the US 1974
APA adds 1,000 miles of Adirondack rivers to Wild, Scenic and Recreational Rivers System 1974
The Arts Guild of Old Forge opens The Arts Center of Old Forge 1974
It’s important because there is so precious little of this wilderness in the world. I believe we need a place to get a sense of balance. There’s no better place to get that sense than where man has not ripped everything up. We have all these big problems, and you can go into the woods, and see how the natural order of things has handled them for thousands of years. I’m working for the protection of what little of that we have left.
Clarence Petty, on the reasons for wilderness protection
*Adirondack Life* 1987 (XVIII, No. 6)
NYS DOT buys abandoned Penn Central trackage to establish Remsen-Lake Placid Travel Corridor 1974
NYSDEC stocks some 50,000 Michigan strain lake trout in Lake George 1974
Mt. Lake Services founds Essex Industries employing developmentally disabled, Mineville 1974
With 18-hr broadcast-day, WSLU becomes Corporation for Pub Broadcasting qualified station 1974
OSHA grants R.T. Vanderbilt ‘temporary relief’ from exposure limits for its ATA (21 Nov) 1974
Ruth Newberry et al. found League for Adirondack Citizens’ Rights to end APA 1974
Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act (RPA) becomes law 1974
Carl George, DFWI IBP, notes banded mystery snail, Viviparus georgianus, in Lake George 1974
Fire tower observer on Pharaoh Mtn records over 4000 visitors 1974
Some 72% of CFCs are now used as propellants and are released directly into atmosphere 1974
Federal Safe Drinking Water Act begins formulation of national drinking water standards 1974
Major NE irruption of black-backed and three-toed woodpeckers occurs 1974-75
Eleanor Ann Fair Brown joins ADK to become eventual chair 1974-94
PRB estimates human global population at 4 billion 1975

NYS Freshwater Wetlands Act becomes law, APA to administer the act in the AP 1975
NYS DOT takes possession of Penn Central’s abandoned Adirondack Division trackage 1975
T. of Queensbury water treatment plant, rated at 3 ½ MGD, begins water delivery (8 Apr) 1975
Peck Lake, Bleecker, Fulton Co., has a late ice-out (3 May) 1975
DEC fish survey of Brooktrout Lake, Hamilton Co., finds 2 brook trout 1975
Rawlings Sporting Goods merges with Adirondack Bats, Inc. to make baseball bats, Dolgeville (Jun) 1975
“Man-in-chains” (27 y.o., 6’ 3”, 175 lbs.) is found wandering highway near Westport (24 May) 1975
Remains of “Man-in-chains” are found shackled to a tree in North Hudson, Essex Co. (26 Oct) 1975
Albany R. water quality is greatly improved with 3,314 fish of 27 species taken in study (Aug) 1975
Bureau of Land Acquisition is renamed the Bureau of Real Property Services (Dec) 1975
DEC staff proposes amendment to lumber 72 sq. miles of FP at Harrisburg Lake 1975
Word of Life Institute Family Campground is opened at Schroon Lake 1975
The Antique and Classic Boat Society, Inc. (ACBS) is founded at Lake George 1975
Aldrin and dieldrin are restricted to use for termite control 1975
Ned Harkness is appointed head coach of Union College hockey team to est. record of 46-8-3 1975
NYS court denies the claims of Anthony D’Elia regarding his Loon Lake Estates proposal 1975
Effigies of APA officers are burned at rallies held by League for Adirondack Citizens Rights 1975
APA is called a “fascist bureaucracy” by those opposing new laws regulating private lands 1975
Greenleaf Chase notes one nest of golden eagle surviving in the Adirondacks 1975
Wild, Scenic and Recreational Rivers Act designates the Oswegatchie as Wild River 1975
Some 1,000 miles of Adirondack rivers are covered by National Wild and Scenic Rivers Program 1975
An avalanche on Round Mountain injures four ice climbers 1975
Northern NY now has two prisons hosting less than six thousand inmates 1975
International conference on acid rain is held in Dayton, Ohio 1975
NYSDEC buys 4,500 acre Streeter Lake tract from Andrew M. Schuler, Schuler Potato Chips (Apr) 1975
Camp Fire USA opens its membership to boys 1975
Rawlings Sporting Goods projects a production rate of 8,000 baseball bats per day at Dolgeville 1975
The beaver (Castor canadensis) is chosen as the NYS mammal 1975
USFWS captures surviving red wolves (less than 20) to begin captive breeding program 1975
Michael Kudish reports Japanese knotweed (Polygonum cuspidatum) at Paul Smiths 1975
Michael Kudish reports purple loosestrife (Lythrum salicaria) at Paul Smiths 1975
Michael Kudish reports black ocust (Robinia pseudoacacia) at Paul Smiths 1975
Michael Kudish reports spotted knapweed, bushy knapweed (Centaurera maculosa) at Paul Smiths 1975
Paul Jamieson, ADK, pub Adirondack Canoe Waters North Flow 1975
Brook trout, *Salvelinus fontinalis*, is adopted as the New York State fish 1975
Regulations for Protected Native Plants are filed by DEC (17 Mar) 1975
NYT reports that “many signs” indicate that “earth may be heading for another ice age” (14 Aug) 1975
Cliff Sparks claims to have sighted a Sasquatch at the Skene Valley Country Club at Whitehall 1975
New York Snowmobile Coordinating Group is organized 1975
Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellite System (GOES), NOAA, satellite (16 Oct) 1975

This magnificent observational system for both atmospheric and land form has now launched 17 GOES units as of 1 March, 2018, giving the Adirondack observer a detailed viewing complementing Google Earth.

The Editors

NYS legislature creates New York State Energy and Development Authority (NYSERDA) 1975
The Mountaineer, an outfitter for Adirondack adventuring, opens at Keene Valley 1975
Eastern New York Marine Trades Association (ENYMTA) is est. to promote marine businesses 1975
DEC ECO Academy graduates its first class of Environmental Conservation Officers (ECOs) 1975
LGRB holds ten “Citizen Speakouts” critical of the APA 1975
Old and challenging trail to peak of Mt. Colden (4,715’ el.) is closed/abandoned. 1975
Village governing body of Fort Covington, Franklin Co., dissolves itself (31 Dec) 1975
SSCC mandates SAE regulated sound levels for snowmobiles to less than 78 dB(A) (1 Feb) 1975
Courtney Jones, Harold Gerry, Tim Barnett incorporate Adirondack Council, NYC, (20 May) 1975
Peter Nye, DEC, reports NYS wintering population of bald eagle at less than 20 birds 1975
Peter Nye, DEC, reports NYS breeding population of bald eagle as one non-productive pair 1975
*Science* reports that continued rapid cooling of the Earth portends a new ice age (1 Mar) 1975
Veerabhadran Ramanatha, SIO, U. Cal., notes importance of other greenhouse gases in GCC 1975
Perry Duryea est. a NYS assembly task force to hold a public hearing on the APA 1975
In accord with the SLMP permits for 560 tent platforms in the FP are cancelled 1975
Dome Island area of Lake George is closed to fishing to save the lake trout for trophy fish 1975
Perch die-off is reported in Lake George from myxobacterial infection in gills 1975
The Adirondack Council is established in Elizabethtown, not to be confused with BSA organization 1975
GE receives permit to discharge PCBs to Hudson R. (application filed 1973) 1975
DEC begins proceedings against GE for illegally discharging PCBs to Hudson R. 1975
An earthquake of Modified Mercalli intensity V strikes the Beekmantown area (9 Jun) 1975
Theodore M. Ruzow replaces Richard W. Lawrence Jr. as Chair of the APA 1975
Edward Ball kills a black bear weighing 750 lbs in the Town of Altamont, Franklin Co. (13 Sep) 1975
The SLMP proposes this date for the blocking of all truck trails in WA (31 Dec) 1975
A survey estimates 12,403,000 hunters in the US each spending $36 per field day 1975
RuthAnn and William Hesselton calculate value of a legally killed WTD at $1,250 1975
Dr. M. Anne LaBastille is appointed to Adirondack Park Agency Board of Commissioners (19 Nov) 1975
W. Doolittle proposes US Constitution amendment on “taking” to oppose PLUDP 1975
Corporate Average Fuel Economy Standards are adopted 1975
APA holds public hearings on proposed construction of Olympic ski jumps at Lake Placid (Dec) 1975
Eastern spruce budworm, *Choristoneura f. fractivittana*, reaches peak regional impact 1975
Oseetah Park development of 39 a. in the Town of Harrietstown is denied 1975
Will Rogers Hospital closes at Saranac Lake 1975-76
NYS Mined Land Reclamation Law is established (1 Apr) 1975
Bennie Arnold’s 800 miniature wood carvings are assigned to the Adirondack Museum 1975
A black bear weighing 750 lbs. is shot near Tupper Lake 1975
USDA and Cornell Univ. Agricultural Experiment Station update soil survey of Washington Co. 1975
NYS Ski Racing Assoc. est. Whiteface Alpine Training Center for aspiring ski racers (Dec) 1975
EPA requires reduction in tetraethyl lead in gasoline 1975
Canadian Fred Urquhart discovers overwintering site of monarch butterfly in mts. of C. Mexico 1975
Cluett Peabody closes Corinth shirt factory laying off 250 piece-work employees c. 1975
St. Lawrence U. acq D. P. Church photograph Collection, c. 13,000 negatives and positives c. 1975
Gov. Hugh L. Carey averts NYS bankruptcy leading the state through the “great fiscal crisis” 1975
Gov. Hugh L. Carey appoints Robert Flack chairman of the APA 1975
Gov. Hugh L. Carey appoints Ogden Reid to serve as commissioner of DEC 1975-76
Major irruption of Boreal Chickadee occurs 1975-76
Tetraethyl lead is no longer used as a gasoline additive in the U. S. 1976
Average lead level in the blood of American children is now about 15 mcg/dl 1976
DEC spraying of 2, 4-D for control of water chestnut is terminated at end of season 1976
Routes 28 and 30 are reconstructed between Indian and Blue Mt. Lakes 1976
Carl L. Schofield pub “Acid precipitation: effects on fish” in Ambio 1976
SSCC mandates SAE regulated sound levels at 15 mph for snowmobiles to less than 73 dB(A) 1976
After stocking in 1973, Atlantic salmon return to the Connecticut River to spawn 1976
Specimens Atlantic sturgeon, Acipenser oxyrhynchus, (ancient fish species) recovered in Hudson R. 1976
LWCF provides $247,478 for snowmaking (to support skiing) at Gore Mt., Johnsburg 1976
Bruce Heezen, Marie Tharp, Lamont Doherty Earth Obs. pub detailed bathymetric map of oceans 1976
Lyme Timber Co. is est. in Hanover, NH, purchasing 21,000 a. in Adks from Horizon Co. 1976
Northern Specialty (fishing lure maker), Whitehall, is sold to Lou J. Eppinger Co. of Michigan 1976
Methane and ozone are now recognized as significant greenhouse gases impacting GCC 1976
Thomas Rosecrans pub. Adirondack Rock and Ice Climbs 1976
NYS bill for protection of plants as categorized by NYS Botanist Stanley Smith fails 1976
Last Chance Ranch proposal for development of 1,300 a. in the Town of North Elba is denied 1976
UNESCO designates HBEF a Biosphere Preserve 1976
EPA pub analysis of 331 reports on research dealing with impacts of road salts 1976
European Frog’s-bit (free-floating aquatic plant) is found on Canadian (north) shore of Lake Erie 1976
Arthur Kleps pub Millbrook with remarks on Neo-American Church est. at Cranberry Lake 1976
Horizon Corp sues NYS for 36 million dollars claiming an illegal ‘land taking’ 1976
J.A. Eddy provides evidence of a solar spot minimum from 1645 to 1710, Science, 192, 1189 1976
NYS Court of Appeals rules that Adirondack private land use plan is not an illegal ‘taking’ 1976
DEC pub Policies and Actions on Wilderness Nonconformance (Sep) 1976
Penn Central joins other companies to form Consolidated Rail Corporation of America (Conrail) 1976
NAS releases report verifying findings of F. S. Rowland and M. Molina on CFCs and ozone 1976
USDA and EPA propose phaseout of CFCs in aerosols 1976
A significant run of adult salmon appears on Boquet River at Willsboro (Spring) 1976
Anne LaBastille pub. Woodswoman: Living Alone in the Adirondack Wilderness, 1st of 4-part series 1976
GE agrees to stop all PCB use in NYS and to provide a maximum of $3 million for clean-up 1976
An estimated 1.3 M pounds of PCBs have been released by GE into Hudson R. up to this date 1976
NYS administrative law judge finds Hudson R. GE discharge of PCBs violated permit and law 1976
DEC bans most commercial fishing in Hudson R. because of toxic body burdens, mostly PCBs 1976
DEC bans all fishing in upper Hudson R. from Fort Edward to federal dam at Troy (25 Feb) 1976
Congress extends National Park Service Act to include Bureau of Land Management lands 1976
NYSDEC begins a fisher restoration program using Adirondack fishers 1976
April storm scourcs PCB-laden sediments from Hudson R. bottom and sends them downstream 1976
NYS legislature grants DEC authority to est. hunting and trapping seasons for bobcat (Lynx rufus) 1976
Silver Lake, southern Hamilton Co., remains ‘dead’, pH is 5.0, too acidic for brook trout to thrive 1976
Emergency radio communication/dispatch center is established at Saranac Lake 1976
DEC issues permit for modification of Au Sable River to reduce ice jamming and flooding (Aug) 1976
A ceremony opens the Adirondack Exhibit at the New York State Museum (4 July) 1976
Eugene Ogden et al. report common reed (Phragmites communis) at Lake George 1976
Eugene Ogden et al. report curly-leaved pondweed (Potamogeton crispus) at Lake George 1976
Eugene Ogden et al. report Eurasian milfoil (Myriophyllum spicatum) at Lake George 1976
Environmental History Review is est. 1976
DEC/GE sign Settlement Agreement re. Hudson R. PCBs (8 Sep) 1976
Science warns about forthcoming “extensive Northern Hemisphere glaciation” (10 Dec) 1976
SUNY-ESF begins studies of the spruce grouse in the Adirondacks 1976
Sagamore Wildlife Refuge, c. 1,500 a. of FP, Town of Long Lake is set aside as wildlife refuge 1976
Hunting of WTD on Sagamore Wildlife Refuge becomes controversial 1976
Adirondack legislators introduce a bill to abolish the APA (Jan) 1976
Pres. Gerald Ford formally est. Black History Month with celebration of U. S. Bicentennial (Feb) 1976
APA regulates private Adirondack lands adjoining Wild, Scenic and Recreational Rivers 1976
APA Act is amended to substitute civil penalties for criminal penalties for violators of law 1976
Gary Randorf rep (Adirondack) APA staff regularly threatened and tires of APA vehicles slashed 1976
APA building pelted with rotten eggs and arsonists attempt its burning (20 Oct) 1976
Glens Falls Hospital completes addition of a new west tower 1976
SLCBC, est 1947, notes its first mourning dove (Dec) 1976
Frank Casier and Bob Hunsiker begin publication of The Adirondack Defender (Mar) 1976
A new strain of Bacillus thuringiensis is isolated from the sands of the Negev Desert of Israel 1976
Federal Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA, ‘TOSCA’) PL 94-469 auth. EPA to regulate toxics 1976
Robert J. North is appointed executive director of Trudeau Institute 1976
NYS regulates use of aerosol cans containing chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs) 1976
DEC begins statewide lake monitoring program for mercury and several other toxic substances 1976
DEC begins pub of the weekly Environmental Notice Bulletin (enb@gw.dec.state.ny.us) 1976
AIA hires Dr. P. Enterline to compile defense against claims, but keeps Gardner findings secret 1976
Resource Conservation and Recovery Act est. national standards for landfills 1976
National Forest Management Act fosters establishment and wise management of wild preserves 1976
Baruch (Barry) S., UC 1946 with honors, wins Nobel Prize for studies leading to hepatitis B vaccine 1976
Adirondack Medium Security Correctional Facility is built at Ray Brook, Essex Co. 1976
Hotel Lake George (formerly theorden Hotel) burns in Lake George village 1976
NYS DOC est. Mt. McGregor Medium and Minimum Security Correctional Facility, Saratoga Co. 1976
Peter Nye, NYSDEC, begins a hacking program for bald eagle, with introduction of Alaskan birds 1976
Alaskan bald eagles are introduced to Follensby Pond as part of DEC’s Peter Nye hacking program. 1975
Headwaters of the Kunjamuk is reclaimed with rotenone for stocking of fish 1976
Deep-sea core data on climate is linked to 100,000-year Milankovitch cycles (GCC) 1976
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Jack Eddy proposes linkage of sunspots to cold periods (GCC) 1976
NAS endorses idea that doubling of CO₂ could cause 1.5-4.5º C temperature increase (GCC) 1976
DEC closes Pharaoh Lake Road from Beaver Pond Road to Mill Brook parking lot (15 Oct) 1976
NYS trooper takes a shot at a Sasquatch near Whitehall in northern Washington Co. 1976
Bradford Gore is acquired and assigned to the Oswegatchie WA of the FP 1976
Adirondack Economic Development Corporation (AEDC) is formed 1976
Ed Ketchledge, Pres. of Adk 45ers, recommends that its summit canisters be removed 1976
President Ford’s son, Michael, et al. are ‘rescued’ from Nye Mt during late season snow storm 1976
Ned Harkness is suspended and then reinstated as Union College hockey coach

Gore Mt. Ski installs snowmaking equipment on Sleeping Bear, Sunway, Showcase and Cloud Trails

North Creek Ski Bowl closes its slopes to skiing, but allows snow tubing to continue

Anthracnose is discovered on Pacific Dogwood, *Cornus nuttallii*, near Vancouver, WA

NY Congresswoman Barbera Conable sponsors federal act allowing smaller non-profits to lobby

Federal law requires car manufacturers to raise average fuel efficiency on new cars

An American chestnut tree, dbh 7.8”, is reported to be fruiting at Dome Island, Lake George

Niagara Mohawk drops the level of Peck’s Lake by 15-20 feet to make repairs on the dam

The Wanakena-High Falls fire-truck trail is closed

The Adirondack Museum admits its one millionth visitor

The National Forest Management Act fostering biotic diversity becomes law

Gov. Hugh L. Carey appoints Robert F. Flacke to serve as chairman of the APA

Gov. Hugh L. Carey appoints Peter A. A. Berle serve as commissioner of the DEC

Some one-thousand landlocked salmon are stocked in the Saranac and Boquet rivers

LWCF provides $2,080,526 for snowmaking at Whiteface Mountain

OSHA revokes R.T. Vanderbilt’s ‘temporary relief’ from asbestos limits (19 Jan)

R.T. Vanderbilt claims abuse of ‘due process’ in revocation of exemption for tremolitic talc (Jan)

The Oswegatchie River is closed to motorboat traffic

L. J. Goldberg & J. Margalit publish on new pathogenic strain of *Bacillus thuringiensis* from Israel

Scleroderis, a fungal disease attacking conifers, becomes a problem in Franklin Co.

DEC Comm. Peter Berle creates assistant ranger program to expand effectiveness of Ranger force

John L. Moran publishes a list of 120 Adirondack reclaimed ponds in *Adirondack Life*

Federal Dept. Energy Organization Act creates FERC allowing override of NYS Article XIV

Federal Clean Air Act Amendments, PL 95-95 auth. EPA to postpone compliance standards

Federal Clean Water Act Amendments, PL 95-217, auth. EPA to postpone compliance standards

Robert Lopez, Steve Nadeau, David Woods *et al*. found annual Whiteface Mountain Uphill Run

An electrical power outage strikes NE US and SE Canada (13 Aug)

M. Cuomo and Ganienkeh community agree to peaceful relocation from Moss Lake to Miner Lake

Bow bridge crossing Sacandaga R. at Hadley is placed on National Register of Historic Places

PSC volunteer fire department is replaced by Paul Smith-Gabriels Volunteer Fire Department

Richard Considine of Chestertown forms Original Lincoln Logs Co. to manufacture log homes

NYS grants a 30-year lease to Adirondack Railway Co.

Adirondack Railway Corp. contracts with NYS to run Olympic passenger service to L. Placid

Thomas R. Monroe replaces William Petty as director of DEC region 5

Mikhail Budyko, Russian physicist, proposes release of sulfur dioxide by airplane for GCC

New York Lottery begins operations under Art. 1, Sec. 9 of NYS constitution

Complete genetic code for an organism is reported by British scientists

Horizon Corp. sells 24,000 a. of Adirondack land to the Lyme Lumber Co. of Lyme, NH

Four mountaineers survive an avalanche on Eagle Slide of Giant Mountain

Lake Kora Dam, a.k.a. Kam Kill Kare Dam (155-2251) is built or reconditioned

The Lake Placid Club is opened to the public – after many years of low profitability

Town of Indian Lake adopts an APA approved, land use and development plan

Ned Harkness resigns as head coach of Union College hockey team

Voters reject a call for a NY constitutional convention

Mountain House, a 15-week boarding school in Lake Placid, opens for winter athletes
VIS fulfills Olmsted Plan by gaining L. Flower properties making a contiguous Riverside Park

APA recommends classification of Nine-Mile Level of the East Branch of St. Regis R. as Wild

Company owning land along Nine-Mile Level of E. Branch, St. Regis R. opposes APA classif.

NY Lottery begins operation as authorized by Article 1, Section 9, of NYS constitution

Uphill Foot Race (8 mi. long) up Whiteface Mt. via Veterans Memorial Highway is inaugurated

Haudenosaunee issue and begin using Haudenosaunee passports for international travel

International declaration on environmental education emerges from UN Tbilisi conference

Former site of AISC, Tahawus, is added to the National Register of Historic Places

The LGA, Jack Ryder et al. found the Fund for Lake George

First report of black crappie in Lake George

A portion of Hadlock Pond Dam (233-1098) is rebuilt to repair damage from 1975 accident

River Street Park dedication is held in ‘Riverside Park’, Saranac Lake village (29 Nov)

HPAC reports 14%, or 30 miles, of eastern High Peaks trails in critical condition

Pres. James (Jimmy) Earl Carter closes federal lands to ORV use except where permitted (Mar)

Pres. James (Jimmy) Earl Carter works to reduce fossil fuel use-increase role of renewables (Feb)

LTV Corporation closes its Adirondack iron mines

Electric Power Research Inst., EPRI, est. Integrated Lake-Watershed Acidification Study, ILWAS

R.T. Vanderbilt’s commercial wollastonite mining commences in Town of Diana, Lewis County

LWCF provides $2,080,526 for snowmaking (for skiing) at Whiteface Mt., Wilmington

“Smooth-talking”, white supremacist Richard B. Cotton is shunned in Salem, North Creek area

Dam at Penfield Pond undergoes major restoration with restoration of stone facing

DEC removes fire tower from Hamilton Mountain as non-conforming to the SLMP

National Sports Academy, Lake Placid, is est. as a coed, boarding preparatory school for athletes

Empire State Games are inaugurated

NYS inacts Oil Spill Law (Navigation Law Article 12)

Alpo International Dogsled Races are inaugurated at Saranac Lake

Federal Mining Control and Reclamation Act, PL 95-87, auth. USDI control of mining/restoration

American Maple Museum is established in Croghan, NY (Lewis County)

U.S. manufacture of PCBs ends when Monsanto ceases production

IP Ticonderoga paper plant releases c. 14,000 lbs/day of solids to south end of Lake Champlain

DEC establishes hunting and trapping seasons for bobcat (Lynx rufus)

Ganienkeh, on state land at Miner Lake, is est. under Turtle Island Trust, a 3rd party land lease entity

Haudenosaunee chiefs attend U.N. meetings on rights of indigenous peoples in the Americas


R. Jackson, with Adk “Big Stick” bat, hits 3 homers in World Series Game 6, Yankees vs. Dodgers

U.S. Bobsled & Skeleton Federation (USBSF) is incorporated (Nov)

Most leaded paints are banned by federal Consumer Product Safety Commission

NAS pub Energy and Climate affirming the concept of global warming

NYS DOT invokes HL § 212 to close Town of Wells town road

Ed Palen and Sharpe Swan climb all 46 High Peaks in 114 hours and 18 minutes

John Adams donates Four Brothers Islands in Lake Champlain to University of Vermont

Congress updates the Clean Air Act (CAA) of 1970 adding the New Source Review provisions

Congress updates the Clean Water Act adding stricter control

Following CCC and Job Corps models the Young Adult Conservation Corps is est.

US natural gas supplies plummet due to blizzards and bitter cold

The tugboat Rachel begins delivery of bulk fuel by barge at Raquette Lake

GE ceases discharge of PCBs into Hudson at Fort Edward and Hudson Falls plants

Available records indicate release of 1,330,000 lbs of PCBs into Hudson R. by GE
NYS dredges 180K cu. yd. of PCB laden sediment from Hudson R. channel near Fort Edward 1977-78
Schenectady banding indicates a major irruption of common redpoll 1977-78
DEC surveys 420 lakes, >10 ha. area, to find 114 breeding pair of Common Loon 1977-79
14 common raven nesting sites are found in Adirondacks (P.G. Bishop, Jr., SUNY-ESF) 1977-79
L.W. Jackson et al. report on poaching using dogs in Malone area of Franklin Co. 1978
Adirondack Mountain Reserve (AMR) sells 9,182 a., incl. all holdings over 2,500 feet, to NYS 1978
AMR assigns conservation easement for more than 7,000 a. of its land in AuSable Valley to NYS 1978
Import, sale, production and use of PCBs in U.S. are prohibited under TSCA 1978
Dudley J. Raynal et al. begin acid deposition studies at the AAHWF 1978
Many agencies join to establish NADP/NTN and open 22 monitoring stations 1978
AAHWF is named a National Atmospheric Deposition Program monitoring site 1978
Town of Hague adopts APA-approved local land use and development plan 1978
Oval Wood Dish Co. buys former U.S. Plywood Corp Tupper L. site for plasteware production 1978
Gouverneur Talc Co. closes Number Three mine citing asbestos laws for business downfall (Jan) 1978
Benson Mines, T. of Clifton closes world’s largest open pit iron mine with the loss of 470 jobs 1978
Town of Horicon adopts an APA-approved local land use and development plan 1978
H. Barjac describes *Bacillus thuringiensis* subspecies (serovar H14) *israelensis* (Bti) 1978
Town of Lake George adopts APA-approved local land use and development plan 1978
Domtar Industries, Inc., sells exclusive recreational rights on 55,000 a. to 28 clubs 1978
William Verner chairs the APA Citizen’s Advisory Task force on Open Space 1978
US Navy SEALS found Ironman Triathlon with swim (2.4 mi.), bike (112 mi.) and marathon 1978
APA pub *Report on Citizen’s Advisory Task Force on Hamlet Restor. and Dev.* 1978
Commissioner Peter Berle orders DEC to burn three NYS interior ranger cabins 1978
Despite efforts of four fire departments Saranac Inn burns to the ground (18 Jun) 1978
US FDA proposes ban on use of triclosan and triclocarban in OTC antimicrobial products 1978
Tim Jones buys a lot on River Road along the Raquette River, Town of Altamont 1978
NYS Comptroller Arthur Leavitt proposes closing HRBRRD claiming it to be unnecessary 1978
Seasonal rangers are added to DEC staff for oversight of the FP 1978
Cross-country ski trails and a biathlon range are built at Mt. van Hoevenberg 1978
Beech stands dominate 40% of Finch, Pruyn & Co. Adk lands yielding cut of 1 M bd. ft. 1978
Middle Sargeant Pond is treated with two tons of hydrated lime 1978

Liming does not seem to be a practical solution for most of our wilderness ponds and larger lakes. If the Adirondacks is going to continue to attract fishermen and other visitors who wish to see the birds and animals who feed off fish, then the only solution lies in reducing the airborne transport of sulfates and nitrates into New York State by controlling emissions from power plants and other pollution sources from the Midwest.

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Norman Van Valkenburg proposes formation of Bureau of Preserve Protection and Management 1978
NPS General Authorities Act of 1970 is amended 1978
Eel Weir Dam (109-0793) on the Oswegatchie River is built or reconditioned 1978
Yaleville Dam (135-0221) on Raquette River, near Norwood is rebuilt or reconditioned 1978
NYS SEQR regulations become effective (1 Nov) 1978
David Smith’s sculpture is featured at the National Gallery of Art 1978
HBEF becomes one of 300 sites of the NADP 1978
Alvin and Bonnie Vicki Breisch report on the flora of Dome Island 1978
Wm. Doolittle sells *Adirondack Daily Enterprise* and *Lake Placid News* to Ogden Newspapers 1978

Oak Mountain Ski Center, Speculator, is sold to Norm and Nancy Germain 1978

APA adopts telecommunication tower policy to limit mountain-top sites and promote collocation 1978

USDA Forest Service establishes the Forest Land Enhancement Program 1978

Christmas Bird Count reports an irruption of the pine siskin in the Adirondacks 1978

Draft UMP for High Peaks area is submitted (and quickly shelved) 1978

A luge run with artificial lighting and refrigeration is built at Mt. van Hoevenberg 1978

The old (1930) Mt. van Hoevenberg bobsled run is refrigerated and made safer 1978

Jones & Laughlin Co. (J&L), an iron ore processing facility near Star Lake closes 1978

Olympic corporate sponsors restore Theanoguen Clubhouse and cottages of Lake Placid Club 1978

The 60-meter ski jump at Lake Placid is replaced with 70-meter and 90-meter jumps 1978

FIBT World Championship bobsled tournament is held at Mt. van Hoevenberg, L. Placid (Feb) 1978

Pete Grannis promotes State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) 1978

State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) becomes effective (1 Nov) 1978

A 70-meter ski jumping competition is held at Lake Placid (30-31 Dec) 1978

Federal Public Utilities Regulatory Policies Act (PURPA), PL 95-617, fosters energy use efficiency 1978

W. D. Countryman, NE River Basins Comm. pub *Nuisance Aquatic Plants in Lake Champlain* 1978

The APA forms the Citizens’ Advisory Task Force on Open Space 1978

ANC acquires CE on Ross Park: Middle Br. St Regis River, Quebec Pond, Follensby Jr. Pond) 1978

Electric power line (115 kV) from Republic to Barton Brook is certified by PSC 1978

DEC Comm. Peter Berle bars airplanes from wilderness lakes 1978

DEC Comm. Peter Berle orders tent platform removal from Forest Preserve 1978

Ned Harkness is appointed general manager of the Glen Falls Civic Center 1978


“Paws”, German shepherd, and ECO Pichard Matzell complete training at State Police Academy 1978

Joan Payne founds Adirondack Discovery (an educational center) at Inlet 1978

Towns of North Elba and Keene reject DEC request to formally abandon Old Mountain Road 1978

Highway Beautification Act (of 1965) is amended to require cash payment for billboard removal 1978

PURPA sets a floor of 6 cents per kilowatt-hour for power suppliers 1978

National Audubon Society Manhattan headquarters show a membership of 388,000 1978

Raquette Lake Chapel holds its 50th anniversary celebration and pub its history (30 July) 1978

NAVSTAR 1 satellite is launched initiating the Global Positioning System (GPS) (29 Mar) 1978

Gary Thuerk sends unsolicited commercial e-mail on Arpanet, launching Internet spam (3 May) 1978

Lake Champlain Land Trust, Burlington, VT, est. (Oct) 1978

Limited trapping for the pine marten is resumed in the Adirondacks 1978

Federal Airline Deregulation Act (and U.S. DOT Essential Air Service Program) becomes law 1978

USFWS pub recovery plan for the eastern timber wolf with DEC opposing NY reintroduction 1978

DEC founds Division of Operations removing this function from Division of Lands and Forests 1978

NRDC plays crucial role in banning of CFCs 1978

Frank Graham Jr. pub *The Adirondack Park: A Political History* urging Adirondack Park Agency 1978

ICC suspends operations (30 Sep) 1978

US bans use of CFCs as aerosol propellants 1978

Willard Hanmer Memorial Boat Race considers eliminating guideboat class due to lack of interest 1978

The feller-buncher becomes a feature of Adirondack timber harvest 1978

Wilhelmina Ross of Ross Park/Brandon Park assigns conservation easements to ANC 1978

EPA est. atmospheric lead standard at 1.5 micrograms per cubic meter, updated every 5 years 1978

Private land owners begin the sale of conservation easements in Adirondacks 1978

Anthracnose infests some 60% of Pacific Dogwood in Tacoma-Seattle area of Washington 1978

USFW mixes NPV strains to create “Gypchek” for control of gypsy moth 1978
Congress passes Public Utilities Policy and Regulatory Act (PURPA), starting small hydro boom 1978
PURPA requires subsidy of small power projects and PSC est. 6 cents/kwh for such contracts 1978
Frank Asaro, Lawrence-Berkeley Lab., finds K-T iridium anomaly in Gubbio limestones of Italy 1978
Elevated iridium is found at K-T boundary in cliffs of Stevns Klint, near Copenhagen, Denmark 1978
Piper Navajo aircraft crashes, near summit of Nye Mt. at L. Clear; 3 dying, 1 dog living (25 Dec) 1978
The northeastern US experiences a record-breaking cold winter. 1978-79
Plattsburgh region experiences a cold winter with average temperature of 16.9 °F. 1978-79
Three tufted titmouse are banded at Jenny Lakes near Corinth 1978-79
Largest recorded great gray owl incursion of the century occurs in Northeast 1978-79
Record seasonal maximum of three boreal owls occurs in northeastern New York 1978-79
David Marshall introduces personal locator beacon for marine use at London Boat Show (Jan) 1979
Temperature at Old Forge, NY, falls to minus 52º F (18 Feb) 1979
Nuclear reactor, Three Mile I, PA, overheats, releasing radioactive material to dim nucl. future (Mar)1979
A 90-meter ski jumping competition is held at Mt. van Hoevenberg (Mar) 1979
Two-man international bobsled competition is held at Mt. van Hoevenberg (Mar) 1979
Major flow of Hudson R. of 25,000 cfs occurs at North Creek, Warren Co. (28 Apr) 1979
Gov. N. Rockefeller signs Rockefeller Drug Law causing growth in Adk prison population (8 May) 1979
Gov Hugh Carey modifies marijuana section of Rockefeller drug law 1979
I. Allen, one of 24 purporting illness due to atomic fallout in Utah, sues the U.S. gov. (30 Aug) 1979
Voters approve constitutional amendment, Art. XIV Sec 1, for an IP and FP land swap in Adks 1979
Carol Buchanan founds The Westport Theatre in Westport 1979
Winnies Reef Dam (224-0255) is built or reconditioned 1979
James Quick launches 40-foot Ethan Allen tourboat at Lake George Village, Lake George 1979
Ray Stross reports on the status of Lake George’s Nitella community in Aquatic Botany 1979
Discharge of sewage effluent in Lake George Village from motel, owner fined 1979
Lake George fish hatchery is closed due to budgetary and personnel issues 1979
Edward O. Wilson, Harvard, coins the word “biophilia” 1979
Voters narrowly approve 8,500 a. FP land exchange for 8,500 IP tract at Isaiah Perkins Clearing 1979
TI transfers entire Trudeau Mycobacterial Collection (TMC) to ATCC (Oct) 1979
AfPA releases its first report on the impact of acid rain on the Adirondacks 1979
Anthony D’Elia pub The Adirondack Rebellion 1979
Patrick Cunningham forms Hudson River Rafting Company at North Creek 1979
Akwesasne Freedom School is established at Akwesasne 1979
Annual survey of the extent of Arctic Sea ice begins 1979
Richard S. Mitchell pub Preliminary Lists of Rare, Endangered & Threatened Plants (of NY) 1979
UNEP hosts Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals 1979
Pharaoh Lake WA is expanded by reclassifying Crane Pond Primitive Area, except Crane Pond Rd 1979
Common Loons occupy 420 Adk lakes with 114 nesting pairs and 96 nonbreeders 1979
M. K. Brown and G. R. Parsons show importance of beaver to waterfowl 1979
Village of Ticonderoga builds a waste-water treatment facility discharging into the LaChute River 1979
Natural Resources Defense Council is founded 1979
Nair et al. isolate and define the causal agent of butternut canker 1979
Alice Wolf Gilborn, North Country Community College founds Blueline Literary Magazine 1979
ADK refuses to sell its Adirondak Loj and Heart Lake property to the DEC 1979
The Adirondack Regional Tourism Council is organized 1979
Theodore M. Ruzow is appointed by the governor to serve as chair of the APA 1979
Dewatering pumps of the Old-Bed Mine at Minesville are stopped – allowing shaft flooding 1979
Mountain View Lake Dam (182-0276) is built or reconditioned 1979
NAS affirms idea that doubling of CO2 will result in 1.5-4.5°C increase in ave. global air temp. 1979
Helsinki Long-Range Transboundary Air Pollution Convention is adopted 1979
NOAA begins tropospheric air-temperature measurements using satellites 1979
DEC acts to implement Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (32,000 permits) 1979
David Foreman et al. found Earth First! promoting ecoterrorism and ecosabotage (ecotage) 1979
APA issues first revision of Adirondack Park State Land Master Plan 1979
National Governing Body for the US luge is organized and located at Lake Placid 1979
Adirondack Railway Corp. reopens Adirondack Division to Lake Placid and Tupper Lake spur 1979
A. M. Crocker, president of AfPA, drafts Association Report No. 12 dealing with acid rain 1979
Beth Perry and Jackie Chapman finish sixth in Willard Hamer guideboat races (8 Jul) 1979
Spring flood destroys dam at Flowed Lands and DEC elects not to restore it 1979
International luge competition is held at Mt. van Hoevenberg (Feb) 1979
Lake George Arts Project shows David Smith’s Wind Totem and Primo Piano III 1979
Lampson Falls and 598 a. on the Grass R. are added to FP for price of $194,000 1979
“World’s Largest Garage Sale” is inaugurated at Warrensburg 1979
NSICC begins satellite scanning of Arctic ice cover 1979
Town of Schroon refuses DEC request to ‘abandon’ Crane Pond Road (Feb) 1979
SLCBC, est 1947, notes its first tufted titmouse (Dec) 1979
Ned Harkness establishes Adirondack Red Wings at Glens Falls Civic Center 1979
Ticonderoga WWTP, T. of Ticonderoga, Essex Co. is est. releasing product into LaChute River 1979
EPA suspends most uses of 2,4,5-T and silvex herbicides 1979
Siamese Pond WA with area of 112,500 a. is est. east of Indian Lake (including illegal campsites) 1979
Sunmount, at Tupper Lake, expands program to include 48 beds devoted to behavioral problems 1979
Norman Van Valkenburgh pub The Adirondack Forest Preserve: A Chronology 1979
Paul Schaefer teaches a class on Adirondack history at Union College 1979
Paul Schaefer receives doctorate in science from Union College, Schenectady (13 Oct) 1979
Paul Schaefer assigns photocopies of original AfPA records to ARC (now ARL) 1979
Edith Pilcher, Norman Van Valkenburgh, Paul Schaefer et al. found ARL, (see ARC), Union College 1979
Arto Monaco closes the Land of Makebelieve theme park in Upper Jay 1979
AfPA president Arthur Savage is called to serve as an APA commissioner 1979
Core damage at Three Mile Island nuclear reactor, Penn., results in release of radioactive matter 1979
Jake Swamp founds Akwesasne Freedom School, a Mohawk language immersion school 1979
Jack Drury founds Wilderness Recreation Leadership Program at NCCC 1979
TNC sells 14,646 a. William Seward Webb tract on Beaver River to NYS for $1,756,000 1979
W.S. Webb heirs give conservation easements on 2 tracts (3,664 a, 6,644 a) on Beaver River to FP 1979
G. Davis and R. Liroff pub Protecting Open Space: Land Use Control in the . . . 1979
David Wenn buys L. Placid residence for the Mountain House boarding school for athletes (Nov) 1979
System of earth satellites begins measurement of temperature of the lower troposphere 1979
A virulent anthracnose infesting Pacific Dogwoods is described as a new species of Discula 1979
Pascal Pirone, Brooklyn Botanical Garden, discovers anthracnose on Flowering Dogwood in NY 1979
ADK creates a professional trail crew (PTC) to maintain, rebuild and reroute Adk hiking trails 1979
Yamaha begins (unsuccessful) research program to develop 4-stroke snowmobile 1979
NYCO, a div. of Processed Minerals Inc., takes over the Willsboro operations of Interspace Corp. 1979
Keene Town Board passes resolution opposing closure of the Old Mountain Road c. 1979
USGS and DEC conduct fish surveys for the Mohawk R. finding examples of 56 species 1979-83
USGS and DEC rep smallmouth bass and walleye as favored species for Mohawk R. sport fishery 1979-83
NSCIC rep ave Arctic ice cover at 2.76 M mi² during summer minimum 1979-83
SLCBC, est 1947, notes cardinal and common grackle as rare 1970s
SLCBC notes common raven recovery after NYS extirpation due to hunting and forest removal 1970s

Acronym “NIMBY” is coined by head of American Nuclear Society and becomes U.S. slang c. 1980

Congress enacts CERCLA, a.k.a. Superfund, taxing chemical and petroleum companies (11 Dec) 1980

Congress approves $20M to remove PCBs from Hudson R. under Superfund Program 1980

Wollastonite mining begins at Seventy Mt. Lewis Mine near Willsboro 1980

Travel-trailer campground condo development is denied in Town of Stony Creek 1980

Beechcraft Baron aircraft, 5 aboard, approaching airport, crashes on Blue Hill, Gabriels (12 Feb) 1980

Bert Gates Phillips opens the Luzerne Music Center at Lake Luzerne 1980

Dr. Alphonso Goff, well-regarded, long-time physician at Keene Valley and vicinity, dies (24 Mar) 1980

Gov. Hugh Carey signs bill protecting moose with fine of $2,000 and/or year in jail (29 Mar) 1980

Union College awards Anne LaBastille honorary Doctorate of Literature & Humane Letters (1 Jun) 1980

The NYS Historic Preservation Act becomes law (22 Aug) 1980

Ellen Rocco becomes development director for North Country Public Radio (NCPR), Canton 1980

Paul Schaefer, AFPA, releases documentary film The Adirondack: The Land Nobody Knows 1980

The Adirondack: The Land Nobody Knows screened full audience, NYS Legislative Off Bld, Albany 1980

The Adirondack: The Land Nobody Knows wins the CINE “Eagle” award 1980

Alan Hicks, NYSDEC, reports beginning of ‘regular’ occupation by moose with 58 sightings 1980

NYS NHPTB authorizes founding of Neversink River Unique Area, Sullivan Co. 1980

DEC confirms sighting of a moose in the Adirondacks 1980

DEC estimates resident moose population of NY, mostly Adirondack, at about six animals 1980

DEC compiles Policy and Procedures for Development of UMPs 1980

NY Appellate Court affirms HL § 212 closure of Altona town road on Ganienkeh Territory (7 Aug) 1980

George Hending of Brookhaven National Labs notes sphagnum moss in Lake Colden 1980

APA approves Ruby Mountain garnet separation mill proposal for Barton Mines 1980

U.S. Acid Precipitation Act est. NAPAP, a ten-year, $600M study of acid rain 1980

A kitchen chimney fire after a post-Olympic party spreads and reduces Wawbeek Inn to ashes 1980

APA approves revision of existing plans and zoning codes for Town of Caroga 1980

The Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act is passed by congress 1980

Robert Pettee and Susan Neal found the Pendragon Theatre at Saranac Lake 1980

LTV Corporation sells its Benson Mines assets in St. Lawrence County 1980

Penfield Pond Dam (22103192) is built or reconditioned 1980

Wild populations of the red wolf, Canis rufus, are declared extinct by the USFWS 1980

Twin Ponds Dam (166-4445) is built or reconditioned 1980

Thendara Dam (126-4042) is built or reconditioned 1980

Finch, Pruyn & Co. adds technology at paper mill to burn waste bark instead of fuel oil 1980

Historic Saranac Lake is incorporated as a not-for-profit at Saranac Lake 1980

Adirondack Fish Cultural Station (hatchery) at Lake Clear receives SPDES permit 1980

Sailing canal boat shipwreck is discovered (1st of 12) and salvaged (LCMM), near Burlington, VT. 1980

Boquet Valley Arts Project is founded by seven Champlain Valley groups 1980

Town of Indian Lake begins periodic release of rafting water from Lake Abanakee 1980

World Health Organization reports global eradication of smallpox 1980

The Criminal Procedure Law requires NY Forest Rangers to bear weapons 1980

Village of Elizabethtown, Essex Co., dissolves itself (31 Dec) 1980

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APA begins major study of intensive timber harvesting and clearcutting in the AP 1980
The Vatican names St. Francis Assisi Patron Saint of Ecologists 1980
Lake Champlain sailing canal boat, 88’ length, 14.5’ beam, remains discovered near Burlington, Vt. 1908
G.C. Carleton reports nesting of the Rufous-sided Towhee at elev. 2,700 ft. in Essex Co. 1980
NYS Population reaches 17,558,165 with a density 371.8/square mile 1980
Federal legislation authorizes North Country National Scenic Trail under NPS 1980
S. Singer discovers an especially mosquito-toxic strain (1593) of Bacillus sphaericus 1980
U. S.-Canada Memorandum of Intent on Transboundary Air Pollution is drafted 1980
EPA reports annual US release of sulfur dioxide (SO₂) at 17.3 million tons 1980
Adirondack Mountain Reserve completes sale of 9,311 a. to Adirondack FP 1980
National Gallery presents American Light: The Luminous Movement, 1850-1875, Stoddard et al. 1980
Tupper Lake Woodsmen’s Association inaugurates its Woodsmen’s Field Day at Tupper Lake 1980
Gary Staab et al. begin guiding whitewater rafts on Moose River as Adirondack River Outfitters 1980
Adirondack Railway Corp. shuts down for repairs, reopens and then closes for winter 1980
Lakeshore owners discover Eurasian milfoil in Lincoln Pond (600 a.), Elizabethtown, NY 1980
N. Van Valkenburgh urges Comm. R. F. Flacke to publish V. Colvin’s last report 1980
DEC Comm. R.F. Flack invites ARC to edit and publish V. Colvin’s last report (1898) (Aug) 1980
Peter Nye, NYSDEC, reports the presence of 36 overwintering bald eagles in upstate NY 1980
Gary Casagrain of Tupper Lake receives acclaim for his landscape painting 1980
Solar maximum mission satellite is placed in orbit to study solar hyperactivity 1980
Congress authorizes National Acid Precipitation Assessment Program (NAPAP) 1980
Kenneth and Ruth Durant pub The Adirondack Guide Boat 1980
NSICC rep peak of 2.91 M mi² Arctic ice cover 1980
RPI DFWI begins long-term chemical and bacteriological studies of Lake George 1980
Mt. St. Helens (volcano), after 123 years dormant, erupts (VEI 5), SW Washington State (18 May) 1980

Mount St. Helens releases 24 megatons of thermal energy, ejecting 2.79 km³ of material (most of it laterally) reducing the height of the original peak by about 1300 feet leaving a crater 1 mile to 2 miles wide and ½ mile deep with its north end open in a huge breach. The eruption kills 57 people, approximately 7,000 big game animals and an estimated 12 million fish from a hatchery. It destroyed or extensively damaged over 200 homes, 185 miles of highway, 15 miles of railways and untold acres of standing timber. Damage was estimated at $11 billion.


Midwestern US drought results in reduced grain crop with US consumption exceeding production 1980
Eastern US drought and heat causes severe agricultural losses and heat-related fatalities 1980
UHEAC opens its annual Champions of Conservation bookmark series citing Verplanck Colvin 1980
Illustrator David Kiputh begins portraiture for UHEAC Champions of Conservation series 1980
Maitland C. DeSormo pub Summers on the Saranacs 1980
US nitrate deposition peaks 1980
Eurasian pine adelgid is biologically controlled in Hawaii 1980
Beech bark disease appears in West Virginia 1980
Field work begins for the Atlas of Breeding Birds of New York State 1980
Former Pres. Nixon stays for the holiday at Robert Abplanalp’s camp on Big Tupper Lake (Jul) 1980
Elizabeth Folwell becomes head of Adirondack Lakes Center for the Arts at Blue Mt. Lake 1980
R.J. North et al., TI, discover cells that turn off immune system before it responds to pathogens 1980
Charlie Nolan, ‘interior ranger’ at Lake Colden is forced to retire at mandatory retirement age 1980
Scandinavian bark beetle epizootic is controlled by some million pheromone-baited traps 1980
N. Van Valkenburgh of DEC forms the Forest Preserve Advisory Committee 1980
N. Van Valkenburgh, Director of Division of Lands and Forests, defines UMP policy 1980
NYS Historic Preservation Act becomes law empowering NYSOPRHP Commissioner (22 Aug) 1980
Domtar Industries, Inc., begins restorative silviculture to enhance hardwood production 1980
Essex County Home and Farm/Infirmary ceases operation 1980
US Supreme Court rules 5 to 4 in favor of General Electric patent for an oil-digesting bacterium 1980
NYC DEP reports daily per capita water consumption of 187.9 gal 1980
Troopers stop overladen Canada-bound truck, Pottersville, Warren Co.; 85 horses/ponies (12 Dec) 1980
Champlain Barge Canal, Whitehall to Waterford, handles 789,122 tons of cargo 1980
Atlantic sturgeon population, Hudson River, suffers major decline due to exploitation 1980s
Niagara Mohawk abandons plans for hydroelectric dam on Hudson River at Lake Luzerne 1980s
Niagara Mohawk leases Lake Luzerne lands to NYS for use as Hudson River Recreation Area 1980s
Eastern coyote is found throughout New York State, except New York City and Long Island 1980s
ALC hatchery at Little Moose outlet is enlarged to house Cornell students & faculty 1980s
Clear Pond Adirondack (fish) Hatchery ponds and buildings upgraded to meet modern standards 1980s
W. Porter and R.W. Sage, Jr. establish ALTEMP at Adirondack Ecological Center 1980s
WTD population of the peripheral Adk continues well below carrying capacity 1980s
C. Mitchell of U. Plattsburgh notes >500 great blue heron nests on Valcour Island 1980s
An “outbreak” of 2-, 3- and 4-wheel all-terrain vehicles occurs in the Adirondacks 1980s
NYS legislature delegates NYSOPRHP to oversee snowmobiles use in the state 1980s
Beech bark disease (complex of scale and Nectria sp. fungi) appears in Virginia and Ohio 1980s
Snowmobile maps are drafted by NYSOPRHP with maximum of 848 miles for the Adk FP 1980s
American Lawn Mower Co. estimates 50,000 push reel lawn mowers are sold annually in US 1980s
The three-wheel ATV market expands to include farming, ranching and racing 1980s
Lowest water intakes are blocked off during renovations at Hinckley Reservoir 1980s
Power generating industry begins wide-spread ignorance of NSR previsions 1980s
WSLU expands broadcast area as St. Lawrence Univ. reduces direct financial support 1980s
WSLU radio plans coverage of entire Adirondack region as North Country Public Radio (NCPR) 1980s
John Thaxton reports 16,000 breeding pairs of ring-billed gulls on Four Brothers I, L. Champlain 1980s
Khapra beetle, Trogodema granarium Everts, has been found in NY, NJ, CA, PA, TX, MD, MI 1980-83

The khapra beetle is one of the most destructive of human grain supplies on earth. A few larvae in a truckload of grain will result in the condemnation and destruction of the entire cargo. Generally, it occurs between 35 degrees north and south latitude but global climate change may be expanding this range and thus the grain farmers and purveyors of the Champlain Valley need to be vigilant.

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Sec. Atlas of Breeding Birds in New York State reports 12 Adk breeding sites for spruce grouse 1980-85
Paper industry globalizes to meet demands of the Third World 1980-pres.
Harold Hochschild dies in New York City (23 Jan) 1981
FERC approves Preliminary Permit (study) for SNC/Adirondack Hydro, Indian Lake dam 1981
USDA grants $100,000 to APA to est. computer-based geographic information system (Jan) 1981
APA acquires Landsat photographs showing vegetative cover of the Adirondack Park (Feb) 1981
APA drafts “federal bill” to guide federal land acquisition in Adirondack Park (Feb) 1981
APA refers case of clearcutting on 242 a. parcel in Ellenburg to Attorney General’s office (Feb) 1981
Sensing ‘management problems’ NYS ends lease with Adirondack Railway Corp. (Feb) 1981
Two proposals to revise Article XIV for use of dead timber in FP pass senate (Mar) 1981
Kiekhefers’ Spruce Valley Farm, adjoining Heaven Hill Farm, T. of N. Elba, is given to Cornell U. 1981
Based on 1972 Landsat imagery APA consultants finish classification of AP forest cover (Mar) 1981
Barton Mines receives APA permit to est. 34.5 kV, 3.9 mi. long, North Ck. power line (Apr) 1981
St. Joseph’s Rehabilitation Center, Saranac Lake, initiates a family program for its residents 1981
Due to credibility issues DEC stops issuing guide’s licenses 1981
Inaugural NYSOGA Rendevous is held at Lake Placid Club Resort 1981
Anne LaBastille is charter member of newly reconstituted NYSOGA 1981
APLGRB agrees to APA “new map” bill est. an official, standard Adirondack map (Apr) 1981
SCJ William Quinn rules against APA in case regarding lands owned by Crater Club, Inc. (Apr) 1981
APA reviews NIMO proposal to extend 115kV power line over Hudson and Schroon rivers (May) 1981
Processed Minerals, Inc., proposes to swap private lands for 750 a. of FP in Essex Co. (May) 1981
North Country Trail Association is formed to foster and promote the NCNST 1981
APA approves DOT proposal to build a tourist information center near Exit 32 of I-87 (May) 1981
APA approves DOT proposal to relocate a highway maintenance facility in Franklin Co. (May) 1981
APA approves USDA proposal to est. unmanned seismic monitoring station in Franklin Co. (May) 1981
Bureau of Real Property Services drops the word services from its name (May) 1981
Gov. Hugh Carey signs bill est. ORDA to manage AP Olympic facilities (Jul) 1981
Governor Carey vetoes bill to add two in-park members to APA (Jul) 1981
Governor Carey signs APA “federal bill” est. policies on federal acquisition of AP land (Jul) 1981
OPRHP inaugurates the Empire State Winter Games at Lake Placid (13 Mar) 1981
APA denies Basset Mt. Recreation, Inc., request to reclassify 100 a. in Town of Jay (Jul) 1981
IBM introduces (using Microsoft) the personal computer called for the 1st time the “pc” (12 Aug) 1981
Citizens Against More Prisons (in the Adirondacks) is formed to oppose Camp Gabriels (26 Aug) 1981
APA allows rebuilding of Scarface Mt. Trail in Ray Brook area by DEC (Aug) 1981
APA est. formal policy on hydropower development in the AP (Sep) 1981
Senate Conservation and Recreation Committee hosts forest issues hearing at Glens Falls (Sep) 1981
House Committee on Science and Technology hosts hearing on acid rain at Lake Placid (Sep) 1981
DOCS proposes minimum-security prison at PSC’s former Gabriels campus (Sep) 1981
APA approves 1-year demonstration study on sphagnum moss harvest by Altamont Farms (Oct) 1981
John Stock presents an audio-visual production on beech tree disease in the AP for APA (Oct) 1981
North Creek Ski Corp. proposes ski resort with 36 trails/9 lifts on 500 a. site at Gore Mt. (Nov.) 1981
Some 200 people attend APA hearings on minimum security prison proposed for Gabriels (Nov) 1981
Proposal to detain illegal aliens at Ft. Drum sparks firestorm re. racism & discrimination (Nov) 1981
APA begins publication of Newsline, a quarterly newsletter on AP issues (Dec) 1981
SUNY Plattsburgh team receives $39,000 APA grant to classify and map wetlands of AP (Dec) 1981
Lake Placid Club opens discussion on $160 M expansion 1981
Robert H. Boyle est Hudson River Foundation for Science and Environmental Research (HRFSER) 1981
Pres Ronald Reagon proposes removal of 32 water heating solar panels from roof of White House 1981
Lake Placid Curling Club is founded by Ed and Barbara Brandt (Apr) 1981
Nathan Farb pub The Russians, in Germany, Holland, Italy and the US 1981
Cases of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) are reported in the US 1981
Otsquago Ck. floods destroying Eie Canal masonry aquaduct, Fort Plain, a major archaeological loss 1981
APA opposes DEC plan for ski trail in Cranberry L. area as contrary to SLMP and calls for UMP 1981
Malden Mills Co. introduces Polartec Fleece™ to the outdoor clothing market 1981
Peck Lake, Bleecker, Fulton Co., has an early ice-out (6 Apr) 1981
Federal Low-income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) begins operation 1981
The Lacey Act (of 1900) is amended 1981
Friends of the North Country, Inc., forms to preserve economic-social viability of Clinton Co. 1981
Beech scale-fungus complex causes decline of Finch, Pruyn & Co. beech cut to 25,000 bd. ft. 1981
NYS revokes lease of Remsen-Lake Placid ROW to Adirondack Railway Co. 1981
Alpo International Dogsled Races are relocated to Gabriels, Town of Brighton 1981
Amendments to the Lacey Law of 1900 are approved (16 Nov) 1981

Under this law, it is unlawful to import, export, sell, acquire, or purchase fish, wildlife or plants taken, possessed, transported, or sold: 1.) in violation of U.S. or Indian law, or. 2) in interstate or foreign commerce involving any fish, wildlife, or plants taken, possessed or sold in violation of State or foreign law.

Federal Lacey Act Amendments of 1981

The Sagamore (hotel) at Bolton Landing ceases operation 1981
Wawbeek Inn is reestablished at the adjacent Walter Great Camp 1981
Adirondack Council sues DOH, DEC, Duflo Chemical, et al., re. insect control 1981
Maynard Baker et al. form Adirondack Inholders Assoc. dedicated to abolition of the APA c. 1981
The Adirondack Inholders Assoc. is renamed the Adirondack Freedom Fighters c. 1981
NYS Outdoor Guides Association is reestablished and reorganized 1981
Terry Mt. State Forest (April) & Battlefield Park. (Nov) UMPs are complete 1981
Carl J. George, Union College and DEC, pub The Fishes of the Adirondack Park 1981
Carl J. George, Union College and FWI pub The Fishes of the Lake George Watershed 1981
Bti becomes commercially available 1981
DEC adds 15 tons of lime to Avalanche Lake (13 a., 2,863’ el.) 1981
CLPA adds 26 tons of lime to Green Lake Bay (50 a.) of Canada Lake 1981
David Capen, Prof. emeritus, UVM, records 1st breeding double-crested cormorant, L. Champlain 1981
R. Reagan is elected president bringing backlash against enviromental movement, including GCC 1981
James Hansen, NASA, et al. links sulfate aerosols to cooler weather thus engaging in GCC 1981
Global warming, beginning in mid-1970s, results in warmest year of record 1981
Adirondack Railway Corp. declares bankruptcy and abandons its trackage 1981
Kelly Keen, 3 yrs old, has broken neck in coyote attack and dies, Glendale, CA 1981
D&H RR abandons remainder of its Chateaugay Branch between Dannemora and Otis Junction 1981
Lundburg Survey of 7,000 U.S. stations indicates avg. price (2005 $$) of regular gas at $3.03/gal 1981
DEC commissioner Robert F. Flacke reports moose crossing Lake Champlain to NY (Nov) 1981
Rocket-powered sled achieves a speed of 399 kph on the ice of Lake George 1981
Lake George Association pub The Lake George Ecosystem as edited by Charles W. Boylen 1981
FWI with patronage of David M. Darrin moves to Bolton Landing facilities, L. George, as the DFWI 1981
IBM introduces the personal computer (pc) 1981
DFWI moves from Smith Bay to Bolton Landing, L. George, former home Admiral John W. Moore 1981
A new 45-bed Moses-Ludington Hospital is built at Ticonderoga 1981
Federal Correctional Institution at Ray Brook (male, medium-security) replaces Olympic site 1981
Dannemora WWTP, Dannemora village, Clinton Co., is est. releasing product to Saranac River 1981
DEC begins charging a use fee for primitive auto-camping facilities at Taylor Pond 1981
Richard Mitchell and Charles Sheviak publish Rare Plants of New York State 1981
Gypsy moth forest defoliation in U.S. now exceeds 12.9 million acres 1981
More than 100 forest rangers patrol the Adirondack Park 1981
PSC enrollment exceeds 1100 students 1981
Warmest year since 1881 is reported for the northern hemisphere 1981
Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation & Liability Act is passed 1981
Clean Water Act is further amended 1981
Health centers in Warrensburg, Chestertown, Indian L. and N. Creek combine to form HHHN 1981
Ten young peregrine falcons are released in High Peaks Region of Essex and Clinton Counties 1981
Captive-bred peregrine falcons (353) are released in eastern US 1981
The northern hawk owl visits New York in an irruption winter 1981-82
Schenectady banding indicates a major irruption of the common redpoll 1981-82
Schenectady banding indicates a major irruption of the pine siskin 1981-82
Jenny Lake banding indicates a major irruption of the black-capped Chickadee 1981-82
Tiger Point on Valcour Island is added to the FP resulting in 97% NYS ownership 1982
Adirondack Nature Conservancy acquires Four Brothers Islands in Lake Champlain 1982
G.B. Will et al. define ecological zones of the Adirondack region 1982
US Olympic Committee opens Olympic Training Center at Lake Placid 1982
ORDA assumes operation of the bobsled run at Mt. van Hoevenberg 1982
Greenland ice cores reveal major temperature oscillations in past (GCC) 1982
Paul Jamieson edits and pub the second edition of The Adirondack Reader 1982
Story Town theme park, L. George, is renamed Great Escape Lodge and Indoor Waterpark 1982
Word of Life Institute opens a conference center at Schroon Lake 1982
SNC/Adirondack Hydro files with FERC for a license for hydro project on Indian Lake dam 1982
DEC notifies FERC that deed analysis indicates that Indian Lake dam site is owned by NYS 1982
J. Cleary, Niagara Mohawk council, notifies DEC and APA that NiMo owns Indian Lake Dam 1982
Stross et al report sewage effluent from motel shown to increase biomass of Nitella in Lake George 1982
Chasm Hydro Partnership begins operating Chateaugay R. hydro dam under FERC jurisdiction 1982
Adirondack White Cedar oil now sells for about 18 dollars per pound 1982
Warren County acquires NYS fish hatchery at Warrensburg 1982
McIntyre Development reduces soutward shipments of ilmenite from Tahawus 1982
Richard J. Carota, up from the ranks, is elected president of Finch, Pruyn & Co., Glens Falls 1982
DEC assigns operation of Crown Point fish hatchery to Essex Co. 1982
Atomic Glider (later called FiGI) skiboard, 63.5 cm long, Colorado, opens skiboarding 1982
To date, c. $1 M of bond money has been spent to acquire 111 mi. for stream fishing rights (Jan) 1982
Robert Yunick bands male ivory gull, Pagophila eburnea, Coleman Rd., Town of Wilton (15 Jan) 1982

The ivory gull is native to a very limited area in the extreme northern Arctic (80-95° N. lat.) and its banding at the home of James and Diane Coleman, Rte. 9 near Waller Rd., Town of Wilton, is a unique event in the history of banding in the contiguous 48 states. Ms. Coleman had sighted the bird at c. 0930 h, January 14 and on consulting with her bird-savy friends notified Dial-A-Bird of the HMBC. The bird, attracted to leftovers of roast pork and chicken, was caught the next day by a foot in a mist net spread horizontally on the snow to the total delight of attending Richard Guthrie, Ron Laforce and Bob Yunick. Dr. Yunick has banded more than 300,000 birds in the NE US, more than any other licensed bander in the region, his license granted in 1963. Prof. Kenneth Able, formerly with the SUNYA (now called
University of Albany, aka UAlbany) Biology Departent of Biology, has reported on the event in *The Kingbird.*

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Town of Queensbury adopts APA-approved local land use and development plan 1982
Town of Colton adopts APA-approved local land use and development plan 1982
Village of Ticonderoga threatens to shut off water to residents who don’t pay their water bills 1982
Bernard C. Smith, former chair of SSECC, becomes president of AfPA (serving until 1987) 1982
The concrete Peck’s Lake Dam (172-0435) is removed and rebuilt by Niagara Mohawk 1982
Garnet abrasives for sandpaper industry peaks; Barton Mines begins exploring waterjet technologies 1982
Galway Lake Dam (188-0256) is built or reconditioned 1982
DEC bans consumption of fish taken from 85-mile stretch of upper Hudson R. due to PCB levels 1982
The Hudson River Professional Outfitters Association is organized 1982
DEC issues temporary revocable permit to T. of Indian L. to control access to Indian R. for rafters 1982
Sagamore Wildlife Refuge on FP is reduced from 1,500 a. to 150 a. to allow WTD hunting (Feb) 1982
Starbuckville Dam (204-0650) is built or reconditioned 1982
Essex County Home and Farm listed National Register Historic Places 1982
Batchellerville Br., Sacandaga Reservoir, is closed for repair and a pedestrian ferry is provided 1982
A Woman’s Place, a lesbian community, founded in Athol in 1974, closes 1982
Underground mining of wollastonite by NYCO Minerals ends at Willsboro 1982
Suzuki Co. invents the Quadrunner™ LT125, a four-wheel ATV 1982
APA permits North Creek Ski Bowl development 1982
World Junior Luge Championships are held at Mt. van Hoevenberg 1982
National Lead Co. of NJ (see NLI) greatly reduces ilmenite (titanium ore) mining at Tahawus 1982
UHEAC cites Winifred S. LaRose (1917-1979) in Champions of Conservation bookmark series 1982
The Adirondack Fish Hatchery at Lake Clear begins expansion 1982
Statewide system of urban cultural parks begins 1982
US stops funding billboard removal on Interstate highways c/o Highway Beautification Act 1982
Illegal aliens, 250 Haitians, are detained at FCI’s in Otisville and Raybrook (Mar) 1982
COSPAS-SARSAT launches its first low-earth orbit satellite for search and rescue operations 1982
Akwesasne Mohawk Council files suit against NYS to (re) claim 12,000 a. of land 1982
NYS Conservation Fund Advisory Council (CFAC) is formed to monitor licensing 1982
NYS files seven suits to reverse EPA’s lowering of emission limits in the Midwest 1982
Four billion pounds of polystyrene are produced annually in US 1982
RPI DFWI moves from Gull Bay to Bolton Landing, Lake George 1982
Federal funding for endangered species conservation in NY ends (1 Apr) 1982
Mexican volcano El Chichón erupts forming global acidic pall of several years duration (4 Apr) 1982
Wind-blown fire destroys >200 a. of forest in Hague near the Exxex-Warren county line (23 Apr) 1982
DEC DLE creates Bureau of Environmental Conservation Investigation with hazardous waste focus 1982
Elma Loines adds lands to Loines Preserve of TNC at Northwest Bay, Lake George 1982
SNC Adirondack Hydro files for FERC permit to study Indian Lake Dam (see IRC) 1982
NiMo continues claim of ownership of Indian Lake Dam 1982
Prominent guide, hunter and naturalist Ira Gray dies at Glens Falls Hospital at age of 95 (1 Aug) 1982
Maurice Kenny rec. Pulitzer nomination for *Blackrobe,* North Country Community College Pr. 1982
Regionalized Integrated Lake-Watershed Acidification Study (RILWAS) begins study of 20 lakes 1982
Dan Malloy, NYSM, field tests Bti for black fly control near Onchiota 1982
The Lake Placid Loppet, a 50 km. cross-country ski race, is inaugurated 1982
R.E. Hall, Union College, notes a fungus pathogenic to Water chestnut found at Watervleit Res. 1982
The prion, an infective agent, is identified as the cause of Mad Cow Disease 1982
Camp Gabriels Minimum Security Correctional Facility opens, Town of Brighton (30 Aug) 1982
Sterling Fur and Game Farms, a.k.a. ‘1000 Animals’, at Lake Placid closes (30 Sep) 1982
T. of Brighton forms Citizens’ Advisory Committee to assuage local opposition to Camp Gabriels 1982
Ogdensburg Medium Security Correctional Facility is opened at Ogdensburg, St. Lawrence Co. 1982
Watertown Medium Security Correctional Facility is opened at Watertown, Jefferson Co. 1982
APA votes 6 to 4 recommending against a DOCS prison in Franklin Co. 1982
Inmate Barrington Stephens temporarily escapes from FCI Ray Brook (28 Sep-1 Oct) 1982
NYCO Minerals expands Willsboro wollastonite refinery to 80K tons/yr & opens new mine at Lewis 1982
_Ticonderoga Sentinel_ newspaper ceases publication (27 Oct) 1982
E. Vreeland Baker gives 351 a. Willsboro farm to Cornell Univ. for research and demonstration 1982
Fish ladder is opened on Boquet River at Willsboro and 100 salmon pass during first season 1982
NYS establishes a superfund dedicated to the clean-up of toxic waste sites – or brownfields 1982
Assemb. G. Oliver Koppell, prime sponsor of Bottle Bill, sees bill enacted after 18 years 1982
EPL, NYPIRG and Judy Enck serve as major forces in passage Bottle Bill 1982
Pete Grannis works for passage of the “Bottle Bill” and “brownfields” clean-up legislation 1982
NYSGOA is reorganized at an Adirondack guides’ rendezvous 1982
Over $14 M of EQBA money has been expended in FP acquisition of 154 parcels with 66,566 a. 1982
Canada calls upon US to reduce air pollution and acid rain causing damage to Canadian forests 1982
Evidence appears linking childhood illness, gasoline lead additives and motor traffic 1982
Human Society _et al._ win lawsuit forcing USFWS to impose take limit to one black duck 1982
Ned Harkness is appointed president of NY ORDA 1982
Galactic black hole is proposed by scientists of Groningen University, Netherlands 1982
Report suggests that 20 million elm trees, 66% of the population, are killed by DED in the UK 1982
Yngvar Isachsen, NYSM, begins study of stromatolites found near Balmat, NW Adirondacks 1982
c. 1982
Resurvey of elevation of Adirondack bench marks indicates rise of 2 to 3 mm per year 1982
c. 1982
ANC acq. Four Brothers Islands (important avian nesting site), east of Willsboro, L. Champlain 1982
Major El Niño, strongest of century, causes major global damage, est. at $13B in US (GCC) 1982-83
NYS legislature est. the Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board to assist the APA 1982-83
Cranberry Lake, St. Lawrence Co., has a late ice-in (3 Jan) 1983
Finch, Pruyn & Co. moves its headquarters from the Newcomb area to Glens Falls 1983
c. 1983
World Luge Cup races open at Lake Placid (15-16 Jan) 1983
Canada and E. Germany win World Championship luge races at Lake Placid (29-30 Jan) 1983
FIBT World Championship bobsled tournament is held at Mt. van Hoevenberg, L. Placid (Feb) 1983
NYS constitution is amended to exchange FP land for 10 a. of Sagamore Institute land 1983
Boquet Valley Arts Project forms Essex Co. Arts Council (ECAC) 1983
Eastern timber rattlesnake (_Crotalus horridus_) is listed as endangered for NYS 1983
Jack Swan est 1812 Homestead Farm and Museum as a museum of living history at Willsboro 1983
NYS land conservation easement law is revised 1983
E.H. Jokinen reports presence of Georgian snail in Lake Champlain 1983
Norman Wolgin forms partnership, Kennington Properties, Ltd., to restore The Sagamore (hotel) 1983
Norman Wolgin _et al._, Green Island Associates, restore The Sagamore (hotel) at Bolton Landing 1983
Norman Wolgin, Philadelphia, buys and restores The Sagamore (hotel) 1983
NYS fails in The Sagamore (hotel) acquisition because 1972 bond act is exhausted 1983
Adirondack Park Association changes name to Adirondack North Country Association (ANCA) 1983
Altona Medium Security Correctional Facility is established at Altona in Clinton Co. 1983
Victor/Julia Podd buy “The Commons,” incl. Fort Montgomery, near Rouses Point (28 Apr) 1983
The weekly _Indian Time_ (of Akwesasne) is established at Rooseveltown 1983
Don Charles _et al._ begin paleoecological-acidification studies of Adk lakes; EPRI, EPA sponsors 1983
NAS and EPA reports spark mainstream political conflict on GCC 1983
Flood waters of Sacandaga Reservoir crest spillway of Conklingville Dam  
Richard Kind Mellon Foundation donates $25 million to TNC  
Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board begins publication of The Blue Line Review  
Adirondack Lakes Survey Corp. is est. to study chemical and biological significance of acid rain  
Finch, Pruyn & Co uses precipitated calcium carbonate process for fine paper production  
The APA forms The Committee on the Adirondacks  
‘Rawlings’ in script begins appearing on Adirondack baseball bat labels  
Northern New York Agricultural Development Program is formally defined and organized  
Four prisoners walk away from work detail at FCI Ray Brook (5 May)  
Tupper Lake Tinman (triathlon) is inaugurated with 68 participants (23 Jul)  
USGS gage 01327750, Fort Edward, records minimum flow of 234 cfs (25 Jul)  
Grand Council of the Haudenosaunee sanction Iroquois Nationals as their national lacrosse team  
EPA determines upper Hudson R. PCB area does not qualify for Superfund money (Sep)  
The 90-mile Adirondack Canoe Classic, Old Forge to the village of Saranac L, is inaugurated  
NYS Returnable Beverage Container Law, the “Bottle Bill”, becomes effective (12 Sep)  
W. Steenken, Jr., tuberculosis researcher, late of Trudeau Institute, dies (2 Oct)  
Earthquake of mag. 5.1 occurs in the Goodnow-Newcomb area (7 Oct)  
Landslide, 1,400’ long, at Nye Mt. is triggered by Mag. 5.1 earthquake (7 Oct)  
Gov. Mario M. Cuomo appoints Henry G. Williams Commissioner of DEC  
ORDA establishes the Lake Placid Hall of Fame at Lake Placid  
Carl George, UC students, conduct underwater (scuba) botanical survey, Dome I., L. George (Oct)  
Bacillus thuringiensis var. israeliensis (Bti) is further tested for black fly control  
Oren Lyons organizes Iroquois Nationals lacrosse team for international competition  
Whitemace Mountain Veterans Memorial Highway undergoes comprehensive repair program  
Two pair of peregrine falcons build nests on NYC bridges  
Ice cores, 154.8, 163.6 m, Quelccaya ice-cap, Cordillera Occidental, Peru, give 1,500y record (GCC)  
Northern cardinal is now common in MA and the lower elevations of northern NY  
APA permits development of 375 room The Sagamore (hotel) on Green Island, Bolton Landing  
A tornado destroys many structures and trees at Boonville, NY causing $15 million in damages  
NYS Outdoorsmen Hall of Fame (NYSOHOF) is organized at New Hartford, NY  
Major fire at the OEC of SUNY Cortland at Raquette L. destroys three buildings  
Spruce grouse is listed as ‘threatened’ in NYS  
Because of fire classes are suspended at Camp Huntington OEC SUNY Cortland at Raquette L.  
Roger Tubby of Adirondack North Country Assoc. (ANCA) proposes VICs  
AOU Check List includes northern NY in the range of the northern cardinal  
Compact disc now enters the market  
Warren Stephen buys White Pine Camp from Paul Smith’s College to begin needed rehabilitation  
Richard J. Carota is elected chairman and CEO of Finch, Pruyn & Co., Glens Falls  
One pair of Adirondack golden eagles raise a single chick  
Don Mellor pub Climbing in the Adirondacks, a rock climber’s guidebook  
New forest-fire controls result in proposal to eliminate 50 forest ranger positions  
SNC Hydro, Inc./Adirondack Hydro, Inc. submit Indian River hydro-plant petition (see IRC)  
HRBRRD applies to DEC for review of Indian Lake Dam site (see IRC)  
DEC and APA study Indian Lake Dam ownership confirming illegal IRC site occupancy (Nov)  
DEC/APA file motion with FERC to dismiss license appl. for hydro project, Indian Lake dam  
DEC motion: it is not in the public interest, re Federal Power Act, for FERC to violate Art. XIV  
A new bridge opens at Clintonville – replacing an older one lost in an ice jam in 1981  
Gov. Mario Cuomo establishes commission to inventory historic Adirondack sites  
UMPs for Lake George Beach and Battlefield Park are completed  

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NY Natural Heritage Program is established informally 1983
Constitutional amendment for FP land exchange with Processed Minerals Co. fails in legislature 1983
Delaware & Hudson RR declares bankruptcy with Tahawus RR service shifting to National Lead 1983
Bill Dutcher et al. found Aspencade East (motorcycle convention) at Lake George 1983
World Watch Institute, c/o Lester Brown et al., begins publication of *State of the World Report* 1983
J. Kuhlsen picks up a black bear cub at Oseetah Lake and is mauled by its mother 1983
Helsinki LRTAPC becomes effective 1983
UHEAC cites S. R. Stoddard (1844-1917) in its Champions of Conservation bookmark series 1983
Town of Arietta adopts APA-approved local land use and development plan 1983
U.S.S. Ticonderoga, Aegis-class Cruiser, with crew of 400, is commissioned 1983
Anthony D’Elia becomes paid director of the Local Government Review Board 1983
Sagamore Institute is established to oversee the Sagamore Great Camp 1983
Carolyn Schaefer closes Skyline Outfitters, Keene, NY (Spring) 1983
Clearwater, Scenic Hudson, NRDC, et al. sue EPA to retain funds for Hudson R. PCB cleanup 1983
NYT reports natural migration of moose into NYS, population estimated at 15 to 20 (27 Dec) 1983
NYSDEC files suit against EPA to retain FEIS-Sec. 116 funding for Hudson R. PCB cleanup 1983
EPA lists upper Hudson R. PCB area as Superfund site (Sep) 1983
The twins Frederick and Phelps Turner (age 5) become ‘46ers’ 1983
Peter Nye of DEC hacks 23 Alaskan bald eagles at Follensby Pond; also, see 1975 hacking 1983
NYS pays more than $ 23 million PILOT to Adirondack towns, counties & schools 1983
The USFS now hires 5,700 foresters, 450 of whom are women 1983
Champlain Barge Canal, Whitehall to Waterford, handles 350,716 tons of cargo 1983
Original Lincoln Logs Co. of Chestertown goes public as Lincoln Logs, Ltd. c.1983
Survey of St. Lawrence valley finds only 17 pair and 87 non-breeding common loons 1983-85
L.G. Thompson and E. Mosley-Thompson report accelerated melting of Tibetan glaciers 1983-91
Hamilton Lodge Golf Course of International Paper Co. is est. at Lake Pleasant 1983
William Youngs and Daniel Josephson note fall emigration of breeding brook trout 1983
Flowing dogwood of the eastern Adirondacks is decimated by the anthracnose fungus 1983
Cessna 206 crashes on Boreas Mt. killing two (remains found by hikers July 1990) (2 Mar) 1984
Lake Placid Club announces that it will remain closed (6 Apr) 1984
ORDA doubles its capital improvements budget to $2.835M (6 Apr) 1984
Amendments to the Lacey Act of 1900 are approved (25 Jun) 1984
ALSC fish survey of Brooktrout Lake, Hamilton Co., finds no fish; lake is dead (29 Jun) 1984
Governor Mario Cuomo signs the Forest Ranger Search and Rescue Bill (27 Jul) 1984
Piper Seneca airplane crashes into SE face of Santanoni Peak killing two (16 Jul) 1984
Adirondack Lakes Survey Corporation (ALSC) begins its Adirondack Lakes Survey (Jul) 1984
Lyon Mountain Minimum Security Correctional Facility is established in Clinton Co. 1984
IP acquires Hammermill Paper Co. (incl. Strathmore Paper Co.) for $1.1 bill plus debt 1984
George Davis et al. found The Adirondack Land Trust 1984
Dam, built by David Henderson, on Opalescent River, Flowed lands, is breached for safety 1984
Himoff family acquires Point O’Pines Camp for Girls at Brant Lake 1984
J. Barnes, Princeton Univ. Pr., pub *The Complete Works of Aristotle* 1984
After major rebuilding, classes are resumed at Camp Huntington, OEC, Raquette Lake 1984
Alex. Lawrie’s paintings are shown at Adirondack Center Museum in Elizabethtown 1984
NYS regulates state air emissions linked to acid deposition 1984
The Lake Placid Club Resort files for a Chapter 11 bankruptcy 1984
The above-cited work by R.W. Wiener and associates, as published by the Geological Society of America, is one of the most authoritative and well-reviewed recent works on Adirondack geology!

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Nathan Farb photographs sylvan shore of Glasby Pond, Cat Mt., Five-Ponds Wilderness 1984
Honda introduces a four-wheel ATV selling 370,000 units, mostly for farming and ranching 1984
CFAC is reformed as Conservation Fund Advisory Bd. under Environmental Conservation Law 1984
Governor Cuomo appoints Herman (Woody) Cole as chairman of the APA 1984
St. Regis Mohawk Chief Jake Swamp founds the Tree of Peace Society 1984
Newton Falls Paper Mill is sold to Stora A.B. and renamed Papyrus Newton Falls, Inc. 1984
Some 157 nesting pairs and 247 nonbreeding Common Loons now occupy 557 Adirondack lakes 1984
Cornell U. sells Spruce Valley Farm to est. Keikhefer Adk fellowships & fisheries endowment 1984
NASA reports 1,462 spacecraft, including satellites, and myriad pieces of debris now in space 1984
Apple Macintosh microcomputer with mouse enters the market 1984
UHEAC cites Harold Hochschild (1892-1981) in its Champions of Conservation bookmark series 1984
C.J. Duerksen reviews the ‘taking issue’ in Adirondac 1984
NYS Conservation Easement Act (Art. 49, ECL) becomes law 1984
U.S. FDA lowers PCB tolerance level to 2 ppm in fish for human consumption (20 Aug) 1984
EPA lists the Hudson R. PCBs Superfund Site on the National Priorities List 1984
Fort Drum becomes home of the 10th Mountain Division (11 Sep) 1984
EPA issues Record of Decision rejecting dredging of Hudson R. PCB-laden sediments (25 Sep) 1984
Mountain House boarding school for athletes moves to leased Chalet Hotel, L. Placid (Sep) 1984
A conference is held at Speculator giving prime attention to the eastern coyote 1984
Barton Mines closes its Gore Mt. garnet mining operation and moves to Ruby Mountain 1984
Fort Drum enlarges its southwest cantonment to 6,700 acres 1984
Stratford Central School, Fulton Co., closes 1984
NYP A purchases Vischer Ferry and Crescent hydroelectric power plants from NYS DOT 1984
Presbyterian Church of Northern New York acquires Land’s End property at Upper Saranac Lake 1984
Great Sacandaga Lake Fisheries Federation is est. to foster sport fishing and restocking 1984
Cornell Cooperative Ext. questionnaire on mountain lion: 18% yes for tracks, 13% for sightings 1984
Bow bridge spanning the Sacandaga R. at Hadley is closed to traffic 1984
Maurive F. Kenny, Saranac Lake, wins American Book Award for (biographical) The Mama Poems 1984
DEC revokes 1916 TRP, issued by Comm. Pratt, for IRC’s occupancy of FP at Indian Lake dam 1984
DEC orders IRC to remove structures at Indian Lake dam and IRC transfers control to HRBRRD 1984
WSLU (NCPR) increases broadcast power to 40,300 watts at new main transmitter at 89.5 FM 1984
NCPR signal translator begins radio broadcasting in Saranac Lake 1984
EPA adds Hudson River PCBs Superfund Site to National Priorities List (NPL) 1984
More ice cores are begun at Vostok, Antarctica, one (3G) reaching depth of 2,202 metres 1984
Hyde House of Glens Falls is listed in the National register of Historic Places 1984
Michael DiNunzio pub Adirondack Wildguide: A Natural History of the Adirondack Park 1984
Boquet River Association is (BRASS) is est. to enhance river quality/mitigate conflict 1984
Adirondack Lake Survey Corp. begins survey of 1,469 Adirondack lakes 1984
Thomas Brown is elevated from acting director to director of DEC Region 6 1984
Methyl-t-butyl ether (MTBE) is introduced as a gasoline octane enhancer 1984
Roger’s Rangers Run from Roger’s Rock to Lake George village (32 mi.) is concluded 1984
Haudenosaunee org. international lacrosse tournament ahead of Olympic Summer Games, LA 1984
Administrative oversight of the Gore Mt. Ski Center is transferred to ORDA 1984
Richard Carota is appointed CEO and chairman of Finch, Pruyn & Co., Glens Falls 1984
The Mexican honeybee tracheal mite is discovered in the US
Plattsburgh incorporates image of Cumberland Head Lighthouse into its official seal
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M.T. Bur et al., find spiny water flea, *Bythotrophes longimanus*, Lake Huron; JGLR, 1986 (Dec)
Blue Mountain Lake Wild Forest UMP is approved (Dec)
DOC participates in Saranac Lake ice palace festival with inmates helping in cutting/building (Dec)
R.T. Vanderbilt Co. pressures OSHA for ‘alternative definitions’ of asbestos
Brian Delaney inaugurates High Peaks Cyclery’s Mini-Triathlon series at Lake Placid
Indian River Company is ‘merged out’ (27 Nov)
NYSDEC sells 794,226 big game hunting licenses, the most for any year to this date
Whitfield (Lennox) introduces wood pellet stove for residential heating
PBS presents *Solomon Northup’s Odyssey* with Avery Brooks playing part of Northup
NCAR releases its first seasonal hurricane forecast
St. Joseph’s Rehabilitation Center, Saranac Lake, begins accepting female residents
Judge B. S. Jenkins finds in favor of ten of 24 plaintiffs charging illness from atomic tests in Utah
T.M.L. Wigley et al., publish record (begun 1766) of annual precipitation for England and Wales
Abbie S. Verner serves as director of Long Lakes Parks and Recreation
DEC surveys 557 lakes to find 157 nesting pairs and 247 non-breeders of the Common Loon
Winter irruption of White Crossbill occurs
Winter irruption of Red Crossbill occurs with an associated bumper cone crop
Extensive flooding occurs in Adirondacks following rain and snow melt (29 Dec-2 Jan)
Adirondack Lake Survey samples fish populations of 1,469 lakes showing greatest loss in west
Adirondack Lake Survey (on impacts of acid rain) finds 350 with pH of 5 or less, i. e. “dead”
J.T. Overpeck pub *A Pollen Study of a Late Quaternary Peat Bog* (Brandreth bog) (Jan)
Adirondack and Catskill Forest Preserve celebrate their centennial
Spiny water flea, now in Lake Erie and Lake Ontario, is found to be of NE European origin
Adirondack FP now includes 2.5 mill. acres comprising 40% of Adirondack Park
Karen Hartgen et al., define 350 archaeological sites within the Blue Line
Bog River Club posts the Bog River after receiving exclusive lease from IP
AfPA sponsors a centennial conference on NYS Forest Preserve at Union College
St. Regis Mohawk Tribe opens high-stakes Mohawk Bingo Palace at Akwesasne
Washington Medium Security Correctional Facility is built at Comstock, Washington Co.
E. Brown, ADK, pub *The Forest Preserve of New York State: A Handbook for Conservationists*
ATVs are now produced and sold in the US by Yamaha, Kawasaki, Suzuki and Polaris
NYS acquires Lows Lake, St. Lawrence Co., with intent of creating wilderness canoe route
Alec Proskine pub *Adirondack Canoe Waters: South and West Flow*
British Antarctic Survey detects an “ozone hole” over Antarctica and implicates CFCs
Alice Parden Green establishes The Center for Law and Justice in Albany
Village of Lake George adopts APA-approved local land use and development plan
UHEAC cites NYS Forest Preserve Centennial in its Champions of Conservation bookmark series 1985
Dan Plumley establishes the Acid Rain Defense Initiative 1985
Edith Pilcher pub. *Castorland: French Refugees in the Western Adirondacks, 1793-1814* 1985
LCLGRPB institutes revolving loan fund to finance growth of small businesses in five counties 1985
Ellen Rocco becomes NCPR station manager initiating widespread transmission in Adks 1985
Conference held in Villach, Austria, results in consensus that global warming is inevitable (GCC) 1985
antarctic ice cores reveal that CO2 and temperature are positively linked (GCC) 1985
NYS legislature requires NYSOPRHP to plan a statewide snowmobile system 1985
Green Island Associates reopen The Sagamore (hotel) as year-round resort and conference center 1985
NYS legislature requires snowmobile registration fees to maintain snowmobile trails 1985
Lake Placid Quarter Horse Show and Open Adirondack Show is launched 1985
First logs are sawn at PSC sawmill following APA permitting; see M. Kudish, 2004 (17 May) 1985
HHHN opens health center in Bolton Landing 1985
Radio station WSLU installs a radio signal translator on Blue Mountain 1985
NYSDEC issues permits to Adirondack municipalities for use of Bti in black fly control 1985
Lake George Wild Forest UMP update is approved 1985
Cornell University Uhlein Seed Farm releases Elba, a golden nematode-resistant potato variety 1985
Philip Terrie claims sighting a mountain lion on Rt. 30 just east of Indian Lake 1985
Adirondack North Country Association (ANCA) receives not-for-profit status 1985
Senators Ron Stafford and John McHugh arrange $620,000 NYS member appropriation to ANCA 1985
The northern zone of NY yields 15,422 legal WTD kills 1985
Antarctic ice cores link rise of CO2 and temperature 1985
Lewis Family Farm, T. of Essex, is incorporated as one of the largest organic farms in NYS 1985
DEC personnel cuts result in 20-30 year backlog of boundary survey and other work 1985
NY Supreme Court reaffirms SLMP motorized access restrictions in Baker v. DEC 1985
Larry Stephenson est. The Stephenson Group in Riparius 1985
DEC officially authorizes T. of Indian Lake control of access to Indian River for rafters & rafting 1985
Two women drown in the Black River while on a Hudson River Rafting Co. whitewater raft trip 1985
R.L. Stolz and wife, Karen, start guiding company, Alpine Adventures Inc., in Keene 1985
E. Vreeland Baker posthumously est. chair at Cornell Univ. for Agriculture in the North Country 1985
NYCO Minerals’ Willsboro refinery produces 80% of world’s supply of wollastonite 1985
Vienna Convention raises concern about CFCs 1985
HWA is first reported for New York, DEC 1985
NJ builds Phillip Alampi Beneficial Insect Rearing Laboratory – (see *Galeruccella*) 1985
AfPA archives and other papers are moved from Union College to Schenectady Museum 1985
Newsletter of the LGRB is named *The Blue Line Review* 1985
Peter A.A. Berle is selected as president of the National Audubon Society 1985
Adirondack Council begins pub of an annual State of the Park report 1985
Helicopter drops 25 tons of powdered limestone in Woods Lake restoration 1985
Helicopter drops 8 tons of powdered limestone in the Cranberry Ponds restoration 1985
Roger Jakubowski buys Marjorie M. Post’s Camp Topridge from NYS for $911,000 1985
TNC contracts with DEC to establish the NYS Natural Heritage Program 1985
Rosemary Bonaparte is elected chief of the St. Regis Tribal Council (1 Jun) 1985
Adirondack towns and counties propose nearly 60 sites for VICs 1985
Paul Schaefer receives the Governor Mario Cuomo Conservation Award 1985
Lake Champlain Maritime Museum (LCMM), is est at Basin Harbor Club, Vergennes, Vt. 1985
APA reprints 1979 version of *Adirondack Park State Land Master Plan* 1985
J. de Waal Malefyt *et al*., DPS, pub report on right-of-way management for Adk power lines 1985
Iroquois Nationals tour England playing international lacrosse on Haudenosaunee passports 1985
Hunters harvest 15,422 WTD in the Northern Zone of New York 1985
Fort Miller Dam at Lock 6 on Champlain Barge Canal (224-0299) is built/reconditioned 1985
A large storm causes a landslide in the Ermine Brook sector of Santanoni Mt. 1985
Saranac Lake VIS receives President’s Volunteer Action Award at the White House 1985
Charles Boyle discovers three sites with Eurasian milfoil in Lake George (Aug) 1985
Hemlock woolly adelgid (insect) causes significant damage in southeastern NY 1985
Paul Bray becomes founding director of the NY Parks and Conservation Association 1985
New England Solar Energy Association is reorganized as Northeast Solar Energy Association 1985
Frontier Town, a theme park at North Hudson closes 1985
The average price for Adirondack land assigned to the FP is now c. $210 (Catskills, $350/a.) 1985
Norman VanValkenburgh pub Land Acquisition for New York State: An Historical Perspective 1985
Development Authority of the North Country (DANC) is created at Watertown 1985
Peregrine falcons nest and rear young at Chapel Pond and at Moss Cliff (Wilmington Notch) 1985
UNEP hosts a Convention for the Protection of the Ozone Layer 1985
Michael H. Jackson pub The Galapagos as illustrated by 125 color images by Nathan Farb 1985
Norman VanValkenburgh cites area of Adirondack Park at 5,927,600 a. 1985
Dorothy Richards, the ‘Beaver Woman’ of the Beaversprite Sanctuary, Dolgeville, dies 1985
Adirondacks experience major eastern spruce budworm, Choristoneura fumiferana, outbreak 1985
Adirondack folklorist-musician Dan Berggren founds Sleeping Giant Records at Ballston Spa 1985
Water is extracted from Hudson R. and processed to serve needs of NYC 1985
Catalytic converters, requiring lead-free automobile fuel, are developed in Switzerland 1985
Philip Terrie pub Forever Wild – Environmental Aesthetics and the Adirondack Forest Preserve 1985
R.A. Malecki and T.J. Rawinski report on Purple loosestrife control 1985
Grass Pond and the western end of Lows Lake is added to Five Ponds Wilderness Area 1985
Federal Food Security Act (Farm Bill), PL 99-198, auth. diverse support for farming by D. Agr. 1985
NYS regulates municipal solid waste incinertors 1985
Bur et al. find spiny water flea in Lake Ontario; see JGLR report of 1986 (Sep) 1985
C. Lange and R. Cap find spiny water flea in Lake Erie: See JGLR report of 1986 (Oct) 1985
Nevada de Ruiz (volcano), Columbia, erupts killing some 23,000 mostly by mudslides (13 Nov) 1985
There are now some 155 lean-tos in the Adirondack, now receiving much attention by ADK 1985
Geraldine B. Larson becomes the first female national forest supervisor 1985
Switzerland mandates catalytic converters and lead-free gasoline 1985
DEC pub the UMP for the Pepperbox WA (Mar) 1985
NYC DEP reports water consumption of 1,325.8 gpd, a per capita consumption of 187.5 gal 1985
SLCBC notes 1st house finch (Dec) 1985
House finch is recorded in all but one Christmas Bird Counts conducted in NY (Dec) 1985
House finch is seen in Christmas Bird Count at Elizabeth, Essex Co. (Dec) 1985
Village of Bloomingdale, Essex Co., dissolves (31 Dec) 1985
Didymo, large, sessile diatom Didymosphenia geminata begins range expansion in N.A./Europe c.1985
Evelyn Green discovers long-standing population of yellow iris in wetlands at Barton Mines c. 1985
Huletts Landing SD #1, T. of Dresden, Washington Co., is est. releasing product to groundwater c. 1985
Hullet’s Landing Sewer District #1, T. Dresden, is est. and assumes control of private systems c. 1985
The Adirondack counties – in and out of the Blue Line - yield 5,460 beaver skins 1985-86
The Adirondack counties - in and out of the Blue Line - yield 361 otter skins 1985-86
Winter irruption occurs for the white crossbill 1985-86
R P. Bouta conducts a spruce grouse survey for NYS 1985-87
Patten Corp. Northeast acquires some 14,000 a. of Adk woodlands for development speculation 1985-88
Guy Bartlett Century Run, HMBC, rep record 158 bird species (May) 1986

Citations on the appearance of new bird species for our region and number of species in the surveys for the records of the HMBC are presented in a limited manner to reflect the presence of this prestigious ornithology group and its activities but we do not attempt full coverage of their studies. See their web page and periodical Feathers.

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AL pub ‘The Making of a Map’ by Paul Schaefer, a relief map at his Niskayuna home (May/June) 1986
Doug Azaert opens bed and breakfast and “W.I.L.D. Waters” rafting business at The Glen 1986
US senate proposes rose as the US national flower (7 Oct) 1986
Pres. Ronald Reagan signs law est rose as National Flower in White House Rose Garden (20 Nov) 1986
J. Bruchac, J. Rikhoff et al. edits/pub North Country: An Anthology of Contemporary Writing . . . 1986
M.S. Evans finds spiny water flea in Lake Michigan; see JGLR of 1988 (Sep) 1986
Ron Dunning claims sighting of a wolf on a winter night near Saranac Lake 1986
APA proposes locating VICs at Paul Smith’s College and the Huntington Forest 1986
JAMA notes increase of non-Hodgkins lymphoma in farmers using 2,4-D 1986
USFWS reports avg. annual decline of NYS woodcock at 2.6% beginning in 1968 1986
Electric Consumers Protection Act becomes law 1986
NYT notes “fears of mass sugar maple extinction” at producers’ conference at Rutland, VT 1986
Orra A. Phelps, M.D. and prominent Adirondack naturalist with ADK dies 1986
South side of Lows Lake is added to the Five Ponds Wilderness Area 1986
USDCJ Neal McCurn dismisses suit of 15 defendants seeking floatplane access to wilderness lakes 1986
George Davis, proposes 2020 Vision, Fulfilling the Promise of the Adirondack Park 1986
Adirondack Ski Touring Council (ASTC), Lake Placid, is est. to foster Adk cross-country skiing 1986
Tony Goodwin et al. at ASTC envision a ski touring trail from Keene to Tupper Lake 1986
ASTC commences development of Jack Rabbit Trail from Keene to Paul Smith’s College 1986
Eurasian milfoil management at Lake George begins as volunteers hand harvest and build barriers 1986
UMP for Mount van Hoevenberg Olympic Sports Complex is approved 1986
APA reclassifies Crane Pond Rd from primitive to wilderness and adds it to Pharaoh Lake WA 1986
Paul Jamieson pub Adirondack Pilgrimage 1986
Norman Van Valkenburgh formulates DEC policy on snowmobile use 1986
Warder H. Cadbury pub. Arthur Fitzwilliam Tait – Artist in the wilderness 1986
ANCA establishes headquarters with full-time, hired staff at Lake Placid 1986
DEC policy on the snowmobile system begins, the Adk Park limited to 848 mi. 1986
FERC halts Long Lake Energy Corp. hydropower project on Moose River 1986
USGS completes fieldwork to prepare 44 Adirondack maps for 7.5-minute series 1986
Fifty-two forest rangers now oversee six million acres of Adirondack Park 1986
Muskox (Ovibos moschatus) vertabra dating from B.P. 13,200 is found in Elizabethtown gravel pit 1986
Camp Pine Knot is listed on the NYS Registry of Historic Places (11 Sep) 1986
Camp Pine Knot is listed on the National Registry of Historic Places (7 Nov) 1986
Garrett Hotel Group, Burlington, VT, buys The Point, Wm. A. Rockefeller’s Camp Wonundra 1986
Gov. Cuomo receives the Adirondack Council’s Outstanding Conservationist Award 1986
HRBRD shelves the $102 million Hawkinsville Hydroelectric and flood-control project 1986
St. Regis Mohawks/Akwesasne Mohawk Council file claim to 15,287 a. 1986
UHEAC cites Franklin B. Hough (1822-1885) in its Champions of Conservation bookmark series 1986
The NY offices of UNEP initiate the Environmental Sabbath 1986
NYS DMV ATV registration fee is partially applied to trail development and maintenance 1986
CSPS statistics show a huge increase in ATV accidents, mostly caused by improper operation 1986
NYS legislature creates the ATV Trail Development and Maintenance Fund 1986
Varroa mite, parasite of the honey bee, is detected in US apiaries 1986
Following 1981 proposal by Pres. Ronald Reagan solar panels are removed from White House roof 1986
Paul Schaefer receives the Chevron USA Conservation Award 1986
LCMM, Vergennes, Vt., opens to the public 1986
National Asphalt Pavement Association est. Center for Asphalt Technology, Auburn Univ., AL 1986
Independence River Wild Forest Area UMP update is approved (Oct) 1986
Georgia O’ Keeffe dies at age of 98 leaving an estate valued at 65 million dollars 1986
FIL allows Haudenosaunee national team to compete in international field lacrosse 1986
Noon Mark Diner opens in Keene Valley 1986
Ha-De-Ron-Dah Wilderness Area UMP is approved (Apr) 1986
Eric Pfender and son catch record breaking lake trout at Lake Placid: 32 lb., 41 inches 1986
Dan Berggren and Dan Duggan release their recording Rooted in the Adirondacks 1986
Noel Riedinger-Johnson edits Jeanne Robert Foster’s Adirondack Portraits: A Piece of Time 1986
Franklin Medium Security Correctional Facility is built at Malone, Franklin Co. 1986
Russia, France and the US est. the International Geosphere-Biosphere Programme 1986
Kate Smith dies in Raleigh, NC, and then is buried in St. Agnes Cemetery, L. Placid 1986
Two A-10 Thunderbolt jet aircraft from MA Air NG crash at Wells; one pilot dies (12 Sep) 1986
Warder H. Cadbury pub Arthur Fitzwilliam Tait, Artist in the Adirondacks 1986
Walter Rosen of the National Academy of Sciences coins the word ‘biodiversity’ 1986
A World Cup alpine ski competition is held at Whiteface Mt. 1986
Betty Little begins public service as member of Town of Queensbury Recreation Commission 1986
Bettily Litle is elected At-Large Supervisor to Warren Co. Board of Supervisors, T. Queensbury 1986
Aspencade East (motorcycle convention at Lake George) is renamed Americade 1986
NYS Environmental Quality Bond Act of $250 million passes with 70% voting yes 1986
ANCA pub Adirondack North Country Regional Map of the Scenic Auto Trail System 1986
IP Watson’s East Triangle of 16,228 a. is added to FP for $2.3 million 1986
Nuclear reactor explodes, Pripyat, Chernobyl, Ukraine, USSR, kills 299, displaces 200,000 (26 Apr) 1986

The explosion of the Number 4 light water graphite moderated nuclear reactor at Pripyat, Chernobyl, Ukrainian SSR, is the most serious nuclear power accident in the history of the industry, some 400 times more destructive that the atomic bombing of Heroshima and impacting some 100,000 km² at serious levels and the entire globe in terms of radioactive fall-out. 500,000 workers, at a cost of many billions of dollars were needed to contain the remains of the facility.

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Pollution-fueled ‘dead-zone’ is identified in the southern-most basin of Lake George 1986
OSHA sets new asbestos exposure limits, but industry pressure keeps ATA at old limits (18 Jul) 1986
US EPA est. National Dry Deposition Network (NDDN) to monitor acid deposition and ozone 1986
Allen Blagden paints (water color and dry brush) September Snow 1986
Craig Brandon pub Murder in the Adirondacks – on death of Grace Brown at Big Moose Lake 1986
Wayne Trimm, naturalist, artist, birder, wildlife rehabilitator, teacher, lecturer, retires from DEC 1986
Federal registration for the broad-spectrum chemical herbicide Fluridone (Sonar) is complete 1986
Federal judges dismiss Herb Helms’ case against motorized (especially aircraft) access to WA 1986
Federal Safe Drinking Water Act, PL 99-339, reauthorizes EPA to create protective standards 1986
Federal government eliminates tax credits for solar collectors 1986
SLCBC, est 1947, notes its first Carolina wren (Dec) 1986
P.D. Jones et al. begin pub of comprehensive global survey of mean, annual surface temperatures 1986
CSLAP begins trophic-based, water quality monitoring program at 25 lakes across NYS 1986
Congress passes Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) amending CERCLA 1986
F. Rothlisberger reports on 10,000 years of global glacial activity 1986
Town of Indian Lake and DEC agree to regulate rafting and water flow in the Hudson Gorge 1986
Orra A. Phelps, M.D. and naturalist, dies after series of strokes in Wilton nursing home (Aug) 1986
NYC installs 600,000 water meters at a cost of $350 million 1986
R. Jakubowski buys the Big Tupper Ski Center at Tupper Lake 1986-87
R. Jakubowski buys bottling plant and four radio stations in the Adirondacks 1986-87
R. Jakubowski buys 40 a. Crab Island and one mile of shore at Lake Champlain 1986-87
Salt application on Adk roads averages c. 22 tons/km or c. 64,000 tons/year total 1986-87
Schenectady bird banding indicates a major irruption of the pine siskin 1986-87
TB incidence in the U.S. rises due to HIV and reduced TB control, after 33 years of decline 1986-92
Siamese Ponds Wilderness Area UMP update (Indian Lake Islands) is approved (Mar) 1987
ASTC opens Jackrabbit Trail (x-c ski) from L. Placid to Keene using Old Mountain Road (Mar) 1987
Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals overturns Jenkins 10 May ruling re. atomic testing in Utah (Apr) 1987
Saranac Hospital reports case of giardiasis in woman recently residing in cabin at Long Lake (May) 1987
J. Hosley, Long Lake Supervisor, is appointed Acting Health Officer for giardiasis outbreak (May) 1987
R. Freeman et al. kill two beaver at Long Lake Reservoir; reservoir is drained, bleached (May) 1987
J. Hosley installs used filtration system at Tupper Lake by-passing usual Review Process (May) 1987
50 to 80 giardiasis cases are reported for Long Lake by local hospitals and DOH (late May) 1987
Giardiasis “boil water” advisory Long Lake is lifted, some 40 days after onset (Jun) 1987
Revisions of the NYS SEQRA become effective (1 Jun) 1987
Adirondack Lakes Survey Corp. completes first survey of Adirondack lakes (Aug) 1987
US stock market plunges (19 Oct) 1987
Ken Busman is appointed year-around Assistant Director of Camp Fowler, Sacandaga Lake 1987
APA permits Patten Corp. Northeast, development, T. Grieg, St. Lawrence and Franklin Counties 1987
Population Reference Bureau estimates the human global population at 5 billion 1987
The United Church of Christ pub Toxic Waste and Race 1987
AHP’s Wyeth Laboratories and Ayerst Laboratories join to form Wyeth-Ayerst Laboratories 1987
AfPA pub report Unit Planning for Wilderness Management 1987
Josh Thompson wins the Biathlon World Championship silver medal at Lake Placid 1987
Adirondack Ecology Center, Newcomb, begins 3-5 year study of the eastern coyote 1987
Batchellerville Bridge begins repair with two ferries serving to transport cars during the interim 1987
A DEC helicopter crew burns the fourth cabin in the West Canada Lake WA 1987
David Gibson is appointed full-time Executive Director (ED) of AfPA 1987
Audubon Society of New York State Inc. is reinstated with headquarters in Albany 1987
Adirondack white cedar oil now sells for about 15 dollars a pound 1987
W. H. McNabb and M. Meeker note oriental bittersweet as dangerous invasive of Appalachians 1987
Cuban subspecies (C. p. bairdii) of the ivory-billed woodpecker is reported in Cuba 1987
Rockefeller Fund est. The Environmental Grantmakers Association with 12 founding members 1987
Senator Ronald Stafford leads a bipartisan political campaign to establish VICs 1987
UHEAC cites Dr. Orra A. Phelps (1896-1986) in its Champions of Conservation bookmark series 1987
Robert Bethke pub Adirondack Voices: Woodsmen and Wood Lore 1987

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Edith Pilcher, Niskayuna, pub *Up the Lake Road*  

*Adirondack Express* newspaper is established at Old Forge (May)  

Schoharie Ck. flooding destroys Thruway bridge, Fort Hunter, killing 10 in 5 vehicles (4-5 Apr)  

The Adirondack Park State Land Master Plan is again revised  

New Zealand mud snail, *Potamopyrgus antipodarum*, is found in Snake River, trib of Columbia R.  

SLMP notes that the “. . . old Mountain Road, a former town road, has been removed”  

ANCA begins Buyers Days, now an annual wholesale show for giftware producers and buyers  

T. Barnett and M. Schlisinger pub idea of global climate change in *J. of Geophysical Research*  

United States as top energy consuming nation of the world now uses 24.6% of the total  

US EPA begins operating NDDN  

Carol Treadwell, SUNY, proposes geological feature of tilted terraces in Au Sable River  

PSC builds Church Street dormitory near Hotel Saranac for its culinary and hospitality students  

St. Joseph Lead Company sells Balmat zinc mine to Zinc Corporation of America (ZCA)  

John Scheib pub *State Parks and Campgrounds in Northern New York*  

North American Sugar Maple Decline Project, based on 171 plot clusters, is founded by USFS  

Mountain House boarding school for athletes moves to Winterset Inn bldg., L. Placid (Sep)  

Dale Garner, graduate student of SUNY-ESF, studies the moose of the Adirondacks  

Gov. Cuomo appoints Thomas Jorling Commissioner of the DEC  


DEC pub *Plan for the Future of Lake George*  

DEC acknowledges that est. of ski lodges on Gore and Whiteface Mts. violates Article XIV  

DEC prohibits harvest of ginseng on public lands; on private lands from Sep. 1 through Nov 30  

Residents and nonresidents of NYS must obtain an annual permit to deal in NY ginseng  

Those who deal in ginseng in NY must maintain records of all transactions  

HHHN creates UHPCC to recruit doctors and coordinate seven county-wide health programs  

Thomas C. Durant’s RR station at North Creek is placed on National Register of Historic Places  

Mt. Electra fire tower is removed  

NYS and MA coordinate in closing major poaching ring: 3 defendants, 274 counts, $38,000 fines  

Town of Wells est. hydroelectric facility on Sacandaga R. – see Lake Algonquin  

ESF scientists conduct a spruce grouse survey (the second) in NYS  

PCAO urges hiking trails within 15 min. of all American homes  

Niagara Mohawk completes rebuilding of the Helen Gould Earthen Dam at Peck’s Lake  

The Biathlon World Championship tournament is held at Lake Placid  

UNEP fosters the Montreal Protocol to limit substances, e.g. CFC, that deplete the ozone layer  

Montreal Protocol begins worldwide phaseout of ozone-depleting CFCs (chlorofluorocarbons)  

Wetland maps are published in accord with NYS Freshwater Wetlands Act  

National forest timber harvest reaches a new peak of 12.7 billion board feet  

Visitation of the national parks of the US peaks and begins continual decline  

Adirondack Research Library merges with AfPA  


DEC lists common raven as species of “Special Concern” for New York state  

J. Ahrens reports on use of herbicides, e.g. Roundup, for control of oriental bittersweet  

Adirondack Lake Survey Corp. completes survey of 1,469 Adirondack lakes  

Captive-bred red wolves, *Canis rufus*, are released in Alligator NWR, NC, by USFWS  

J.W. Zarzynski et al. form Bateaux Below, Inc. to study the sunken fleet of 1758 in Lake George  

Wind-powered 3 megawatt generator in Orkney Islands goes “on line”  

Federal Clean Water Act, (PL 100-4) amended est. State Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund  

Federal Global Climate Protection Act, PL 100-204, auth. State D., to plan for global warming  

EPA bans use of dieldrin for termite control and moth proofing  

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NYS bans the use of chlordane, aldrin, dieldrin and heptachlor 1987
Haudenosaunee international lacrosse team, Iroquois Nationals, joins the FIL 1987
Advanced Genetic Sciences Co. applies genetically altered bacteria (Frostban) to strawberries 1987
Lake Champlain Bridge Commission is dissolved 1987
Steven Lindow sprays Frostban on a field of potato plants in Tule, California 1987
Electric leaf blowers (for residential lawn care) become an important market item in the US 1987
James C. Dawson serves as president of AIP 1987-89
EPA requires wood stove makers to pass emission tests on products, Wood Heater Program (20 Feb) 1988
DEC Comm. T. Jorling issues Policy and Procedures for FP Unit Management Planning (1 Apr) 1988
APA approves Fawn Ridge Development in Town of North Elba, near Lake Placid (22 Apr) 1988
Diamond International sells about one-million acres of forest in NY, VT, NH, ME 1988
Diamond International sells 96,000 a. ($177/a.) in NW Adks to Lassiter Properties, Inc. (Sep) 1988
Lake Placid Club sells its property to Daedalus (a Canadian firm), USF&G, and Guinness PLC 1988
Daedalus sells its share of the former Lake Placid Club to USF&G and Guinness PLC 1988
Atlas of Breeding Birds in NYS reports 20+ Adirondack blocks with breeding Mourning Dove 1988
Atlas of Breeding Birds in NYS reports 5+ Adirondack blocks with breeding tufted titmouse 1988
Atlas of Breeding Birds in NYS reports breeding sites of the northern cardinal in the Adirondacks 1988
Atlas of Breeding Birds in NYS reports 4 breeding pairs of bald eagle in NY 1988
Atlas of Breeding Birds in NYS reports turkey in the Adirondack Park periphery 1988
Atlas of Breeding Birds in NYS confirms breeding of northern mockingbird in Adirondacks 1988
Atlas of Breeding Birds in NYS reports widespread presence of wood thrush in Adirondacks 1988
Two pairs of bald eagle re-nest and lay eggs but unsuccessfully in Franklin Co. 1988
Schenectady, NY, banding indicates a major irruption of pine siskin 1987-88
DEC completes successful N.Y. nesting program for peregrine falcon 1988
Heavy calving of ice bergs is observed on Antarctic Larsen Ice Shelf near tip of South America 1988
Two juvenile tufted titmouse are banded at Jenny Lake near Corinth 1988
The Christmas Bird Count detects an irruption of the pine siskin 1988
Essex Co. Arts Council et al. inaugurate Field, Forest and Stream Day to promote folk arts 1988
Viral hemorrhagic septicemia (VHS) is found in spawning salmon of Puget Sound, WA 1988
lgpc joins fight against Eurasian milfoil in Lake George 1988
NW US VHS outbreak in chinook and coho salmon is defined as a Type IV RNA Rhabdovirus 1988
lgpc ‘reserves’ future rules for stream protections (stream buffers) at Lake George 1988
Hole in ozone layer is detected over Antarctic 1988
IRC transfers 1897 reserved rights to maintain and operate Indian Lake dam to HRBRDD 1988
IRC gives HRBRDD a quit claim deed for $1.00, made out to “State of New York” 1988
HRBRDD’s title interest merges with DEC “State of New York” interest, becomes extinguishable 1988
HRBRDD assumes operation of Indian L. Dam, lacking approval-agreement by DEC; see IRC 1988
Indian Lake Holding Co. (former IRC) conveys its purported holdings to HRBRDD (7 Mar) 1988
D.W. Schindler pub Effects of acid rain on freshwater ecosystems 1988
Gov. Cuomo appoints Ross Whaley chairman of the Task Force on Forest Industry 1988
Westport-Wadhams SD-WWTP, T. Westport, Essex Co. is est. releasing product to Boquet R 1988
V. Vaccaro buys Pine Lakes property from Syracuse China Co., preempting DEC negotiation 1988
Ac pub 2020 Vision: Biological Diversity – Saving All the Pieces (vol. 1) 1988
PSC builds new dormitory adjacent to Trudeau House (former Saranac Laboratory) and closes it 1988
UNEP founds the UNEP-WMO Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) 1988
A major outbreak of the pear thrip impacts sugar maples of New England and NY 1988
Severe drought in NE greatly reduces sugar maple syrup production 1988
Severe drought in central and eastern US causes $40 B in agricultural damages 1988
Severe heat and drought in eastern US causes 5,000 to 10,000 heat-related fatalities 1988
Waters of the Mississippi River fall to lowest levels since USN began record in 1872 1988
Catastrophic drought occurs in the Mississippi River basin 1988
Croplands of the Mid-west and West are seriously impacted by drought 1988
American corn crop falls 35% to 2.6 billion bushels 1988
Major El Nino (Pacific Ocean) diverts jet stream north of Great Plains causing regional droughts 1988
Adirondack Singers, Inc., not-for-profit community chorus is est at St. Bernard’s Church, Saranac L. 1988
Talc found in children’s white play sand is ruled non-asbestiform tremolite (May) 1988
Watertown Daily Times runs 5-part series on R.T. Vanderbilt talc, EPA and asbestos (Sep) 1988
IP sells remainder of Township 7 (Moose River Plains) to NYS for FP 1988
NYCO, div. of Processed Minerals Inc., announces discovery of wollastonite at Oak Hill 1988
NCPR signal translator begins radio broadcasting in Long Lake 1988
ABB reports the palm warbler at Bay Pond Bog, west of Paul Smiths, only site in NYS 1988
St. Regis Canoe Classic race is inaugurated at Paul Smiths 1988
ABB reports range of Blackpoll Warbler to include five counties of Western Adirondack Foothills 1988
UHEAC cites Charles S. Sargent (1841-1927) in its Champions of Conservation bookmark series 1988
James Hansen, NASA, appears before Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources 1988
James Hansen, NASA, reports to congress that long-term global warming has begun 1988
Methyl-t-butyl ether (MTBE) becomes a major gasoline octane enhancer 1988
US Senators Leahy (VT) and Rudman (NH) initiate studies of NE forest lands 1988
Sonya Santavy disc. zebra mussel, Europ. ballast-water invasive, Lake St. Clair, near Detroit (1 Jun) 1988
ERP begins cooperation with ALSC, EPA, USGS & Pennsylvania State Univ. 1988
ATV companies agree to stop making three-wheel ATVs after government raises safety concerns 1988
Anna Botsford Comstock (1854-1930) is elected to National Wildlife Federation Hall of Fame 1988
Peter Hales pub biography of William Henry Jackson, prominent photographer of the west 1988
Lee Thomas, EPA, calls for quick phaseout of CFCs and other ozone-destroying chemicals 1988
Stross reports on the internal structure of Nitella in Aquatic Botany 1988
Public hearing is held regarding proposed protection of 475 species of NY plants 1988
Franklin County Solid Waste Management Authority is est. to recycle and to landfill county waste 1988
Redfeather Snowshoe Co. develops the V-tail, Hypalon-decked racing snowshoe 1988
St. Regis Mohawk open high-stakes bingo hall on Ganienkeh Territory, Miner Lake, T. of Altona 1988
Adirondack Fish Cultural Station (hatchery) at L. Clear receives new SPDES permit 1988
The ADK has 15,000 members 1988
Federal Alternate Motor Fuel Act becomes law 1988
Common raven occurs in 44 Adirondack blocks of the BBA (J. M. C. Peterson, BBA) 1988

Various authors suggest that the decline and recovery of the common raven in the Adirondacks, its primary range in New York, is linked to the abundance of moose, white-tailed deer, wolf, coyote, deforestation-reforestation, opening and closing of landfills, disturbance of cliff-side nesting sites by rock climbers, an improved hunter ethic and urban-suburban “taming”. The raven depends heavily on the scavenging of mammalian carcasses and thus road kill and the emergence of a vigorous coyote population (providing carrion) also enter its ecosystem. Curiously, DDT is rarely mentioned as a factor. The common raven is the largest of our songbirds with one of the most extensive ranges of all avian species.

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Elizabeth Folwell ends role as head of Adirondack Lakes Center for the Arts at Blue Mt. Lake 1988
DEC determines staffing of Wakely Mountain fire tower as unnecessary and ends it 1988
W. Alton Jones Cell Science Center at Lake Placid establishes Upstate Biotechnology, Inc. 1988
Panther Mountain Water Park, Inc., purchases Frontier Town theme park 1988
Oneida Medium Security Level Correctional Facility is est. at Rome, Oneida Co. 1988
Tim Tigner, Va. Dept. of Forestry, finds major loss E. hemlock due to HWA, York River, Va. 1988
HWA is discovered in northern Va. at Shenandoah National Park, probably introduced by birds 1988
AfPA president James Dawson oversees merger of the ARL with AfPA 1988
Stephen Hawking (1943- ), British, pub A Brief History of Time 1988
Tick Identification Service of NYS DOH begins survey of tick-bearing NYS mammals 1988
J. Hansen, Goddard Inst. of Spaces Studies, est. that global pop. produces c. 1 T CO₂/person/year 1988
Paul Jamieson pub “Rights of Passage” in Adirondack Life listing 22 illegal river blockages 1988
Willie Gault of Chicago Bears (football team) is named to US Olympic bobsled team 1988
Carol Collins et al. of the Fund for Lake George found the Lake George Land Conservancy 1988
Robert C. Glennon, Lake Placid, is appointed APA Executive Director 1988
Amendments to the Lacey Act of 1900 are approved (14 Nov) 1988
Earthquake of mag. 6 Richter occurs at Charlevoix, Québec; is detected at Paul Smith’s (29 Nov) 1988
GHSL is renovated to include pharmacy, imaging department and new surgical suite 1988
Hammond Library is renamed “Hammond Library of Crown Point, NY” 1988
AC defines 10 areas needing protection including the proposed Bob Marshall WA 1988
NYS condemns Pine Lake and J. & W. Properties to establish the Ferris Lake Wild Forest 1988
NYS Highway Law Section 212 is amended 1988

NYS Highway Law §212 entitled “Changing location of highways over certain lands owned and occupied by the state” provides as follows:

“If a highway passes over or through lands wholly owned and occupied by the state, the location of such portion of such highway as passes through such lands may be altered and changed, or the same may be abandoned or the use thereof as a highway discontinued with the consent and approval of the state authority having jurisdiction or control over such lands by an order directing such change in location, abandonment or discontinuance. Such order shall contain a description of that portion of the highway the location of which has been changed, abandoned or discontinued, and a description of the new location thereof, if any, and shall be filed in the office of the state authority having control of such lands.”

DEC biologist suggests fish damage by periodic dam releases of Hudson waters 1988
Thrips, a kind of insect, defoliates 500,000 a. of Vermont forest 1988
Bare Hill Medium Security Correctional Facility is built at Malone, Franklin Co. 1988
Marcy Medium Security Level Correctional Facility is est. at Marcy, Oneida Co. 1988
DEC contracts with John Humbach, Pace Law School, to study case law on navigation rights 1988
Three pairs of bald eagles produce 5 young (2, 2, 1) in Franklin County 1988
David L. Newhouse authors first written statement on AfPA conservation policies 1988
Spruce Mt. fire tower is decommissioned ending 84 years of service for Corinth area, Saratoga Co. 1988
Ed Palen and Pat Purcell start Adirondack Rock and River Guide Service, Alstead Hill Road, Keene 1988
Anthracnose has destroyed 79% of flowering dogwood in Catoctin, Washington-Baltimore area 1988
US Department of Transportation raises average fuel efficiency for cars to 26.5 mpg (Oct) 1988
Radon becomes an important American pollution issue 1988
Patten Corp. declares self-imposed moratorium on backcountry development, particularly sales 1988
The Bacon family est. Glens Falls Business Journal newspaper c. 1988
New Zealand mud snail is reported for Madison River, Montana c. 1988
AC pushes for anti-speculation tax similar to Vermont’s to counter Patten Corp. developments c. 1988
Finch, Pruyn, under APA permit, constructs steel bridge over Upper Hudson River c. 1988
Patten Corp. continues to submit development proposals to APA 1988-89

U.S. Supreme Court refuses to review case purporting harm due to atomic testing in Utah (Jan) 1989
In snowstorm, small aircraft hits Lyon Mt. (3,830 ft.) at 2,900 ft. elev. with one fatality (10 Feb) 1989
Major geomagnetic storm (coronal mass ejection) hits Earth causing many disruptions (13 Mar) 1989
Geomagnetic storm causes intense auroras, seen as far south as Texas and Florida (13 Mar) 1989
Geomagnetic storm causes Hydro-Québec blackout affecting 6M during very cold temps (13 Mar) 1989
Geomagnetic storm disrupts satellite communication, short-wave & HF radio transmission (13 Mar) 1989

Mountain House School, L. Placid, changes its name to National Sports Academy (17 Mar) 1989
NYS adopts NHP rare plant list adding an Exploitably Vulnerable List (22 May) 1989
Gov. Cuomo opens APA’s Visitor Interpretive Center (VIC) on 2,700 a. at Paul Smiths (24 May) 1989
PSC Stage Coach House, aka Paul Smiths Hotel, is restored and open for use; see M. Kudish (May) 1989
*Lac de Saint Sacrement* (a ship 190’ in length) is christened at Lake George (15 Jun) 1989
Beach House at “Million Dollar Beach”, Lake George, opens (30 Jun) 1989
WNBZ 1240 AM radio station at Saranac Lake adds an FM station 1989
Gaslight Village theme park closes at Lake George 1989
Matthew Davidson is elected president of OSI 1989

The quagga mussel, *Dreisena bugensis*, aka *D. rostriformis b.*, is disc. Port Colborne, Lake Erie (Sep) 1989

The quagga mussel, native to the Dnieper River drainage of the Caspian and Ponto-Caspian Sea, differs from the zebra mussel by being rounder and having asymmetrical valves. The ventral surface of the zebra mussel is flat allowing it to stand erect when placed on this surface by the observer. In contrast, the quagga cannot be stood on its side. The quagga mussel is a vigorous filter feeder clarifying the water and concentrating pollutants prompting dramatic changes in the aquatic ecosystem. It is more tolerant of cold than the zebra mussel and thus it now outcompetes this species at greater depths, e.g. to 540’, where it may block intake pipes for cooling and drinking water systems. Expect its arrival in the larger and deeper lakes of the Adirondacks.

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AfPA initially supports Hoyt-Sheffer bill (May) then pulls back (November) 1989
AfPA final position on Hoyt-Sheffer bill was to support it, if it is consistent with common law 1989
Governor’s staff directs DEC not to submit its own navigation rights bill for introduction 1989
Saranac Lake Airport is renamed Adirondack Regional Airport 1989
Gray Dam gates, West Canada Ck. watershed, are fully opened for safety purposes 1989
North Country Life Flight (NCLF) is est. at Saranac Lake to provide rapid air medical transport 1989
Fire tower on Kane Mt. is closed by DEC 1989
DEC assigns 17,097 trapping licenses to local residents (Dec) 1989
Elizabeth Folwell becomes editor of the periodical Adirondack Life 1989
Mohawk Medium Security Level Correctional Facility is est. in Rome, Oneida Co. 1989
Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher urges total ban on CFCs at major ozone conference in London 1989
ALC poisons Panther Lake using rotenone to remove suckers and rainbow smelt 1989
Wooden canopy roof and heavy, glass windows are added to Ethan Allen 48-passenger tourboat 1989
Robert Glennon, APA Exec. Director, tackles and arrests arsonist at APA offices in Ray Brook 1989
Adirondack Park Institute (API) is founded in support of regional educational curricula 1989
The Adirondack Fish Cultural Station (hatchery) at Lake Clear is renovated 1989
Eddie Yanchitis buys Tail O’ the Pup, roadside restaurant and cabins, from Cal Howard, Ray Brook 1989
Cyanobacteria, “blue-green algae”, maintain a prolonged bloom in Upper Saranac Lake 1989
Suction harvesting of Eurasian milfoil at Lake George begins 1989
NYSOPRHP Snowmobile Trail Plan for NY is presented proposing 3,000 miles of trails 1989
Hunter claims sighting a Sasquatch near Butler Pond on West Mt., Warren Co. 1989
Point Au Roche Lighthouse is replaced by an automated steel tower light 1989
Robert Flack addresses the Intercounty Legislative Committee 1989
Nathan Farb pub 100 Views of The Adirondacks 1989
Kings Flow Dam (186-0715) is built or reconditioned 1989
Peter Stein, formerly of Trust for Public Land, becomes general partner of Lyme Timber Co. 1989
Stone Mills Dam 2 (088-4965) is built or reconditioned 1989
UHEAC cites Willet Randall (1876-1970) in its Champions of Conservation bookmark series 1989
ADK, TNC, DEC, Adk Forty-Sixers est Summit Stewardship Program for Adk alpine meadows 1989
New York League of Conservation Voters is founded. 1989
Singer-songwriter Dan Berggren et al. release Mountain Air under Sleeping Mt. Records 1989
D&H RR closes service to titanium mines at Tahawus and GSA auctions trackage-ROW to NLI 1989
NLI sells rolling (RR) stock used on Tahawas-North Creek RR spur 1989
EPA issues ruling prohibiting manufacture, importation, processing and distribution of ACM 1989
EPA, under Superfund Law, lists mercury-containing dental amalgams as dangerous 1989
Rainforest Alliance founds Smartwood™ program to certify and standardize forestry 1989
Sierra Club asks DEC to resolve illegal occupancy by HRBRD of FP land at Indian Lake dam 1989
NYS approves a sea lamprey-control program in Lake Champlain 1989
Paul Grondahl, Living Today, reports Paul Schaefer’s 4 children and wife Caroline as 46ers (5 Nov) 1989
CBS’s 60 Minutes TV series promotes public resistance to use of the insecticide Alar 1989
Uniroyal Corp. voluntarily removes the pesticide Alar from the American market 1989
EPA bans Alar on basis of flawed scientific evaluation and institutional dissension 1989
Moriah Minimum Security Correctional Facility is built at Mineville, Essex Co. 1989
National Lead Co. (NLI) makes last shipment of ilminite from Adirondac site, Sanford L. (17 Nov) 1989
A fungus pathogen for gypsy moth is discovered at the Lockwood Farm, CAES, CT 1989
TNC, as Adirondack Nature Conservancy, opens new regional headquarters at Keene Valley 1989
DEC closes Old Mt. Rd. (never formally closed) initiating long legal battle (see McCulley) 1989
NLI buys rails and ROW from Fed. Gov’t for RR spur running from North Creek to Tahawus 1989
NLI abandons 30-mi RR spur from North Creek to Tahawus, but retains ownership 1989
Mundell pub *Interstate Bird’s Eye View with Business Directory, 23” by 35”* (fall) 1989
Acid Adk lake mitigation efforts are surveyed in *Canadian J. of Fishery and Aquatic Resources* 1989
ANCA pub *Adirondack North Country Regional Map-Byway Scenic Driving Tours* 1989
USDA and Cornell Univ. Agricultural Experiment Station complete soil survey of Warren Co. 1989
UNESCO est Champlain-Adirondack Biosphere Reserve, 10 million a, 103 human communities 1989
SUNYA returns wampum (sacred strung-bead belts) to Onondaga, Iroquois Confederacy (Aug) 1989
Global Climate Coalition of US fuel-linked industries debunk global climate change (GCC) 1989
Wood’s Inn (see Philo C. Wood) located on Fulton Chain closes 1989
TI donates the Trudeau Sanatorium archives to Saranac Lake Free Library 1989
B.T. Mossman *et al.* pub in *NEJM* that health hazard of in-place asbestos is grossly overstated 1989
DEC closes Crane Pond Road (T. of Schroon town road) using NYS HL §212 and SLMP (4 Dec) 1989
DEC closes John Pond Road (T. of Indian L. town road) using NYS HL §212 and SLMP (4 Dec) 1989
DEC closes Old Farm Clearing Road (T. of Johnsburg town road) using NYS HL §212 (4 Dec) 1989
EPA & DEC announce review of 1984 ROD re. dredging Hudson R. PCB deposits (20 Dec) 1989
AfPA archives and other papers are moved from Schenectady Museum to Roland Place 1989
AfPA moves from Schenectady Museum to quarters on Roland Place, Schenectady 1989
DEC begins eminent domain proceedings to take V. Vaccaro’s Pine Lakes lands 1989
Donald H. Gerds *et al.* found the Citizen’s Council of the Adirondacks 1989
81 nations meet and agree to phase out use of CFC by the year 2000 1989
McIntyre Development ceases operation and Tahawus TO facilites close 1989
NYS Environmental Board adopts a regulation protecting selected plant species 1989
DEC begins eminent domain proceedings for the Pine Pond Property 1989
A. W. Gilborn assigns *Blueline Magazine* to Dept. English and Communication, SUNYA, Potsdam 1989
DEC concludes successful 13-year old bald eagle introduction program producing ten nesting pairs 1989
Task Force on Forest Industry pub *Capturing the Potential of New York’s Forests* 1989
Peter Berle and George Davis are elected to head the 21st Century Commission 1989
Robert Glennon replaces Tom Ulasewicz as executive director of the APA 1989
Earth First! advocates establishment of a huge “Adirondack Wilderness” in western Adks 1989
ARC (see ARL) pub Verplanck Colvin’s 1898 report as edited by N. Van Valkenburgh 1989
Gates at Black Creek Reservoir Dam, a.k.a. Gray Dam are opened to restore run-of-river 1989
North Creek RR Station is decommissioned 1989
Local artists and artisans in Old Forge form cooperative The Artworks 1989
Pete Grannis authors the NYS Clean Indoor Air Act (CIAA) 1989
NYC forest fires (603) burn 11,730 acres with an average of 19.5 a./burn 1989
Up to 100 mgd of water are drawn from Hudson R. and filtered at Chelsea pump station for NYC 1989
Intervales ski jumping complex at North Elba is renamed the Kodak Sports Park 1989
Gleneagles, the former Lake Placid Club, ceases operation 1989
Guinness proposes $200 million hotel (Gleneagles) at the Lake Placid Club Resort 1989
US Olympic Committee opens newly constructed Olympic Training Center facility at Lake Placid 1989
Frontier Town theme park of North Hudson reopens on Memorial Day 1989
Northeast Solar Energy Association expands its role as Northeast Sustainable Energy Association 1989
North American Wetlands Conservation Act is signed by U.S, Mexico and Canada 1989
Thomas Gang, Inc. purchases Lot 167, T. of Benson, and receives TRP for access across Lot 120 1989
The fire tower on Boreas Mountain is removed 1989
Ralph Carbone sells Sherman’s Amusement Park, Caroga Lake, to Ruth and George Abdulla 1989
Guy and Laura Waterman pub *Forest and Crag: Hiking, Trailblazing and Adventure in...* 1989
Holmes & Associates is founded to provide information and research on Adirondack issues 1989
*Defending the Wilderness: the Adirondack Writings of Paul Schaefer* is published 1989
NY moves on Lassiter properties with 15,418 a. bought and 39,974 a. preserved by easement 1989
Lynx (83) of Yukon-Alaskan origin are released by DEC and HWF near Newcomb 1989
Cranberry Lake, St. Lawrence Co., has an early ice-in (23 Nov) 1989
National forest timber harvest is at 12 billion bd. ft., 135% of the total national harvest 1989
House Finch is reported in all Christmas Bird Counts conducted in NY 1989
Thomas Porter *et al.* est. traditional Kanatsiohareke Mohawk Community at “Fonda r Farm” 1989-90
Schenectady banding indicates major irruption of pine siskin 1989-90
DEC now employs 4,044 persons 1989-90
USFWS, ESEEBCO and other agencies sponsor studies by Discoll *et al.* on liming of Adk lakes 1989-92
Dr. Leonard Perry begins research on hop growing at Univ. of Vermont c. 1990
Fulton Chain Wild Forest Area UMP is approved (Jan) 1990
Grasse River Wild Forest Area UMP update (new acquisitions) is approved (Feb) 1990
APA adopts Guidelines Fisheries Management in Wilderness, Primitive and Canoe Areas (26 Apr) 1990
Whitewater World Inc. rafter dies from injuries incurred when raft flips in Hudson River (29 Apr) 1990
Commission on the Adirondacks in the 21st Century issues its report (8 May) 1990
D. Gerdts and ASA stage 3rd motorcade rally ending at Capital in Albany (15 Jun) 1990
WAMC-FM/WANC-FM 103.9 begins broadcasting in Ticonderoga 1990
H.C. “Bing” Tormey sights moose cow and first Adirondack calf near Onchiota (25 Jun) 1990
ALA forms to oppose report of Commission on the Adirondacks in the 21st Century (30 Jun) 1990
Kent Busman becomes full-time director of Camp Fowler, Sacandaga Lake 1990
Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh reports 1 million BTU value for 120 lbs oven-dried hardwood 1990
Residents’ Committee to Protect the Adirondacks is founded at North Creek (Jun) 1990
Blue Line Confederation forms to oppose the 21st Century Report (Jun-Jul) 1990
Iroquois Nationals compete in FIL World Lacrosse Championships 1990
Vil. of Tupper Lake offers $1/month to T. of Altamont toward $1M closure cost of landfill (9 Jul) 1990
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International Committee for Water Quality is est. to oversee plans for Franklin Co. landfill (13 Aug) 1990
Earth First! members and Maynard Baker, Warrensburg superv., fight at Crane P. Rd entrance (Sep) 1990
Gretna and Melvin Longware found Friends of the Hurricane Tower (Sep) 1990
APA’s 236 a. Visitor Interpretive Center opens in Huntington Wildlife Forest, Newcomb (15 Oct) 1990
FWPCA is amended est. the Lake Champlain Special Designation Act (5 Nov.) 1990
Federal Lake Champlain Special Designation Act (PL 101-596) becomes law (5 Nov) 1990
Federal Lake Champlain Special Designation Act incl. est. of L. Champlain Mgt. Conf. (16 Nov) 1990
Champlain Islands CBC yields record high of 11,667 snow geese (c. 20 Dec) 1990
Federal Clean Air Act Amendment, PL 101-549, sets new rules, standards, deadlines incl. CFCs 1990
Federal Clean Air Act Amendments (CAAA, Title IV dealing with acid deposition) becomes law 1990
Federal Clean Air Act Amendments now include rules for cap-and-trade for SO2 and nitrous oxides 1990
Robert Flacke and William Hennessy found the Blue Line Council (Nov) 1990
Robert Hall pub *North Country Almanac: Journal of the Adirondack Seasons* (Nov) 1990
Conrail sells Newton Falls Secondary and Lowville Industrial Track to GVT (Dec) 1990
Nine young round goby, *Apollonia melanostomus*, alien, are collected in Michigan (Dec) 1990
Otetiana and Hiawatha BSA Councils join to operate Camps Massawepie and Sabattis 1990
John Ugelstad, Norwegian Institute Technology, Trondheim, dev. micropellets, aka microbeads, etc. c. 1990
Hammond Library, Crown Point, relocates to former Crown Point Garage building 1990

R.M. Newton and C.T. Driscoll publish a *Classification of Adirondack Lakes* 1990

AfPA helps develop an exhibit on the Forever Wild covenant at Paul Smiths 1990

Cal Carr, Dale and Jeris French *et al.* found the Adirondack Solidarity Alliance 1990

Senator Ronald Stafford (Plattsburgh) objects to the 21st *Century* draft report 1990

Angler catches exotic round goby, *Neogobius melanostomus*, euryhaline, benthic, Eurasian, 10” TL disc St. Clair River, Canada 1990

US EPA and NOAA create CASTNET from NDDN to monitor air quality under CAAA 1990

Tropical Atmospheric Ocean (TAO) array of 2,500 moored and drifting buoys activated 1990


AC hosts conference: “Managing Growth and Development in Unique Natural Settings” 1990

ALSC lake sediment analyses show acidification of 0.3-1.0 pH units for Adk lakes of pH < 6 1990

NAPAP report is published on ten-year study costing $500,000 and involving 700 scientists 1990

NAPAP report indicates absence of widespread forest and crop damage due to acid deposition 1990

D. & M. Delano give 174 a. to TNC to found Cook Mt. Preserve at Lake George 1990

Native peoples, Mohawk, protest expansion of a golf course at Oka, Ontario, onto burial grounds 1990

USDA issues new Plant Hardiness Zone Map 1990

NYC ESF workers, Syracuse, apply transgenics in search for blight-resistant American chestnut 1990

Rabies is detected in New York raccoons with a major epizootic moving north 1990

Masked men remove the DEC barrier from the entrance to Crane Pond Road 1990

A conference devoted to lowering and/or banning CFCs is held in London 1990

DEC workers, confronted by local citizens, do not replace Crane Pond Road barrier 1990

Earth First! claims destruction of the fire tower on Pharaoh Mountain 1990

St. Regis Mt. fire observation tower is closed, one of the last of the Adk towers to close 1990

Dec tables consideration of the Crane Pond Rd. issue 1990

ANCA *et al.* release feasibility study for reestablishment of Remsen-Lake Placid rail corridor 1990

CATFC hosts 14 hearings statewide on the 21st *Century* Report 1990

DEC annual trailhead registration lists 5-year average for Cascade Trail at 4,812 1990

Nonindigenous Aquatic Nuisance Prevention and Control Act (P.L.101-646) becomes law 1990

Russ Hahn (Cornell) notes giant hogweed, *Heracleum mantegazzianum*, NY roadsides, vacant lots 1990

Adirondack Architectural Heritage (AARCH) is formed for architectural preservation within the AP 1990

Ice core to depth of 2,546 m. is extracted from Hole 4G at Vostok, Antarctica 1990

Maurice Hinchey submits a bill consolidating APA and DEC 1990

R. Glennon authors report for 21st *Century* Commission on the “inconsistent purposes doctrine” 1990

D. Gerds *et al.* host “Unity Conferences” to unite opposition to the 21st *Century* Report 1990

ERP ends 1990

Lake Champlain Special Designation Act becomes law 1990

North American Sugar Maple Decline Project reports sugar maple doing well on a regional basis 1990


Adirondack Fish Cultural Station near Lake Clear, greatly improved, is reopened 1990

Congress funds Northern Forest Lands Council to develop strategy for NE forests 1990

Citizen’s Council & Adk Fairness Coalition stage rally protesting 21st *Century* Report 1990

Major slow-moving road rally on I-87 led by Adirondack Solidarity Alliance immobilizes traffic 1990

Congress passes 21st *Century* report by 400 slow moving vehicles on Northway 1990

Yamaha begins 2nd (unsuccessful) program to develop 4-stroke snowmobile 1990

Number of acres devoted to agriculture in NYS falls to 8.4 million 1990

DEC directs A. Conduzio, gatekeeper at Indian Lake Dam, to vacate Indian Lake premises 1990

Adirondack Nature Conservancy est. a Summit Steward Program 1990

The introduction of the alien round goby is yet another introduction to America by ballast water. Large numbers of this euryecious fish soon to invade all of the Great Lakes and to pose serious consequences to biota and fisheries. It is native to the Caspian and Black Seas and recognized by its bulging eyes, pelvic fins arranged as a sucker to foster life in wave-swept rock beaches, black-spotted dorsal fin, and a total length up to ten inches. Look for its future presence in Lake Champlain and other lakes of the Adirondacks. It is well described on the Web.

ASA is formed to oppose report of Commission on the Adirondacks in the 21st Century 1990
Adirondack Fairness Coalition is formed in opposition to the 21st Century Report 1990
The NYS 21st Century environmental bond issue of $1.9 billion fails at the polls 1990
J.P. Baker et al. publish an analysis of Adk fish communities and water chemistry 1990
NYS DMV ATV registration fee is reassigned to NYS general fund eliminating money for trails 1990
The Intercounty Legislative Committee forms the APC (23 Feb) 1990
DNA studies confirm the presence of coyote-wolf hybrids near Québec, Ontario 1990
NYS adopts California automobile emission standards, the strictest in the U.S. 1990
U.N. Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) issues First Assessment Report 1990
USFS publishes Northern Forest Lands Study relating to NY, VT, NH and ME 1990
US Census Bureau drops long standing annual survey of farm residents, now 1.9% of households 1990
Paul Schaefer receives the Alexander Calder National Conservation Award 1990
TI is ranked by The Scientist as 7th best independent private research laboratory in U.S. 1990
Lake Placid Olympic Torch Restoration Committee is formed 1990
J. Gallagher and J. Baker publish ‘Current Status of Fish Communities in Adirondack Lakes’ 1990
R. J. North, TI, Saranac Lake, receives prize of the Society for Leucocyte Biology 1990
National Weather Service uses doppler technology to see rain and wind movement in storms 1990
Gouverneur Medium Security Correctional Facility is built at Gouverneur, St. Lawrence Co. 1990
Chateaugay Medium Security Correctional Facility is built at Chateaugay 1990
Adirondack Resources Recovery Associates, LP, Hudson Falls waste incineration facility opens 1990
Robert Glennon of APA cites Sacandaga Reservoir regulation charging gross evasion of Article XIV 1990
G. Davis, Adk Council, proposes Bob Marshall Great Wilderness (410,000 a.) in western Adks 1990
“60 Minutes” TV broadcast acccents dangers of mercury-containing dental amalgams 1990
American Dental Association is highly critical of dental amalgam feature of “60 Minutes” 1990
Dental amalgams currently in use may contain up to 52% mercury and weigh 1 gram per filling 1990
AC publishes 2020 Vision: Completing the Adirondack Wilderness System 1990
Lake Champlain Basin Program (LCBP) is est. under L. Champlain Special Designation Act 1990
Forest Legacy Program (FLP) is est. as part of the federal Farm Bill to conserve working forests 1990
AC publishes 2020 Vision: Realizing the Recreational Potential of Adk Wild Forests 1990
The Holy Rosary Catholic Church at Big Moose Station is demolished (11 Dec) 1990
Hale Creek Medium Security Correctional Facility is built at Johnstown, Fulton Co. 1990
James Cranker founds Lower Adirondack Search and Rescue 1990
Robert G. Wehle gives 1,067 a. on L. Ontario, Henderson (former Stony Pt. Rifle Range) to DEC 1990
George Davis, Adirondack Council, proposes Adirondack Wild Rivers Wilderness of 72,480 a. 1990
The NYS population reaches 17,990,455 with a density of 381/square mile 1990
564 Adirondack landowners now own more than 50% of all private land in then-Adirondack Park 1990
Hoyt-Sheffer bill to codify public navigation rights passes NYS Assembly 1990
A yearling moose is killed on Rt. 9L near Lake George, Warren Co. (24 Jun) 1990
David Bloomhower disappears in the forest near West Canada Lake (Jun) 1990
TNC and NYS preserve 4.470 feet of Lambshanty Bay shoreline at Lake George 1990
Physician Francis B. Trudeau receives the Adirondack Museum Founder’s Award 1990
Adirondack Landowners Association (ALA), members owning some 250,000 a., is established 1990
Outbreaks of Anabaena and Aphanizomenon (cyanobacteria) occur at Upper Saranac Lake 1990
The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is passed by congress 1990
NYS apple production reaches 25 M bu., 2nd in US, with Clinton/Essex Cos. crop at 1.32 M bu. 1990
Global congress votes to phase out use of Halon™ and carbon tetrachloride by 2000 1990
Hamilton Co. with 1,721 sq. mi. has a population of 5,279 for a density 3.1/sq. mi. 1990
Users of Adirondack-Catskill FP facilities falls from 1,926,170 in1980 to 931,499 1990
ALC begins systematic liming of its acidified lakes and ponds 1990
New England Journal of Medicine reports possible role of deer flies in spread of Lyme disease 1990
Federal government completes a ten-year, $600M study on acid rain 1990
Geo. Davis proposes 72,480 a. Wild R. Wilderness in area largely owned by Finch, Pruyn & Co. 1990

The study by Whitehead and Jackson cited above and published by in the New York State Museum Bulletin No. 478 is one of the seminal and modern analyses of the Adironack flora and highly recommended. 1990

The Editors

Summit Lacrosse Tournament (for adults) is organized at Lake Placid 1990
Global Change Research Program is est. as one of the largest US science initiatives 1990
Coal consumption in China rises to match that of the United States 1990
Federal Oil Spill Prevention Act becomes law 1990
NYP Airways adds two turbine generators to both Vischer Ferry and Crescent hydropower plants 1990
Edwin Ketchledge introduces Adirondack Summit-steward Program 1990
Jean Rikhoff receives Adirondack Community College President’s Award of Academic Excellence 1990
Some 50,000 snowmobiles are now registered in NY state 1990
DEC assigns 14,713 trapping licenses to local residents (DEC) 1990
African Americans own c. 1% of the US national wealth 1990
US now protects 10.5% of its area in national parks and similar sites 1990
Flood waters of Sacandaga Reservoir crest discharging into the spillway of Conklingville Dam 1990
US National Weather Service reports this year to be the warmest of record 1990
NYC DEP reports water consumption of 1,423.8 gpd, a per capita consumption of 201.3 gal 1990
Champlain Barge Canal, Whitehall to Waterford, handles 173,000 tons of cargo 1990
DEC issues temporary revocable permits for motorized access to the FP early 1990s
Joe Carter, Toronto Blue Jays, introduces Rawlings maple baseball bat to major league baseball early 1990s
Brian Bliss follows Robert Vincent in recording ice-sheet data for Lake Placid (see web) early 1990s
Québec bans commercial fishing of American eel in Richelieu River early 1990s
Gas additive methyl tertiary butyl ether (MTBE) is found in groundwater 1990s
Snowmobile designs include width increase from 36 to 48 inches fostering wider, groomed trails 1990s
Land proposed as Wal-Mart site at Saranac Lake is purchased by opponent quashing project 1990s
Town planners reject location of Wal-Mart store at village of Lake Placid 1990s
Beech scale-nectria disease becomes the primary hardwood forest management problem for Adks 1990s
Coal combustion release of mercury and its soil derivative methyl mercury impact the Adks 1990s
Mountain pine beetle, Dendroctonus ponderosae, devastates some 45M a. of western forest 1990s
Schuyerville/Victory Board of Water Management installs deep water wells 1990s
New strains of potato late blight fungus, Phytophthora infestans, enter US from Mexico 1990s
Japanese knotweed (Reynoutria japonica) spreads widely to road sides and shores of Adks 1990s
RCPA reports that 820 to 850 new structures are built in AP each year 1990s
Jenny Lake banding indicates a major irruption of Black-capped Chickadee 1990-91
Lake George does not freeze completely; see 1919-20 for previous such event 1990-91
RCPA study: Local gov’ts permit 8,589 new residential, commercial, industrial structures in AP 1990-99
The Adirondack Medical Center is incorporated at Saranac Lake (1 Jan) 1991
Acronym “BANANA” is coined by David Williams (Sydney Morning Herald, AU) (31 Jan) 1991
AfPA hosts a conference on Biological Diversity in the Adirondacks 1991
James McLelland reports on the “Geochronology of the Southern Adirondacks” 1991
AC/AMNH host centennial celebration On the Eve of the 100th Birthday of the Adk Park (12 Dec) 1991
Hoyt-Sheffer bill to codify navigation rights passes NYS Assembly 1991
DEC completes draft navigation rights regulations, list of navigable rivers; Gov’s staff says stop 1991
Four Sierra Club canoeists, one kayaker, challenge ALC river closing, South Branch of Moose R. 1991
General Hospital at Saranac Lake and (Lake) Placid Memorial Hospital consolidate 1991
The use of lead shot is prohibited nationwide for waterfowl hunting 1991
NYANG proposes wide ranging F-16 training area over nine of 12 Adk Park Wilderness areas (Jun) 1991
AC negotiates with NYANG on F-16 training with dispersed flights as low as 300’ over Adk Pk 1991
GVT forms Mohawk, Adirondack & Northern RR to run freight to Newton Falls and Lowville 1991
A forest fire of more than 300 acres occurs at Vermontville (16 May) 1991
USOC forces USBSF to dissolve and reform itself after audit of finances (18 Mar) 1991
Presbyterian Church of Northern New York closes Land’s End and plans to sell it (25 Mar) 1991
Asian gypsy moth is discovered in Washington, Oregon and in BC outside of Vancouver 1991
Double-crested cormorant resume nesting near Cornwall, Ontario, upper St. Lawrence River 1991
Town of Webb uses Bti bacteria in local streams and rivers to control black fly larva (spring) 1991
DEC Bureau of Fisheries ‘retires’ state records for brook trout as ‘historical’ and starts anew 1991
Town of Keene rejects DEC request to formally abandon Old Mountain Road 1991
A new St. Bartholomew’s Church is dedicated at Old Forge 1991
Warrensburg STP, Town of Warrensburg, Warren Co., is est. releasing product to Schroon River 1991
DOT, DEC, APA team to write UMP for Remsen-Lake Placid Travel Corridor 1991
Michael DiNunzio et al. establish the Northern Forest Alliance 1991
NYS DOT spends $7 million to refurbish Champlain Bridge at Crown Point 1991
Nancy Eldblom finds European Frog’s s-bit in woodland pool near Lampson’s Falls, Grasse R. WF 1991
Lake Placid hosts the Moguls World Championships 1991
Eigil Flin-Christenen et al., Danish, link solar activity and cosmic radiation to earth temperature 1991
GE completes EPA 1984 ROD cap construction at Hudson R. PCB remnant deposits area 1991
NYSOGA holds ‘Centennial Rendevous’ at Saranac Lake 1991
New Zeland Mud Snail is reported as present in Lake Ontario 1991
The DEC estimates the coyote population of northern New York at 18,000 animals 1991
Tim Jones gets building permit from Town of Altamont to build camp in pre-existing subdivision 1991
Richard Feldman is selected chairman of the Lake Placid Horse Show Association 1991
Insect repellents containing ethyl hexanediol (Rutgers 612 et al.) are removed from marketplace 1991
Rudd, Scardinius erythropthalmus, is identified in L. Champlain 1991
Ann Corcoran begins dissemination of property rights info. in a Land Rights Letter 1991
The New York Blue Line Council is incorporated 1991
DEC/AG drop action to evict IRC Indian Lake dam gatekeeper 1991
DEC and HRBRRD call upon the governor to resolve Indian Lake Dam controversy (see IRC) 1991
AM inaugurates No-Octane Regatta for Wooden Boats at Blue Mountain Lake 1991
Peter Nye, NYSDEC, reports presence of 16 breeding pairs of bald eagles in NY 1991
St. Regis Tribal Council and Mohawk Nation Council of Chiefs join in land-claim suit 1991
ORDA takes over responsibility for Whiteface Mountain Veterans Memorial Highway from DOT

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Dedicated Highway and Bridge Trust Fund is est. to pay for road and bridge rehabilitation

USF&G begins foreclosure on Guinness PLC share of former Lake Placid Club

Glazier Packing Co., Inc. buys Pahler Packing Corp. of Potsdam

APA approves map-change for mining of wollastonite at NYCO Minerals Inc. at Willsboro

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D.L. Garner & W.F. Porter rep decline of Adk WTD brainworm infections, 77% to 46% (Oct)

Canadian Pacific Railway acquires D&H Railway for $25M to get Montreal to NYC route

Carl Strock, *Daily Gazette*, comments on Butler L. project (96 lots, APA 89

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TSCFA recommends reintroduction of the moose to the Adirondacks

Vincent Schaefer prepares a field guide in five parts for the *Long Path North*

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USF&G begins foreclosure on Guinness PLC share of former Lake Placid Club

Dedicated Highway and Bridge Trust Fund is est. to pay for road and bridge rehabilitation

Theanogen – of Lake Placid Club fame – is destroyed by fire

ORDA takes over responsibility for Whiteface Mountain Veterans Memorial Highway from DOT
Audubon International creates the Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Program (ASCP) for golf

Arthur Carhart National Wilderness Training Center opens near Missoula, MT

FB-111A bomber wing vacates Plattsburgh Air Force Base (Jul)

Minimum age for a small-game licence is lowered from 14 to 12

North Creek RR station is acquired by Canadian Pacific but remains vacant

LGPC initiates permit system for parasail operation on waters of Lake George

Gov. Cuomo initiates environmental review of NYS agency action in the Adk Park

John Schwegman reports invasion of southern Illinois forests by Oriental bittersweet

National Acid Precipitation Assessment Program Report, with 136 authors, is published

Mt Pinatubo (volcano), Philippines, blows (VEI 6) spreading ash to cool northern hemisphere (Jun)

Methane release from ocean floor 55 M years BP is proposed as cause of major GCC

NYC installs 10,000 water-saving devices in one- to three-family residences

US participates in treaty regulating Antarctic mineral extraction and harvest of biota

c. 3,000 hikers have at close of this year ascended all Adk high peaks to become “46rs”

USDA and state agencies presumably eradicate Asian gypsy moth from NW US

The Asian gypsy moth female, unlike the flightless European gypsy moth, is able to fly up to 20 miles and is able to use more than 500 species of plant foliage in its diet compared to the more limited diet, i.e. c. 250 species, of the European form. The potential of this new alien to reach and impact Adirondack forests is thus highly significant.

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The northern hawk owl visits New York in an irruption winter

Jenny Lake banding indicates a notable irruption of the pine siskin

150 common ravens feed on suet, Six Nation Indian Mus., Franklin Co. (Levine, p. 395; winter)

NYSERDA and ESEERCO sponsor study of lake mercury in Adks by C.T. Driscoll et al.

NYS budget begins ten-year, $3M support for ANCA for 14 county program (Jan)

DEC pub first Statewide Open Space Plan with a periodic update required under EPF Act

Paving of FP lands for skiing and biathlon is proposed for Mt. van Hoevenberg

USAir commuter aircraft, 4 aboard, crashes on Blue Hill, Gabriels/Vermontville; 2 die (3 Jan)


Prof. D. Muller-Schwarze estimates that 14,000-18,000 beaver now exist in Adirondacks

An ECO cannot deal in ginseng (6 Feb)

An ECO cannot operate a chartered fishing service (6 Feb)

An ECO cannot operate a marina with bar and restaurant (6 Feb)

Tim Jones begins building 500 sq. ft. camp along Raquette River, T. of Altamont

APA (Ed Talbot) orders Tim Jones to cease construction of his camp, T. of Altamont (21 Apr)

APA (Ed Talbot) returns to Tim Jones camp with cease and desist order (21 Apr)

APA files action in NYS Supreme Court against Tim Jones (Jun)

Maurice Kenny, Saranac Lake, pub., White Pine Pr., Tekonwatonti/Molly Brant, biographical verse

US stops GCC action proposed by UN Rio de Janeiro Conference of 172 nations (3-14 Jun)

The NYS Constitution is amended to exchange FP land to enlarge Piseco airport

APA amends Guidelines Fisheries Management in Wilderness, Primitive and Canoe Areas (12 Jul)

Finch, Pruyn & Co. rebuilds paper machine No. 4 to raise production at Glens Falls

Dublin Accord addresses commodification of water and need for holistic approach

Michael Kudish pub Adirondack Upland Flora: An Ecological Perspective

Michael Kudish notes Buckthorn (Rhamnus cathartica) on Harrietstown Hill, near Gabriels

Michael Kudish does not report oriental bittersweet (Celastrus orbiculatus) in Adk uplands

Champion Papers invites conservationists to study and advise on its lands
The mid-summer temperature at Saranac Lake falls to 30 °F. (2 July) 1992
DEC introduces lake sturgeon to Oswegatchie and Grass Rivers in the Adirondacks 1992
AfPA and Barbara McMartin organize Adirondack Park Centennial Conference at Silver Bay 1992
Adirondack Park Centennial is celebrated widely 1992
Jean Rikhoff receives SUNY Chancellor’s Award for Excellence in Teaching 1992
Ed Zahniser edits writings of Howard Zahniser, Where Wilderness Preservation Began 1992
UHEAC cites V. Colvin and S. R. Stoddard in Champions of Conservation bookmark series 1992
Hudson River Recreation Area has reputation for littering, vandalism and non-compliant behavior 1992
Pine shoot beetle, *Tomicus piniperda*, is found at a Christmas tree farm near Cleveland, Ohio 1992
Vincent Schaefer defines 85 landmarks over northern 100 miles of the (Adk) Long Path 1992
UN Conference on Environment and Development produces *Agenda 21* 1992
Adirondack Fish Cultural Station (hatchery) at Lake Clear renews its SPDES permit 1992
Price et al rep. $900 million in US pineforest damage due to SPB from 1960 to 1990 1992
People of Color Environmental Groups Directory is published 1992
Village of Westport, Essex Co., dissolves (31 Dec) 1992
Friends of St. Williams on Long Point at Raquette Lake is founded to save Durant’s church 1992
Edith Pilcher pub *The Constables: First Family of the Adirondacks* 1992
NYS begins renewing its land lease with Turtle Island Trust on a month-to-month basis 1992
ARPS is formed to save 4 mi. of railroad trackage from Thendara to Minnehaha 1992
Twin Rivers Boy Scout Council, former Woodworth L. Scout Reservation, reduces operations 1992
NYS Open Space Conservation Plan (OSCP) is adopted 1992
Kim Elliman is elected president of OSI 1992
TOPEX/Poseidon satellite is launched by NASA and CNES to monitor sea-surface topography 1992
APA permits construction of 5 or 6 homes, Veteran Mountain Camp at Tupper Lake, Franklin Co. 1992
Alpo drops funding for Alpo International Dogsled Races at Gabriels, Town of Brighton 1992
Earth Liberation Front (ELF) forms in Brighten, England, to foster ecoterrorism and ecosabotage 1992
S. Dougher and R. Vecchio sue ADK for failing to warn them of hazardous weather at Mt. Marcy 1992
New York Rivers United is founded to restore rivers to natural condition by dam removal 1992
A conference devoted to lowering or banning use of CFCs is held in Copenhagen 1992
Niagara Mohawk sells 18 mi. Hadley-Warrensburg sector of Hudson R. shore to NYS for FP 1992
Paul Smith’s College and USLA found the Adirondack Watershed Institute 1992
Campmen from Camp Gabriels restore original flagstone paths at Veterans Park, Saranac Lake 1992
Alan Hicks and Edwin McGowin publish EIS on moose restoration in the Adirondacks 1992
USFWS pub 2nd recovery plan for the eastern timber wolf 1992
NAS advocates climate control in report *Policy Implications of Greenhouse Warming* 1992
Pharaoh Lake Wilderness Area UMP is approved (Apr) 1992
Amendment to Montreal Protocol sets schedule for HCFC (hydrochlorofluorocarbon) phaseout 1992
Public hearings are held by the DEC on the restoration of moose in the Adirondacks 1992
A.J. Friedla *nd et al*. report significant decline of lead in NE forest soils 1992
B.F. Cumming and nine others pub on Adk lake sediment diatom stratigraphy and acidification 1992
Fort Drum expansion ($1.3 billion) to hold full 10th Mountain Division is completed 1992
NCPR replaces translator on Blue Mountain with 200-watt transmitter for WXLH 89.9 FM radio 1992
NCPR translator is replaced with 200-watt radio transmitter for Watertown (WSLJ 88.9 FM) 1992
One-hundred and one towns and villages are now partially or wholly within the Blue Line 1992
Riverview Medium Security Correctional Facility is built in Ogdensburg, St. Lawrence Co. 1992
U.N. Framework Convention on Climate Change is signed by 154 nations 1992
President George H.W. Bush refuses to sign the Convention on Biological Diversity (Jun) 1992
Annual Adirondack Mountains Antique Show is est. on grounds of Adirondack Museum 1992
The cod fishery of the Grand Banks of Newfoundland collapses 1992
ALSC begins vigorous survey of Adk lake and rain pH 1992
VINS begins study of Bicknell’s Thrush, detecting high levels of mercury and polyandry 1992
There are now eight operating pulp and paper mills in the NE US (see 2007) 1992
Adirondack Centennial RR begins Thendara-Otter Lake and Thendara-Carter Station runs/tours 1992
Warren Co. buys 40 mi RR track (N. Ck. – Corinth) from Delaware & Hudson on closing of mine 1992
Stephen and Dorreen Ossenkop form Adirondack Buffalo Co. to raise bison at North Hudson 1992
Former director Craig Gilborn receives the Adirondack Museum Founder’s Award 1992
PSC est. Adirondack Watershed Institute (AWI) in cooperation with Upper Saranac Lake Assoc. 1992
John Collins is appointed chairman of the APA 1992
Norman and Nancy Germain close the Oak Mountain Ski Center at Sepulator c. 1992
Michael Kudish, PSC, pub distribution map of the Butternut (tree) in Adirondack region 1992
Lyons Mountain SD-WWTP, T. Dannemora, Clinton Co. begins product release to Separator Brk 1992
ORDA proposes widening and paving biathlon trails at Mt. van Hoevenberg RA 1992
A flume wall collapse at the Oswegatchie Hydroelectric plant causes shutdown 1992
New York Trail Riders Organization (NYTRO) is est. in Fredonia to promote off-road recreation 1992
Barbara McMartin pub *Hides, Hemlock and Adirondack History* 1992
AfPA sponsors 2nd century conference - Visions for the Park 1992
A mussel later identified as the quagga mussel is found in Erie Canal at Palmyra 1992
NYS renames Barge Canal the New York State Canal System assigning operation to NYSCC 1992
Slow-moving northeaster strikes NE coast with marginal impact on Adks 1992
Following AATV, Gov. appoints Barbara Sweet and Richard Lefebvre to APA Commission (Jun) 1992
Sanford Weill, CEO billioniare of Citigroup, and wife Joan move to Upper Saranac Lake 1992
NEIWPCC becomes financial administrator and adviser for the Lake Champlain Basin Program 1992
NYS Canal Corporation (Canal Corp.) is formed under the NYS Thruway Authority 1992
DEC organizes a Spruce Grouse Recovery Team 1992
European Beetle, *Galerucella* sp., specialized herbivore of Purple loosestrife, is introduced to US 1992
Mark McClure, CT Agric. Exp. Stat., discovers ladybird beetle, predator, Honshu, Japan 1992
HWA infests most of E. hemlock in Shenandoah National Park, Va. 1992
Arsonist destroys a barn on Westport property of APA commissioner Anne LaBastille (8 Aug) 1992
Vandals spray turquoise paint on Adirondack Council building owned by G. Gordon Davis (8 Aug) 1992

Other incidents mentioned in Cuomo's letter include: April 1992, protesters dump cow manure outside the council office; July 1991, shots fired at APA staffers and three bullets put in their truck; August 1991, roofing nails strewn under car tires, sidewalks and street near council building; September 1991, rotten vegetables impregnated with skunk oil thrown in front of the council on two nights; October 1991, liquid cow manure sprayed on the council building; November 1991, the office of dentist Dean Cook of Ticonderoga (a member of the council) burned and ruled to be suspicious; May 1990, council windows covered with posters, swastikas and other defacements; spring 1990, a council employee was harassed at his home by a group of 10 protesters. The governor also noted that members of the APA have received threatening phone calls, skunk oil was sprayed in APA vehicles and nails have been strewn in the parking lot.


APLRB issues resolution condemning violence and vandalism within the AP (26 Aug) 1992
S. Warne (NYS Forester) notes *Q. Robur* near fmr Gregoryville site in Pharaoh Lake WA (12 Sep) 1992
75-150 pairs common raven engage display flights, Rattlesnake Mt. vic., Essex Co. (Levine, 27 Sep) 1992
Pigeon Lake Wilderness Area UMP is approved (Oct) 1992
Z. Plater, R. H. Abrams and W. Goldfarb pub major treatise on environmental law and policy 1992
North Creek Ministries (NCM) is founded at North Creek to serve people in need 1992
Adirondack Railway Preservation Society forms to preserve railway between Utica and L. Placid 1992
NYS legislature adopts ANCA ‘theme trails’ as ‘scenic byways’ to acquire federal ISTEA funds 1992
Lakes reclaimed by DEC reaches 104: Essex, 25; Franklin, 46; Hamilton, 28; St. Lawrence, 5 1992
Ward Lumber, Jay, NY, inaugurates annual Buck Contest for white tail deer hunters 1992
Pete Rickard, Inc. removes DEET from “Ole Time” Woodsman Fly Dope formulation (12 Nov) 1992
John DuPont ends his editorship of *the Conservationist* (begun in 1977) 1992
DEC requires all NYS municipalities to develop waste source separation programs 1992
DEC adds Follensby Pond tract to Open Space Conservation Plan 1992
Betty Little is recipient of the Liberty Bell Award for Community Service 1992
Federal government fosters wind power development through tax credits 1992
NYS cancels contract for electric power to be generated by a James Bay hydroelectric facility 1992
Adirondack town supervisors, mayors, town councils found AATV at VIC, Newcomb (12 Dec) 1992

Many groups purport to speak for the Adirondackers, but only the AATV is comprised of democratically elected, local government officials as chosen by the citizenry.

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Adirondack Association of Towns and Villages
http://www.aatvny.org/Adirondacks%20Voice.htm

55 common raven seen at Essex Landfill, Essex Co. (26 Dec) 1992
Following consolidation with GHSL, LPMH becomes a sports medicine center 1992
*Adirondack Light*, symphony by Hilary Tann, UC, commissionned by GFS is premiered at Glens Falls 1992
Erich Veyhl begins publication of *Land Rights Letter* in opposition to Adk land-use regulation 1992
Clinton, Essex, Franklin, Hamilton, Lewis, Warren Cos. hotel revenues is $103.5 mill. 1992-93
A Northern Hawk Owl sojourns at Lake Placid (19 Nov-4 Apr) 1992-93
IP spends over $300 million on research and development 1992-93
Major El Nino (ENSO) strikes eastern Pacific again having serious impact on Peru 1992-93
RPI hosts a workshop bringing together experts on acid deposition 1993
By-laws of AfpA are amended (6 Jan) 1993
New York State Off-highway Recreational Vehicle Association (NYSORVA) is formed (Jan) 1993
SCJ Ryan rules Tim Jones should ask for unneeded permit or go thru enforcement process (Jan) 1993
“Storm of the Century” w/ heavy snow, high winds paralyze Atlantic coast and Adks (12-13 Mar) 1993
APA sets guideline against non-lawyers acting as authorized representatives, e.g. Tim Jones (Mar) 1993
Nor’easter dumps 22” of snow in the Malone area (22-23 April) 1993
Whitewater World Inc. (N. Creek) rafter drowns when raft flips in The Narrows, Hudson R. (23 Apr) 1993
NYS maple syrup farmers produce 180,000 gallons of syrup this year 1993
The AfpA constitution is rewritten (25 May) 1993
NYSDEC and DOT establish Highway Guidelines for the Adirondack Park 1993
Cape Vincent Medium Security Level Correctional Facility is est. at Cape Vincent, Jefferson Co. 1993
Ice core Hole 5G at Vostok, Antarctica, reaches depth of 2,755 m, providing data on GCC 1993
AfpA pub *Wilderness and People, the future of the Adirondack Park* 1993
To date, 83 Yukon lynx have been released in the High Peaks and have spread very widely 1993
American Hiking Society inaugurates National Trails Day (Jun) 1993
Anne LaBastille resigns from Adirondack Park Agency Board of Commissioners (10 Jun) 1993
US Air Force launches the 24th NAVSTAR satellite completing the GPS (26 Jun) 1993
Robert F. Hall dies Warrensburg, Warren Co. 27 Aug) 1993
Tim Jones requests in writing a sit-down meeting with APA, but to no avail (Sep) 1993
NYS Forest Rangers report use of cellular phones in the High Peaks 1993
Study of Greenland ice cores shows great regional climate change within a decade 1993
Ned Harkness relinquishes presidency of NY ORDA 1993
Cornell University Willboro Farm assigns 6 a. to research on organic food production techniques 1993
A. Rohl, MSSM, testifies St. Law. Co. talc contains fibers tremolite, anthophyllite and chrysotile 1993
Daniel T. Smith chairs an APA task force for procedural improvement 1993
Tom Porter, Sakokwenionkwas, et al. reestablish Kanienkeh (Mohawk) at Kanatsiokareke (Fonda) 1993
New York State now owns 43 percent of the land within the Town of Long Lake 1993
UHEAC cites Howard Zahnizer (1906-1964) in its Champions of Conservation bookmark series 1993
Lydia Serrell, long-term AfPA volunteer, becomes its paid Adm. Assistant and Assistant Treasurer 1993
15 corporations and individuals own 80 percent of the private sector of the Adirondack Park 1993
Town of Newcomb adopts APA-approved local land use and development plan 1993
NYSDEC est. Submerged Heritage Preserves program to administer L. George shipwreck sites 1993
Methods for remote sensing of surface soil moisture and temperature are developed 1993
Recorded export of wild-harvested American ginseng is 153,526 lbs. valued at $21,770,100 1993
WTD carcass is found in Keene Valley with wounds suggesting mountain lion attack (Oct) 1993
Thomas Carleton is lost in High Peaks area (9-10 Oct) 1993
Historian Francis Seaman receives the Adirondack Museum Founder’s Award 1993
USLA seeks closure of the Adirondack Fish Cultural Station (Nov) 1993
Northeaster dumps 18.5” of snow on the Stillwater Reservoir area (1 Nov) 1993
Zebra mussels are discovered in Lake Champlain 1993
Glens Falls Hospital completes its Pruyn Pavilion containing Cancer Center & Day Surgery Center 1993
Paul Schaefer pub Adirondack Cabin Country - the title deriving from his beloved Beaver House 1993
Charles Wood and Paul Newman open Double H Ranch at Lake Luzerne for critically ill children 1993
NYS Inspector Gen. J. Spinelli claims HRBRRD issues no-bid contracts and other improprieties 1993
Richard Lefebvre, Caroga Lake, is appointed a member of the APA board 1993
Eastern coyote is now protected in NYS with a season of late October through March 1993
NY eastern coyote harvest by trap and gun now ranges between 200 and 300 animals per year 1993
DEC and LGPC est. an agreement on the oversight of Lake George water levels 1993
American Forest and Paper Association is formed from the NFPA and API 1993
Gov. Cuomo and Akwesasne Mohawk authorize a gambling casino at Hogansburg (Akwesasne) 1993
Anthropologists (with permission) remove 12 human skeletons from Fort Wm. Henry Mus. for study 1993
Three of 15 human skeletons are re-interred after decades on display at Fort William Henry Museum 1993
HRRG revises rules regulating access to state-owned land surrounding Sacandaga Reservoir 1993
NYS legislature fails to ratify Cuomo-Akwesasne compact for Hogansburg casino 1993
NY S legislature authorizes donation and distribution of the meat of large game animals 1993
NYS est. Environmental Protection Fund for land acquisition, landfill closures, recycling facilities 1993
DEC creates an unfunded comprehensive aquatic species management plan 1993
Jean Rikhoff joins emerita of Adirondack Community College, vacating English D. Chair 1993
NYS legislature est (Sect. 235-a, Education Law) Biodiversity Research Institute (BRI) at NYSM 1993
The federal Brady Handgun Violence Protection Act is approved 1993
US residential lawn care requires 32 million lbs of pesticides and 580 million gal. of gasoline 1993
Blue Mountain L. Wild Forest UMP suggests summer rafting ban on Hudson R. 1993
Bateaux Below, Inc. opens ‘The Sunken Fleet of 1758’ and ‘The Forward’ preserves at L. Geo. 1993
Major landslides occur on NE and NW ridges of Dix Mountain 1993
European leek moth, Acrolepiopsis assectella, is discovered in Ontario, Canada 1993
HHHN opens health centers in Schroon Lake and Ticonderoga 1993
EPA reregisters glyphosate for use in the US 1993
Nancy Slack and Allison Bell pub *85 Acres: A Field Guide to the Adirondack Alpine Summits* 1993
China buys 51,000 tons of Adk hemlock boosting price to $8 per ton for Finch, Pruyn & Co. 1993
Supreme Court Judge J. N. White denies ALC suit in favor of Sierra Club canoeists 1993
ALC and 18 other organizations appeal Supreme Court decision on Adk canoe access 1993
AfPA protests destruction of large glacial erratics on NYS Route 8 1993
NYPA overhauls two original turbine generators at Vischer Ferry and Crescent hydroelectric sites 1993
Howard Kirschenbaum, historic preservationist, buys White Pine Camp to continue restoration 1993
John Nemjo and Mike Drake est. the Black Fly (mountain bike) Challenge under NORBA 1993
Study of Indonesian glaciers reports an avg. retreat of 45 m/year for the last 20 years (see 1971) 1993
The Forest Stewardship Council is founded to manage and sustain global forests 1993
NYSDEC, NRDC and Adirondack Council sue EPA on 1999 CAA amendment 1993
Preservation of publicly owned Adirondack Great Camp Santanoni, Newcomb, begins 1993
The Adirondacks are impacted by a severe drought 1993
Mountain lion cub is shot at L. Desolation, T. of Providence, DNA indicates S. American origin 1993
Anne La Bastille, author (12+books) , scientist, guide, completes 17 years as APA commissioner 1993
North Creek Railway Depot Preservation Association is founded and receives deed from CPR 1993
European Frog’s-bit (free-floating aquatic plant) is found near Grande Isle, northern L Champlain 1993
Shrimp fisherman finds a Chinese Mitten Crab in South San Francisco Bay, CA 1993
TNC and NY cooperate to add 77 a. to Prospect Mt. Preserve at Lake George (Dec) 1993
LCBP begins a granting program to help clean streams, provide lake access and reduce pollution 1993
Daniel R. Plumley of Keene est. exchange of American and Buryat professional biologists 1993
A water leak-detection program is applied to 8,000 residences and 80 apartments in NYC 1993
Town of North Elba begins mapping black fly breeding areas (fall) 1993
Brad Orken, USDA, *et al*, form HWA working group 1993
FAA approves use of the GPS by civil operators (9 Jul) 1993
Champlain Barge Canal, Whitehall to Waterford, handles 67,633 tons of cargo 1993
Common raven numbers fall at Old Forge with closure of landfill, one of their favorite sites 1993
Village of Ticonderoga, Essex Co., dissolves (31 Dec) 1993

Herbert B. Hudnut, Jr., serves as president of AfPA 1993-95
Howard Aubin, Tim Jones’ non-lawyer representative, causes much angst within APA 1993-95
Gary Chilson and Tom Pasquarello found the Adirondack Research Consortium at PSC (20 Jan) 1994
Gary Chilson and David Vinopal, PSC, est. *Adirondack Journal of Environmental Studies* (Jan) 1994
Temperature of minus 48 F occurs at Crown Point, Lake Champlain, NY, (27 Jan) 1994
Gary Chilson and David Vinopal, PSC, est. *Adirondack Journal of Environmental Studies* (Jan) 1994
GLERL, Ann Arbor, Michigan, reports 94% ice cover for Great Lakes (Feb) 1994
Whitewater World Inc. (North Creek) rafter dies of heart attack in Givner’s Rift, Hudson R. (16 Apr) 1994
NAVSTAR GPS achieves full operational capability (17 Jul) 1994
Town of North Elba begins Black Fly Control Program using Bti technology 1994
Comet Shoemaker-Levy 9 strikes the planet Jupiter (Jul) 1994
Pumpkinseed sunfish weighing 1 lb 9 oz is caught at Indian Lake (July) 1994
Waterspout (tornado) over Lake Flower causes much damage in Saranac Lake village (7 Aug) 1994
Peter Bauer is named Executive Director of Residents’ Committee to Protect the Adirondacks 1994
USLA and DEC settle lawsuit on Adirondack Fish Cultural Station operation (Aug) 1994
Tupper Lake Hardwoods sawmill is established at Tupper Lake 1994
Tupper Lake village est. transfer station on Little Wolf Road when it closed its landfill 1994
Wildlife Conservation Society establishes Adirondack Branch at Saranac Lake 1994
NY 99 is dropped from Franklin Cty Rte 26, Port Kent and Hopkinton Turnpike (26 Sep) 1994
Holmes and Assoc. issue ANCA Bicycle Master Plan for Adk North Country Region (Nov) 1994
UNEP hosts the UN Convention to Combat Desertification and Drought 1994
Peter Nye of DEC reports 23 nesting pairs of bald eagle in NYS 1994
Alexandra Eyle, ESF College Foundation/CESF pub *Charles Lathrop Pack: Timberman...* 1994

Charles Lathrop Pack (1857-1937), timber magnate, one of the most potent leaders of the American forest conservation movement and strongly supported by President Theodore Roosevelt and Gifford Pinchot, is remembered by the Pack Forest of Warrensburg. The biography by Alexandra Eyle does well in detailing the labors of this remarkable man.

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Oneida Nation is formally cited for bravery at Battle of Fort Stanwix, 217 years earlier (6 Aug) 1994
AfPA pub *Looking for Answers: An Exploration of Biodiversity* 1994
AfPA awards Clarence Petty its Lifelong Achievement Award 1994
Ocean pH has declined to-date from 8.179 (1751) to 8.104, a fall of 0.075 (Caldeira & Wickett) 1994
ACNA is formed from Essex Co. Arts Council upon the demise of Franklin Co. Arts Council 1994
New Zealand Mud Snail is further reported for Madison R., Montana, near Yellowstone NP 1994
UHEAC cites David McClure (1848-1912) in its Champions of Conservation bookmark series 1994
Uihlein Sugar Maple Research & Field Station erects greenhouse for sugar maple studies 1994
Per capita energy use in the US now reaches 260 BTU = British Thermal Units. 1994
Barbara McMartin pub *The Great Forests of the Adirondacks* 1994
ANCA and Freight Services issue Economic Analysis of Remsen-Lake Placid Railroad Operation 1994
Mercury-containing dental amalgams are banned in Sweden for young to age of 19 (18 Feb) 1994
Under Congressional pressure, OSHA revises asbestos rules to exempt non-asbestiform tremolite 1994
Rural Electrification Administration becomes Rural Utilities Service under reorganized USDA 1994
Boquet River Association receives the NYSDEC Adirondack Stewardship Award 1994
Lynn Woods pub “A History in Fragments” in *Adirondack Life* 1994
ARC is est. and begins pub of the *Adirondack Journal of Environmental Studies* 1994
Garrett Hotel Group acquires several properties on Lake Placid and opens Lake Placid Lodge 1994
Essex County Arts Council forms the Arts Council for the Northern Adirondacks 1994
APA serves Tim Jones with contempt of court citation (Nov) 1994
Charles Brumley pub *Guides of the Adirondacks* 1994
Writer-historian Paul Jamieson receives the Adirondack Museum Founder’s Award 1994
Appellate Division of NY Supreme court allows APA members to sit until replaced 1994
Adirondack Centennial RR is renamed the Adirondack Scenic RR (Jul) 1994
Langdon Marsh is appointed DEC commissioner replacing Thomas C. Jorling 1994
North American Free Trade Agreement between US, Canada and Mexico begins 1994
NYS purchases the Morgan property on Lake George for $2.6 million 1994
The amount of CFC in the atmosphere peaks at about 1.25 million tons 1994
Edwin Ketchledge, at Silver Bay Symposium, accents educational role of NYS Forest Rangers 1994
Pathogen of whirling disease (*Myxobolus cerebralis*) is detected in NYS fish 1994
A. Newkirk notes succession of poison ivy, planted in 1956, by yellow sweet clover at Dome Island 1994
The federal Office of Technology Assessment (OTA) is abolished 1994
US District Court Judge McCurn affirms Cayuga claim to ancestral land 1994
Most Rev. Paul S. Loverde is appointed bishop of RCC Diocese of Ogdensburg (17 Jan) 1994
DEC negotiates acquisition of Follensby Pond tract, c. 14,000 a., near Tupper Lake trail 1994
NYS Inspector General accuses Ned Harkness of misuse of ORDA funds 1994
Bateaux Below, Inc. opens *Land Tortoise*—A 1758 Floating Gun Battery Preserve at L. Geo. 1994
LGPC takes over Eurasian milfoil program at Lake George after federal support ends 1994
Mexico joins the U.S. and Canada in the North American Waterfowl Management Plan 1994
NY App Div of Supreme Court denies ALC appeal to restrict canoe access 1994
Terry Tempest Williams pub *An Unspoken Hunger* 1994

When I arrived at Lake George I painted a horse's skull -- then another horse's skull and then another horse's skull. After that came a cow's skull on blue. In my Amarillo days cows had been so much a part of the country I couldn't think without them. As I was working I thought of the city men I had been seeing in the East. They talked so often of writing the Great American Novel -- the Great American Play -- the Great American Poetry. Cézanne was so much in the air that I think the Great American Painting didn't even seem a possible dream.

In the words of Georgia O’Keeffe
Terry Tempest Williams
*An Unspoken Hunger*, 1994

Jenny Lake banding indicates major decline of Purple Finch population 1994
B.C. Wadsworth and ADK pub *Guide to Adirondack Trails: Northville Placid Trail* 1994
King family provides first stage for the Adirondack Theatre Festival at their L. George RV Park 1994
Philip G. Terrie pub *Forever Wild* 1994
Without research or impact study, APA bans mountain bikes from wilderness areas 1994
OSI enters into joint venture partnership with Trust for Public Land (TPL) 1994
Slate roof is replaced at Grace Memorial Union Chapel at Sabbath Day Point, L. George 1994
Harlan Crow, Texas hotelier, buys Camp Topridge 1994
Committee to Renovate the Hadley Mountain Fire Tower is formed 1994
NYS Open Space Plan lists O. K. Slip Falls as high priority item for purchase-protection 1994
Finch, Pruyn & Co., closes trail from BSA camp to OK Slip Falls in response to OSP listing 1994
Donald Corliss serves as acting director of DEC region 5 replacing Thomas R, Monroe 1994
Mills *et al.* give this date for the first appearance of the quagga mussel in Cayuga Lake 1994
Int’l. Union for Cons. of Nature and Natural Res. lists ivory-billed woodpecker as extinct 1994
Rabid animal with Florida strain of rabies is discovered in Vermont 1994
DEC advises Town of Fort Ann to replace Hadlock Pond dam (233-1098) 1994
S. Dougher and R. Vecchio lose suit against ADK because of failure to heed posted weather info. 1994
USDI Rivers and Trails Program recognizes BRASS as an American “success story” 1994
NYSDEC assigns BRASS the Adirondack Stewardship Award 1994
A mountain lion is reported shot in the Adirondacks (but where and by whom?) 1994
NPS studies Au Sable River to initiate formation Au Sable River Association (AsRA) 1994
California requires a warning sign in dental offices using mercury amalgams 1994
*RPI begins Adirondack Effects Assessment Program to define impacts of acid deposition* 1994
Paul Schaefer receives the Gov. Mario Cuomo Environmental Achievement Award 1994
Willsboro SD #1 and WWTP, T. of Willsboro, Essex Co. are est. releasing product to Boquet River 1994
Naj Wikoff founds the Lake Placid Institute for the Arts and Humanities 1994
NYSDEC est *Hudson River Almanac* reporting on Hudson Valley from High Peaks to NY harbor 1994
Larsen A Ice Shelf, Larsen Peninsula, Antarctica, breaks releasing section 22 mi x 48 mi in extent 1994
Saratoga Dairy and Stewart’s Ice Cream purchases the Bonfare convenience store chain 1994
*Adirondack Life* reports that Charles Alsheimer contracted Lyme Disease from a black fly bite 1994
Jackrabbit (XC ski) Trail is extended nine miles from Lake Clear Junction to VIC at Paul Smiths 1994
Jeff Lowe climbs ice route “Lowe Expectations” in Chapel Pond Canyon 1994
INCO opens its new acid plant at Copper Cliff, near Sudbury, Ontario 1994
Women’s World Championship hockey tournament is held at Lake Placid 1994
Property Rights Foundation of America (founded by Carol LaGrasse in 1993) is incorporated 1994
International treaty founds the Sustainable Forestry Initiative Program 1994
KC-135 air tankers vacate Plattsburgh AFB and facility ceases operation (Sep) 1994
Gary Hevrich sells 1,825 a. of land in the Split Rock area, Lake Champlain, to NYS for the FP 1994
Glazier Packing Co., Inc. shuts down former Pahler Packing to consolidate sausage business 1994
Geoff Bodine forms Bo-Dyn Bobsled Project, Inc. to develop competitive racing bobsleds 1994
DEC Commissioner Langdon Marsh proposes that DEC assume responsibilities of HRBRRD 1994
USDA reorganizes Soil Conservation Service as the National Resources Conservation Service 1994
C.T. Driscoll et al. link low pH to mercury accumulation in fish 1994
Christine Jerome pub An Adirondack Passage 1994
Floating planes are excluded from 6 lakes in SW Adirondacks as NYS obtains LFPPC easements 1994
Ronald Stafford promotes est. of Center for Intensive Treatment (CIT) at Sunmount, Tupper L. 1994
Seasonal amplitude of atmospheric CO\textsubscript{2} change reaches 15 ppm at Pt. Barrow, Alaska 1994
Fresh Water Institute of RPI begins long-term Adirondack acid deposition research 1994
DEC records 88,931 annual trailhead registrations for the High Peaks 1994
Mohonk Lake Coop. Weather Station reports longest growing season (217 d) in 111 y record 1994
Vostok Station, Antarctica, is temporarily closed 1994
Lake George does not freeze completely 1994-95
Whitehall Skene Manor Preservation (society) acquires and restores Skene Manor, Whitehall 1994-96
Peter Roemer serves as president of AfPA 1994-96
NY WTD take increases from an avg. of 56,314/y. (1970-72) to 183,878/y. 1994-96
Long Path North Hiking Club marks LP roads of Albany and Schenectady Cos. 1994-98
Tom Lyons, Bob Zaremba and Steve Young found an ad hoc committee on invasive plants 1994-98
\textit{Ad hoc} committee on invasive plants develops list of 20 most invasive NY species 1994-98
Clouds passing over Whiteface Mountain average pH of about 4.0 1995
Hammond Pond Wild Forest UMP is approved (Jan) 1995
Aldrich Pond Wild Forest Area UMP is approved (Feb) 1995
“The Rumor” ski trail opens at Gore Mtn, pitched at 70%, it is one of the steepest in the eastern US 1995
\textit{NYT} calls M. Zagata, oil company executive “inappropriate choice” as DEC commissioner (18 Feb) 1995
\textit{NYT} reports Michael Zagata advocating opening Arctic National Wildlife Refuge to drilling (18 Feb) 1995
Yeaw family puts Land’s End bed & breakfast at Upper Saranac Lake up for sale (Mar) 1995
Governor Pataki makes controversial appointment of Michael Zagata DEC commissioner (Apr) 1995
Crane Lake, St. Lawrence Co., has an unusually early ice-out (1 Apr) 1995
NYS Court rules no contempt by Tim Jones and orders APA to schedule a hearing (Apr) 1995
APA obfuscates all attempts to settle Tim Jones case (Apr-Dec) 1995
RCPA begins annual Adirondack Park and Northern Forest Trailhead Project (Jun) 1995
Chicago heat-wave kills 739 (mostly poor and elderly) with temp. peaking at 106° F (12-16 Jul) 1995
Derecho damages 1 million acres of forest and causes 8 deaths in central Adirondacks (15 Jul) 1995
AfPA, AC, NAS, NRDC, and Wilderness Society oppose salvage following derecho of 15 July 1995
USDA, USFS host major meeting on HWA, 80 attending, 14 reports, Charlottesvillia, VA (12 Oct) 1995
Some 2,500 meteorologists affirm the theory of global climatic warming (Nov) 1995
APA, Tim Jones parties meet; APA is provided transcript; Tim Jones is not (Dec) 1995
Adirondack Research Center (ARC), UC, Schenectady, is renamed Adirondack Research Library 1995
EPA est Federal Acid Rain Program; focus: coal burning power plants, SO2, NOx, emissions trading 1995
Veliger larvae of the zebra mussel are discovered in the waters of Lake George 1995
Hallie Bond pub *Boats and Boating in the Adirondacks* 1995

“BEHAVE” prediction model is applied to evaluate fire potential for Adirondack blowdown area 1995

Fuel load for the Five Ponds old-growth blowdown area is estimated at 70-350 Mg/ha. 1995

DEC recommends (reversing 50-year tradition) against timber salvage after July 15 Adk derecho 1995


John Rapanos, Midland, MI, real estate developer, is fined $185,000 for illegal wetland filling 1995

New England and New York experience a major summer drought 1995

Don Mellor pub *Climbing in the Adirondacks* defining 140 ice routes and many more rock routes 1995

Some 6 pounds (only!) of wild-harvested Asian ginseng are harvested in northeast China 1995

GORR is created to ensure clear, consistent, science-based, economically beneficial regulations 1995

Franklin County Solid Waste Management Authority opens landfill near Westville, T. of Constable 1995


A single root of wild-harvested Asian ginseng may now sell in Hong Kong market for $20,000 1995

NY forest fires (379) burn 7,334 a. with an average of 19.4 acres per fire 1995

Japanese ladybird beetle (*P. tsugae*) is released for HWA control in Connecticut and Virginia 1995

WTO adopts Article 27(3)(6) sanctioning exclusive right (patents) to genes and genetic products 1995

Three human skeletons are excavated during construction work at Fort William Henry Museum 1995

Dan Fitts replaces Robert Glennon as Executive Director of the APA 1995

Dr. and Mrs. George Boyle give 18 a. to the Cook Mt. Preserve at Lake George 1995

Adirondack Ensemble is founded in North Creek to bring chamber music to Adirondacks 1995

WMHT-TV produces a taped collection of Adirondack folk songs 1995

R.M. Nowak pub “Another Look at Wolf Taxonomy” indicating red wolf, *Canis rufus*, for Adks 1995

NCPR installs 200-watt transmitter on Gore Mountain for North Creek radio (WXLG 89.9 FM) 1995

American Ornithological Union declares Bicknell’s thrush, as found in Adirondacks, a species 1995

Black Fly Challenge, a 40-mile mountain bike race between Indian L. and Inlet is inaugurated 1995

A 19- ft. high communication tower is built on private lands at the top of Blue Mt. 1995

Linda Champagne et al., Hadley Mt. Fire Tower Committee, est. *Hadley Mountain News* 1995

NY Forest Rangers and COs are united apart from Division of Lands and Forests 1995

Rodolfo del Valle observes break-off of two major sections of the Antarctic Larsen A Ice Shelf 1995

World Meteorological Organization reports this year as the hottest of the recorded weather record 1995

A UN-sponsored panel finds “discernable human influence” on global climatic change 1995

Sudden Oak Death (SOD) is detected in Tanoak, *Lithocarpus densiflorus*, Marin Co., CA 1995

Elizabeth ‘Betty’ Little is elected to the NYS assembly 1995

Jason Levinthal, Guilderland, NY, est. LINE, a one-man company producing skiboards 1995


Phase 1 CAAA takes effect and capped SO2 emissions fall 14% in next 3 years 1995

Scott Van Arsdale begins logging ‘cougar sightings’ in east-central NYS 1995

U.N. reviews “Draft Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples” 1995

Larry Page, Sergey Brin, Terry Winograd, Stanford Univ. create Google in dissertation project 1995

See *Wikipedia* for ‘History of Google’, an electronic window to and for the Adirondack region linking to the world and its many ideas! Its many stages of growth are presented along with a superb bibliography.

The Editors

NYSTEC, Rome, NY, is formed to advise government and private institutions 1995


Krohn *et al.* posit that fisher populations will limit marten populations 1995

TNC and NY cooperate to acquire 125 a. Jabe Pond Trailhead at L. George (Dec) 1995

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Plattsburgh Air Force Base (AFB) is officially closed (30 Sep) 1995
Greg Campbell becomes Chairman of the APA 1995

Research at the (Trudeau) institute started where the Sanatorium left off, with tuberculosis, and changed as the field changed, investigating the body’s process of accepting or rejecting organ transplants, the aging process, cancer, and AIDS, ‘following the money’ as Dr. North says. The money has led full circle, and now some research again focuses on tuberculosis.

Sean O’Sullivan
*Watertown Daily Times,* 8 Jan ’95

DEC inspection reveals ‘significant’ deterioration and ice damage at the two Duck Hole dams 1995
Shania Twain builds recording studio and residence at Dexter Lake, Franklin County 1995
Appleton Papers Inc. acquires Newton Falls Paper Mill from Stora A. B. for $60 million (Jun) 1995
Valley Forge and New Harmony cultivars of the American Elm are released 1995
Clarence Petty receives the Adirondack Museum Founder’s Award 1995
APA reviews development of Oven Mountain Estates (APA Project 91-110) 1995
RCPA, North Creek, begins publication of *The Park Report* 1995
Majority of E. Hemlock in Shenandoah National Park, Va., have been killed by HWA 1995
Heavy rains reactivate the White Scar landslide on Kilburn Mt. 1995
Corinth woman releases 2 young mountain lions following DEC citation re. endangered species 1995
Stuart A. Buchanan becomes director of DEC Region 5 replacing acting director Donald Corliss 1995
Ice core Hole 5G at Vostok, Antarctica, reaches record depth of 3,100 m. 1995
David Hodell *et al.,* *Nature,* report on 8,000 year-old core, Lake Chichancanab, Yucatan (GCC) 1995
Ken Rimany is appointed AfPA Director of Development and Outreach 1995
Ken Rimany is appointed editor of the AfPA *Forest Preserve Magazine* 1995
The Forestland Group (TFG) is est. to manage natural regeneration of forest lands for saw timber 1995
A conference devoted to the lowering or banning of the use of CFCs is held in Vienna 1995
J.D. Roberts *et al.* pub “Survival and reproduction of female wild turkeys in NY” 1995
US now operates 109 nuclear reactors – one underconstruction gen. c. 640,000 M net KWH (May) 1995
USDA, FDA & EPA approve Monsanto’s NewLeaf® GE potato for commercial production 1995
Monsanto Company introduces NewLeaf® GE potato with *Btt* genes against CPB to US market 1995
Monsanto markets NewLeaf Plus® Russet Burbank potato with *Btt* genes 1995
K. Rimany reports beaver dam 5’ high and 25’ wide at Lake Tear of Clouds outlet (16 Jul) 1995
Canal Corp. pub. plan to operate the barge canal system as a recreational facility 1995
Village of Moores, Clinton Co., dissolves (31 Dec) 1995
NYCO engages in adjudicatory hearing re. permit for wollastonite mine at Oak Hill, Lewis Co. 1995
Up Yonda Farm EEC is founded at Lake George by Warren Co. Parks & Recr. Dept. 1995
ARL becomes a member of the Capital District Library Council 1995
More than one-hundred snowmobile clubs now exist in NY 1995
Blue Mountain Wild Forest UMP is updated and reapproved (May) 1995
After 20 years of closure DEC allows catch-and-release fishing in 40-miles of upper Hudson R. 1995
DEC revises FP access policy for compliance with ADA guidelines (Sep) 1995
Chemist Mario Molina wins the Nobel Prize for his work on the role of CFCs in ozone depletion 1995
Finch, Pruyn & Co.’s Blue Ledge property is removed from the open-space plan 1995
Water filtration and emergency generator are est. at the OEC, SUNY Cortland, Raquette L. 1995
Dwight A. Webster Memorial Library is est. at ALC Little Moose (Lake) Field Stat. 1995
H. H. Howard pub *Plants of Saratoga and Eastern New York* 1995
NYS Open Space Conservation Plan, first adopted in 1992, is revised 1995
OSI acquires 3400 a. Spier Falls property in southern Adks for Moreau Lake State Park 1995
First Oswegatchie Roundtable brings culturally diverse interests together in Adks 1995

I hope that people concerned with the future of the Adirondack Park can accept it as a cultural landscape: a place of people, their artifacts, and nature. The Adirondack Park has both a natural and a human history. If we can look for new strategies for telling the region's stories, moving from narratives that polarize and exclude to one of harmonious relations between people and nature, then the Adirondacks can indeed provide the first chapter in a new story for the whole world.

Philip Terrie
*Contested Terrain*, 1997

Robert Daniels, NYSM, notes rainbow smelt introduction into Moss Lake of SW Adks 1995
Don Page of industry task force reports on 270 health studies on 2,4-D 1995
DOH requires Hamlet of Raquette Lake to begin testing quality of its drinking water supply 1995
RPI complete construction of $2.45M research-teaching facility at DFWI, Bolton Landing, L. Geo. 1995
Tony Goodwin et al. repair flood damage on Old Mountain Rd. with Town of Keene’s bulldozer 1995
Howard Zahniser Award is given to Daniel R. Plumley for work in Buryatia, Russia 1995
APA permits Oven Mt. Estates (APA 91-110) to build homes in T. Johnsburgh 1995
Adirondack Theater Festival (ATF) begins its first season in Glens Falls 1995
B. Santer pub a seminal article on global climate change proponents in *Climate Dynamics* (Dec) 1995
C. Pershyn, SUNY Plattsburgh, notes rotifer-decline onset due to zebra mussels in L. Champlain 1995
Three major fires occur in buildings of former Lake Placid Club (Apr, May, Oct) 1995
ICC reports global climate has increased average temperature 0.3-0.6 °C. over last 100 years 1995
NYS issues first permit for use of the broad-spectrum herbicide Fluridone (Sonar) 1995
R. J. North, TI, Saranac Lake, discovers genetic defensive factors working in TB 1995
Marine Science Institute est. survey on Chinese Mitten Crab for South San Francisco Bay 1995
USFWS, in response to increasing numbers of bald eagles, raises species status to “threatened” 1995
NOAA reports c. 5.5 °C sea water temperature increase at 9 stations north of the Arctic Circle 1995
Worldwatch Institute estimates a record high of 6.1 billion tons of fossil fuel are burned this year 1995
NOAA researchers report increased water vapor in the lower stratosphere resulting in heating 1995
Number of Atlantic Ocean storms is reported at 19 (see 1933 report of 21) 1995
Peck Lake, Bleecker, Fulton Co., has an early ice-on (30 Nov) 1995
US ceases production of CFCs (31 Dec) 1995
R. H. Phillips begins restoration of Lake Placid SOA trails in McKenzie Range near Lake Placid 1995
B. McKibben accents importance of forest reversion in eastern US to 60-90% of original cover 1995
Estate of Robert F. Hall donates his papers, c. 7 cubic feet in extent, to NYS Library 1995
NYC DEP reports water consumption of 1,325.7 gpd, a per capita consumption of 181.0 gal 1995
DEC records 132,499 annual trailhead registrations for the High Peaks 1995
Ted Galusha, activist for the impaired, is ticketed by DEC for use of ATV at Buttermilk Brook c. 1995
The longest El Nino of record ends 1995-96
Boston receives record 146 inches of snow over winter following a winter with near record low 1995-96
Intensely cold weather suppresses HWA populations in NE US 1995-96
Jenny L. banding by Robert TYunick indicates notable irruption of common redpoll 1995-96
Adirondack-Catskill FP campsites host 1,416,442 visitors, twice that of 1984-86 1995-97
Prospect Mt. Highway use this year is 246,781 trips, an increase of 33.6% over 1981-83 1995-97
Controversy on DEC snowmobile trail maintenance leads to APA involvement 1995-99
Eleanor Ann Fair Brown serves as commissioner of APA 1995-99
Revisions of the NY SEQRA become effective (1 Jan) 1996
Destructive flood caused by ice and melt water strikes AuSable Chasm (19 Jan) 1996
Grace L. Hudowalski retires as historian of the Adirondack Forty-Sixers, Inc. 1996
Earth Liberation Front (ELF) opens operations for ecoterrorism and ecosabotage in the US (Jan) 1996
APA finds land-use and water quality violations at Shania Twain’s Dexter Lake estate (Jan) 1996
Henry L. Diamond and Patrick F. Noonan pub. Land Use in America (Feb) 1996
S.F. Singer challenges IPCC assessment of global climate change in Science (12 Feb) 1996
Tim Jones refuses APA’s settlement because no crime has been committed (May) 1996
Glyphosate-resistant soybeans (with Agrobacterium) become commercially available 1996
APA Enforcement Committee decides against Tim Jones, but issues no finding of fact (Jun) 1996
Black River Wild Forest Area UMP is approved (Jun) 1996
A landslide occurs in the Griffin Brook sector of Peak 3149 near Snowy Mt. (Jun) 1996
Brown marmorated stink bug (BMSB) is reported at Allentown, PA 1996
Whitewater World Inc. (North Creek) rafter drowns in Harris Rift, Hudson R. (26 Jun) 1996
B. Santer, et al., pub article in Nature affirming the idea of global climate warming (4 Jul) 1996
Paul Schaefer, 87 y. o., devoted Adk conservationist, dies St. Clare’s Hosp, Schenectady (13 July) 1996
Giant hogweed, of Caucasian origin and very poisonous, is reported growing near Buffalo (26 July) 1996
Roger Tory Peterson, b. Jamestown, NY, 26 Aug 1908, dies in Old Lyme, CT (26 July) 1996
P. Michaels refutes B. Santer et al. article on global climate change in Nature (Jul) 1996
APA Enforcement Committee issues Final Determination against Tim Jones (Sep) 1996
New England and NY experience widespread heavy rains and flooding (Oct) 1996
Severe flooding knocks out hydropower generation at Rainbow Falls on Au Sable River (9 Nov) 1996
Severe flooding causes damage along Mill Creek and Kent’s Falls, lower Saranac River (9 Nov) 1996
SCJ denies Tim Jones’ motion to dismiss, despite no show of AG Office (Nov) 1996
Mohawk Valley Water Authority (Utica based) begins oversight of regional water system (19 Dec) 1996
Wall Street Jour. publ letter by S. F. Singer attacking work of B. Santer on climate change (Dec) 1996
National Aududon Society initiates Important Bird Area Program in New York State 1996
Susan Swain is appointed executive director of Trudeau Institute 1996
Finch, Pruyn & Co. enlarges Boreas Ponds with new dam and spillway on Boreas River 1996
NY Clean Water/Clean Air Bond Act allocating $150 million is passed by voters 1996
NY Clean Water/Clean Air Bond Act includes $50 million for closure of landfills 1996
Federal Drinking Water Act Amendment, PL 104-182 auth. EPA support local agency compliance 1996
Elk Foundation contracts SUNY ESF, Syracuse, to study feasibility of Elk introducton in NYS 1996
Elk Foundation contracts Cornell Univ., Ithaca, to study feasibility of Elk introducton in NYS 1996
Heavy rain and saturated soil causes 2nd damaging flood at AuSable Chasm 1996
LCBP initiates Opportunities for Action 1996
WHO estimates that 8 million people contract TB annually with annual mortality of 3 million 1996
IPCC pub a thoroughly reviewed 2nd report affirming concept of global warming (GCC) 1996
Newsweek pub a cover article featuring global warming (GCC) 1996
Utica cedes ownership of its West Canada Ck. water supply to MVWA 1996
NYS maple syrup farmers produce 343,000 gallons of syrup 1996
UHEAC assigns the Champions of Conservation bookmark series to the AfPA 1996
N. J. VanValkenburgh pub. The Forest Preserve of New York State in the Adirondack and Catskill . 1996
DEC begins statewide Summer Wild Turkey Survey to estimate young-of-the-year birds per hen 1996
AfPA cites Daniel R. Plumley in its Champions of Conservation bookmark series 1996
David Vaughan and C. S. M. Doake report 50-year sea temp. increase of 4-5 °F. in Antarctica 1996
European Commission reports increased desertification in Spain, Portugal, Greece and Italy 1996
DEC advisory on the derecho blowdown is well received by a broad audience
C. Ericson est. Lake Placid Pub & Brewery to make local craft beer in Lake Placid
AfPA threatens legal action to halt ORDA and DEC biathlon trail work at MVHRA
DEC opens Summer (August) Wild Turkey Sighting Survey to assess reproductive success/harvest
BRASS receives the CF Industries National Watershed Award
New hydraulic gates (7) and foundation are built at Glens Falls
AfPA resumes publication of The Forest Preserve after cessation in 1952
Gore Mt. Ski Center taps Hudson R. to quadruple snow making for trails
Asian longhorned beetle wood borer discovered in wooden packing crates Brooklyn, NY and NJ
Fiddlers Jamboree, Athol, T. of Thurman, continues Fiddlers’ Roundup event at Toad Hill Farm
Gov. Pataki signs Pesticide Reporting Law requiring registration of use and sales
DEC Commissioner Zagata assigns forest rangers to newly created Office of Public Protection
Curt Stager, Wild Earth, updates Adirondack lake ecology accenting role of acid deposition (Spr)
Curt Stager, PSC, links Adirondack lake eutrophication and anoxia to reclamation events
Town of Willsoboro adopts APA-approved local land use and development plan
Criminal probe of Ned Harkness by NYS Inspector General, lacking evidence, is dropped
Town of Westport adopts APA-approved local land use and development plan
Governor Pataki fully funds the NYS Environmental Protection Fund
The Forest Stewardship Council accredits the Smartwood™ program
EPA shuts down several Adk acid-rain stations (decision reverse by Moynihan and D’Amato)
Adirondack Landowners Assoc. and TNC est. the Adirondack Stewardship Award
Adirondack Council names Gov. Pataki Conservationist of the Year (Jul)
AfPA establishes the annual Howard Zahnizer Award
The Northwoods Club is recipient of the Adirondack Stewardship Award
Physician John Rugge receives the Adirondack Museum Founder’s Award
Pathologist V. Garry suggests linkage of birth defects and 2,4-D in Minnesota
Complete ban on industrial production of CFCs in the US goes into effect
Danish meteorologist Henrik Svensmark links cosmic radiation to cloud cover and temperature
Paul Schaefer’s archives, 1928-1996, are assigned to Adirondack Research Library (ARL), Union C.
DEC records 121,665 annual trailhead registrations for the High Peaks
APA reviews development at Whitney Park (APA Project 96-138)
Elizabeth Thorndike, et al. found an group of environmental “conveners” at Blue Mtn Lake
NYS Attorney General Dennis Vacco declares (96-F2) floor of Raquette and Big Moose Lakes FP
Major flood of the Mohawk R. hits Schenectady Co. (132,000 cfs 18’ stage)
Govs. G. Pataki and H. Dean sign Lake Champlain Management Plan
R. Sage pub “The Impact of Beech-bark disease on the northern hardwood forest of the Adks”
NY utilities annually emit 260,000 tons of SO₂ and 93,000 tons of NOs
Barbara McMartin pub To the Lake of the Skies
DOH discourages eating fish caught in Cranberry L. and Stillwater Res. because of Hg levels
George Likens et al. of the HBRF report forest growth cessation on White Mt., NH
Defenders of Wildlife host Wolf Restoration Conference in Albany
Within a 24-hour period 17” of rain falls on Aurora, Illinois
Within a 24-hour period 10” of rain falls on Naperville, Illinois
R. Konowitz finishes climbing the 46 High Peaks on skis
APA permits homes on Little Tupper L., rest of 15,000 a. assigned to FP as William C. Whitney W.
Naj Wikoff founds The Festival of the Lakes
WAMC Public Radio (Albany) buys WCFE FM at Plattsburgh and goes on air as WCEL 91.9 FM
UMP for Remsen-Lake Placid Travel Corridor is signed into effect
PSC ‘deregulates’ electricity pricing, encourages utilities to focus on transmission & distribution
Bergdahl et al. report the presence of butternut canker in all counties of Vermont 1996
Hudson R. Valley is declared a National Heritage Area 1996
USFW hosts Youth Waterfowl Hunting Days to introduce young people to waterfowling 1996
Arts and Entertainment Network produces “The Great Camps of the Adirondacks” 1996
St. Regis Falls WWTP, T. of Waverly, Franklin Co., is est. releasing product to St. Regis River 1996
Lake Champlain Management Conference publishes a vision statement 1996
Forest and rangeland fires burn 24 million acres in the Arkhangai area of Mongolia 1996
R. W. Sage, jr. pub ‘Impact of beech bark disease on northern hardwood forests of the Adks.’ AJES 1996
NY utilities now emit 260,000 tons of sulfur dioxide and 93,000 tons of nitrogen oxides per year 1996
Eurasian milfoil is detected in Upper Saranac Lake (4,725 a) 1996
Weir’s cushion rust, aka spruce needle rust, Chrysomixa weirii, energes as threat to spruce of NE 1996
Woodlands Group, LLC, is founded, a timberland investment management organization (TIMO) 1996
Joseph Church sells Cumberland Head Lighthouse, Lake Champlain east of Plattsburgh 1996
NYSPSC prohibits power generating companies from transmitting electric power 1996
Griffiths AFB with 5,000 military and civilian workers closes 1996
Canada and US sign Softwood Lumber Agreement - Canada exports c. $3.1 B worth to US per year
NYS DOH TIS reports 244 Lone Star Ticks, Amblyomma americanum, in 46 NYS counties 1996
Placid Gold LLC (the Lussi family) acquires former Lake Placid Club property for $4.7 million 1996
White House announces that a high-level accuracy GPS will be made available to the public
TNC and NY cooperate to acquire 366 a. on Spruce Mt., Lake George 1996
SCN webs ‘Smart growth’: http://www.smartgrowth.org/about/default.asp 1996
Ice coring at Vostok, Antarctica, reaches depth of 3,623 m., covering c. 420,000 years 1996
Champlain Barge Canal, Whitehall to Waterford, handles no cargo 1996
Aurora, Illinois, receives 17” of rain in 24 hours; nearby Naperville receives 10” in 24 hours 1996
The Adirondack Center (210 a. physical training site) is established at Ephratah, Fulton Co. 1996
A landslide occurs in the Bennie’s Brook drainage on Lower Wolf Jaw Mtn 1996
DOT installs moose crossing signs on Rte 30 from Indian L. to Speculator; people steal them 1996-97
Lake George does not freeze completely 1996-97
Abbie S. Verner serves as Senior Research Associate at The Prospect Research Foundation 1996-00
FIBT World Championship skeleton tournament is held at Mt. van Hoeveberg (Feb) 1997
Jimmy Shea of Lake Placid wins skeleton bronze medal at Mt. van Hoevenberg (Feb) 1997
SCJ Demarest (Franklin County) hears Tim Jones case (Mar) 1997
Dan Plumley, AfPA, meets Batalung Soinoi, Dukha Heritage, Ulaanbaater, Mongolia (May) 1997
Meredith Prine est The Adirondack Foundation, Lake Placid (1 Jul) 1997
USDA et al. eradicate Asian gypsy moth infestation at Sunny Point, NC (Nov) 1997
DEC announces policy for motorized access of disabled persons to the FP 1997
Veliger larvae of the zebra mussel are found for the 2nd time in Lake George 1997
Asian gypsy moth emerges from cargo containers of German ship at Sunny Point, NC 1997
SCJ Ryan sends Tim Jones case to Franklin County Supreme Court (Jan) 1997
Alice Green and Ch. Touhey est Paden Institute and Retreat for Writers of Color, Whallon’s Bay 1997
Asian gypsy moth is detected in Seattle-Tacoma area of Washington 1997
Betty Little is recipient of the Adirondack Girl Scouts’ Women of Distinction Award 1997
Communities-2000 holds its first organizational meeting at Old Forge (the future CAP-21) 1997
TNC and NY coop. to acquire 6,654 ft. and 300 a. of NE Lake George shoreline 1997
Mary Lou Whitney and family propose a hotel, housing for Whitney Park (APA Proj. 96-138) 1997
Adirondack Community Trust (ACT) is est. at Lake Placid to build charitable capital  1997
Kyoto (multinational) Protocol is established to regulate emissions of greenhouse gases  1997
ANCA pub *Bikeways of the Adirondack North Country Maps*  1997
Covered bridge on E. Branch of Au Sable River at Jay is taken from piers for rehabilitation  1997
Temporary one-lane steel bridge is installed on East Branch of Au Sable River at Jay  1997
ALC and Otetiana Council of the BSA receive the Adirondack Stewardship Award  1997
Gov. Pataki signs a strong bill on timber theft enforcement but legislature fails to act  1997
Kermit Remele forms the Colvin Crew to honor V. Colvin and to 'recover' his survey monuments  1997
Annual informal ‘Log Bay Day’ boating / drinking party begins at Lake George (Jul)  1997
Great Adirondack Brewing Co. is est. at Great Adk Steak and Seafood Restaurant, Lake Placid  1997
Toyota, Japan, markets the Prius, an electric hybrid car  1997
An eel ladder is constructed at Richelieu River dam at Chambly, Québec  1997
Experimental sea lamprey control program for feeder streams of L. Champlain ends  1997
The Adirondack Project, a center for artists *et al.*., is est. in Harold Hochschild’s home  1997
A rally is held in Newcomb supporting motorized access to the Adirondacks  1997
USDA begins rabies control program in NY, VT, NH and ME using vaccine-bearing bait  1997
Prof. Warder Cadbury, SUNYA historian, receives Adirondack Museum Founder’s Award  1997
Equal Opportunity investigates NYS policy regarding FP access to the disabled  1997
The ADK restates its mission.  1997

The Adirondack Mountain Club (ADK) is dedicated to the protection and responsible use of the the New York Forest Preserve, parks and other wild lands and waters. The Club, founded in 1922, is a member-directed organization committed to public service and stewardship. ADK employs a balanced approach to outdoor recreation, advocacy, environmental education and natural resource conservation.

Mission statement of the Adirondack Mountain Club
Adopted 1997

AfPA gives the Zahniser Award to Harold A. Jerry, Jr., for work with TSCFA  1997
Mallard Duck are observed eating Banded Mystery Snails, *Viviparus georgianus*, at Lake George  1997
Town of Edinburgh adopts APA-approved local land use and development plan  1997
FPAC asks DEC and NYSOPRHP for master plan & map for all snowmobile trails (Apr)  1997
APA inaugurates Local Government Day to engage local government and public  1997
Stephen Blackmer est. Northern Forest Center, Concord, NH (with domain of 26 million acres)  1997
Alewives are discovered in Lake St. Catherine, VT, this lake connected with Lake Champlain  1997
Major windstorm strikes Raquette Lake destroying many trees and some buildings  1997
Deer tick, *Ixodes sparcularis*, provides first isolates of Powassen virus in North America  1997
NASA launches Advanced Composition Explorer to orbit 1.5 M Km sunward of Earth (25 Aug)  1997
The annual number of snowmobiles sold in the U.S. peaks at 170,325  1997
AMC adds a three-station renal dialysis unit to the second floor of the north wing  1997
S.W. Simard *et al.*, *Nature* 388, pub. on carbon tree-to-tree transfer by ectomycorrhizal fungi  1997
Northern snakehead fish, *Channa argus*, is discovered in California  1997
Adirondack Marathon Distance Festival is inaugurated at Schroon Lake (Sep)  1997
NYS legislature est Heritage Corridor Commission devoted to Mohawk River Valley  1997
Ken Kogut, DEC Reg 6, claims sighting mountain lion in Adks, c. 3’ at shoulders, a pet released  1997
James Levine offers commission to Tobias Picker to do opera on *The American Tragedy*  1997
Chapman Historical Museum, Glens Falls, holds c. 7,000 photographs of Seneca Ray Stoddard 1997
Adirondack Museum, Blue Mt. Lake, holds c. 5,000 photographs of Seneca Ray Stoddard 1997
Water chestnut is found in Québec section of Richelieu River system draining Lake Champlain c. 1997
Monsanto spins off its chemical division as Solutia Inc. (1 Sep) 1997
Black River Valley Four Wheeler Club is formed at Brantingham, NY (Nov) 1997
DEC est. Bird Conservation Area Program to integrate bird interests into agency planning 1997
Severe El Nino is recorded for the Pacific region 1997
Don K. Perovich, SHEBA, reports Arctic ice has lost 50% of its thickness in 20 years (GCC) 1997
Despite control efforts Water chestnut now extends northward in south L. Champlain for 84 km. 1997
Avian Flu (H5N1) appears in Hong Kong killing both birds and people and threatening pandemic 1997
Gov. Pataki assigns $1.8 million to close Hamilton Co. landfills at L. Pleasant and Indian Lake 1997
Federal government ends funding of LWCF for NYS 1997
Doppler type Weather Surveillance Radar (WSR-88D) begins operation at Burlington, VT 1997
There are currently 477.82 passenger cars per one-thousand people in the US 1997
Voters reject automatic call for a NYS Constitutional Convention 1997
Adirondack Lake Assessment Program (ALAP), in coop. with AWI, is est. at Paul Smith’s College 1997
Anglers spend $204 million on fishing and related activities in L. Champlain, as per A.H. Gilbert 1997
Essex County Farmland Protection Plan is completed (Feb) 1997
Adirondack Ensemble performs piano trio “Nothing Forgotten” by Hilary Tann, UC 1997
Adirondack International (ice climbing/mountaineering) Mountainfest is founded at Keene Valley 1997
USFWS grants approval for the use of bismuth shot in waterfowling 1997
Gov. Pataki authorizes updating of timber theft (trespass) law enabling further ECO enforcement 1997
Mechanicville Hydroelectric plant is deactivated by Niagara Mohawk Power Corp. 1997
Robert Daniels notes Largemouth Bass introduction to Rondaxe Lake in SW Adks 1997
EPA rules that 2,4-D is not classifiable as a human carcinogen 1997
Whire Pine Camp Associates, LLC, est. for eventual assignment to 40 owners for historic education 1997
TI scientists begin studies basic to creating cells having immunological memory 1997
Super Typhoon Paca strikes Guam with max. one-minutes sustained speed of 185 mph (16 Dec) 1997
Northern Forest Center is organized at Concord, NH 1997
EPA applies ground-level ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) 1997
HSAB, Sci/Tech Dep’t, Carnegie Library, notes caloric use 150 to 480 in walking at 2 to 5 mph 1997
New England Regional Assessment (for global climate change) begins (Sep) 1997
Swamp Road Dike Dam (078-5693) is built or reconditioned 1997
DEC Comm John P. Cahill, Paul Bray, Franco Tassi initiate Adk Pk-Abruzzo National Pk exchange 1997
A conference devoted to the lowering or banning of CFCs is held in Montreal 1997
AfPA president Thomas Cobb initiates $1.2 million campaign for the CFFP 1997
AfPA hosts Wilderness Roundtable at the AuSable Club 1997
NYSDH informs summer camps that all swimsites must be inspected by NYSDH before use 1997
Deerfoot Lodge sways NYSDH to let Red Cross-certified lifeguards check backcountry swim sites 1997
Glazier Packing Co., Inc. joins Pocahontas Foods USA to become full food service distributor 1997
Paul Schaefer pub., posthumously, Adirondack Explorations: Nature Writings of Verplanck Colvin 1997
NCPR establishes Internet presence with website www.ncpr.org 1997
Gregg Kroll introduces concept and curriculum of Leave No Trace (LNT) to NY 1997
David Howard assumes leadership of Land Rights Foundation and Land Rights Letter 1997
Richard S. Mitchell and Gordon C. Tucker publish Revised Checklist of New York State Plants 1997
Anne LaBastille concludes her publishing career begun 1970, featuring Woodswoman Series 1997
R.E. Chambers collects and studies NY coyotes to show link to Algonquin wolf

Binding reductions of greenhouse gas emissions are proposed in Kyoto Protocol

Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh rep that only 1/8th of a harvested hardwood tree survives as lumber

Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh rep 1-ton typical paper uses c. 2 cords of wood plus other ingredients

Michael Frenette is appointed “builder-in-residence” of Great Camp Santanoni, Newcomb

Dr. Alice Green, SUNYA, est. Paden Institute and Retreat for Writers of Color, Esse, NY

Bateaux Below, Inc. creates ‘The Forward Underwater Classroom’ at The Forward Preserve

The American electric power industry is deregulated

DEC records 126,319 annual trailhead registrations for the High Peaks

Lake George does not freeze completely (GCC)

“Super El Nino”, more destructive than event of 1982-83, causes major global damage (GCC)

Great El Nino parches much of Mexico fostering fires in ancient cloud forests of Chiapas (GCC)

NiMo assigns its diverse NY electrical power generating capacity to the Orion Co. of Texas

Major flow of 26,300 cfs occurs in Hudson R. at North Creek, Warren Co. (9 Jan)

Ice storm with 4” accumulation severely impacts 25 million acres NE U.S. and Canada (8-9 Jan)

Ice storm damages 3-million acres of timber in northern New York, 800,000 in AP (8-9 Jan)

Ice storm causes moderate to severe damage to 25,000 a. of Domtar forests (8-9 Jan)

Ice storm damage results in failure of 400,000 Adirondack sugar maple taps (8-9 Jan)

AMC’s emergency generator fails after 30 hours during ice storm power outage (8-9)

Hurricane season ends with 7 storms, incl. 3 hurricanes, only one making US landfall (31 Jan)

Communities-2000 begins planning future of central Adks (Forestport to Raquette Lake) (Jan)

AAI, DEC et al. issue a court-ordered report on the USLA settlement (Feb)

SCI Demarest decides not to rule, sends Tim Jones case to Appellate Division in Albany (Mar)

ATCC relocates from Rockville, MD, to a state art facility in Manassas, VA (13-22 Mar)

GE CEO Jack Welch denies significant PCB health effects in Cincinnati Enquirer article (Apr)

USFS webs beech bark disease: www.na.fs.fed.us/spfo/pubs/fidls/beechbark/fidl

J. Hansen, NASA, makes 2nd controversial presentation on global climate at Senate hearing (May)

Warrensburgh Riverside Farmers Market is established (May)

NYS acq 15,000 a Whitney tract incl. Little Tupper Lake for $15M for FP providing canoe access

William C. Whitney WA UMP approved; 45,200 a, 99% open space, wildlife habitat, forestry (Jun)

Widespread heavy rains and flooding occur in New England and NY (Jun) (GCC)

Violating SLMP, M. Baker stages rally driving ATVs and ORVs to Santanoni Great Camp (Jun)

E.J. Rignot, Jet Propulsion Lab., NASA, Science, Antarctic Pine I. rep Glacier is unstable (28 Jul)

Judge Kahn issues temporary restraining order allowing ATV access to FP (Jul)

Frontier Kahn theme park permanently ceases operation (Jul)

USFWS shuts down commercial American eel fishery on L. Champlain

Judge Kahn alters temporary restraining order to limit ATV access to FP (Aug)

First Wal-Mart store in Adks opens with 111,000 sq. ft. on Route 9, Ticonderoga (Aug)

Deborah Allen catches a near-record, i.e. 50”, northern pike in Great Sacandaga Lake (Sep)

The Weather Company, Australia, is est.: theweathercompany.com (Sep)

NOAA announces that previous month is hottest on record worldwide, 8th in monthly series (Sep)

Natural History Conference (freshwater mussels, invasive plants, etc.), NYSM, Albany (14-17 Oct)

Judge Kahn refines his limits for vehicular access to the FP by the disabled (Oct)

UN approves designation of 2000 as Year of the Mountain with 130 nations sponsoring 10 Nov

S. Ramstort, New Scientist, reports Gulf Steam weakened by Arctic freshwater inflow (14 Nov)

U.S. production of industrial garnet reaches 74,000 tons, 33% of global production

Land Tortoise—A 1758 Floating Gun Battery Preserve becomes a National Historic Landmark

Late blight is webbed: www.vegetablemdonline.ppath.cornell.edu/factsheets/PotatoLateBlt.htm

Richard Lefebvre, Caroga Lake, is appointed Chairman of the APA
Stan Burdick opens Hague Cartoon Museum at Hague on the west shore of Lake George 1998

Only the Rawlings logo appears on Adirondack baseball bats from Dolgeville 1998

Asian clam is reported in Erie Barge Canal (24 Sep, 2011) by Lake Champlain Committee 1998

Cohoes police chief James Tuffey becomes boss of NYS Forest Rangers and COs 1998

ANC, APA, DEC & DOT start Terrestrial Invasive Plant Program (APIPP) to control alien plants 1998

See APIPP WWW.ADKINVASIVES.COM for invasive plants of the Adirondacks, c/o TNC 1998

See APIPP WWW.ADKINVASIVES.COM for invasive animals of the Adirondacks, c/o TNC 1998

AfPA fosters cooperation of Adirondack Park and Italy’s Abruzzo National Park 1998

Lyme disease pathogen is now endemic in the southern counties of the Adirondacks 1998


Federal report during Clinton adm suggest that Adk acid precipitation damage is permanent 1998

Wiawaka Holiday House (for women), L. George, is placed on National Register of Historic Places 1998

Audubon Society lists Paul Schaefer among the 100 top 20th C. conservationists 1998

Adirondack Echo (Old Forge, NY) newspaper ceases publication (10 Jun) 1998

NYS Court of Appeals clarifies the term ‘Navigable waters’ in ALC v. Sierra Club 1998

Courts reaffirms public right of navigation, recreational use and right to portage is left standing 1998

Town of Minerva and DEC build an illegal snowmobile trail on Vanderwhacker Mtn WF 1998

Flooding of the Yangtse River valley due to upland deforestation causes $10 billion in damages 1998

USDA in cooperation with Delta and Pine Corp patent the “terminator gene” 1998

Kyoto delegates meet in Buenos Aires to define greenhouse gas control timetable 1998

David Gibson of AfPA et al., representing Adk Park, visits Abruzzo National Park of Italy (fall) 1998

Fire destroys 20% (c. 1,800 square km) of the forest at Yellowstone NP 1998


DEC widens and regrades Rondaxe-Big Moose snowmobile trail violating SLMP 1998

DEC builds snowmobile trail from Rock Lake to Indian Lake in violation of SLMP 1998

DEC authorizes 4 days/week of summer water release from Lake Abanakee for rafting 1998

DEC issues policy on FP administrative access for motorized vehicles and aircraft 1998

James Luiz becomes acting director of DEC region 6 replacing Thomas Brown 1998

NYSOPRHP funded trails in the Adirondack FP are estimated at 306 miles 1998

TNC provides start-up funds for Invasive Plant Council of NYS (IPCNYS), River St, Troy 1998

Federal Highway Adm. (FHA) reauthorizes ISTEA as Transportation Equity ACT (TEA-21) 1998

Yamaha begins 3rd (unsuccessful) program for development of 4-stroke snowmobile 1998


Eastern hemlock of Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area, Pa., NJ, are infested by HWA 1998

BRASS receives the Adirondack Council Park Stewardship Award 1998

Despite $34.8 million improvements and restructuring Newton Falls Paper Mill is unprofitable 1998

James W. Tuffy becomes Assistant Commissioner of DEC 1998

Edward “Ted” Morgan buys Saranac Lake radio station WNBZ 1240AM from Jim & Keela Rogers 1998

Elizabeth (Betsy) Lowe and friends initiate idea of an Adirondack natural history museum (Aug) 1998

Iron Center Museum is established at Port Henry (20 Aug) 1998

E.L. Mills et al. ID’s quagga mussel, Dreissena bugensis, derived from Dnieper River watershed 1998

David Gibson reports that 130,000 jet skis are sold in the US this year 1998

Uihein Sugar Maple Research & Field Station begins singings (sang), Panax quinquefolius, research 1998

TNC-NY acquire 5,460 ft. and 240 a. of shoreline at Flatrock Camp, Lake George 1998

TNC-NY acquire 2,530 ft. and 60 a. at Lambshanty Bay shore, Lake George 1998

USFWS reports sightings and signs of Adirondack lynx 1998

Frank Leonbruno and Ginger Henry pub Lake George Reflections: Island History and Lore 1998

Arthur M. Crocker receives AfPA’s Zahniser Award for wilderness advocacy 1998
Chromium recovery from organic waste is perfected by the tanning industry 1998
Jude Ippoliti releases her recording Watermark Impressions of the Adirondacks 1998
A Science article accents the importance of young forests in CO\textsubscript{2} reduction 1998
ACC calls for boycott of F.X. Matt Brew Co., makers of Saranac beer, for annual $ gift to AfPA 1998
ACC call for abolition of the APA 1998
Roy Finch’s The Story of the New York State Canals (1925) is reprinted and copyright renewed 1998
Congress debates gagging governmental officials from speaking publicly re. climate change 1998
New York State Canal System is now 524 miles in length 1998
Intensive DEC survey finds no evidence of lynx remaining in Newcomb area and High Peaks 1998
Shania Twain places Dexter Lake estate up for sale (July) 1998
Shania Twain settles APA charges, paying $45,000 in fines and restoration costs 1998
Paul Smiths-Gabriels Volunteer Fire Department relocates from PSC to its own, new firehouse 1998
Paul Smith’s College forms a wolf-restoration advisory committee 1998
Roland Kays, NYSM, reports in AE shooting of a wolf in NE Kingdom, VT 1998
T.A. Ternes, German, Water Research, reports on presence of pharmaceuticals in rivers 1998
Warren Co. purchases D&H RR right-of-way and trackage from North Creek to Tahawus 1998
Defenders of Wildlife contracts to do studies on wolf restoration in the Adirondacks 1998
The Little Au Sable River overflows causing extensive damage in the Peru area 1998
Town of North Elba limits single retail stores to 40,000 sq. ft. and retail plazas to 68,000 sq. ft. 1998
The DEC replaces the ranger’s cabin at Lake Colden after it burns 1998
Defenders of Wildlife contracts to do studies on wolf restoration in the Adirondacks 1998
In 1997, New York City, which accounts for less than 1% of the state’s geographic area, accounted for 29% of the total gallons and 18% of the total pounds of pesticides reported in the state. In 1998, those figures rose to 36% of the total gallons and 27% of the total pounds reported.
Open Space Conservation Plan is revised for 3\textsuperscript{rd} time, after its 1\textsuperscript{st} adoption in 1992 1998
Saranac Lake village is designated an “All America City” 1998
LGBLC & NY acquire Anthony’s Nose, 3,550 ft. of eastern shore, 189 a., northern L. George 1998
A gift of 2,230 ft. of shore and 41 a. is made to Roger’s Rock FP, Lake George 1998
Larsen Ice Shelf, Larsen Peninsula, breaks again releasing ice 106 square miles in extent (GCC) 1998
Some 50% of the Larsen Ice Shelf is now gone (GCC) 1998
Historical Saranac Lake acquires Saranac Laboratory building as museum and headquarters 1998
AMC renovates third floor of the north wing for 12-bed geriatric psychiatry center 1998
DOT plans to modernize I-87 corridor rest areas replacing those in North Hudson and Bue Ridge 1998
AfPA hosts conference: Adirondack Park: An Educational Laboratory 1998
French and British scientists complete genomic sequencing of TB bacillus H37Rv 1998
AfPA opens campaign for improved management of the FP and its trails 1998
Roger R. Summerhayes, UC ’78, produces award winning 57 min documentary ‘Langmuir’s’ World’ 1998
Author-historian Barbara McMartin receives Adirondack Museum Founder’s Award 1998
The Adirondack Ensemble establishes the Adirondack Music Camp at Brant Lake 1998
AfPA begins capital campaign for the Center for the Forest Preserve, in Niskayuna 1998
DEC denies TRP for Thomas Gang, Inc. to access Lot 167 at Cathead Mt, T. of Benson 1998
FIBT allows women to compete in bobsleigh (bobsled) and skeleton competitions (see 1940) 1998
DEC gives TRP to T. of Newcomb to make Vanderwhacker Snowmobile Trail from old jeep road 1998
William C. Whitney area, now part of the FP, opens for public use (2 Jun) 1998
Legislature fails to reimburse Adirondack communities fighting FP fires 1998
Owner Peter Day closes the Big Tupper Ski Center/Area at Tupper Lake 1998
Baccalaureate degrees are introduced at Paul Smith’s College, Paul Smiths, N.Y. 1998
NYSCG is renamed the New York State Snowmobile Association (NYSSA) 1998
An estimated 529 mi. of snowmobile trails now exist on private lands in the Adirondacks 1998
306 miles of snowmobile trails now exist on “Wild Forest” lands in the Adirondacks 1998
Essex Co. receives $16 million to close its landfill and to ban others for 30 years 1998
Essex Co. Municipal Landfill on Route 9 closes (8 May) 1998
NYC Water and Sewer System office reports daily water consumption of 1,172 million gallons 1998
Gov. Pataki gives $6.8 million grant to Ethan Allen Interiors at Boonville adding 120 employees 1998
Goiv, Pataki est Task Force for Land and Water Conservation Funding 1998
Edgar Terry kills moose at Huletts Landing and is fined $2,000 1998
Champion International sells stretches of East and Middle Branches of St. Regis R. to NYS 1998
Naj Wikoff founds the Adirondack Center for Writing at Paul Smith’s College 1998
Greatest El Nino “in living memory’ strikes Santa Barbara, CA with 3X average rainfall (GCC) 1998
One Ohio power plant emits more nitrogen oxides than 21 dirty NY plants 1998
Brown marmorated stink bug (BMSB) is collected at Allentown, PA; it was probably there earlier 1998
The US currently supports 207,535,000 passenger cars on its roads and highways 1998
US production and shipment of air conditioners and heat pumps exceeds 6.2 million units 1998
DEC reports 139,000 High Peaks Trail registrations for the year 1998
Carmelite Sisters (RCC Diocese of Ogdensburg) depart Saranac Lake for Beacon, NY (Dec) 1998
Floatplanes and other MV are excluded from Little Tupper L. with est. of 45,200 a. W. C. WA 1998
Peck Lake, Bleeker, Fulton Co., has a late ice-in (24 Dec) 1998
DEC records 122,961 annual trailhead registrations for the High Peaks 1998
NOAA announces that this is the hottest year ever recorded (Dec) (GCC) 1998
Latest ice-on since onset of record in 1903 occurs at Mirror Lake, N. Elba, Essex Co. (23 Dec) 1998
Latest ice-on since onset of record in 1974 occurs at Peck’s Lake, Bleeker, Fulton Co. (24 Dec) 1998
Conservationist pub. biographical material on Paul Schaefer, pages 20-25 (Dec) 1998
Randy Stanley buys Wellcroft Mansion to est. Wellscroft Lodge Bed &Breakfast c.1998
Lake George does not freeze completely 1998-99
NCPR installs radio signal translators at Lowville, Keene and Old Forge 1998-99
R. Daniels, NYSM, notes that smallmouth and largemouth bass are introduced to Rondaxe Lake 1998-99
Schenectady Co. Trails Comm. extends Long Path from Thatcher Park to Mohawk River 1998-00
Thomas L. Cobb serves as president of AfPA 1998-00
Biodiversity Res Inst (BRI), Portland, ME, Adk Center for Loon Conservation, studies loon Hg 1998-00
Pres Clinton signs EO 13112 calling state transport agencies to conrol invasive species (3 Feb) 1998-00
Mandeville Gallery, UC, presents Solomon Northup story Twelve Years a Slave (14 Jan-14 Mar) 1999
High Peaks Wilderness Area UMP update is approved after 21 years of study (Mar) 1999
Tom Kalinowski pub. Adirondack Almanac: A guide to the natural year (Mar) 1999
St. Regis Mohawk Tribe opens Akwesasne Mohawk Casino at Hogansburg (10 Apr) 1999
Niskayuna Planning Board and Zoning Commission approve AfPA site plan for CFFP (12 Apr) 1999

Judge O’Connor denies USLA objections to SPDES permit renewal for AFCS (Apr) 1999

AfPA purchases Niskayuna estate of late Paul Schaefer for $150,000 to establish CFFP (3 Jun) 1999

Angus Wilson photographs territorial male spruce grouse in central Adirondack Mts. (5 Jun) 1999

HPUMP recommends that Adk 46ers’ summit canisters be removed from trailless peaks (18 Jun) 1999

Karen Roy, APA, and Bernard Melewski, AC, review acid rain, 29th annual Adk Conf. (19 Jun) 1999

David Ragentesi, Rocky Mt. Elk Foundation, reports on return of elk to NY, Adk Conf. (19 Jun) 1999

DEC stops issuance of burn permits because of dry conditions in northeastern NY (26 Jun) 1999

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APA grants an after-the-fact permit for Shania Twain estate at Dexter Lake (Jun) 1999

NY statewide electrical use peaks at 30,311 megawatts (6 Jul) 1999

UBI receives $2.3 million from NYS to expand former ABRI at Lake Placid (Jul) 1999

Byrne Dairy, Syracuse, NY, introduces ‘Adirondack High Peaks’ premium ice cream 1999

Further USLA appeals on issuance of SPDES permit for the AFCS are denied (Aug) 1999

SCJ J.G. Dier serves order/judgment settling municipal landfill litigation in Essex Co. (2 Sep) 1999

Fire burns 90 a. of Bear Den Mt. area on westerly ridge of Noonmark Mt.; access rd built (2-17 Sep) 1999

DEC bans campfires in the Adirondack backcountry (3 Sep) 1999

Town of Niskayuna dedicates the Paul Schaefer Room in Niskayuna Town Hall (13 Sep) 1999

Eliot Spitzer, NY AG, announces plans to sue 17 coal-burning power plants in 5 states (15 Sep) 1999

Tropical Storm Floyd causes power outages, blowdowns, flooding, slides in Adirondacks (17 Sep) 1999

DEC proposes completion of UMPs for Forest Preserve in five years (Sep) 1999

Gov. Pataki mandates completion of UMPs in five years (Oct 1) 1999

AfPA sponsors management and training conference on FP at Great Camp Sagamore (Oct) 1999

P. Paquet et al., Conservation Biol. Inst., pub Wolf Reintroduction Feasibility in the Adk Park (Oct) 1999

P.J. Wilson et al. pub. ‘Genetic Characterization of New York Canids’ in Paul Paquet et al. (Oct) 1999

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The study on the introduction of wolves into the Adirondacks by Paul Paquet and associates is recommended. It has an extensive bibliography and many detailed maps dealing with the issue. The study, including the detailed genetic analyses of P.J. Wilson and others, concludes that the red wolf was the primeval endemic form, that a coyote hybrid is the prevalent wild canid of the Park and that reintroduction of a wolf to the Park is presently infeasible without extensive preparation.

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FIBT adds women’s bobsled and skeleton events to Olympic Winter Games 1999

US EPA sues seven major utilities in the Midwest and South on matter of air pollution (3 Nov) 1999

Adult zebra mussels (c. 21,000) are found and removed from L. George at L. George Village (Dec) 1999

‘The Flowed Lands’, R. S. Sleicher painting, appears Conservationist, one of many Adk works (Dec) 1999

Human global population is estimated at 6 billion by Population Reference Bureau 1999

Avg. wintrer temperatures in the Adirondacks are now 3.3-3.5 d. F warmer than in 1895 1999

Mountain pine beetle, Dendroctonus ponderosae, causes forest blight in western U.S. and Canada 1999

Martha Swan, Newcomb, est. John Brown Lives!, devoted to Adk social justice and human rights 1999


Dava Sobel pub Galileo’s Daughter: A Historical Memoir of Science, Faith and Love (chronology) 1999

Eliot Spitzer is sworn in as Attorney General of NYS 1999

Wilhelmina du Pont Ross reorganizes Ross Park as Brandon Park LLC 1999

APIPP records, in Adirondack roadside survey, Japanese barberry (Berberis thunbergii) 1999

APIPP records, in Adirondack roadside survey, Oriental bittersweet (Celastrus orbiculatus) 1999

APIPP records, in Adirondack roadside survey, spotted knapweed (Centaurea maculosa) 1999

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APIPP records, in Adirondack roadside survey, frog's-bit (*Hydrocharis morsus-ranae*) 1999
APIPP records, in Adirondack roadside survey, Eurasian milfoil (*Myriophyllum spicatum*) 1999
APIPP records, in Adirondack roadside survey, water chestnut (*Trapa natans*) 1999
Adirondack Folk School (AFS). Lake Luzerne, opens with 90 classes and 300 students (5 Jun) 1999
DEC purchases ($1.6 M) Castle Rock and 10 islands from Hochschild family at Blue Mt. Lake 1999
European Frog's-bit is found at Benson, Orwell and West Haven, VT, eastern Lake Champlain 1999
Nine thousand hikers use trail system in William C. Whitney FP in first year 1999
Phil Brown becomes manager editor of *Adirondack Explorer* (AE) 1999

Professor Fagan makes a major compilation and synthesis of weather and climate studies to illustrate that El Niño and La Niña events are global phenomena and we suggest that Adirondack weather and climate show evidence of participation in such global processes. The Adirondack region, indeed, is not an island unto itself.

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RCPA study determines that a total of 83,475 structures now exist in the AP 1999
Champion Paper sells 29,000 a. to NYS for FP; 114,000 a. to Heartwood Forestland Fund III, LLC 1999
NYS acquires working forest easement of 110,000 a. from Heartwood Forestland Fund III, LLC 1999
Franklin County IDA creates Altamont Wood Products Business Park in Town of Altamont 1999
Bones of a mastodon are found during excavation for a pond 3 km east of Hyde Pk., Dutchess Co. 1999
Big Tupper (ski area) closes 1999
Hochschild family sells Blue Mt. Lake lands incl. 2 largest islands and 3,200’ of Castle Rock shore 1999
Hochschild family gives development rights on 350 a. of three small islands in Blue Mt. L. to NY 1999
Hochschild family donates lands on 200 a. of north shore of Utowana Lake to NYS 1999
Hochschild family est. $100,000 stewardship fund to hire DEC ranger to oversee gift lands 1999
LCBP detects (temporary) resence of cyanbacterial toxins in Lake Champlain 1999
Spruce grouse is added to the NYS Endangered Species List 1999
Ed Scollon discovers submerged remains of the American gunboat *New York* at Valcour Island 1999
Antarctic Larsen B & Wilkins ice shelves lose c. 1,150 sq. miles in 1 yr period ending in March 1999
GE signs 404-page EPA agreement committing GE to spend $200-750 million on PCB clean-up 1999
American peregrine falcon is removed from federal endangered species list 1999
Mohawk close land-claim negotiations because of stipulations set by NYS 1999
French ban use of neonicotinoids, e.g. Bayer products Gaucho and Poncho, as cause of bee death 1999
Lyons Falls Paper Co. achieves Smartwood certification with help of NWF 1999
JAMA reports that about one third of the global population has TB 1999
Sandra LeBarron becomes director of DEC region 6 replacing acting director James Luiz 1999
Jimmy Shea of Lake Placid wins the skeleton championship at Altenberg, Germany 1999
S. Swain *et al.*, Trudeau Institute, find memory T-cells permanently prime immune system 1999
Joint venture of Otetiana and Hiawatha BSA councils for camp operation dissolves 1999
Natural History Museum of Adirondacks provisional charter is drawn for site at Tupper Lake 1999
Town supervisor Tom Both est. weekend shuttle bus to The Garden trailhead for High Peaks 1999
Gov. Pataki directs DEC to mandate utilities to cut SOX and NOX by 50% 1999
RCPA reports that 20% of acid rain falling in NY derives from NY utilities 1999
David Kulivan, LSU forestry student, reports pair of Ivory-billed woodpeckers, Pearl R., La. 1999
Naj Wikoff et al. found The Adirondack Healing Retreat for Women with Cancer 1999
Office of the governor’s counsel issues new policy on administrative access to FP 1999
Champion International Corporation sells and leases 144,000 a. to NYS for the FP 1999
R.M. Ferris, et al., Defenders of Wildlife, publish Places for Wolves incl. remarks on red wolf 1999
Marking T. Roosevelt’s governorship, one of High Peaks, 3,821’ el., is named Roosevelt Mt. 1999
DEC and APA release consultation guidelines on snowmobile trail maintenance 1999
NAS explains absence of warming in satellite measurements re. GCC 1999
V. Ramanathan, U. Cal., detects massive global aerosol brown cloud formed in South Asia 1999
Joe Martens is elected president of OSI 1999
DEC Office of Environmental Justice est Environmental Justice Program 1999
AfPA assists training of Forest Ranger and Environmental Conservation Officer recruits 1999
NYS begins survey and recreational study of Champion lands newly acquired for FP 1999
David and Elizabeth Gray release their recording The Grand Adirondack Line 1999
Norfolk Southern Corp. and CSX Transport buy Conrail, CSX acquires northern NY lines 1999
Upper Hudson R. RR contracts to operate excursion train between North Creek and Riparius 1999
Empire State Snowshoe Racing Association is formed to promote snowshoe racing 1999
ISMA inaugurates SAE Clean Snowmobile Challenge™ for engineering students 1999
James Papero and Chuck Scrafford receive AfPA Zahniser Award for wilderness management 1999
EPA recommends cessation of Thimerosal use as a preservative for pediatric vaccines 1999
Clarence Petty receives the Robert Marshall Award from the Wilderness Society 1999
Petrified Sea Gardens, aka Ritchie Park, off of Rte 29 W of Saratoga Springs declared NHL 1999
NY Attorney General sues 17 polluting mid-western power companies 1999
A conference devoted to the lowering and/or banning of the use of CFCs is held in Beijing 1999
PDCNR begins mass rearing and release of the Japanese ladybird beetle, predator of HWA 1999
Wildlife authorities of Maine note presence of wild Lynx in their state 1999
Chemung/Steuben hunting federations est Venison Donation Coalition and distr 1,000 lbs venison 1999
Spruce grouse is listed as ‘endangered’ in NYS. 1999
New England and New York experience a major summer drought 1999
46ers define and “harden” preferred routes to trailless peaks 1999
AfPA cites Jim Papero and Chuck Scrafford in its Champions of Conservation bookmark series 1999
Biathlon World Cup competitions are held at Lake Placid 1999
Research begins in Elizabethtown to evaluate role of a larval moth in Eurasian Millfoil control 1999
DEC reclassifies bald eagle from “threatened” to “endangered” status 1999
Broadscale release of the Black Poplar, Populus nigra, containing Bt gene, is approved in China 1999
Men's Journal ranks Saranac Lake as one of America’s ‘25 Coolest Mountain Towns’ 1999
Adirondack Scenic RR begins 10-mile Saranac Lake-Lake Placid run for tourists 1999
SPAC assets are reported at $8.2 million 1999
Essex Co. Board of Supervisors passes a law prohibiting introduction of predators 1999
Era of unfenced and open Adirondack landfills ends 1999
Veerabhadran Ramanathan, U.C. San Diego, describes Asian aerosol brown cloud (GCC) 1999
GE reports that “There is no credible evidence that PCBs cause cancer” 1999
AfPA sponsors a two-week exchange with leaders from Rep. of Buryatia, Lake Baikal region 1999
Barbara McMartin publ The Adirondack Park – A Wetlands Quilt 1999
Membership of TNC exceeds one million 1999
John Carr est. Adirondack Pub & Brewery, Lake George, to produce high-quality, local craft beer 1999
Yamaha begins 4th program to develop 4-stroke snowmobile using its YZF-R1 technology 1999
ANC and ALA name Finch, Pruyun & Co. Adirondack Steward Award of the Year 1999
Tetra Tech, Inc. and ALSC begin mercury mass balance modeling at Sunday Lake 1999
Québec Brook and Madawaska Bog are added to the Forest Preserve 1999
The Upstate Maximum Security Correctional Facility is built at Malone, Franklin Co. 1999
DEC authorizes major reconstruction of Bear Pond Rd. near the Five Ponds WA 1999
TNC, Bob Zaremba et al. est. NY Invasive Plant Council 1999
Chris Winters is appointed director of the NY Invasive Plant Council 1999
Kaplan Development Group acquires old Will Rogers Hospital and renovates as retirement center 1999-00
Retirement community, Saranac Village at Will Rogers, opens at former Will Rogers Hospital 1999
Community of Raquette Lake est. Durant Days, an annual event honoring William West Durant 1999
David Gibson receives Adirondack Research Consortium Adirondack Achievement Award 1999
The Stromatolite Gardens near Saratoga become a National Historic Landmark 1999
Kyoto group again meets and U.S. disagrees with principles of the protocol 1999
Fish mortalities occur in the Little Moose River watershed during a drought 1999
Paucity of NYC water supply reaches emergency level III (with level IV maximum) 1999
Harold Jerry, Jr. receives the Adirondack Museum Founder’s Award 1999
John Titus and Rebecca Urban discover inflated bladderwort, Utricularia inflata in Adk Lakes 1999
Bill authorizing local regulation of jet skis (PWC) stalls in the NYS legislature 1999
Monsanto markets NewLeaf Plus® and NewLeaf Y® potato varieties 1999
US production of all NewLeaf® potato varieties peaks at 55,000 acres 1999
Jeffrey Dean et al., Lab. of Tree Ring Research, U. Arizona, provide 1 yr Anasazi accuracy (GCC) 1999
Joint Federal and State Asian Gypsy moth eradication program ends 1999
Abbie S. Verner becomes first female president of AfPA 1999
VFC Productions releases CD (13 songs, 44:25 min) “Leadley’s Legacy”, Inside the Blue Line 1999
Renee Moore establishes Solomon Northup Day, Saratoga Springs (Jul) 1999
Moscow reports recording breaking temperature of 91º F (18 Jul) 1999
New Scientist reports discovery of large volumes of oceans that are now less saline (31 Jul) 1999
Jude Ippoliti releases her recording Mystic Cove: Adirondack Mountains 1999
DEC hires six foresters to work on UMPs 1999
Eliot Spitzer joins with EPA in air pollution suit against American Electric Power Co. (AEP) 1999
Forty-two pairs of peregrine falcon s are known to be nesting in NY state 1999
Two, 11-year old boys contract malaria at 200 a. BSA camp at Calverton, Long Island (1-7 Aug) 1999
APA approves Placid Gold master plan to enhance and preserve fmr. Lake Placid Club property 1999
EPA issues Ecological Risk Assessment (ERA) for Hudson R (Hudson Falls - Battery) PCBs (Aug) 1999
Malaria parasite Plasmodium vivax is found in mosquitoes at BSA camp, Calverton, L.I. (Aug) 1999
Sean Cavanaugh, Manhattan, develops malaria; possible sources of Honduras or Long I. (Oct) 1999
Ironman Triathlon competition is inaugurated at Lake Placid 1999
DEC removes common raven from list of Species of Special Concern 1999
NYS buys much of Nine-Mile Level of E. Branch of St. Regis R. from Champion International 1999
Freshwater jelly fish is identified in Lake George 1999
Clarence Petty, age 94, elects not to renew his airplane pilot’s license 1999
Phil Brown pub Longstreet Highroad Guide to the New York Adirondacks 1999

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West Nile virus is detected in 62 persons in NYC resulting in seven fatalities 1999
Round goby, *Apollonia melanostomus*, of Caspian and Black Seas, found in L. Erie and L. Ontario 1999
‘Russian Mafia’ smuggles 30,000 tons of banned CFCs into North America and Western Europe 1999
DEC issues 684,462 big game hunting licenses 1999
DEC records 93,471 annual trailhead registrations for the High Peaks 1999
Clinton, Essex, Franklin, Hamilton, Lewis, Warren Cos., hotel revenue is $135.0 mill. 1999-00
Jenny Lake banding indicates a major irruption of the Black-capped Chickadee 1999-00
ANCA prints/distributes 100,000 copies of Adirondack North Country Regional Map (3rd ed.) 1999-00
USFS SDA, reports southern pine beetle (SPB) damage in eastern US at more than $1B 1999-02
Worldwide est. $200 to $600 bil. is spent on Y2K software modifications & updates (31 Dec) 1999
US alone spends $100 billion on Y2K software modifications and updates (31 Dec) 1999
Y2K transition from 1999 to 2000 is a non-event (31 Dec) 1999
ANCA administers $1.2M Adk Ice Storm recovery program in cooperation with USFS and DEC 2000-01
Eliot Spitzer, NY AG, moves to oin EPA suit against Ohio Edison on matter of air pollution (Jan) 2000
A Lake Placid man dies in a snow avalanche on Wright Peak (21 Feb) 2000
FIBT women’s world bobsleigh (bobsled) championship is held at Winterberg, Germany 2000
Appellate Division refuses to recognize arguments in Tim Jones case; Tim Jones appeals (Mar) 2000
AC circulates email assailing Tim Jones’ non-existent ‘improperly installed septic system’ (Apr) 2000
Donald H. Gerds dies of cancer at his daughter’s home in Richmond, VA (12 Apr) 2000
Earthquake (3.7 Richter) with epicenter near Newcomb occur at 4:47 AM (20 Apr) 2000
Arsonist burns camp at Adirondack League Club (29 May) 2000
Eliot Spitzer, NY AG, and DEC notify 8 NY power plants of NSR violations (May) 2000
Lake Champlain Basin Aquatic Nuisance Species Management Plan is federally approved (May) 2000
Santanoni Historic Area UMP is approved (Jun) 2000
Appellate Divison denies leave to appeal Tim Jones case (Jun) 2000
Eliot Spitzer, NY AG, joins EPA in suit against Dominion Virginia Power re. air pollution (Jul) 2000
Camp Pioneer of the BSA is dedicated at Massawepie Lake (Jul) 2000
K.E. Hummer pub History of the Origin and Dispersal of White Pine Blister Rust -WPBR (Jul-Sep) 2000
President Bill Clinton and family vacation at Lake Placid (18-21 Aug) 2000
ANCA relocates to Keough Building on St. Bernard St. in Saranac Lake (Aug) 2000
Pres. Clinton orders 3 cases of Ubu strong ale growlers shipped from L. Placid to White House 2000
NYS gives local governments the power to regulate personal watercraft (Sep) 2000
Appleton Papers (2nd largest in Adks), Newton Falls, St. Lawrence Co., closes (Oct) 2000
DEC detects outbreak of type E botulism in waterfowl of eastern Lake Erie (Nov) 2000
Carson Logging Div., Oregon, hauls logs from private forest near Oseetah L. by helicopter (Nov) 2000
Education Committee, AfPA, est The Adirondack Chronology (Nov) 2000
Winds reaching 63 mph (at Peru) down power lines and trees in northern Adks (11-12 Dec) 2000
Winds and floods cause $1.5 million in damages in northeast NY and NE Kingdom (17-18 Dec) 2000
LTC Corp., 3rd largest U.S. steel producer, files for bankruptcy protection (29 Dec) 2000
Eliot Spitzer, NY AG, EPA, and Cinergy Corp. agree to cut air pollution at 10 plants (Dec) 2000
USCB reports year-round population of Hamilton Co at 5,370 citizens 2000
DEC estimates NY resident population of moose at 80 to 100 – mostly Adirondack 2000
Bayer releases insecticide Imidochloprid (also spelled Imidachloprid), a nicotinoid killing HWA 2000
ABBNYS reports breeding of Bay-breasted warbler at Flowed Lands, High Peaks Wilderness 2000
Hamilton Co has twice national avg. of people over 65 y.o and 2/3 national avg. under 5 y.o. 2000
C&S Wholesale Grocers buys bankrupt Grand Union grocery stores in Adirondacks 2000
Jim McCulley *et al.* form the Lake Placid Snowmobile Club with McCulley named as president 2000
Craig Gilborn pub *Adirondack Camps* 2000
Kent Busman, Camp Fowler, Imam Moukhtar Moughrawi est program of Muslim outreach (Oct) 2000
AfPA cites Clarence Petty and George Davis in its Champions of Conservation bookmark series 2000
Dunkirk and Huntley coal-fired plants of western NY produce 21% of NOx, 38% of SO2 for NYS 2000
Human global population is estimated at 6.055 billion (PRB) 2000
McDonald’s Corp. halts purchase of NewLeaf® potato varieties 2000
Don Mullen canoes future NFCT from Old Forge to Port Kent, ME (1 May-25 Jun) 2000
Solar-powered roadside emergency call boxes on Northway fail because of Y2K problem 2000
Domtar Industries, Inc.’s Adirondack forest lands receive SmartWood™ certification 2000
Announced sale of Appleton’s Newton Falls paper mill to Empire Paper Group fails (Nov) 2000
J.R. Simplot Co. cancels all contracts for NewLeaf® potato varieties 2000
New sled track, designed by Uwe Deyle of Stuttgart, is built at Mt. van Hoevenberg 2000
ACC calls for Don Sage to resign as its treasurer because of “extreme views” on APA and DEC 2000
Clinton, Essex & Franklin Co. IDAs/T. of Plattsburgh initiate CBN Connect for broadband access 2000
Friends of Lyon Mountain Mining and Railroad Museum buy former D&H Railroad station 2000
INCO discovers major new nickel and platinum deposits at Kelly Lake, near Sudbury, Ontario 2000
NYS adopts a revised rare plant list 2000

Various government laws, regulations and policies protect rare plants. Probably the most surprising aspect of rare plant protection is that, unlike animals, plants are the property of the landowner whether they might be individual, corporation, or government agency. This means that the protection of rare plants is under the control of the landowner unless, in some cases, a government-regulated action is affecting them. Then the government entity regulating the action may require that the protection efforts take place to preserve the rare plants and their habitat.

Plant Rarity and The Law
NYSDEC – NY Natural Heritage Program
http://www.dec.state.ny.us/website/dfwmr/heritage/plant_law.htm

Grace Hudowalski establishes the Adirondack 46er Conservation Trust 2000
Recreational hunting leases expire on former Champion International lands of FP 2000
IP acquires assets of Champion Paper International 2000
Argo global float array becomes active to monitor marine salinity, temperature, other variables 2000

An Argo float looks like a large yellow floating hypodermic needle about eight inches in diameter and about seven feet long, the sensors constituting the “needle”. Each float is expected to work for four to five years. Two global data assembly centers collect and organize the transmitted data, one in Brest, France, and a second in Monterrey, California. The name “Argo” makes poetic reference to Jason’s ship the Argosy.

Jason I and II are the complementaruy satellite system for monitoring sea surface topography as shaped by current, water density and atmosphere. The ocean and atmosphere are the parents of Adirondack weather.

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Franklin Co. Sheriff revokes St. Regis Mohawk Tribal Police ability to enforce NYS law (Mar) 2000
The population of Stratford, Fulton Co., is now 600 2000
Most Rev. Gerald M. Barbarito is appointed bishop of RCC Diocese of Ogdensburg (7 Jan) 2000
Watershed Stewardship Program, AWI, PSC, begins Purple loosestrife control, St. Regis Lakes 2000
UCal workers identify Sudden Oak Death (SOD) pathogen as the fungus Phytophthora ramorum 2000
Asian gypsy moth is discovered in Portland, OR 2000
Times Union, of Albany, prints an article on human diversity in the Adirondacks 2000
See Champlain Canal web: [www.champlaincanal.net/Chronology-Champlain%20Canal.htm](http://www.champlaincanal.net/Chronology-Champlain%20Canal.htm) 2000

DEC pub a study on wolf genetics and feasibility of restoration in NYS 2000

Judge B.J. Malone dismisses all causes of action brought by USLA against AFCS 2000

The Winter Goodwill Games are held in Lake Placid 2000

LCBP estimates $3.8 billion income to Lake Champlain Basin from tourism for this year 2000

Mechanical water chestnut harvester (in part DEC funded) begins work in southern L. Champlain 2000

Town of Chesterfield adopts APA-approved local land use and development plan 2000

Essex County leaders est Adirondack Harvest in response to loss of farms 2000

APA-approved local land use and development plans apply to 15/103 Adk towns 2000

The APA currently has c. 3,000 unresolved enforcement cases 2000

Paul Mitchell Logging Co., Tupper Lake, adopts full mechanical logging ending manual felling 2000

Federally assured hydroelectric contracts (and rates) lapse resulting in fall of rates 2000

Garden Explorer Club engages with Adirondack Stewardship Program begins boat owner education on invasive species in N. Adks 2000

DEC, ADK et al. publish the *Adirondack Forest and Preserve Map and Guide* 2000

NYSDEC begins replacement of John Pond Dam, T. of Indian Lake, (it was still not done 2005) 2000

Erwin and Polly Fullerton receive the Adirondack Stewardship Award 2000

Global Climate Coalition disbands but US oil lobby continues influence on administration (GCC) 2000

Cinergy and Dominion Virginia Power of Ohio settle air-pollution suit with NY Attorney General 2000

Timothy L. Barnett receives the Adirondack Museum Founder’s Award 2000


EPA establishes human Hg tissue threshold at 5.8 micrograms/liter for blood, 1.2 ppm for hair 2000

CPSC discovers low levels of non-asbestiform ATA and ‘transitional fibers’ in crayons (Jun) 2000

Three leading crayon manufacturers voluntarily remove talc from their products 2000

A 10-year Census of Marine Life is launched to catalog and map marine species worldwide 2000

NOAA reports global record warmth (1 °C > than prior record) for Jan-Feb-Mar 2000

LGLC purchases 223-acre Pilot Knob Ridge Preserve east of Lake George 2000

LGLC purchases 1,300-acre Northwest Bay Tract overlooking Lake George 2000

Red foxes devastate birds on two of Four Brothers Islands of Lake Champlain 2000

To date NYS DOH has found rabies in 14,000 animals out of a sample of some 100,000 2000

Mayfield STP, Mayfield village, Fulton Co., is est. releasing product to Great Sacandaga Lake 2000

Waters of Great Sacandaga Lake crest spillway of Conklingville Dam 2000

Watershed Stewardship Program begins boat owner education on invasive species in N. Adks 2000

Lane Hospitality purchases Hilton Hotel, Lake Placid 2000

Betty Little receives Public Service Sector Partnership Award of Adk Regional Tourism Council 2000

Village of Tupper Lake hires Comoin Associates to help in development of a village plan 2000

Mosquitoes of Colonie, Schenectady and Troy test positive for West Nile virus 2000

The average area of the one-hundred largest cities of the US is now 169 square miles 2000

NYS Park System with 152 parks and 100 historic sites serves an estimated 65 million visitors 2000

Human cancer in Minnesota wheat growing regions is linked to 2,4-D 2000

19,207 applicators apply 17,844,438 lbs. and 2,936,143 gals of pesticide in NY 2000

2,094,053 lbs. and 219,791 gals. of pesticide are applied on Adirondack counties 2000

EPA reports annual US release of sulfur dioxide (SO₂) at 11.2 million tons 2000

St. Regis Mohawk Tribe sues Park Place Entertainment Corp. over plans for Catskills casino 2000

Demon TC insecticide/miticide is most commonly used commercial pesticide in NY 2000

Funding for Adk cloud-water monitoring is cut (later restored by action of NY congressmen) 2000

Northern Forest Canoe Trail is organized at Waitsfield, VT 2000

Ray Fadden (Tehanetorens) publishes *Roots of the Iroquois* 2000

European frog’s-bit (free-floating aquatic plant) is found at Mill Bay, southern Lake Champlain 2000

G.C. McGee reports that beech trees killed by BBD comprise 22% of Adk hardwood forest debris 2000
Finch, Pruyn & Co. forest management practices are certified by AF&PA SFI 2000
Robert Daniels captures Largemouth Bass in Moss Lake of SW Adirondacks 2000
M. Culver et al., J. Heredity, analyse mtDNA of 186 mountain lions; all NA subspecies combined 2000
Fort Drum Military Reservation occupies 109,176 acres in Jefferson and Lewis Co. 2000
Court-approved settlement provides access to S. Br. of Moose R. on ALC lands, May 1 to Oct. 15 2000
TNC founds the. Association for Biodiversity Information (ABI) 2000
After 16 years of study EPA announces 5-year PCB clean-up plan for 40 miles of Hudson R. 2000
EPA to remove 2.65 m cubic yards (100,000 lbs of PCBs) from Hudson R. costing GE $460M 2000
Ward Stone, NYSDEC, finds PCB concentration of 3,091 ppm in a Hudson R. turtle 2000
Terry Gordon, Keeseville, NY, receives patent for rifle scope with integrated digital camera 2000
TNC founds the Adirondack Hardwoods Co. of Saranac 2000
The inaugural ESPN Great Outdoor Games are held at Lake Placid 2000
Lake Placid inaugurates the Lake Placid Film Festival 2000
USCB reports a population for Hamilton Co. of 5,190 with a density of 3/sq. mi. 2000
USCB reports a population for NY Co. of 1,551,844 with a density of 52,419/sq. mi. 2000
EPA bans chlorpyrifos for virtually all non-agricultural uses because of toxicity 2000
Darryl Caron et al. launch monthly Adirondack Sports & Fitness with calendar, Clifton Park, NY 2000

Adirondack Sports & Fitness, a free periodical, will grow into the most detailed source of guidance for hundreds of recreational events occurring in the Adirondacks. Many of these events might well be listed in this chronology but the efforts to do so exceeds our competence!

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A. Ross, SUNY Potsdam, surveys spruce grouse for St. Lawrence, Franklin, Hamilton counties 2000
The human genome project estimates the total number of human genes at 30,000 2000
USFWS proposes to add butternut (tree) to national endangered species list 2000
Adirondack Mountain Bike Initiative is formed and begins modifying x-c ski trails for biking 2000
USFS prohibits the cutting of Butternut (trees) in the National Forests

Champion Butternut (tree) is found growing near Poughkeepsie; girth of 15”7”, height of 79 feet

Rick Belden, formerly of Hague, L. Geo., wins Mack Truck World’s Strongest Man competition

Conservation measures reduce average water consumption of NYC residents to 141.8 gal per cap.

Canada Lake Protective Association “adopts” the fire tower on Kane Mt.

Finch, Pruyn & Co. builds a warehouse for processing pulp from other suppliers

Congress adopts Erie Canalway National Heritage Corridor Act est NY canals as Heritage Areas

Robert Daniels catches rainbow smelt in Rondaxe Lake of SW Adirondacks

Clarence Petty and George D. Davis are awarded the AEP Zahniser Award

Elk Foundation applies to DEC for permit to restore elk to NYS and to initiate SEQRA review

White pine tree at Cathedral Pines, Hamilton Co., is measured at 152’ 7” tall and 10’ 8 1/2” girth

Rainbow trout at Fulton Co. hatchery are destroyed to control whirling disease

NYS DAM establishes precautionary testing program for CWD in WTD

NYC DEP reports water consumption of 1,240.4 gpd, a per capita consumption of 169.4 gal

DEC records 106,991 annual trailhead registrations for the High Peaks

Ameri-corps volunteers/DEC remediate 14 wet land areas on Vanderwhacker Snowmobile Trail

Thomas Gang, Inc. denies public access across Lot 167 to Cathead Mt, T. of Benson (Sep)

Lake George does not freeze completely

Nor’easter drops 20” of snow across the northern Adirondacks and Vermont (31 Dec-1 Jan)

Sec. Atlas of Breeding Birds in New York State reports four Adk breeding sites for spruce grouse

Global emission of greenhouse gases grows at 2.2% per year (GCC)

ARPS, business title Adirondack Scenic RR (ASR), runs tourist train L. Placid to Saranac L.

OSI buys 10,500 a. at Tahawus from NLI, leaving pits, tailings, rails & ROW easement with NLI

George W. Bush is inaugurated as President of the US (20 Jan)

Lyons Falls Pulp and Paper Inc. closes laying off 186 employees (Jan)

Wind gusts up to 75 mph are measured across the northern Adirondacks (10 Feb)

Northeaster drops 35” of snow at L. Placid, 29” at Tupper L. and 33” at Peru (5-6 Mar)

Northeaster drops 12+” of wet snow across n. Adks with 27.5” at Ellenburg Depot (22-23 Mar)

Storm drops 14.2” of snow at Newcomb and 10” at Tupper Lake (30-31 Mar)

FBI puts Earth Liberation Front (ELF) at top of domestic terrorism threats (Mar)

US-Canada Softwood Lumber Agreement expires (Mar)

Deferiet Paper Co. (five machines at 250,000 tpy) files for bankruptcy with $82M debt (Mar)

Moses-Ludington Corp. becomes Inter-Lakes Health, Inc. joining hospital & nursing home (Apr)


Adirondack Paper Co. of NH signs letter of intent to buy Lyons Falls Pulp and Paper Inc. (Apr)

Brook trout weighing 5 lb 8 oz is caught in Franklin Co. (27 April)

Gov. Pataki signs bill banning use of small lead weight fishing sinkers (May; see May 2004)

VP Dick Cheney heads task force calling for review of NSR and its various law suits (May)

Northeast Hop Alliance is organized in central NY to promote hops as a specialty crop

An eel ladder is constructed at Richelieu River dam, Saint-Ours, Québec

US district court rejects NYS motions to dismiss Mohawk St. Regis land claim (May)

Commonwealth Plywood, Inc. of Canada buys plywood plant at Whitehall

Labor union (PACE) rejects a Finch, Pruyn & Co. contract offer (16 Jun)

Arsonist burns camp at Adirondack League Club (22 Jun)

ADK Glens Falls Saratoga Chapter inaugurates Fire Tower Challenge (hiking challenge)

Adk 46ers replace canisters with DEC signs on ‘trailless’ peaks (23-24 Jun)

ANCA hosts Saranac L. community meeting to discuss Lake Placid-Saranac L. RR corridor (Jun)

NYS consumes 29,617 megawatts, second highest of record (25 July)
IP shuts down No. 3 paper machine at Corinth mill releasing 225 workers (July) 2001
Dog and two hikers are struck by lightning on Algonquin Peak and then walk 3 mi. for care (Jul) 2001
Shared Adirondack Park Geographic Information CD-ROM ver.1.0 is released (Jul) 2001

The preceding item is a major resource including contributions from the Adirondack Lakes Survey Corp. Adirondack Park Agency, Northern Forest Lands Inventory, NYSDOE, NYSDEC, NYSDOH, NYSDOT, NYSORPS, USGS-NMD, US EPA Region Two.

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Helen Cross, 81, of Inlet is bitten and clawed by frightened bear trapped in her kitchen (13 Aug) 2001
To date, 60 upstate local municipalities oppose, 50 support, EPA PCB dredging plan (Aug) 2001
Adirondack Paper Co. of NH backs out of plan to buy Lyons Falls Pulp and Paper Inc. (Aug) 2001
Lawrence (Larry) King surveys his movie making for the Adrondack Park; see ARL article (Aug) 2001
DEC observers report 20 peregrine falcons reared in 11 Adirondack nests (Aug) 2001
DEC fines Ted Galusha $700 for “civil disobedience” at Hudson R. Recreation Area (Aug) 2001
E. Zahniser: “Essential Character of Wilderness is Wildness“, celebr 25th Shenendoah NPW (8 Sep) 2001
NYC World Trade Center towers are destroyed by two hijacked planes (Friday, 11 Sep) 2001
One third of Pentagon in Washington, DC, is destroyed by hijacked aircraft (Friday, 11 Sep) 2001
Major fall in stock market follows terrorist strikes in NYC and Washington. DC (Sep) 2001
NYS ALJ Molly McBride rules OGS gave (improper) consent for L. George Fluridone use (Sep) 2001
NYS legislature approves a Seneca Indian gambling casino at Niagara Falls (Oct) 2001
Jason 1 satellite is launched from Vandenberg Air Force Base, CA, aboard Deta II rocket (7 Dec) 2001
A five-day storm dumps 7 feet of snow at Buffalo (Dec) 2001
Roland Kays, NYSM, notes shooting of young, male wolf by hunter north of Gr. Sacandaga L. (Dec) 2001
Barry Bonds hits 73 homers using a maple baseball bat 2001
Lake Placid Pub & Brewery opens Lake Placid Craft Brewing Co. at Plattsburgh to grow operation 2001
TNC documents diversity of species on Adirondack forest lands of Finch, Pruyn & Co. 2001
NY state permits local government regulation of PWC in their jurisdiction 2001
Retired DEC worker, L. George, photographs tracks, recovers hairs, male mountain lion from ND 2001
Elizabeth Folwell joins Adirondack Center for Writing as a founding member 2001
Hilary Tann, UC, receives Adirondack Heritage Award from AfPA on its centennial 2001
APA et al. release Shared Adirondack Park Geography Information on CD-ROM 2001
APA, DEC, ANC, PSC et al. form Aquatic Invasive Plant Program to monitor aquatic plants 2001
Northern New York Travel and Tourism Research Center is created at Potsdam, NY 2001
APA reviews development by Diamond Sportsmen’s Club (APA Project 2001-217) 2001
APA permits Diamond Sportsmen’s Club to build homes T. Long Lake, Hamilton Co. 2001
US National Climate Data Center reports the second warmest year of record 2001
Beech bark disease is detected in Michigan 2001
Sandra Weber pub Mount Marcy 2001
Hyundai Heavy Industries, Ulsan, S. Kororea, builds Deepwater Horizon offshore drilling rig 2001
US DCJ L. Kahn rules in favor of Ted Galusha requiring DEC to provide FP access for disabled 2001
DEC retains NYS Independent Living Council to oversee DEC efforts to enhance FP access 2001
NYS Independent Living Council hires Ted Galusha to oversee DEC work on FP access 2001
EHP webs aldrin and dieldrin (Mar) 2001
Deep snow and poor sap run results in low volume of maple syrup at Uihlein Field Station, L. Placid 2001
The mercury advisory for fish is extended to include 22 Adirondack lakes and rivers 2001
Peter O’Shea reports sighting wolverine, Gulo gulo, at Grass River Wild Forest, St. Lawrence Co. 2001
Biathlon World Cup competitions are held at Lake Placid 2001
DEC requires trip ticket permit for trail users of eastern High Peaks WA 2001
NCPR installs radio signal translators at Lyons Falls, Speculator, Morristown and Boonville 2001
Adirondack Unitarian Universalist Community is organized at Saranac Lake 2001
L. Champlain sail ferry replica Weatherwax is built for L. Placid/Essex Co. Visitors Bureau 2001
EPA passes draft plan to dredge PCBs from targeted ‘hot spots’ in 40 mi. of Hudson R. (1 Aug) 2001
Hamilton County IDA, private investors and NYS fund $2M upgrades at Oak Mtn Ski Center 2001
CAP-21 is est. from Communities-2000 at Old Forge (13 Dec) 2001
One report suggests 27 Adirondack waters as now infested with Eurasian millfoil 2001
Singer-songwriter Dan Berggren presents Adirondack Green on Sleeping Giant Records (CD) 2001
American With Disabilities Act is used to challenge NYS laws regulating FP access 2001
NYS law denies FP access to motorized vehicles operated by the disabled 2001
Fort Ticonderoga has seasonal attendance of 110,000 2001
Pres. G. W. Bush withdraws 1990 Clean Air Act Amendments (CAAA; see new rules of 2004) 2001
Finch, Pruyn & Co hires 400 replacement workers for striking union workers 2001
Z. Richards, University of Vermont, counts 550 active great blue heron nests on Valcour Island 2001
LGPC reports that Eurasian milfoil is now found at more than 140 sites in Lake George 2001
Jim Schaefer extends LP from Mohawk R. to Bachellerville Bridge at Great Sacandaga Lake 2001
Town of Westport receives the Adirondack Stewardship Award 2001

The NYS Court of Appeals, following NYS Agriculture and Markets Law, § 305-a (1) (a), as having legal precedent, determines the APA has no control of structures, size, growth and character of Adironack farms and farming.

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Church of the Lakes at Inlet celebrates its centennial adding a new parish hall 2001
Town of Webb History Assoc. presents “God’s Country”, a show on Adirondack churches 2001
During a strike Finch, Pruyn & Co. cease buying roundwood for pulp production 2001
Finch, Pruyn & Co. begins use of imported paper pulp in paper production 2001
Appellate courts uphold dismissal of LaGrasse suite re. Champion International land sale 2001
Paul Frederick produces the DVD Adirondack Visions with music by Scott B. Adams et al. 2001
Adirondack Scenic Railroad begins its first full season (May) 2001
NYSDEC removes a bridge across the dam at Duck Hole 2001
CWD, a.k.a. TSE, a prion-based brain disease, is found in S. central Wisconsin. 2001
Town of Johnsburg bans PWC on Garnet Lake, Thirteenth Lake and Hudson R. 2001
WMHT produces a taped recording of Adirondack storytellers and their stories 2001
Lee and Judi Borland organize APMBI to promote mountain biking in Adirondack Park 2001
Adirondack Cooperative Loon Program (ACLP) begins survey of some 327 lakes and ponds 2001
Robert Reiss closes Santa’s Workshop, Wilmington, following a failed business deal 2001
Beth Bidwell founds The Wildlife Institute of Eastern NY 2001
New Zealand Mud Snail is found in Yellowstone NP at densities of 500,000/sq. meter 2001
David Gibson, Exec. Director of AfPA, receives the Chevron Conservation Award 2001
World meteorologists meet in Bonn, US not participating, to focus on Kyoto targets (GCC) 2001

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Global oceanic warming affirms models predicting global greenhouse gas-based warming

Jimmy Shea of Lake Placid wins World Cup skeleton race silver medal at Lake Placid

Gov. Pataki invites formation of a non-governmental Advisory Snowmobile Focus Group

Anita Deming of Essex Co. Cornell Cooperative Extension initiates Adirondack Harvest Project

APR responds to DEC Bear Pond Rd reconstruction near the Five Ponds WA

Fourth Lake (Fulton) Property Owners Assoc., Peter Bishop, et al. restores Shoal Pt. Lighthouse

Personal water craft, 6.7% of registered water craft on L. George, cause 54% of boating accidents

TNC acquires 26,562 a. at Long Lake from International Paper Co.

Arborist Will Blozan finds HWA in Ellicott Rock Wilderness, Blue Ridge Mts., S. Carolina (Dec)

TNC contracts with Finch, Pruy & Co. to perform an ecological survey of its lands

Jack Freeman, ADK, Mike McLean, DEC, et al. begin effort to save Azure Mt. fire tower

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission oversees repair of the Stillwater Reservoir Dam

Monsanto ceases production of all NewLeaf® potato varieties (May)

Gov. Pataki and Senator Betty Little announce $2.5 million grant to the NHMA

AfPA cites David Sive in its Champions of Conservation bookmark series

A group of people report seeing a mountain lion in Lewis Co. – but no photos are taken

ADA is applied to Bearslides, Butternut Brook, Warren Co., in favor of three disabled plaintiffs

Roberta Jamieson is elected as a chief of the Six Nations

Lake Placid Resort and Golf Club is certified under ACSP (Spring)

Regional headquarters of TNC at Keene Valley are enlarged

LCMM offices and exhibits moves to Burlington Shipyard, Burlington, Vt.

US Supreme Court limits ACE jurisdiction to wetlands directly linked to navigable waterways

Several conservation organizations create Adirondack Cooperative Loon Program

Commonwealth Plywood, Inc. of Canada buys plywood plant at Whitehall

The Adirondack 46ers remove all canisters from the ‘trailless’ peaks (Jun)

RCPA reports presence of 83,476 residential, commercial and industrial structures in Adk Park

NYSDEC converts Hudson River Almanac to electronic web format with 1700 volunteers

RCPA reports that 820 to 850 structures are built in Adirondack Park annually

Dan Berggren and Dan Duggan re-release their recording Rooted in the Adirondacks

David Sive wins the AfPA Zahniser Award for legal defense of Art. 14, NYS Constitution

Janet Parker Decker receives the Adirondack Museum Founder’s Award

Elk Foundation conducts public hearings across NYS on merits of elk reintroduction to NYS

Mt. van Hoevenburg Olympic Sports Complex is named Verizon Sports Complex

NYS OPRHP reports 10% of all snowmobiles accidents (55% of all fatalities) are alcohol related

AfPA celebrates its founding in 1901 with a musical gala at Union College

Atmospheric concentration of CO2 reaches 370 ppm, the highest in 160,000 years

Total annual number of vehicles passing through Eagle Bay is reported at 3,530

EPA reports annual US release of sulfur dioxide (SO2) at 10.6 million tons

Royal Ahold purchases grocery stores from C&S Wholesale Grocers to reopen as Tops Markets

ZCA closes Balmat No. 4 zinc mine, laying off 165 workers (Apr-Aug)

USA, producing 30% of greenhouse gases, refuses, economic grounds, to endorse Kyoto Protocol

A new 42-bed addition is built at Moses-Ludington Nursing Home at Ticonderoga

Pres. George Bush directs U.S. withdrawal from Kyoto negotiations on global climate

USGCRP pub Preparing for a Changing Climate

USGCRP, using the Hadley Model, predicts a 6 °F rise in NE-NY by 2090

USGCRP, using the Canadian Model, predicts 10 °F rise in NE-NY by 2090

APA considers issuance of siting permits for telecommunications towers

Divers find Lake-cress, Armoracia lacustris, a threatened species, at West Tongue Mt., L. George

AfPA begins its Advocates for Wilderness Stewardship Program
DEC records 118,262 annual trailhead registrations for the High Peaks 2001
US Supreme Ct. excludes “isolated wetlands that do not cross state lines” from Clean Waters Act 2001
D. Spada reports Common Reed (Phragmites communis) on Rte. 86 west of Ray Brook c. 2001
A rolling rock damages a wooden pole for Republic-Barton Brook electric power line (115 kV) c. 2001
Open Space Conservation Plan is revised after 1st adoption in 1992 2002
Open Space Conservation Plan website is available at www.dec.state.ny.us 2002
Adirondack region’s loss of 8% of its physicians is attributed to long hours and low pay 2001-05
More than $1 billion are diverted from NYS Dedicated Highway and Bridge Trust Fund 2001-09
Cornell Regional Climate Center declares this the warmest Adk winter of record 2001-02
Lake George did not freeze completely for only one winter during the 82-year period of 1908 to 1990, but it has not formed a complete ice sheet seven winters during the 20 year period of 1991-2011.

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Eliot Spitzer, NY AG, and DEC sue two largest coal-burning plants in NYS (10 Jan) 2002
Doug Burroughs, with associate Russ Lawrence, kill “gray wolf” at Day, Saratoga Co. (Jan) 2002
Elizabeth Little replaces Ronald Stafford in the NYS senate 2002
Jack Shea of Lake Placid (91 y.o.) dies in an automobile accident (22 Jan) 2002
LSU biologists hear possible “double knock” of ivory-billed woodpecker, Pearl R. WMA (27 Jan) 2002
Olympic torch at Lake Placid is lit in honor of Jack Shea (Jan) 2002
APA begins recognizing notable Adirondack people with ‘Award of the Month Club’ (Jan) 2002
An additional 1,250 sq. mi. of Larsen B ice-shelf breaks from Antarctic mainland (31 Jan-7 Mar) 2002
EPA approves ROD to dredge targeted ‘hot spots’ of PCBs from 40 mi. of Hudson R. (1 Feb) 2002
EPA-ordered PCB Hudson R. dredging project is estimated to cost GE $780 M 2002
LTC est. Lyme Northern Forest Fund L.P. (LNFF) as exclusive vehicle for forestland investment 2002
APA revises telecommunication tower policy to ensure ‘substantial invisibility’ (Feb) 2002
Richard W. Lawrence, 1st chair of the APA and Adk resident since 1947, dies at age of 91 (6 Feb) 2002
The Adirondack Park now has cell phone coverage for about 30% of its area (16 Feb) 2002
High Peaks North tourist center on the Northway near exit 30 opens (Feb) 2002
LTV Corp. dissolves following abandonment by General Motors (Feb) 2002
EPA issues ROD requiring GE to dredge PCB-contaminated sediment from U. Hudson R. (Feb) 2001
Theodore M. Ruzow, chair of the APA from 1979-1984, dies (22 Feb) 2002
NYS State Energy Plan calls for NYSERDA feasibility study on renewable portfolio standard 2002
Merrill McKee et al. organize Northern New York Paranormal Society at Malone 2002
MVWA removes dam at Black Creek Reservoir, a.k.a. Gray Dam, (141-0696) 2002
Forest Stewardship Council accredits RCPA as a SmartWood Forest Manager (Apr) 2002
DEC places 90-day ban on import of WTD and elk to NYS for CWD control (Apr) 2002
Earthquake, mag. 5.1-5.2, c. 15 mi. SW of Plattsburgh, Peru area, causes $16M in damages (20 Apr) 2002
Earthquake of April 20, Plattsburgh area, is declared a federal disaster (20 Apr) 2002
Pres. George W. Bush et al. visit Wilmington, NY in celebration of Earth Day (22 Apr) 2002
While there, Pres. Bush proclaims ‘Clear Skies’ initiative, relaxing some goals set by CAA (22 Apr) 2002
DEC and DAM establish CWD testing and survey program (Apr) 2002
DEC arbitrarily informs the Towns of North Elba and Keene that OMR is ‘abandoned’ (Jul) 2002
Ames Department Stores declares 2nd bankruptcy and announces closure of all stores (14 Aug) 2002
Cedar Knoll Log Homes wins Governor’s Waste Reduction and Recycling Award (25 Oct) 2002
New York Old Growth Association is founded to study older forests of NYS 2002
Richard and Janis Londraville publish a biography of the poet Jeanne Robert Foster 2002
Brian Houseal is named Executive Director of Adirondack Council (22 May) 2002
North Elba Town Council tables PWC ban proposal for northern Lake Placid 2002
Lee and Judi Borland found the Adirondack Park Mountain Biking Initiative 2002
DOH posts a health advisory on eating of sport fish taken in Adks because of Hg levels (24 May) 2002
The Mountain View Hotel at North Creek burns despite heroic efforts to save it (26 May) 2002
European Union of 15 countries signs the 1997 Kyoto Protocol (31 May) 2002
US imposes a tariff on the importation of Canadian timber (May) 2002
Forest tent caterpillar, *Malacosoma disstria*, periodic outbreak lasting 2 to 3 years, begins (May) 2002
Artist, illustrator, naturalist Anne E. Lacy Trevor dies at home in Lake Placid (Jun) 2002
ALSC fish survey of Brooktrout Lake, Hamilton Co., finds no fish; lake is dead (25 Jun) 2002
EPA/GE enter into AOC to sample Hudson R. sediments to identify areas to be dredged (Jul) 2002
Sail ferry replica *Weatherwax* is launched (19 Aug) 2002
Cornell Lab. of Ornithology workers link wood thrush declines to acid deposition (Fall) 2002
Betty Little is elected to state senate, 45th district (of 6 counties), R. Queensbury (Nov) 2002
Yamaha, after several false starts, introduces revolutionary 4-stroke snowmobile, the RX-1 (fall) 2002
Highland Forests is recipient of Adirondack Stewardship Award (6 Dec) 2002
Atmospheric pollution causes solar dimming delaying influence of greenhouse gas warming 2002
LTC est. Lyme Northern Forest Fund L.P. (LNFF) as exclusive vehicle for forestland investment 2002
Hudson River Mill Project is created to preserve its history after closure of IP mill in Corinth 2002
GCC becomes inactive as Shell, Texaco, BP, Ford, Daimler-Chrysler, et al. withdraw
London-based National Grid Co. acquires Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation
Joan Weill Adirondack Library, largely funded by $3 M donation of Joan Weill, opens at PSC
Edmonton Power Co. (EPCOR) takes control of Curtis and Palmer dams on Hudson River at Corinth
EPCOR develops riverside park with swimming and boat launch facilities on Hudson R., Corinth
American Home Products (AHP) changes its name to Wyeth
USGCRP is renamed U.S. Climate Change Science Program (USCCSP)
Wyeth-Ayerst Laboratories at Rouses Point become Wyeth Pharmaceuticals
Chris Angus, Syracuse University Press, pub The Extraordinary Journey of Clarence Petty
NYS Uniform Building Code restores lumber certification exemption
Aerosol dimming of sunlight is now thought to delay global climate change
Sudden Aspen Decline, SAD, destroys hundreds of thousands of acres of aspen in CO, NV, AZ
SAD of western states is linked to drought-weakened trees attacked by boring insects
Greenland and Antarctic ice sheets continue to degrade raising concern re. ocean-level rise
APA enacts ‘Tall Towers Policy’ dealing with wireless communication in Adirondacks
UMP for Bog River Complex calls for end of floatplane access to Lows Lake after five years
West Central Adirondack Recreation Development Association (WARDA) is formed
UN World Summit on Sustainable Development accents joint global education
UN General Assembly approves Decade of Education for Sustainable Development
The Small Hive Beetle, major predator of Honey Bees, is detected in the US
Center for Disease Control and Prevention reports 23,763 Lyme Disease cases, 90% in Northeast
West Nile Virus is now present in 41 states resulting in 4,165cases and 284 deaths
Crack is found in Canadian Ward-Ice Shelf
Kisco Information Systems from Mount Kisko moves into former Saranac Laboratory building
APA issues a directive on the building of communication towers in the Adirondack Park
Albany County leads other NY counties in crow fatalities due to West Nile Virus
Iceberg C-18, 10 times the size of Manhattan, calves in Antarctic near New Zealand
Iceberg C-19, the size of Delaware, calves in Antarctic near New Zealand
AfPA and HMBC begin dialogue on shared uses of the Reist Sanctuary, Niskayuna, Schenectady
Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership (TRCP) is formed (Jun)
Fingerlakes Construction and Byrne Dairy win NFBA ‘Builder of the Year’ for Thendara store
Glens Falls Hospital announces $65M expansion including a 6-story addition
Franklin All-Terrain Riders, Inc., is formed to foster ATV safety and access to NYS land
USDA Farm Security and Rural Reinvestment Act recreates Forest Land Enhancement Program
BOHS notes Jefferson Co. mesothelioma death rate is 2nd and 6th in US for females and males
Finch, Pruyn & Co. advertisement wins Best of Show at Albany Ad Club NORI Awards
Chris Navitsky is appointed Lake George Waterkeeper, as part of International Waterkeepr Alliance
DEC issues status report on Adirondack UMP initiative
USGS renames Litchfield Mt., Goodman Mt. in memory of civil rights activist Andrew Goodman
Barbara McMartin pub Perspectives on the Adirondacks
Derelict solar-powered roadside emergency call boxes on Northway are decommissioned
Gary Randorf rep (The Adirondacks) presence of 297 species of birds (p 107) in Adirondacks
Gary Randorf rep (The Adirondacks) 50-80% red spruce mortality Whiteface Mt., other High Peaks
DEC Commissioner Erin M. Crotty issues a news release critical of ATV use
Adirondack Council designates Elizabeth Folwell as the ‘Annual Park Communicator’
NY experiences major horticultural crop losses because of frost and drought
NWS reports U.S. drought the most serious of the record beginning in 1871
Several dozen forest fires impact Adirondacks, largest is 75 a. at Huckleberry Mtn, T. of Johnsburg
Western forest fires destroy millions of acres and hundreds of homes
Oswegatchie hydropower plant is upgraded by Erie Boulevard Hydropower 2002
Tour bus loses its brakes and crashes through toll house roof on Whiteface Memorial Highway 2002
TB remains number one global killer of childbearing-age women 2002
Clinton/Franklin Counties join Adirondack Harvest; see www.adirondackharvest.com 2002
R. Daniels, NYSM, notes largemouth bass in Moss L. (upstream migration from Rondaxe L.) 2002
NYSDOH reports 5,476 caes of Lyme disease for the entire state 2002
DEC estimates NY resident population of moose at 100 to 200 – mostly Adirondack 2002
One-third of global population is infected with TB with 2 million dying each year 2002
NADP/NTN currently monitors more than 200 atmospheric sites 2002
Kevin Prickett is appointed ApPA Wilderness Stewardship Advocate 2002
Given increasing concern about liability Keene Town Board closes town roads to snowmobiles 2002
Northpole Associates reopen Santa’s Workshop at Wilmington 2002
HTRG sells 44,650 a. of Tug Hill Plateau to begin a timber management program 2002
President Bush proposes relaxing clean-up agreements est. by the 1977 CAA 2002
After 5 year delay, NY legislature passes bill on timber theft penalties; Gov. Pataki fails to sign 2002
DEC begins stocking Silver Lake, southern Ham. Co. with native brook trout; pH is now almost 6.0 2002
USCG plans to reactivate lighthouses at Cumberland Head, Valcour Island and Split Rock 2002
DEC begins impact study of summer water releases by dams on the Hudson R. 2002
Lake George village imposes moratorium on licenses for new watersport businesses 2002
DOT announces preferred design for new Batchellerville Br., Sacandaga Reservoir 2002
Susan Swain, TI, is honored by Sen. R. Stafford as NYS Woman of Distinction 2002
Lake Placid-Town of North Elba historian Mary Mackenzie retires after 37 years 2002
FIBT women’s Olympic winter games bobsled competitions are inaugurated at Salt Lake City 2002
Jimmy Shea of Lake Placid wins the Olympic & FIBT skeleton gold medal at Salt Lake City 2002
Lawyer Arthur V. Savage receives the Adirondack Museum Founder’s Award 2002
Governor Pataki declares garnet to be the official NY state gem 2002
FERC licenses BRHRRD for Gr. Sacandaga L. incl U. Hudson/Sacandaga R. Offer of Settlement 2002
NY WTD hunters are allowed to purchase 3 separate licenses for different seasons 2002
Application and use procedures change for DMPs allowing antlerless WTD harvest 2002
DEC adopts automated licensing for hunting, fishing and trapping permits 2002
The spruce grouse population of the Adirondacks is estimated at 200-250 2002
EPA orders GE to pay for clean-up of Hudson R. PCB “hot spots” at cost of $500 to $700 M 2002
Waste-water system of Lake Placid fails releasing sewage in Chubb and Au Sable River 2002
Lake Placid begins work on a fifteen-million dollar waste-water treatment system 2002
Forest fires burn a record number of acres in Oregon 2002
The Biscuit Forest Fire of Oregon burns more than 500,000 acres 2002
DEC begins WTD sampling program for detection of CWD 2002
Emerald ash borer (EAB), Agrilus planipennis, Asian, a threat to Adk ash, is found in Detroit, MI 2002
Emerald ash borer (EAB), is found in Montreal region, Ontario, Canada 2002
G. E. Likens is awarded the National Medal of Science (See HBEF) 2002
APA reports Adk private lands at 51.7%, state lands 42.5%, water bodies 5.8% 2002
Chinese State Forestry Adm. approves commercial use of Black Poplar, P. nigra, with Bt gene 2002
Adirondack region experiences mildest winter of record 2002
Rail service to the roadless hamlet of Beaver River ends 2002
Winter carnival of Lake George is greatly diminished because of thin ice 2002
IP closes its Hudson River Mill, the last working regional paper-making machine, Corinth (Nov) 2002
Closing of IP mill at Corinth ends commercial use of former Delaware & Hudson RR 2002
Tannery Pond Community Center opens on Rt. 28 at North Creek (Jun) 2002
NYS representative Ronald B. Stafford retires after 37 years of Adirondack service 2002
Annual Long Lake 100 Mile Snowmobile Race is cancelled because of poor ice 2002
Adirondack Mountain Music Festival is inaugurated at Lyonsville 2002
Wayne Byrne, key official and organizer for Adirondacks, dies at the age of 84 in Plattsburg 2002
DOT reports average, annual number of vehicles traversing Northway sector 20-21 at 36,800 2002
EPA reports annual US release of sulfur dioxide (SO₂) at 10.2 million tons 2002
American Lawn Mower Co. estimates 250,000 push reel lawn mowers are sold annually in US 2002
AfPA selects David L. Newhouse for its annual Howard Zahniser Wilderness Award 2002
Belkorp Industries, Vancouver, Canada, buys Appleton Papers’ mills at Newton Falls and Deferiet 2002
Belkorp Industries, Vancouver, Canada, reopens paper mill at Deferiet but not Newton Falls 2002
Champlain Marshes (90-mile west shore comprising 2,800 a.) are listed as BCA 2002
Pres. James (Jimmy) Earl Carter wins Nobel Prize for work on peace, democracy, human rights, etc. 2002
Adirondack sub-alpine forest of 69,000 a. above 3,000 ft. elev. is listed as BCA 2002
Catamount Energy proposes 5 wind turbines on Little Equinox Mt, Manchester, VT 2002
Catamount Energy proposes 27 wind turbines for Magic Mt., Londonderry, VT 2002
Matthew Rubin proposes c. 10 wind turbines at former AF base, East Haven, VT 2002
VT Public Power Authority proposes up to 30 wind turbines in Lowell Mt. area, VT 2002
INCO reduces SO₂ emissions at Copper Cliff by 34% in Canada; $115 million project 2002
HRRD receives first FERC license to operate Great Sacandaga Lake assigning costs by NYS law 2002
Peter Brinkley, Jay, is elected president of AfPA (to become senior partner of AWFFP) 2002
I Love New York Campaign of Adirondack Regional Tourism Council pub Snowmobile Map 2002
APA rewrites boathouse rules: one story, no bathroom, kitchen, heating, sleeping, living facilities 2002
DOH reports 1,504 cases of Lyme Disease in 17-county region surrounding tri-city area 2002
DEC detects outbreak of type E botulism in waterfowl of Lake Ontario (Nov) 2002
CLO reports decline of snails and other calcium-rich foods in acidified areas 2002
U.S. lumber tariff limits access of Canadian paper manufacturers to Adirondack wood chips 2002
CLO suggests that wood thrush is linked to the decline of its calcium-rich foods 2002
CLO explains that blue jays feed on lead paint to satisfy a calcium nutritional need 2002
Satellite observations indicate a 16% “melt area” increase in Greenland since 1979 (GCC) 2002
Jim Kobak and Ed Bunk climb the 46 High Peaks in 11 days 2002
BWA causes 95% mortality in 40+ year-old Fraser fir, Abies fraseri, in Appalachian Mts. 2002
Gray Dam, West Canada Ck. watershed, is removed 2002
Members of Cornell Lab. of Ornithology initiate unsuccessful search for Ivory-billed woodpecker 2002
NYSERDA prioritizes research needs to define impacts of acid deposition in NYS 2002
A high-speed chairlift opens at the Whiteface Mt. Ski Center 2002
To date, ORDA has spent c. 20 million dollars in upgrading facilities at Lake Placid 2002
President Bush degrades New Source Review provisions established by Congress in 1977 2002
EPA proposes to change New Source Review (NSR) regulations subverting suits against utilities 2002
House Finch (3) is reported in Missoula, Montana 2002
Invasive Species Program, USFWS, rep on “The Newest Aquatic Invader”, northern snakehead fish 2002
Carol Vossler est. Blue Seed Studios, Cedar St., Saranac L. to show works of regional artists 2002
FDA requires market removal of LYMErix, lyme disease vaccine, on basis of side effects 2002
DEC records 110,807 annual trailhead registrations for the High Peaks 2002
Gravity Recovery and Climate Experiment launches pair of orbiting satellites to study gravity 2002
NYS fish hatchery waste-water lagoon dike fails releasing sediment to Upper Saranac Lake c. 2002
Snowmobiles travel sidewalks of Speculator displacing pedestrians 2002-03
Plattsburgh region experiences a cold winter with avg. temperature of 17.6 °F. 2002-03
Salt application results in extensive browning/die-off of roadside white pine et al. 2002-03
Total number of hunting and fishing licences issued in Adk counties is 271,252 2002-03
Brookfield Power NY makes major hydroelectric rehabilitation at Higley Falls Dam 2003-04
NYS snowmobile registrations hit a high mark of 172,164 this season 2002-03
NYS snowmobile accidents (667) & deaths (31) peak this season, but death rate is higher ’95-’96 2002-03
Peter Nye, NYSDEC, reports presence of 354 overwintering bald eagles in upstate NY (Jan) 2003
Peter Nye, NYSDEC, reports 75 breeding pairs of bald eagle (producing 87 eaglets) in NY (Jan) 2003
The Bog River Flow Management Complex UMP update is approved (Jan) 2003
Motorola Inc. and M/A-COM begin competition for SWN prime contract (15 Jan) 2003
By exec. order Gov, Pataki est. NYS Heritage Commission, Richard White-Smith Director (Feb) 2003
AfPA board of trustees approves erection of Center for the Forest Preserve, Niskayuna (20 Mar) 2003
Jim McCulley, president LPSC, tests law closing OMR and receives DEC ticket (20 May) 2003
Black Hawk helicopter with a crew of 13 crashes at Fort Drum killing 11 soldiers (Mar) 2003
Radio station WNBZ AM 1240 opens web page, [www.wnbz.com](http://www.wnbz.com), with Adk news archive (Mar) 2003
Canada enacts New Emission Guidelines for Thermal Electricity Generation (1 Apr) 2003
Brian McAllister inaugurates Great Adirondack Birding Festival at Paul Smiths VIC (7-8 Jun) 2003
Edith Pilcher pub 62-page *Centennial History of the AfPA* (31 May) 2003
OSI acquires area 7,000 a. of Mount Adams to protect and preserve its fire tower for public use 2003
Researchers at ESF’s Thousand Island Biological Station find and tag 40+ muskellunge 2003
Wolverine is reported crossing Route 3 between Middle and Lower Saranac Lakes (May) 2003
Because of Hg levels DOH advises against eating Walleye (fish) taken from Tupper Lake (6 Jun) 2003
Mirant New York, Inc., agrees to cut air pollution at its lower Hudson R. facility (11 Jun) 2003
Arsonist burns same camp, rebuilt after 29 May 2000 fire, at Adirondack League Club (15 Jun) 2003
Richard H. Pough, co-founder of TNC, dies at age of 99 (24 Jun) 2003
State Priority Plan is developed to implement Forest Land Enhancement Program, in NY (Jun) 2003
NOAA makes the personal locator beacon (PBL) system operational in US (1 Jul) 2003
Bioblitz reveals presence of Chinese Mystery Snail in Central Park, NYC (8 Jul) 2003
DEC pub CWD control regulations (30 Jul) 2003
BUZZ OFF Insect Shield LLC receives EPA approval for permethrin impregnated apparel (Jul) 2003
Ex Officio launches BUZZ OFF Insect Repellent Apparel™ impregnated with permethrin (4 Aug) 2003
Ticonderoga water main breaks causing clay turbidity along northwest shore of L. George (July) 2003
AMR rehabilitates the dam at the outlet of Lower AuSable Lake at St. Huberts (Jul-Sep) 2003
Major forest fires burn in Glacier National Park and vicinity (Jul-Aug) 2003
Domtar Ind. enters into an agreement with TNC to sell 105,000 a. of its U.S. timberland 2003
Paul Jamieson enjoys 100th birthday; receives AMC Trailblazer Award, 2nd time given (1 Aug) 2003
R. Stievater reports giant hogweed along Eighteen Mile Creek, Eden (1 Aug) 2003
Gov. Pataki appoints Ross S. Whaley as chairman of the APA (7 Aug) 2003
Robert G. Wehle Park (1,067 a) Henderson, is est. with transfer from DEC to OPRHP (11 Aug) 2003
Power outage impacts SE Canada and NE US depriving 50 million people of electricity (14 Aug) 2003
Ticonderoga police collect 955 marijuana plants germinating in cattle manure (20 Aug) 2003
DOT hosts International Conference on Ecology and Transportation at Lake Placid (24-29 Aug) 2003
Franklin Co. law officers et al. seize 500+ marijuana plants in Malone in local sweep (28 Aug) 2003
Celebration of Flight air show is held at Adirondack Regional Airport at Clear Lake (29-31 Aug) 2003
EPA/GE enter into AOC for design of Phase 1 & 2 of Hudson R. PCB remediation project (Aug) 2003
T.W. Scozzafava et al. form WiseBuys Stores, Inc. after Ames Department Stores closing (Aug) 2003
John C. Dillinberg III sues for arbitrary and preferential tax (PILOT) treatment of state lands 2003
*Galerusella* beetles are released at Hovey Pond Park, Queensbury, to control purple loosestrife 2003
CAMA results in small but significant decline in acid-neutralizing capacity of Adk surface water 2003
Andfre Barret pub *Servants of the Map*: a Civil War veteran is led to the Adirondacks to cure 2003
European heat wave causes death of at least 20,000 2003
USGS, reports on presence of pharmaceuticals in US streams 2003
See Spencer Weart, AIP, for GCC chronology: [www.aip.org/history/climate/timeline.htm](http://www.aip.org/history/climate/timeline.htm) 2003
National Lead Industries (NLI), Houston, sells 10,000 a at Tahawus to Open Space Institute (OSI) 2003
DANC commissions Wilbur Smith Assoc. to prepare North Country Transportation Study 2003
Adirondack Scenic RR carries 67,602 riders this year 2003
Special inspection of Batchellerville Br. reveals deterioration of deck fascia and other problems 2003
CBN Connect forms task force to develop broadband access along the Northern Tier 2003
Michael DiNunzio is appointed AfPA Director of Special Projects (Aug) 2003
Eric and Leigh Gibson’s CD *Bona Fide* achieves No. 1 national airtime status (Aug) 2003
Major forest fires burn in British Columbia (Aug) 2003
*Sports Illustrated* crew and models stay at Wawbeek Inn for swimsuit issue photo shoot (Aug) 2003
IP is fined $43,000 for release of wastewater into Lake Champlain at Ticonderoga (Aug) 2003
XII World Forestry Congress is held at Québec City, Canada (21-28 Sep) 2003
Gov. Pataki raises timber theft penalty to $250 per tree and/or 3 X value plus restitution (1 Oct) 2003
Gov. Pataki signs “Right to Practice Forestry” initiative to ensure sustainable forestry (1 Oct) 2003
Gov. Pataki announces FLEP funding to promote care of non-industrial private forests (1 Oct) 2003
Keene Town Court upholds J. McCulley ticket for snowmobiling on Old Mountain Road (3 Oct) 2003
All four US snowmobile manufacturers now market 4-stroke snowmobiles 2003
Loon Golf Inc. closes Loon Lake Golf Course at end of the season 2003
Blood alcohol threshold for NY snowmobile drivers is lowered from 0.10 to 0.08% (1 Nov) 2003
Snowmobile clubs close 8,000 miles of trails due to insurance policy constraints 2003
Major solar flares irradiate earth disrupting magnetic/electrical systems (22 Oct. – 4 Nov) 2003
John Dillon, CEO of IP for 38 years, retires (31 Oct) 2003
Drought-induced fires in California kill 26, burn more than 3,000 homes, one million acres (Oct) 2003
Lincoln Logs Ltd. buys Hart & Sons Industries Ltd. and True Craft Log Structures Ltd. (Sep) 2003
Lincoln Logs Ltd buys Adirondack Forest Industries, Inc, a Saratoga Springs lumber mill (Oct) 2003
Lincoln Logs Ltd buys Snake River Log Homes, LLC., an Idaho maker of log homes (Nov) 2003
LGLC acquires 1850 a. for Cat and Thomas Mountains Preserve (T. of Bolton) 2003
Ted Morgan buys WIRD (AM) & WLPW (FM), Lake Placid, and WRGR (FM), Tupper Lake 2003
Tupper Lake hunter, lost in woods for two weeks near WTD Pond, walks out unharmed (4 Nov) 2003
Carl J. Skalak, Jr., is rescued on Oswegatchie River using a personal locator beacon (14 Nov) 2003
NYPCA grants Arthur V. Savage the George W. Perkins Award (20 Nov) 2003
Tupper Lake hunter dies of hypothermia after two nights lost in the woods (30 Nov) 2003
Transportation Security Adm. personnel begin screening at Adirondack Regional Airport (Nov) 2003
“Old Gabriel” weathervane is stolen from White Church at Crown Point (Nov) 2003
AfPA hosts *Partners in Stewardship* conference (Nov) 2003
Carl J. Skalak, Jr. is arrested after using PLB for 2nd rescue from Oswegatchie River (2 Dec) 2003
Early nor’easter drops 42” of snow on Paul Smith’s-Gabriels-Rainbow Lake area (14-15 Dec) 2003
A single case of the mad cow disease is reported in the State of Washington (Dec) 2003
Federal security check-point on Adirondack Northway, I-87, south of Exit 30 is opened (Dec) 2003
FAC stays EPA’s easing of rules for upgrading of power plants, factories and refineries (Dec) 2003
Québec tour bus rear-ends stopped truck at Northway security check-point S. of exit 30 (Dec) 2003
Proposal to install 38-foot tall towers on Northway is approved but fails through lack of providers 2003
Eliot Spitzer, NYAG, petitions US-Canada CEP to reduce pollution of 3 Ontario power plants 2003
Lori Severino, DEC. notes onset of double-crested cormorant nesting on islands of L. George 2003
Fertile black carp, Mylopharyngodon piceus, collected Mississippri R. trib. Atchafalaya R., USGS 2003

Some ten species of cyprinid fish (Cyprinidae) now occur outside of their native Asian-Eurasian ranges and are collectively called ‘Asian carp’ and thus reportage on carp range expansions into the Great Lakes and the northeast grow confused. The invasions are important however because entry of one or more species into the Great Lakes will, most likely, have great ecological impact extending to the rivers and lakes of the Adirondack region. Legal and political storms already occur on the matter. The common carp, Cyprinus carpio, is already a common resident of many Adioronback waters. See ‘Asian carp’, Wikipedia, for authoritative guidance.

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REEBH receives National Hydropower Association Award for Oswegatchie plant 2003
Manhattan night lighting reduces visible stars from 2,500 to about 15 2003
DFWI completes renovation of main house at its facility, Bolton Landing, Lake George 2003
Fort William Henry Resort, L. George, controversial because of its five-stories height, is built 2003
US Department of Interior announces that no further efforts are needed for wolf restoration in NE 2003
LCBP up-dates its Opportunities for Action program 2003
Adirondack Leadership Expeditions begins operations near Onchiota 2003
NYS Insurance Dept., NYSSA, et al. broker a deal reopening snowmobile trails 2003
LGLC purchases lands with great blue heron rookery at Gull Bay, Lake George 2003
FIBT World Championships for bobsled are held at Mt. van Hoevenberg, Lake Placid (Feb) 2003
A. Lange and K. Kuske win two-man bobsled gold at FIBT world championships at Lake Placid 2003
A. Lange team wins four-man bobsled gold medal at FIBT world championships at Lake Placid 2003
US alpine skiing championship races are moved from Alyeska, AK (no snow), to Lake Placid 2003
Finch, Pruyne & Co. rehires workers for production of pulp for paper making 2003
TNC sells 300 a. of land on six miles of the Moose River to NY for the FP 2003
APA webs a short history of the Adks: www.apa.state.ny.us/about_park/history.htm 2003
Waters of Great Sacandaga Lake crest spillway of Conklingville Dam 2003
Jarden Plastic Solutions of South Carolina acquires Oval Wood Dish Co. at Tupper Lake 2003
TNC sells 511 a. near Thendara to NELA to est. a demonstration forestry program 2003
TNC helps NY buy $ 2.3 million in rights for 5,000 a. BSA Cedarland area 2003
Adirondack Park Agency initiates a web page: https://apa.ny.gov/ 2003
Richard Brewer pub. Conservancy: The Land Trust Movement in America 2003
Kim Elliman returns to OSI as CEO, joining Joe Martens, to expand its conservation efforts 2003
Bridge across Hudson River at Riparius is replaced 2003
Gov. G. Pataki announces NYSDEC Adirondack Stewardship award to OSI for Tahawus work 2003
London introduces charge (c. $16) for vehicular access to core area of the city 2003
T. Willlsboro and TNC coordinate to est. Noblewood Park (64 a.) on shore of Lake Champlain 2003
Gary Randorf pub The Adirondacks, Wild Island of Hope (with 100 magnificent color photographs 2003
Preserved specimen of Muskellunge indicates infection with VHS 2003
NiMo Power Co. sells Mechanicville Hydroelectric dam to Albany Engineering Corp. 2003
The average level of lead in the blood of children in the U.S. is about 3 mcg/dl. 2003
Lake Placid Olympic torch cauldron is loaned to World University Games in Buffalo, NY 2003
DEC, DOT, APA & ANC merge AIPP & TIPP to form Adirondack Park Invasive Plant Program 2003
Researchers at ESF’s Thousand Island Biological Station find and tag twelve muskellunge 2003
Invasive Species Task Force (ISTF), comprised of 17 agencies, is created by NY state law 2003
Adirondack Citizens Council is founded in Hannawa Falls to promote ATV use on NYS land 2003
A blood lead level of 3 mcg/dl delays puberty in U.S. girls from 2 to 6 months 2003
Federal regulation allows control of double-crested cormorant in seven northern states 2003
Gore Mt. Ski Center assumes management of town-owned North Creek Ski Bowl 2003
LGLC acquires c. 2,400 a., of Cat and Thomas Mountains, Lake George, for eventual sale to NYS 2003
In accord with UMP, DEC installs trail registers at 5 entrances to McKenzie WA 2003
DEC requires trip-ticket permits for overnighting eastern High Peaks WA trail users 2003
Hancock Timber Co. (John Hancock Insurance subsidiary) offers 93,910 a. of Adks for sale 2003
A. McDermott & Wm. DeLorraine (SUNY Potsdam) suggest additional ore body at Balmat mine 2003
Québec Ministry of Wildlife and Parks biologists find alewife Missisquoi Bay, VT, Lake Champlain 2003
High demand for pulpwood causes price increase for both pulpwood and firewood 2003
NYSDEC prohibits feeding of WTD to limit spread of Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) 2003
PHRI and TI workers show that immune response incl. regulation of pathogen gene expression 2003
TNC assigns 333 a. and 5 miles of the Moose River shoreline to the FP 2003
TNC sells 512 a. in the Adirondacks to Northeastern Loggers Assoc. to est. a demonstration site 2003
OSI, NYS and NLC cooperate in preservation of 10,000 a. of Tahawus tract south of Mt. Marcy 2003
AfPA awards construction contract Center for the Forest Preserve former Schaefer home Niskayuna 2003
APA denies permit for use of herbicide Sonar™ to control Eurasian milfoil at Lake George 2003
Court of Appeals invalidates 1993 Cuomo-Akwesasne Hogansburg casino compact 2003
Alevines appear in Missiquoi Bay, northern Lake Champlain 2003
Gov. Pataki proposes Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) for control of CO₂ emissions 2003
DEC issues temporary, revocable permit allowing hamlet of Raquette Lake to install wells on FP 2003
Gov. Pataki sets goal of 25% renewable power by 2013 in his State-of-the-State address 2003
US District Court Judge Edmund Sargus, Jr., rules in favor of EPA and NY in Ohio Edison case 2003
New England Sled Dog Club holds elite dogsled races at Meacham Lake 2003
Mohawk National Council of Chiefs (of the Haudenosaunee) design a web site 2003
Cornell U. reports 1.5 mill. U.S. deer-vehicle collisions injuring 13,713 with $1.1 bilion damages 2003
WHO lowers the safe consumption level of mercury from 3.6 to 1.5 micrograms/kg/day 2003
EPA concludes that the pesticide atrazine causes sexual abnormalities in frogs 2003
SOD is reported for England and the Netherlands 2003
Rensselaer Co. reports 155 Lyme Disease cases (123 in 2002); Schenectady Co. reports seven 2003
WHO lowers the safe consumption level of mercury from 3.6 to 1.5 micrograms/kg/day 2003
Barton Mines Co. adds granite blocks to its product line 2003
Based on Iraq lead studies, FDA recommends weekly fish consumption of less than 12 oz et al. 2003
EPA suggests angled fresh-water fish consumption of less than 6 g/week for young children et al. 2003

There are now nine water storage reservoirs in the Adirondack Forest Preserve with dams controlling their water levels: Lake George, Indian Lake, Stillwater Reservoir, Great Sacandaga Lake, Cranberry Lake, Carry Falls Reservoir (on the Raquette River), Union Falls Reservoir (north of Whiteface Mountain), Hinckley Reservoir (above Trenton Falls), First through Fifth Lakes and Sixth, Seventh and Eighth Lakes on the Fulton Chain.

Edith Pilcher
All surviving NE American chestnut, thus far found, show infection with chestnut blight fungus

Meadowmount (School of Music) hosts 230 students and faculty of 15 for its 60th season

Old Forge-Saranac Canoe Race, “The Cannonball”, 90 mi. long, is won with time of 14 h 34 min

Black bear, attracted by bee-like buzzing of electrical transformer, climbs pole, is electrocuted

Asian longhorned beetle is found north of Toronto, Canada; CFIA begins measures to eradicate it

Pete Granis authors amendments to the CIAA

Black River Canal Warehouse, Boonville, listed National Register of Historic Places

Finch, Pruyn & Co. wins FSC certification for sustainable forestry practices

TNC acquires 1,800’ of shore on Bartlett Bay of Saranac Lake and adjacent the FP

Hague WWTP, Town of Hague, Warren Co., is built releasing treated water to the ground

NYSERDA funds DEC for a three-year study of fish mercury levels in 131 NYS lakes

Europe experiences record breaking heat with drought and forest fires

WCS and DEC begin survey of rusty blackbird and other boreal birds in AP

Adirondack Harvest Project is expanded to include Clinton, Essex, and Franklin Counties

Clarence Petty receives APA’s Governor’s Award for tireless advocacy for the Forest Preserve

EPA reports annual US release of sulfur dioxide (SO2) at 10.6 million tons

Annual Adirondack Mountains Antique Show shifts venue to Byron Park, village of Indian Lake

SUNY ESF workers estimate NYS Spruce Grouse population at between 175 and 315 birds

NYS OPRHP reports 627 snowmobile accidents in NY with 25 deaths for winter of 2002-03

Don Sage, ACC, denounces DEC closure of 200 mi. of roads/1,000+ mi. snowmobile trails on FP

J.P. Millard receives Golden Web Award for his L. Champlain and L. George History Timeline

Robert Vaccaro et al. found Champlain Valley Transportation Museum at Plattsburgh

Willard Loveless, HRBRRD chair, is ousted after proposing over 1,000% increase in permit fees

A major renovation of facilities (computer lab. etc.) occurs at the Ranger School at Wanakena

Adk wood products industry provides 7% of area revenue and 10% of total economic activity

Large pulp and paper companies own 26% of the land area of the Adirondack Park

Bryant F. Tolles pub Resort Hotels of the Adirondacks: The Architecture of a Summer Paradise

AGs of Connecticut, New Jersey, and NY block Clean Air Act revisions

U.S. Coast Guard reest. light at Cumberland Head Lighthouse, Lake Champlain (Mar)

DEC computerized and automated licensing system performs with great success

Canada Lake Protective Association repairs Kane Mt. fire tower and access trail

OSI purchases 10,000-a. Tahawus Tract, Town of Newcomb, from NL Industries for $8.5 million

The price for NYS paper pulp increases (Sep)

Lake Placid hosts its 5th Ironman Triathlon attracting 1,835 men and women

NYS government now operates under a six billion-dollar deficit

Finch, Pruyn & Co. pulp mill at Glens Falls resumes operation

NYC DEP reports water consumption of 1,093.7 gpd, a per capita consumption of 136.6 gal

AfPA committees and workshops complete drafting of its Keystone Initiative

Donald J. Leopold pub Trees of New York State: Native and Naturalized covering 150 species

Ellen Maroun receives Adirondack Museum Founder's Award for work with old and disabled

Economic survey estimates that snowmobiles contribute $750 million annually to NY economy

The enlarged and improved Seneca-Iroquois National Museum opens in Salamanca, NY

SPAC assets are reported at $4.4 million

DEC reports state-wide harvest of black bear at 1,864

NYS DOH presents web alert re. contact with blue-green algae (bacteria, Cyanobacteria) (Oct)

Norton Miller, NYSM, describes contemporary flora of mastodon remains found in Dutchess Co.
APA approves UMP ’08 ban on floatplanes and motor boats at Lows Lake (pending alternate sites) 2003
J.T. Brothers et al. est. Residents for a Cleaner, Safer & Quieter Lake George (anti-PWC, Sonar) 2003
DEC records 92,901 annual trailhead registrations for the High Peaks 2003
Imidachloprid is used for control of HWA in public areas of Great Smoky Mountains Nat. Park 2003-04
Town of Wilmington rehabilitates dam on West Branch of Au Sable River at Lake Everest 2003-05
RCC Diocese of Ogdensburg discloses dismissal of 8 priests for sexual abuse of children (6 Jan) 2004
Saranac Lake reports a temperature of minus 34 °F (11 Jan) 2004
John Grotzinger (MIT) and Steve Squyres (Cornell) name a Martian rock ‘Adirondack’ (19 Jan) 2004
CCA pressure-treated wood is voluntarily removed from American market (Jan) 2004
DEC and USFWS agents ask Doug Burroughs to surrender skin of ‘gray wolf’ killed in 2002 (Jan) 2004
Gov. Pataki appoints Richard Lefebvre chair of the HRBRRD (Jan) 2004
WTO appeals panel finds in favor of US lumber industry re. Canadian stumpage subsidies (Jan) 2004
G. Sparling sights Ivory-billed woodpecker at Cache River NWR, Arkansas (c.1:30 CST, 11 Feb) 2004
Indian Lake Fish and Game Assoc. begins moonlight ‘snow moon’ snowshoe walk to Rock Pond 2004
T. Gallagher and B. Harrison confirm G. Sparling sighting of Ivory-billed Woodpecker (27 Feb) 2004
House Finch eye-disease epidemic, caused by Mycoplasma gallisepticum, occurs NW US (Feb) 2004
Plannning for redevelopment of the Tupper Lake Ski Area is announced (Feb) 2004
Grace L. Hudowalski, venerable matriarch of Adirondack Forty (Mar) 2004
Bo-Dyn bobsled competes in Winter Olympic Games at Lillehammer, Norway 2004
AfPA hosts benefit “Adirondack Spring” of folk singers at Proctor’s Theatre, Schenectady (Mar) 2004
Bruce Kilgore/Nancy Dow file APA application for residential wind turbine, Town of Saranac 2004
PSC issues conditional permit to Flat Rock Wind Power for 230 kV, 10.3 mi. power line (Apr) 2004
CAN/AM Hockey Group gives 30 days to apply for ‘after-the-fact’ APA permit for his cabin 2004
House Finch eye-disease epidemic, caused by Mycoplasma gallisepticum, occurs NW US (May) 2004
WTD harvest and related shooting incidents decline in major hunting areas of NYS (May) 2004
Lake Champlain Maritime Museum launches Lois McClure, replica of a sailing canal boat (sum) 2004
Dr. John Mills is appointed President of Paul Smith’s College (May) 2004
NYS ban on use of small lead weight sinkers for fishing becomes effective (May) 2004
Pentagon announces assignment of third brigade to 10th Mountain Division at Fort Drum (May) 2004
DEC proposes rule for bear-proof food canisters for High Peaks WA backpackers (May) 2004
APA rules to review constitutionality of “day-use destination huts” on Whiteface Mt. (May) 2004
Ship Adirondac passes through Ticonderoga from L. Champlain to L. George in 3 days (May) 2004
Adirondack, 115 ft. cruise ship arriving from Port of Albany, is launched at L. George (May) 2004
Most Rev. Robert J. Cunningham is appointed bishop of RCC Diocese of Ogdensburg (May) 2004
J. Macaluso restricts use of Northville-Lake Placid Trail at Cedar R. Rd. near Indian Lake (May) 2004
Keith Van Buskirk buys 842 a of land near Prospect Mt., Lake George, for $280,000 (May) 2004
AWI begins hand harvest of Eurasian milfoil at 15 sites in Upper Saranac Lake (May) 2004
Barton Mines Co. ships Ruby Mt. granite block for cornerstone of Freedom Tower, NYC (May) 2004
Barton Mines, North R., gives 20-ton granite block for cornerstone of Freedom Tower, NYC (May) 2004
Charles R. Wood Theater, Glen St., Glens Falls, opens (Jun) 2004
Kitt Peak Observatory, AR, detects 320 m. asteroid (2004MN4) approaching Earth (Jun) 2004
Kitt Peak astronomers predict 2004MN4 to encounter Earth April 13, 2029, at 15,000-25,000 km 2004
Rainfall at Newcomb is 1.79”, down from avg. of 3.20”, resulting in reduction of blackflies (Jun) 2004
Several Adk High Peaks black bears figure out how to open BearVault™ 300 bear canister (BRFC) 2004
USDA Forest Service sponsors a three-day symposium on BBD at Saranac Lake (Jun) 2004
Americade attracts more than 60,000 motorcyclists to Lake George village (Jun) 2004
Corinth residents reject American Ref-Fuel proposal to incinerate refuse at former IP plant (Jun) 2004
Possession and transportation of northern snakehead (predatory fish) is prohibited in NY (Jun) 2004
Steve Flint notes arrival of Black Swallow-wort at a TNC sanctuary along Lake Champlain (Spr.) 2004
WANC 103.9 FM at Ticonderoga begins High Definition (HD) Radio digital broadcasts (9 Dec) 2004
Winslow Homer’s Adk works are exhibited at Fenimore Art Museum, Cooperstown (Jun-Sep) 2004
Members of Bedford Audubon Soc. observe a merlin in Bloomingdale, Essex Co. (2-5 July) 2004
The Rev. T.R. LaValley is given duty to protect children and young people in RCDO from abuse 2004
APA finds incomplete Saratoga Co. application to build 3 radio communication towers (6 July) 2004
James W. Tuffy leaves DEC to assume Directorship of NYS Emergency Mgt. Office (9 July) 2004
APA bans ATVs on 154 mi. of roads in Aldrich P., Black R., and Independence R. WFs (10 July) 2004
Town of Altamont, Franklin Co., is renamed Town of Tupper Lake (11 Jul) 2004
Capital Airlines Inc. airplane, Piper PA-31-350, crashes on Old Fort Mt. at Ticonderoga (10 July) 2004
Ground breaking occurs for Natural History Museum of the Adirondacks, Tupper Lake (11 July) 2004
DEC pub amended CWD control regulations in accord with NYS DAM (14 Jul) 2004
Eliot Spitzer, NYS AG, NYC, and 7 other states sue five Midwestern power producers (21 July) 2004
APA curtails CP Rail after its erection of four 165 ft. radio towers near Lake Champlain (Jul) 2004
CP Rail files lawsuit against APA in response to its curtailment of radio-tower construction (Jul) 2004
DEC challenges NYS Independent Living Council on oversight competence of Ted Galusha (Jul) 2004
DOH adds 10 Adk lakes to fish ingestion advisory due to elevated levels of Mercury (Jul) 2004
DEC Comm. Cotty signs EPA joint resolution to promote reduction of open burning (4 Aug) 2004
FERC issues license to NYSEG for Rainbow Falls Project #2835 on the Au Sable River (18 Aug) 2004
FERC license to NYSEG requires a whitewater recreation study on AuSable Chasm (18 Aug) 2004
SCJ Demarest annuls T. of Colton local law allowing ATV use on public town roads (31 Aug) 2004
Warder Cadbury, Adirondack historian and SUNYA professor, dies (Aug) 2004
Al Laubinger of Moreau, NY, becomes 46er at the age of 82 yrs (31 Aug) 2004
Major seminar on J. R. Foster is held in Chestertown (6-9 Sep) 2004
Adirondack Harvest Festival Week is designated by EssexCo. Board of Suoervisors (12-18 Sep) 2004
APA opens case against A. & M. Spiegel for Fawn Ridge house construction, L. Placid (24 Sep) 2004
Azure Mt. Friends host Azure Mt. fire tower dedication ceremonies, now on NRHP (27 Sep) 2004
One day later APA closes case against A. & M. Spiegel for Fawn Ridge house construction (Sep) 2004
Speculator Loop Mtn Bike Trail, 21 mi, is built to IMBA standards, opens on IP land at Speculator 2004
OSI provides $500,000 grant & $2 million loan to TNC to buy Sable Highlands from Domtar 2004
U.S.S. Ticonderoga, Aegis-class Cruiser, with crew of 400, is decommissioned (Sep) 2004
Antarctic ozone hole is now estimated at eight million square miles (Sep) 2004
PSC adopts renewable portfolio standard (RPS) targeting 24% renewable energy by 2013 (Sep) 2004
Québec tractor-trailer rams vehicles at Northway security checkpoint S. of exit 30 killing 4 (Sep) 2004
E. R. Hoebeke, Cornell, finds OW Pine Woodwasp, Sirex noctilio fabricius, in Fulton Co. (Sep) 2004
St. Lawrence Co. receives $180,000 NYS grant for Benson Mines site remediation study (Sep) 2004
Rebuilding of Hadlock Pond dam, under DEC direction, begins at West Fort Ann (Sep) 2004
Serologicals Corp. buys Upstate Biotechnology, Inc., L. Placid, renaming it Upstate USA (Sep) 2004
Eric and Leigh Gibson’s CD Long Way Back Home achieves top US airplay status (Sep-Oct) 2004
Joe Hackett submits 4 lb. 4 oz. brook trout for state record (4 Oct) 2004
AfPA hosts National Wilderness Conference at Fort William Henry, Lake George (10-13 Oct) 2004
NYS ORR designates T. of Chesterfield (industrial) Commercial Park “shovel-ready” (13 Oct) 2004
Homeland Security begins Air/Marine operations on US-Canadian border at Plattsburgh (Oct) 2004
Boston Culinary Group sues ORDA over bidding process for a concession contract (Oct) 2004
A moose is seen wandering in parking lot of the Adirondack Museum at Blue Mt. Lake (Oct) 2004
Essex County auctions Frontier Town properties to recover unpaid taxes (Oct) 2004
Cathy Kilroy finds diatom didymo, a.k.a. rock snot, in streams of South Island, New Zealand (Oct) 2004
AfPA assigns the Howard Zahnizer award to Peter A. A. Berle and Peter S. Paine Jr. (Oct) 2004
APA approves erection of 164’ high wind monitoring tower by Barton Mines, North River (Oct) 2004
Office of Parks, Recreation & Historical Preservation report is highly critical of SPAC (23 Nov) 2004
Arctic Climate Impact Assessment (ACIA) reports Arctic warming at twice the global rate (Nov) 2004
Michael Crichton pub State of Fear (c. 1.5 million copies) ‘debunking’ global warming (7 Dec) 2004
NY acquires easements from IP for 134 miles of snowmobile trails near Speculator (Dec) 2004
Development proposal of 826 housing units on 6,400 a., Tupper L., is submitted to APA (Dec) 2004
Michael Foxman presents his 6,400 a. project at public meeting held at Tupper Lake H.S. (Dec) 2004
WiseBuys declares plan to open store in Tupper Lake at former Ames Department Store (Dec) 2004
NYS Snowmobile Association now has 22,000 members (Dec) 2004
D. Stranahan makes controversial sale of 180 a. site at foot of French Mt. to Ralph Macchio (Dec) 2004
Arctic Ocean fails to develop full ice cover for first time in recent history (Dec) 2004
GMUC, Sabbath Day Point, hires Mary Clerk-Higgins to restore stained glass windows 2004
Galerucella beetles are again loosed at Hovey Pond Park, Queensbury, to control purple loosestrife 2004
Port Henry village board rejects petition for dissolution of village 2004
D.M. Carlson et al., American Midland Nat. pub. Status of Fishes in New York: increases . . . 2004
Al Hicks et al., DEC, find some 500,000 bats of six species in 128 caves and mines of NY 2004
NYSDEC relocates moose captured in populated areas to Huntington Forest, T. of Newcomb 2004
Curtis Lumber Co. Inc. buys seven Webb and Sons building supply stores 2004
Original works providing milk/cheese for Santanoni estate burns (S. Williams 2016 DG report) 2004
Map with WCS copyright indicates presence of (at least) 5,285 miles of roads in Adirondacks 2004
In accordance with Montreal Protocol, U.S. reduces production of HCFC by 35% 2004
Skin of ‘gray wolf’ shot by Doug Burroughs near Jay in 2002 is in custody of DEC and USFWS 2004
NY Forest Rangers pass no-confidence vote of 96 to 10 on director of the Forest Ranger Service 2004
DEC expands pine shoot beetle quarantine on trees and wood to 49 counties including Adks 2004
W.S. DeJong, Cornell U. potato breeding program, releases the Adirondack Red (potato variety) 2004
Native Americans, mostly Haudenosaunee, comprise 0.3% of population within the Blue Line 2004
Antarctic ozone hole is now estimated at 11 million square miles 2004
Biennial DOT inspection of Batchellerville Br. reveals salt-water corrosion, scaling and cracking 2004
Shirley and Paul Bubar restore and reopen Wells House (hotel) on route 9 in Pottersville 2004
Federal Highways Adm. awards APIPP with Exemplary Ecosystem Initiative 2004
Giant hogweed, introduced as an ornamental, reaching height of 20+ feet, is reported at Old Forge 2004
Eurasian Sirex Woodwasp, Sirex noctilio, is discovered in City of Fulton, Oswego Co. 2004

The Sirex Woodwasp, Sirex noctilio, a Eurasian native, was first discovered in New York in 2004, in the City of Fulton, Oswego County. This was the first North American discovery of this dangerous, exotic, invasive pest that is one of the top 10 most serious insect pest invaders worldwide. This pest has caused extensive losses to (non-native) pine plantations across the Southern Hemisphere, in Australia, New Zealand, Chile and South Africa, and has no known, native natural controls.

Sirex Woodwasp
DEC Division of Lands and Forests
Northern NY now has 23 state prisons holding 26,000 inmates
2004

Adirondack region now has 1/3 of NY state’s prisons providing 10,000 jobs with $465M payroll
2004

NY state prisons now house 71,466 inmates, 95% male, 83% African-American or Hispanic
2004

NY state prisons now cost about two billion dollars annually
2004

U.S. now imprisons 520 for every 100,000 of population, 2nd highest rate of all developed nations
2004

US Coast Guard proposes increase of average weight standard for marine passengers to 185 lbs
2004

Vermont begins control (by shooting) of double-crested cormorant at Young I., L. Champlain
2004

Cornell Coop. Ext., Fulton and Montgomery cos., closes 4-H summer camp at Sacandaga Lake
2004

WCS Adirondack Program, begins begins study of Bicknells’ thrush on Whitrface Mt.
2004

Outdoor Industry Assoc. reports 23% decline since 1998 in American backpacking
2004

The first recorded hurricane of the South Atlantic strikes Brazil
2004

Missouri Coalition for the Environment sues EPA re. atmospheric lead standards
2004

Lois McClure, sailing canal boat, 88’ long, 14.5’ beam, launched L. Champlain Maritime Museum
2004

Sierra Club guide reports presence of some 400,000 a. of forest in NY with 2.2% old growth
2004

Adirondack Hickory Open using antique golf equipment is inaugurated at Bluff Point Golf Resort
2004

Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department biologists find adult alewife in northern Lake Champlain
2004

Friends Lake, a horse from Chestertown, wins the Florida Derby with odds of 37 to 1
2004

The number of registered snowmobiles in New York reaches 172,000
2004

NYS assumes snowmobile trail liability at annual cost of $804,000 with Lexington Insurance Co.
2004

NYS now maintains 9,600 miles of snowmobile trails at annual cost of $2.6 million
2004

Bloated Toe Publishing., a.k.a. Bloated Toe Enterprises, is established at Peru, NY
2004

IP gives NYS a conservation easement on 16,000 a. Sperry and Grampus tract, Hamilton Co.
2004

N. Elba Town Council proposes new ‘Adirondack County’ from parts of Essex and Franklin Cos.
2004

AfPA produces a CD featuring Adirondack folk singers
2004

Zebra mussels are found and removed at a dock on east shore of Lake George at Cleverdale (Jul)
2004

HIV is now the primary factor in rising global TB morbidity and mortality
2004

NYCO Minerals now produces about 100,000 tons of wollastonite per year near Willsboro
2004

DEC estimates resident Adirondack population of moose at 200 to 225
2004

APA approves sediment dredging plan for Lake Algonquin, Town of Wells
2004

NYS halts funding for water chestnut control in Lake Champlain; VT and US ACE protest
2004

APIPP contributes recommendations on UMPs re. invasive plant inventory and management
2004

Rehabilitation of 1856 Jay Covered Bridge continues on E. Branch of Au Sable River (Sep)
2004

NHMA receives an anonymous gift of one million dollars for construction
2004

New Clean Air Act rules are released for review (see finalization of 2005)
2004

Books, movies, and art now focus on global warming
2004

Town of Chester receives approval (the 19th to date) of APA for its local land use program
2004

Worldwide holdings of IP now approximate 19 million acres
2004

Frank Strauss observes oak wilt disease at his home in Glen Oaks, Scotia, Schenectady Co.
2004

IP currently pays $1.3 million annually in property taxes to municipalities of Adirondack Park
2004

Richard H. Phillips completes restoration of 17 miles of SOA hiking trails in McKenzie Range
2004

Ellen Rathbone begins cooperative weather observations for NWS at Newcomb VIC
2004

IP employs about 700 people at its Ticonderoga mill
2004

Adirondack Park residency is estimated at 240,000: 130,000 year-around and 110,000 seasonal
2004

Camp Wellspring for overweight youth opens at Paul Smith’s College (summer)
2004

Hague Cartoon Museum relocates to Ticonderoga as the Ticonderoga Cartoon Museum
2004

Senate Armed Services Comm. considers approval of $60 million new construction at Fort Drum
2004
Despite laws prohibiting harvest of wild American ginseng from the lands of the Forest preserve “sang hunters” continue their poaching of this gold crop with dried-weight roots bringing prices equaling the value of gold. The species thus continues its decline in the Adirondacks with very few, if any, arrests of collectors. Collection of other wild plants of great value to herbalists also continues on the lands and waters of the Forest Preserve.

The Editors

Nextel postpones public hearing for 114-foot cellular telephone tower on Pilot Knob Mountain

APA approves 114-foot cellular telephone tower, dubbed “Frankenpine”, on Pilot Knob Mt.
U. Mass. study shows successive cold winters slow northward migration of hemlock woolly adelgid

IP proposes John Dillon Park with facilities for disabled at 16,000 a. Sperry and Grampus tract

NYS DOT reconstructs Rte. 86 from Gabriels, Town of Brighton, to Donnelley’s Corner

Barbara Loucks reports 52 pair of Peregrines now nesting in NY, 20 of these in Adirondacks

USFWS estimates the presence of 7,000 nesting pairs of bald eagle in the lower 48 states

Boston Culinary Group appeals NYS Supreme Court dismissal of its lawsuit against ORDA

ORDA drops plan for ‘day use cabin’ rental at Whiteface Ski-Center after exposure by AfPA

NYSDEC relocates moose captured in populated areas to Huntington Forest, T. of Newcomb

NYS DOT erects moose crossing signs on Rte. 28N in Town of Newcomb

NYS adopts renewable portfolio standard mandating 25% renewable electricity sources by 2013

Finch, Pruyn & Co. sells Trout and Perch Ponds and surrounding lands (4,900 a.) to PA buyer

DEC reports 12 percent decline in High Peaks Trail registrations beginning in 2000

J.P. Millard receives Golden Web Award for his L. Champlain and L. George History Timeline

Gov. Pataki establishes NYS Underground Railroad Heritage Trail with four sites in Adirondacks

Valcour Island Lighthouse is reactivated after more than 70-year closure

C. A. Nowak and E. Lema, ESF, begin herbicide control studies of Japanese Knotweed in Adks

ADK pub new editions of the High Peaks Guide and Central Region Guide

Adirondack Life receives International Regional Magazine Assoc. (IRMA) annual award

Adirondack Life magazine editor, Elizabeth Folwell, receives annual IRMA essay award

D. Foster and J. Aber report forest reversion in eastern US since 1910 at about 1 million acres/yr.

K.W. Sehnert, MD, et al. note that 0.5 gram of Hg in a 10 a. lake would warrant fish advisory

Mercury amalgams are now banned in Germany, Austria, Denmark and Sweden

Wood’s Inn on the Fulton Chain is restored and reopened

HWA is now widespread on Long Island

Coal-fired power plants of U.S. now contribute some 50% of observed atmospheric mercury

Camp Pok-O-MacCready celebrates its centennial – joining with Camp MacCready c. 1977

Adirondack Camp for Boys at Glenburnie celebrates its centennial

Northern snakehead (fish) breeding populations now occur in Potomac R of Maryland and Virginia

NYS now licenses 684,000 hunters who harvest more than 200,000 WTD, c. 20 % of the herd

US is among 12 countries allowed continued use of ozone depleting methyl bromide insecticide

Domtar Ind. of Canada sells 19,960 a., including Lyon Mt., to TNC for $6.26 M (28 Dec)

Jerome Thaler pub Adirondack Weather

APIPP, www.adkinvasives.com/terrestrial/Program/Program.html, lists 16 invasive plant species

Joy, Entertainment and Music Society (JEMS) buys old Jay firehouse to est. performance center

A single beaver pelt now sells for less than $20 in NYS

Lean2Rescue volunteer group est., devoted to repair and/or rebuilding of Adk/ Catskill lean-tos.

Mike DeVinitis does not renew lease on Loon Lake Golf Club, Franklin Co. (summer)

Record high temperatures are recorded in vicinity of Fairbanks, Alaska, threatening permafrost

Peter Nye reports (at least) 84 pairs of breeding bald eagle in N.Y., some 12 of these in Adks

Some 400,000 Americans now have autism, a neurological disorder, possibly linked to Hg uptake

David Carpenter, SUNYA, studies 700 farmed salmon of US and Europe finding 14 carcinogens

The Endangered Species Act now protects 1,270 species native to the US

Tim Seaver wins Wakely Dam Ultra, 32.6 mile run on Northville-Lake Placid Trail in 5h, 5m, 50s

HRBRRD issues c. 4,700 annual shore-access permits, 1,800 10’ wide, for Gr. Sacandaga L.

A recent survey reports some 450 fossil fuel burning power plants upwind of the Adirondacks

Sunmount Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities receives critical review

Frances S. Ockels et al., Ohio St. Univ., web SOD: http://ohioline.osu.edu/sc195/020.html

Finch, Pruyn & Co. now owns 166,000 a. in the Adirondack Park

Public protests narrowness as DOT bolsters walls on Wilmington Notch Road with steel beams 2004
Duncan Hay, NPS, reports presence of 30+ power dams in Adks totaling 240 megawatt capacity 2004
NYC public water supply watershed is now 1,900 square miles or 1,216,000 acres, c. 20% Adks 2004
DEC issues 592,030 big game hunting licenses, down from 694,462 issued in 1999 2004
APA permids Persek Subdivision, T. Horicon, for 8 limited lots, 348 a, Resource Mgt Class 2004
Nationwide sale of snowmobiles falls to 109,750 machines, a 35% drop from peak in 1997 2004
Number of snowmobiles registered in the U.S. reaches 1.77 million machines 2004
DEC records 94,051 annual trailhead registrations for the High Peaks 2004
Patrick Minnis, *Journal of Climate*, rep on role of cirrus clouds in controlling air temp (15 Apr) 2004
NASA rep cirrus clouds formed by aircraft are capable of increasing global temperatures (26 Apr) 2004
Phil Carell of Adirondack 46er’s reports 210 climbers bagging the full quota of peaks 2004
Gov. Pataki vetoes Senate Bill 4157 - B expanding ranger peace officer powers to full police status 2004
The EPICA ice core taken in Antarctica exceeds 420,000 years for span of ice deposition 2004
EPICA hole at Dome C reaches 3,000 m depth for 740,000 y.-old core produced during 8 ice ages 2004
ANCA is chosen to manage Scenic Byways Invasive Plant Project for DOT, APIPP and FHA 2004-05
DOT ‘pilot vehicles’ escort snowplows through narrow sectors of Wilmington Notch (winter) 2004-05
Philmet Capital Group LLC of NYC proposes gasification plant at former IP site, Corinth 2004-05
Long Lake CS spends $50,380 per year to educate each student 2004-05
APA receives 400, 450 and 440 development applications per year, respectively 2004-06
Arthur Masten Crocker dies at his home in Naples, Florida, at age 95 (11 Jan) 2005
Edinburg Historical Society, Edinburg, is chartered (11 Jan) 2005
AfPA directs written critique of Michael Foxman’s Adirondack Club and Resort to APA (Jan) 2005
RCPA sues APA on its approval of local land use program submitted by Town of Chester (Jan) 2005
*Harvest News*, volume 1, issue 1, pub, quarterly periodical of Adirondack Harvest organization (Jan) 2005
Arsonist burns remote camp at Adirondack League Club (early spring) 2005
“Old Gabriel” weathervane is found in New Haven, CT (stolen from White Church at Crown Pt.) 2005
AfPA moves to Center for the Forest Preserve sited at former home of Paul Schaefer (19-26 Jan) 2005
Arecibo telescope, Puerto Rico, gathers orbital data on asteroid 2004MN4 reducing threat (Jan) 2005
Tim Jones continues 13-yr. battle with APA re. cabin permitting on Raquette River wetland (Feb) 2005
St. Regis Mountain fire tower is listed on National Historic Register 2005
Confirmed NYS common raven “blocks” increases 710% over 1980-85 baseline (BBAII) 2005
APA opens case against A. & M. Spiegel for Fawn Ridge house construction (3 Feb) 2005
Barton Mines seeks APA approval for 10 wind turbines on Pete Gay Mt. near Gore Mt. (Feb) 2005
*New York Times* pub op-ed article by Bill McKibben favoring Adirondack wind power (Feb) 2005
DEC est. Annual Environmental Excellence Awards for technology, mgmt. and partnering (Feb) 2005
Walter Hatke, Fine Arts, Union College, restores 12’ by 10’ Adk relief map at CFFP (Feb) 2005
NYS and large NY power plants engage in landmark agreements to slash emission levels (Feb) 2005
Explosion damages L. Placid Olympic Torch at 25th anniversary of 1980 Olympic Games (Feb) 2005
Betty Little receives Legislative Leadership Award of Community Health Care Association (Feb) 2005
Biodiversity Research Inst., VT, marks western Adks as one of 9 Hg hotspots in NE US (1 Mar) 2005
US Postal Service issues stamps celebrating the Northeast’s deciduous forests (3 Mar) 2005
DEC issues draft policy for public ATV access on Forest Preserve lands (3 Mar) 2005
WMHT presents *Adirondack Wild*, a film by photographer Paul Frederick (6, 11, 18, 19 Mar) 2005
EPA issues Clean Air Intersate Rule (CAIR) regulating emissions of SO2 and NOX (10 Mar) 2005
EPA requires D.C. and 28 states to reduce selected power plant emissions (10 Mar) 2005
John Warren founds *Adirondack Almanack* as Internet blog focusing on Adirondacks (10 Mar) 2005
Mohawk Valley Water Authority sues NYS Canal Corporation over water rights in Erie Canal 2005
ADK awards David L. Newhouse Award to AfPA for defense of the Forest Preserve (12 Mar) 2005
Verona Fire Dept., Oneida, feast for some 350 people offers WTD infected with CWD (13 Mar) 2005
EPA issues (inadequate) regulations for reduction of Hg emissions from power plants (15 Mar) 2005
Consortium of nine states, critical of Hg emission regulations, files suits against EPA Mar) 2005
PSC students (2) kill doe WTD from their dormitory window and are fined $1,200 each (21 Mar) 2005
Essex Co. Judge Halloran voids J. McCulley ticket for snowmobiling on Old Mt. Rd. (23 Mar) 2005
Robert Pruitt and Susan Lolle, Purdue U., propose idea of cytoplasmic archival RNA (24 Mar) 2005
Essex Co. Judge Halloran declares Old Mountain Road in Keene open to motorized use (29 Mar) 2005
NYS Office for Technology releases FGEIS for Statewide Wireless Network (30 Mar) 2005
APA issues a cease and desist order on Spiegel house construction at Fawn Ridge (30 Mar) 2005
Ohio Edison to spend $1.1 billion to cut W. H. Sammis plant emissions in Stratton by 70% (Mar) 2005
U.S. Supreme Court rules against Oneida land purchase for addition to tax-free holdings (Mar) 2005
DEC announces plans to kill 420 wild WTD in Rome area as part of CWD survey (Mar) 2005
Cornell Vet. Lab. reports CWD in 2 captive WTD herds east of Syracuse, Oneida Co. (8 Apr) 2005
ORDA proposes changes to Whiteface Mountain Intensive Use Area UMP draft (8 Apr) 2005
John Yuhas kills wolf at his home, Sterling, Cayuga Co.; 2nd. confirmed in NY in 100 yr (12 Apr) 2005
DEC announces plans to kill 20 WTD in Arietta, Hamilton Co., in CWD survey (13 Apr) 2005
DOH warns women of childbearing age/children under 15 y.o. not to eat most Adk fish (15 Apr) 2005
APA opens enforcement proceeding against Spiegel house construction at Fawn Ridge (15 Apr) 2005
Cornell Univ. Lab. detects CWD in a wild yearling WTD collected in Oneida Co. (27 Apr) 2005
Town of Keene begins but does not complete process for qualified abandonment of OMR 2005
Adirondack Assoc. submits application for Adirondack Club and Resort, Tupper Lake (19 Apr) 2005
Mohawk Fine Papers Inc. buys IP’s Fine Papers, incl. Strathmore and Strathmore Artist Papers 2005
IP announces business plan to focus on uncoated paper and packaging 2005
EPA announces PCB dredging schedule for Hudson R. in Saratoga & Washington Cos. (28 Apr) 2005
Seven northeastern states sign MOU for Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) (20 Dec) 2005
DEC initiates multi-year winter reporting survey for turkey (Dec) 2005
Twenty-seven countries in European Union ban use of asbestos 2005
J. Fitzpatrick, Cornell, et al. report (Science) male ivory-billed woodpecker, Arkansas (28 Apr) 2005
DEC releases revised draft UMP for Wilmington Wild Forest (Apr) 2005
DEC introduces a broadscale CWD quarantine program (Apr) 2005
MVWA files suit to protect its riparian rights at Hinckley Reservoir and W. Canada Creek (Apr) 2005
Senator Betty Little hosts Adk Workforce Housing Symposium at L. Placid Holiday Inn (Apr) 2005

We ought to acknowledge that the Adirondack Park is trending toward becoming an enclave of the affluent with no room for the working families who have called this place home for generations.

Commissioner Judith A. Calogero
Division of Housing and Community Renewal
Adirondack Workforce Housing Symposium, April, 2005

Brian Mann says HRBRRD leasing of Great Sacandaga Lake shore is unconstitutional (Apr) 2005
DOT closes Wilmington Notch to add steel guardrails inside the existing stonewalls (Apr) 2005
AfPA pub its criticism of Foxman project accenting incompleteness of APA application (Apr) 2005
Hickory Ski Center, Warrensburg, closes (Apr) 2005
Jim Gies sells Adirondack Express (Old Forge, NY) newspaper to Wm. J. Kline & Son (Apr) 2005
Jay Lawson and Marianne Christy establish Adirondack Weekly newspaper at Old Forge (May) 2005
Hadlock Pond dam (233-1098) rehabilitation is completed as directed by DEC (2 May) 2005
Peter Nye, NYSDEC, reports only 5 breeding pairs of bald eagle in the Adirondacks 2005
AM buys Adirondack Church of the Nazarene in Lake Placid for new museum branch 2005
AfPA hosts its first open house at the Center for the Forest Preserve in Niskayuna (5 May) 2005
Jim McCulley drives pickup truck on Old Mt. Rd. and receives ticket from DEC ranger (22 May) 2005
Essex Co. is notified that T. of Keene is not legally maintaining its Old Mountain Road (24 May) 2005
P. Wadhams, Cambridge U., reports major cold-water subsidence loss, Greenland Sea (May) 2005
Saranac Lake man is fined $5,000 (service reduced) for abusive trail development in FP (May) 2005
Adirondack Museum, Blue Mt. Lake, opens new exhibits geared for families and children (May) 2005
Four Brothers Islands, L. Champlain, hosts c. 2,300 nesting pairs double-crested cormorant (May) 2005
Bill McKibben, AE, endorses wind turbines on old garnet mine lands above North Creek (May) 2005
B. Grisi posts Adk forest pests [http://apa.state.ny.us/Research/ADK_Forest_Pest_Chart.htm](http://apa.state.ny.us/Research/ADK_Forest_Pest_Chart.htm) (May) 2005
Gov. Pataki proposes DEC or local regulation of wetlands less than 12.4 acres in extent (May) 2005
Whiteface and Gore Mt. ski areas each end season with operating deficits exceeding $1M (May) 2005
NSF funds study of damaged Adirondack waters by Alfred and Colgate Universities (May) 2005
Keith Van Buskirk, American Wilderness Resources, proposes 1,400 a dev. near Prospect Mt. (May) 2005
Starbuckville Dam (204-0650) on Schroon Lake near Chestertown is rebuilt (May-Dec) 2005
Hyde Collection of Glens Falls hosts a major show of Lake George paintings (5 Jun – 11 Sep) 2005
ALC offers $50,000 for information leading to prosecution of arsonist of ALC buildings (Jun) 2005
APA and DEC propose 11,000 a. Bog River Wilderness, St. Lawrence and Hamilton Cos. (Jun) 2005
Chinese Mitten Crab is found in crab pots at mouth of Patapsco R., Chesapeake Bay (9 June) 2005
APA begins using ORPS subdivision data 2005
NWS reports up to 8” of rain in several hours on 60 sq. mi. of northern Warren Co. (13 Jun) 2005
Penfield Dam is nearly overtopped following heavy rains (13 Jun) 2005
Appellate Ct. rules Thomas Gang, Inc. has no right to access Lot 167 across FP lands (16 Jun) 2005
Public Authority Accountability Act becomes law 2005
DEC attempts to process J. McCulley violation with administrative enforcement hearing (13 Jun) 2005
Torrential rains wash out roads and force evacuation of residents at Town of Bolton (13-14 Jun) 2005
Northway between Exits 23 and 25 is closed due to mudslides caused by heavy rains (13-18 Jun) 2005
Town of Keene Board votes for ‘qualified abandonment’ of Old Mt. Rd. as a town road (14 Jun) 2005
Torrential rains linked to Tropical Storm Arlene close 47 Essex County roads (16-17 Jun) 2005
Dec. 2005
Gov. Pataki declares Essex, Erie, Warren and Wyoming counties as NYS disaster areas (17 Jun) 2005
Essex Co. opens flood-damaged roads (some one-way), except Rte 9N, for traffic (19 Jun) 2005
DOT plans to replace stone walls of Wilmington Notch with molded concrete barriers (21 Jun) 2005
EPA delays PCB dredging start date for Fort Edward, Hudson R. from 2006 to 2007 (23 Jun) 2005
Ronald Stafford, NYS senator for Adirondack district for 37 years, dies at Plattsburgh (24 Jun) 2005
FERC mandated AuSable Chasm flow study begins with volunteer paddlers (25 Jun) 2005
Jim McCulley files federal lawsuit alleging violation of civil rights by DEC officials (28 Jun) 2005
Gov. Pataki announces $100,000 funding for Adirondack Research Library of AfPA (30 Jun) 2005
AfPA dedicates and opens CFFP on St. David’s Lane, Niskayuna, Schenectady (30 Jun) 2005
Camp Sacandaga, Cornell Coop. Extension, Lake Pleasant, Hamilton Co., does not open (Jun) 2005
Glens Falls Hospital completes its 6-story Northwest Tower 2005
Poke-O-Moonshine fire tower, overlooking High Peaks and L. Champlain is rededicated (Jun) 2005
The Mountaineer inaugurates the Great Adirondack Trail Run at Keene Valley (Jun) 2005
NYS proposes adoption of California greenhouse-gas motor vehicle emission standards (Jun) 2005
Revised New York Flora Atlas ([http://atlas.nyflora.org](http://atlas.nyflora.org)) is released (Jun) 2005
Richard Louv pub *Last Child in the Woods* re. importance of wild places for young (spring) 2005
AfPA launches Energy Smart Park Initiative at its 104th annual meeting (1 Jul) 2005
Hadlock Pond dam (233-1098), W. Fort Ann, Washington Co., breaks rel 520 M gal of water (2 Jul) 2005
Warren County opens last of flood-damaged roads in Town of Bolton (3 Jul) 2005
Homes, families, roads (incl. Rte 149) are seriously impacted as Hadlock Pond dam breaks (3 Jul) 2005

We didn’t believe them at first. We thought it was a joke – it’s a new dam.

Paul Oriol
Hadlock Pond Road
After failure of the Hadlock Pond Dam

You could hear it taking trees down. The water kept rising and rising.

Andre Demers
Hadlock Pond Road
After failure of the Hadlock Pond Dam

Gov. Pataki declares state of emergency in Washington County after Hadlock Dam fails (3 Jul) 2005
NSM gets ownership of Day Peckinpaugh as traveling museum of canal/transportation history (Jul) 2005
APA approves 104-ft. tall Nextel ‘Frankenpine’ cell tower on Pilot Knob, Lake George (8 Jul) 2005
Gov. Pataki closes three dormitories (134 beds) at Camp Gabriels (8 Jul) 2005
Serologicals Corp. cuts 60 jobs, 50% of its work force, at Upstate USA, Lake Placid (15 Jul) 2005
IP announces nationwide restructuring of the company (19 Jul) 2005
Powerful thunderstorms with heavy winds strike Essex Co. causing power outages (22 Jul) 2005
Adirondack Sustainable Communities Inc. (ASCI) is formed at Saranac Lake (Oct) 2005
NYS DOT repairs and reopens Route 149 in Washington Co. after Hadlock Dam failure (24 Jul) 2005
Tops Markets (Ahold USA) offers for sale 31 grocery stores in Adks and eastern NY (25 Jul) 2005
West Nile virus is now reported from 48 contiguous states with recorded deaths at 667 (30 Jul) 2005
Golub Corp. buys six Adk Tops Market stores to reopen as Price Chopper supermarkets (Jul) 2005
APA and DEC propose Madawaska Bog Area, Franklin Co., as Primitive area (Jul) 2005
APA and DEC propose Boreal Lands, St. Lawrence Co., as Primitive Area (Jul) 2005
APA and DEC propose 11,000 a. tract at Round Lake, near Tupper L., as Wilderness Area (Jul) 2005
APA and DEC propose shift of Horseshoe Lake Wild Forest to Wilderness Area (Jul?) 2005
APA and DEC propose shift of Hitchens Pond Primitive Area to Wilderness Area (Jul?) 2005
AfPA board of trustees oppose M. Foxman project (AC&R) at Tupper Lake (Jul) 2005
Lake Placid sewage treatment plant goes on line (19 Jul) 2005
Hopkinton, Colton, Parishville & Piercefield vote to block recreation easements on IP lands (Jul) 2005
APA proposes 90-day limit for single-site camping and 6-mo. limit at private campgrounds (Jul) 2005
CommutAir eliminates all direct air flights from Adirondack Regional Airport to Albany (Jul) 2005
Adirondack Council of BSA, closes Camp Bedford at Clear Pond, T. of Duane, Franklin Co. (Jul) 2005
DEC makes temporary repairs on ‘substantial leak’ at Marcy Dam; reservoir remains empty (Jul) 2005
Dan Plumley and Michael DiNunzio join the AfPA staff (Jul) 2005
Gov. Pataki announces five million dollar funding for NHMA (1 Aug) 2005
Kate Chilson rescues M. Bryant, struck by lightning while swimming in Mirror Lake (5 Aug) 2005
DEC loses certification in sustainable forest management from Forest Stewardship Council (Aug) 2005
NYS DAM est. 44 sentinel trees to survey in 15 counties to watch for EAB 2005
Tim Seaver completes 122-mile long Northville-Lake Placid Trail in 37 hrs, 31 min. (6-7 Aug) 2005
President George Bush signs the 10-year Energy Bill (1,724 pp.) at Sandia National Labs (8 Aug) 2005
Oil prices reach record level of $63.99 per barrel on New York Mercantile Exchange (8 Aug) 2005
Powerful thunderstorms with heavy winds strike Clinton Co. causing power outages (10 Aug) 2005
Marks’ Dairy Farm manure lagoon wall fails releasing 8m gal. into Black River, Lowville (10 Aug) 2005
Some 250,000 fish die in Black R. following dairy manure lagoon wall failure, Lowville (11 Aug) 2005
Daniel Fitts, APA ED, is investigated by the NYS Inspector General (12 Aug) 2005
Daniel Fitts, APA ED, resigns after sexual harassment complaint and inquiry (12 Aug) 2005
Plattsburgh International AP (old Plattsburgh AFB) breaks ground for $20 million proj. (16 Aug) 2005
Richard Lefebvre, Caroga Lake, fmr APA chairman, is named APA executive director (19 Aug) 2005
US District Court Judge J. G. Murtha orders USDI to increase wolf restoration effort (19 Aug) 2005
EPF grants amounting to nearly $2 million are assigned to seven North Country counties (Aug) 2005
Gov. Pataki restores police power to St. Regis Mohawk Tribal Police, after certification (23 Aug) 2005
DEC requires bear-proof canisters for those overnighting in eastern High Peaks WA (25 Aug) 2005
Hurricane Katrina strikes Gulf Coats causing major damage (26 Aug) (GCC) 2005
US experiences worst hurricane season of record (GCC) 2005
Northern Tier Expressway (NTE), Rooftop Highway, is included in SAFETEA-LU (10 Aug) 2005
DEC and DAM issue draft report of Invasive Species Task Force (Aug) 2005
AG Eliot Spitzer asks EPA to est. emission standards for woodburning outdoor furnaces (Aug) 2005
NYS Invasive Species Task Force seeks $1 million grant for control of invasive plant species (Aug) 2005
Brascan Corp. sues DEC blocking water withdrawal from Hinckley Res. by T. of Kirkland (Aug) 2005
Eurasian milfoil control program at Upper Saranac Lake results in a “dramatic” reduction (Aug) 2005
ANCA website posts Online Atlas of Mountain Biking Trails (Aug) 2005
AfPA hires D. Plumley as North Country Director of Park Protection, with AC&R as focus (Aug) 2005
S. Sherwood et al., Yale, correct meteorological model to suggest tropospheric warming (Aug) 2005
Essex County implements county-wide, on-line geographic information system (GIS) (Aug) 2005
DOT road crew cuts 5,010 trees (2,071 on FP) on 11-mile sector, Route 3, near Tupper L. (Aug) 2005
Gov. Pataki grants $100,000 to ARL at the CFFP of the AfPA, Niskayuna, Schenectady Co. (Aug) 2005
DEC announces new online New York Flora Atlas covering more than 4,000 species (Aug) 2005
DEC joins with TNC in plan to publish The New York Dragonfly and Damselfly Atlas (Aug) 2005
DOT begins work at 1856 covered bridge reproduction across E. Br. Au Sable R., Jay (Aug) 2005
DEC sponsors 270 camperships for urban youth at summer environmental education camps (Aug) 2005
DEC issues draft UMP for St. Regis Canoe Area, the only such area in NYS (Aug.) 2005
Michael DiNunzio spearheads AfPA’s $mart Park Initiative (Aug) 2005
PSC waives fall term tuition and fees for students of Gulf Coat colleges and universities (3 Sep) 2005
APA issues final enforcement order to A. & M. Spiegel re. Fawn Ridge house (7 Sep) 2005
DEC razes private hunting camps on FP lands acquired from Champion, Town of Santa Clara (16 Sep) 2005
DEC truck with loaded trailer causes bridge on Middle branch, St. Regis R., to collapse (16 Sep) 2005
DEC fails to secure arson scene involving bridge destruction on M. Branch, St. Regis R. (16 Sep) 2005
St. Regis Mohawk host 3rd annual Ironworkers Competition, Akwesasne Casino (17 Sep) 2005
Adirondack Council of BSA proposes merger with Twin Rivers Council of Albany (21 Sep) 2005
NYS contracts M/A-COM to design and construct Statewide Wireless Network (22 Sep) 2005
Barbara McMartin, prominent author-Adirondack advocate, succumbs to breast cancer (27 Sep) 2005
Serologicals Corp. announces closure of Upstate facility, L. Placid, with loss of 60 jobs (29 Sep) 2005
Windstorm strikes Adirondacks; wide-spread electrical power outages last many days (29 Sep) 2005
DEC issues draft UMP for Lewey Lake PC and Day-use Area, Hamilton Co. (Sep) 2005
USDA requires SOD out-of-state certification for some 2,400 plant growers of California (Sep) 2005
DEC issues draft UMP for Silver Lake Wilderness Area, 106,770 a. (Sep) 2005
DEC seeks USFWS approval of its Comprehensive Wildlife Conservation Strategy (Sep) 2005
DEC pub 700-page report on extinct, rare, endangered and threatened wildlife of NYS (Sep) 2005
DEC report lists golden eagle and loggerhead shrike as extirpated from NYS (Sep) 2005
DEC reports “very secure and probably expanding population of River Otter in the Adks” (Sep) 2005
DEC reports lists 88 species of wildlife endangered or threatened in NYS (Sep) 2005
T. Franklin vetoes purchase of conservation easements in 21,000 a. Lyme Timber Co. deal (Sep) 2005
Concerned Citizens of Tupper Lake forms in response to Foxman’s proposed AC&R (Sep) 2005
Bigfoot Field Researchers Organization sends two expeditions to Whitehall area (Sep-Oct) 2005
DEC detects Type E botulism in dead birds found on NY shore of Lake Ontario (Sep) 2005
Raquette Lake Union Free School District operates no schools; students go to neighboring districts 2005
Steve Jeffers, Clemson U., finds sudden oak death (SOD) pathogen in camellia, S. Carolina (Sep) 2005
Sudden oak death (SOD) is now found in 22 states on more than 50 kinds of plants (Sep) 2005
Tourboat Ethan Allen sinks at L. George drowning 20 elderly Michigan and Ohio tourists (2 Oct) 2005
SCJ R.B. Ginsburg cites ‘Doctrine of Discovery’ to deny sovereign status to Oneida Indian lands 2005
Kyoto Treaty becomes effective as signed by all major industrial nations except the US (GCC) 2005
Preliminary tests by NTSB determine that Ethan Allen tourboat was overloaded (5 Oct) 2005
EPA/GE agree on Consent Decree (CD) for Phase 1 & 2 of Hudson R. PCB remediation (6 Oct) 2005
APA abandons its camping-limit proposal for private campgrounds (7 Oct) 2005
Niagara Mohawk Power Corp. (NiMo) changes its name to National Grid (10 Oct) 2005
International Paper’s (IP) John Dillon Park near Long and Grampus Lakes is dedicated (10 Oct) 2005
Indian Lake Town Board opposes APA camping restrictions for private campgrounds (11 Oct) 2005
AM loans Bill Gates diner of Bolton Landing to Transportation Museum at Plattsburgh (15 Oct) 2005
High winds down trees and power lines, close roads in Essex, Clinton and Warren Cos. (16 Oct) 2005
Sen. Betty Little announces call box renewal and temporary cell towers on Northway (19 Oct) 2005
C&S Wholesale Grocers buys 12 Adirondack grocery stores from Tops Markets (20 Oct) 2005
Data collection for FERC mandated AuSable Chasm flow study is complete (22 Oct) 2005
Geir Graathen of WMO reports the Antarctic ozone hole as the third largest on record (24 Oct) 2005
ALSC reports on acid deposition: Acid Rain and the Adirondacks: A Research Summary (Oct) 2005
AG issues report on OWB, “Smoke gets in your lungs: Outdoor Wood Boilers in NYS” (Oct) 2005
Hamilton Co. Bd. Superv. oppose DEC-APA Silver L. WA UMP to close West River Rd. (Oct) 2005
Indian Lake Board opposes DEC-APA Silver L. WA UMP to close West River Rd. (Oct) 2005
T. of North Elba and V. of Lake Placid sign MOU to consolidate municipal services (Oct) 2005
Gov. Pataki assigns $500,000 grant to OSI to restore historical aspects of Tahawus Tract (Oct) 2005
Croatian Agriculture Ministry confirms 6 cases of bird flu in wild swans in a national park (Oct) 2005
Natural History Museum of the Adirondacks announces official nickname: The Wild Center (Oct) 2005
Federal Economic Development Adm. funds assessment of of Northern Forest economy (Oct) 2005
Zebra mussels are removed from boat launch site at north end of L. George at Mossy Point Oct 2005
John Davis is appointed Conservation Director of the Adirondack Council (3 Nov) 2005
DEC pub draft of fifth version (400 pp.) of the NYS Open Space Conservation Plan (10 Nov) 2005
New S-curved bridge opens on State Rte 56, near French Pond, S. Colton, St. Law. Co. (15 Nov) 2005
USFWS pub FEIS and Management Plan for resident Canada geese (15 Nov) 2005
Sloane Crawford, DEC forester, finds living kudzu vine, Pueraria montana, Albany (18 Nov) 2005
AMC agrees to buy Uihlein Mercy Center at Lake Placid (20 Nov) 2005

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AMC agrees to buy Mercy Healthcare Center at Tupper Lake (20 Nov) 2005
NYPA applies to APA for 46kv power line from west to Tupper Lake as part of TLERP (20 Nov) 2005
Denise Sheehan is appointed Commissioner of the NYSDEC (30 Nov) 2005
Plattsburgh Aeronautical Institute receives $200,000 NYS grant for instructional hanger (Nov) 2005
Recently deceased, Vincent Perry is elected to Town Board of Chestertown (Nov) 2005
NYS Supreme Court Judge M. Daly orders demolition of T. Noonan’s mansion in T. of Webb 2005
Koch Forest Products, subsidiary of Koch Industries, purchases Georgia Pacific Corp. (Nov) 2005
NYS finishes installation John Dillon Park (200 a.), Rte. 30, with facilities for the disabled (Nov) 2005
Brooktrout Lake once with thriving fishery made fishless by acid deposition is restocked (Nov) 2005
DEC places 2000 fingerlings & 20 adult heritage strain brook trout in Brooktrout L., Ham.Co. (Nov) 2005
DEC commends Hadley Mt. Fire Tower Committee for work on tower and trail (Nov) 2005
*The Scientist* (journal) reports Trudeau Institute as 2nd best place in academia to work (Nov) 2005
Stuart Buchanan, Director, DEC Region 5, affirms work of Hadley Mt. Fire Tower Comm. (Nov) 2005
Greyhound Bus Lines announces cessation of their bus routes north of Syracuse (2 Dec) 2005
Lake Placid Lodge fire destroys kitchen, dining rooms and pub in the main building (15 Dec) 2005
Hurricane season closes with 27 named storms breaking prior record of 21 (Dec) 2005
Four walk away from Piper Mojave airplane after crash landing at Piseco Lake Airport (28 Dec) 2005
Domtar Ind. sells 84,448 a., Clinton/Franklin Cos., to CW for $17.47 M (28 Dec) 2005
Domtar Ind. of Canada assigns easements on 84,448 a. in Clinton/Franklin Cos. to NY (28 Dec) 2005
CP Rail ‘Holiday Train’ stops at Ticonderoga and Port Henry with benefit concerts for food bank (29 Dec) 2005
Sen. B. Little et al. secure $2M from NYS for rehab of Hadlock Pond Dam, W. Fort Ann (31 Dec) 2005
*An American Tragedy*, opera composed by Tobias Picker, premieres at Metropolitan Opera (Dec) 2005
Press-Republican of Plattsburgh runs seven-part series on North Country diversity (Dec) 2005
APA approves five-year plan for Shaker Mt. Wild Forest of Fulton and Hamilton counties (Dec) 2005
OPRHR raises standard for average tourboat passenger weight from 140 to 174 pounds (Dec) 2005
Campers protest APA proposed limits on camping at private camprounds in the Adirondacks (Dec) 2005
DEC initiates Cooperator Ruffed Grouse Hunting Log program (Dec) 2005
M. Glennon and H. Kretser, WCS, pub *Impacts of Wildlife from Low Density, Exurban Dev.* . . . (Dec) 2005
EPA approves Imidachloprid™ for insect control in wild forest areas (Dec) 2005

As of this December, 2005, nine UMPs, out of 38 due, have been completed: High Peaks Wilderness. Santanoni Historic Area, Bog River Canoe Area, Dix Mountain Wilderness, Giant Mountain Wilderness, Siamese Ponds Wilderness, Vanderwacker Wild Forest, Split Rock Mountain Wild Forest, and the Wilmington Wild Forest. Four more are under revision following public commentary: Shaker Mountain Wild Forest, Jessup River Wild Forest, Silver Lake Wilderness and St. Regis Canoe Area.

*The Park Report*, RCPA, updates Adk mercury pollution incl. consumption warning map (Dec) 2005

James Quick’s tourboat company, Shoreline Cruises, is uninsured for incidents on L. George 2005
DEC estimates resident Adirondack population of moose at about 300 animals (2005) 2005
Developer purchases 240 acres adjacent North Creek Ski Bowl planning 220 units for tract 2005
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Cornell Cooperative Extension of Essex Co. receives two grants to help local farmers
Northern Forest Center and *Northern Forest News Digest* est. Concord, NH; also with Maine office
Shawn Glazier returns to Malone to assume helm at Glazier Food Service
Celia A. Evans et al. pub *Beech Bark Disease Proceedings* of the Beech Bark Disease Symposium
Jack L. Maranville pub *Forty-six Adirondack Sonnets*, each sonnet devoted to one of the High Peaks
Maple Ridge Wind Farm, Higley Hydro, Browns Falls Hydro are named NYS RPS projects
Newcomb Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad Inc. is established
NYS Legislature passes constitutional amendment for Raquette Lake drinking water wells

CO₂, CH₄, N₂O, are estimated, resp., at 379 ppm, 2005 ppb, 310 ppb (*Climate Change, 2007*)

DEC dedicates $3.7 M renovated Region 5 Sub-office in Warrensburg

UVM and USDA maintain web on Asian longhorned beetle (May): [http://www.uvm.edu/albeetle/](http://www.uvm.edu/albeetle/)

Saint Clara Mt. Fire Observation Station, Franklin Co., added to National Register of Historic Places

Rebecca Foster and Caroline M. Welsh pub *Wild Exuberance: Harold Weston’s Adk Art*

Philmet Capital LLC acquires IP Hudson River paper mill at Corinth, closed since 2002

Nests of double-crested cormorant now number 2,997 (17 colonies) on Upper St. Lawrence R.

TNC refuses to give DEC permission to control double-crested cormorant on Four Brothers Islands

Adirondack Watershed Inst. reports 49 Adirondack waters as infested with Eurasian Milfoil

Lindsey Bauer and Donna Vogler note giant knotweed, *Fallopia sachalinese*, in Otsego Co.

AfPA est Adirondack Wilderness Stewardship Program

WSI, AWI, PSC discover and remove four plants of purple loosestrife, Lower St. Regis Lake

NYS Supreme Court Justice J. Teresi ejects DEC motion to dismiss BRVFWC ATV access suit

PSC is listed as best college for “resort living” in *Kaplan and Newsweek 2006 College Guide*

Gov. Pataki signs law raising fines and further restricting ATV use

TNC commissions Biodiversity Inst. and D. C. Evers to conduct study of mercury in NYS

Mianus River Gorge Nature Preserve, Westchester Co. now includes 900+ a., 555 a. TNC owned

Martin Podskoch pub *Adirondack Fire Towers: Their History and Lore, the Northern Districts*

Robert Reiss sells Santa’s Workshop to Northpole Associates

Tornado History Project (TornadoHistoryProject.com) founded by Nat. Climatic Data Center et al.

TOPEX/Poseidon mission to measure sea-surface topography ends

VHS causes die-off of freshwater drum (*Aplodinotus grunniens*) in Lake Ontario

New Clean Air Act rules are finalized but with very weak controls for mercury pollution

NYS and several other states sue EPA charging weak control of mercury pollution

To-date coal-burning facilities resist controls to continue major releases of mercury in Adks

GLERL, Ann Arbor, reports Lake Superior ave. surface temp. as 2.5° C warmer than 1979

Lake George Association promotes “Drop-a-Brick” program to detect presence of zebra mussel

VHS is found in muskellunge of Lake St. Clair

Betty Little is recognized as Legislator of the Year by Families Together in New York State

Decline of brown trout is linked to appearance of diatom didymo in Rapid Creek, South Dakota

Harvard University sells ($1.6 B) most of its US timberlands to Hancock Timber Resource Group

Ed Niedhammer applies $3,800 Niskayuna Community Foundation grant to ARL archives

Craig L. Milewski, Stacy McNulty, et al. PSC, coordinate est. All-Taxa Biol. Inventory (ATBI)

AWI of PSC cooperate with AfPA, DEC, APA, et al. in operation of ATBI

John Freeman, AJES, reports on history of the Adirondack Mt. Club (Jun)

Federal authorities report killing some 13,000 double-crested cormorant – 2 million remaining

Clarkson U. places 2nd in SAE Clean Snowmobile Challenge™ competition at Houghton, MI

NYS Legislature passes constitutional amendment for Raquette Lake drinking water wells

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FEMA denies disaster status and funding to twelve storm-devastated counties of NE NY 2005
Old Forge Library begins 24 hour 7-day wireless Internet service for general public (summer) 2005
Mary Landon MacKenzie’s Collected Poetry, 1931-1937 is published posthumously c. 2005
DEC elects not to appeal Judge A. H. Halloran’s ruling on J. McCulley case, Old Mountain Road 2005
British scientists report a 30% reduction in the volume of North Atlantic current 2005
Didymo, a sessile diatom favoring oligotrophic water appears in tailwaters of TVA dams 2005
B. McMartin, W.A. Reid and R. Loomis pub Adirondack Timeline: Display of a Concise History 2005
Faune Québec and Hydro-Québec, initiate 10-year eel stocking program to enhance recruitment 2005
NYSTEC breaks all ties to Syracuse Research Corp. (SRC) (1 Oct) 2005
LGLC closes 1,850 a. Thomas and Cat Mountain Preserve to motorized vehicles 2005
NOAA reports that Arctic sea ice sets record lows for every month except May 2005
NOAA reports interior Alaska soil temperatures among warmest for the last 70 years 2005
NOAA reports that Arctic Rivers are now 3 to 9% higher with fresh meltwater than average 2005
Number of telecommunication (cell) towers in the U.S. is now estimated at c. 100,000 2005
The membership of the NRDC is now more than 400,000 2005
European Union (EU) est rules for cap-and-trade market for industrial gas releases 2005
Robotic lawn mowers are 2nd largest use of houses-hold autonomous robots 2005
Eurasian Silex Woodwasp threatens Oswego Co. pine trees as it makes first appearance in US 2005
DEC elects not to appeal Judge A. H. Halloran’s ruling on J. McCulley case, Old Mountain Road 2005
Decay of a Concise History 2005
Times Union newspaper readers vote the Adirondacks as the best Capital District attraction 2005
AfPA opposes Siamese Pond WA UMP on basis of illegal campsites and snowmobile trail 2005
Following ADA suit OSI buys ($70,000) 122 a. site on Butternut Brook, Warren Co. 2005
The 120-mile shoreline of Great Sacandaga Lake now provides access for c. 4,500 land owners 2005
ADK now includes 27 chapters, 14 standing committees, a 37-member board and 8,000 members 2005
Duncan Hay, NPS, reports that some 30 Adk power dams now produce 240 MW of power 2005
Lake Placid-Essex Co. Visitor’s Bureau issues medals to drivers of hybrid vehicles 2005
Frank Ames of Saranac, NY wins place in Guiness Book of Records for the longest eyebrow hair 2005
T. Phillips & C. Cooper, CLO, note golf course nesting success of bluebird and tree swallow 2005
American Wilderness Resources proposes 100 lots for 1,400 a. site near Prospect Mt., L. George 2005
PEPE Prod. releases documentary, “The Lost Radeau—North America’s Oldest Intact Warship” 2005
APA starts enforcement proceeding against Leroy Douglas for wetland violation at Silver Lake 2005
Peter Nye, NYSDEC, notes 300-400 wintering birds and c.100 NY breeding pairs of bald eagle 2005
NLI and OSI apply jointly to APA to remove rails on Tahawus Rail Spur for scrap 2005
OSI proceeds with application for subdivision of Tahawus property (granted by APA in 2006) 2005
The membership of the NRDC is now more than 400,000 2005
The common raven population has rebounded dramatically in NY (BBA) 2005
ISTF reports to NYS governor providing 12 key recommendations 2005
Improper Scenic cutting (c. 958 sq. ft.) by DEC occurs on Sawyer Mt. in Blue Ridge Wilderness 2005
Donald F. Green, III, of Chazy, Clintondale Co., owns McIntosh orchard with 800,000 trees 2005
Adirondack Conservancy staff cuts trail to Sable Highlands vista in Lyons Mountain region 2005
WSP, AWI, PSC, collects 765 plants of purple loosestrife from the St. Regis Lake Chain 2005
Mohawk Valley experiences one of the hottest and driest summers of record 2005
J. Humbach and C. Morrison report, ARCo, on Public Navigation Rights in NYS (25-26 May) 2005
Schuyerville/Victory Board of Water Management inacts major modernization of facilities 2005
R.D. Perlack et al. USDA, report weight of safely combustible US urban wood at c. 300 T/y 2005
R.D. Perlack et al. USDA, report US forests able to produce 368 M dry tons/y of wood fuel 2005
Angelina Ross et al. continue spruce grouse survey (begun in 1976) noting decline 2005
Honeywell, D.C., et al. study thiaminase, alewives and early mortality syndrome in salmonines 2005
To date, LCSP has awarded grants in excess of $2.5M to enhance Lake Champlain ecosystem 2005
Mountain Pine Beetle attacks 21 million acres of British Columbia forests as climate warms 2005
The Environmental Grantmakers Association at 437 Madison Ave., NYC, now has 250 members 2005
AIPA est. Arthur M. Crocker Lecture Series at the Center for the Forest Preserve, Niskayuna 2005
National Soil Resources Institute (of U.K.) reports great increase of soil CO₂ release in Nature 2005
US Dist. Court Judge L. Preska dismisses 8 states suit against 5 power companies on CO₂ release 2005
NY and 3 other states sue Bush admin. for neglect in Asian longhorn beetle intro. in wood pallets 2005
Gov. Pataki grants $500,000 to preserve Tahawus House, beginning of TR’s ride to presidency 2005
OSI assigns 7,000 a. of Tahawus Tract (see NLI) to FP, retaining 3,000 for historical restoration 2005
Lyme Timber Co. forms Lyme Forest Fund LP, a conservation-oriented forest investment fund 2005
APANSMP ($8.5 M/y) is vetted at Adirondack Water Quality Conference, Paul Smith’s College 2005
Harvest of 493 black bears in Catskills exceeds the 454 animals taken in Adirondacks 2005
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C40 Large Cities Climate Summit meets, for first time, in London, some 30 cities represented 2005
Year ends having lowest recorded barometric pressure in recorded history 2005
Northern snakehead fish is documented for 2005
Northern snakehead, a kind of predatory, air-breathing fish, is doc for Meadow Lake, Queens, NY 2005
Beetle native to the Pacific Northwest is reported as eating HWA in Banner Elk, North Carolina 2005
Richard Louv pub Last Child in the Woods: Saving our . . . using phrase ‘Nature-Deficit Disorder’ 2005
Raquette Lake Union Free School becomes a non-operating district 2005
The Hubbert method predicts global oil production will peak during this period 2005-09
Minimum age for solo operation of personal watercraft (PWC) is raised to 14 years (1 Jan) 2006
DEC approves Comprehensive Snowmobile Plan for Adk Pk., without amendments/hearings (1 Jan) 2006
Snowmobile Rights and Responsibilities Act takes effect in NYS (1 Jan) 2006
US EPA emissions regulations for snowmobiles promulgated in 2002 take effect (1 Jan) 2006
Adirondack Council of BSA begins merger with Twin Rivers Council of BSA in Albany (1 Jan) 2006
State law now limits snowmobile speed to 55 mph on public lands and trails (1 Jan) 2006
NY commerce of amphibians and reptiles is prohibited, with DEC acting in enforcement (2 Jan) 2006
Earthquake (mag. 3.7 Richter), epicenter 11 mi. NE of Chateaugay, hits at 10:35 AM (9 Jan) 2006
Assemblyman A.B. “Pete” Grannis re-introduces original 1991 navigation rights bill 2006
Geff Bodine Bobsled Challenge is inaugurated at Mt. van Hoevenberg bobsled run (Jan) 2006
Assemblyman Ortloff offers policy for Adk cell phone antennas on existing structures (14 Jan) 2006
Rain, freezing rain, floods, high winds, power outages wreak havoc in North Country (17 Jan) 2006
Goodman Road, repaired after Hadlock Pond Dam failure, is washed out again by storm (18 Jan) 2006
SCJ Fr. Williams rejects Adk Council suit on APA-approved ‘Frankenpine’, Pilot Knob (20 Jan) 2006
Lack of snow and 7th warmest January of record stifle Adk winter festivals and outdoor recreation 2006
Corinth Town Board enacts six-month moratorium on trash recycling plant proposals (26 Jan) 2006
AfPA remains critical of Michael Foxman’s revised AC&R proposal (Jan) 2006
A.W. Everest reflecting telescope, Marblehead, MA, is moved to Clarkson Univ., Potsdam (Jan) 2006
LTC establishes The Lyme Forest Fund L.P. (LFF) (Jan) 2006
Warren County honors rescuers of Ethan Allen survivors (1 Feb) 2006
Warren County sheriff’s report finds “no culpable criminal conduct” in Ethan Allen sinking (4 Feb) 2006
NYS overhauls its tourboat regulations re. Ethan Allen drownings (Mar) 2006
A. & M. Spiegel bring federal lawsuit against APA re. Fawn Ridge house (15 Feb) 2006
Nancy Heaslip photos hibernating bats with white muzzle filaments (WNS), Howes Cavern (16 Feb) 2006
J. Jackson pub report, The Auk, highly critical of Cornell claim of Arkansas ivory-billed woodpecker 2006
US Supreme Court, MI, hearings begin on wetland filling by K. Carabell and J. Rapanos (14 Feb) 2006
Powerful west winds lash Adirondacks; statewide, 211,000 residents lose power, 5 die (17 Feb) 2006
Adirondack Trailways takes over Greyhound Bus Lines routes in Adirondacks (23 Feb) 2006
Luna B. Leopold, editor of Sand County Almanac dies of congestive heart failure (23 Feb) 2006
AfPA opposes 6,300 a. AC&R project proposed by M.D. Foxman et al., Big Tupper L. (27 Feb) 2006

Mr. Foxman, in his Adirondack Club and Resort (AC&R) proposal, offers to build 719 dwellings in 14 separate areas on a tract of 6,200 acres on the slopes of Mount Morris southeast of Tupper Lake, one of the largest development proposals in the history of the APA.

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North Country Community College (NCCC) offers course in Mohawk language and culture (Feb) 2006
CAN/AM Hockey inaugurates a pond hockey tournament on Mirror Lake, Lake Placid 2006
H5N1 strain of avian flu kills a domestic cat in Germany (Feb) 2006
A. and M. Spiegel sue APA in federal court for halting erection of their L. Placid home (Feb) 2006
Hearing is held in Albany federal court for Jim McCulley civil rights suit against DEC (Feb) 2006
Marc Nathanson releases DVD documentary film Lake Placid: An Olympic History (Feb) 2006
Using GRCE data U. Colorado researchers report 35 cubic mile per year Antarctic ice loss (Feb) 2006
Using GRCE data Jet Propulsion Lab. researchers report increased Greenland ice-loss rate (Feb) 2006
USGS reports on 2003 seabed methane hydrate discovery off of southern California (Feb) 2006
‘Ice-in’ dates for Lake Champlain since 1816 now average fourteen days later 2006
L. Champlain has not frozen over 33 times since 1816; 26 of those times (78%) are since 1950 2006
Winter temperatures increase 2.3 °F over the past 103 years with acceleration in past 33 yrs 2006
L. George Town Board fines Keith Van Buskirk $100,000 for tree cutting at Prospect Mt. (Feb) 2006
Wal-Mart plan to build 120,000 sq. ft. store at Saranac L. causes controversy in village (Feb) 2006
DEC plans to reopen Wakely Mt. fire tower, helipad, and cabin for safety role (Feb) 2006
ORDA proposes amendment to Gore Mountain UMP to allow Ski Bowl development (Feb) 2006
WNS is now recognized to be caused by the fungus Pseudogymnoascus destructans (Feb) 2006
APA approves amended Gore Mountain UMP to allow Ski Bowl development (Mar) 2006
Nat. Trust for Historic Preservation names Saranac Lake village ‘Distinctive Destination’ (7 Mar) 2006
APA approves (destructive) plan for 46 kV power line from Stark Falls to Piercefield (9 Mar) 2006
Camp Sacandaga, Cornell Coop. Ext., Lake Pleasant, Hamilton Co., is up for sale (11 Mar) 2006
Jon Johansson, Swedish snowboarder, 25 y.o., dies at ORDA facility, Whiteface Mt. (12 Mar) 2006
Dimock Farms (dairy), Peru, NY, receives Lake Champlain Farm Award from LCBP (15 Mar) 2006
Piper Aero plane makes emergency landing without skis on frozen Mink Pond, Minerva (15 Mar) 2006
P.B. Thompson rep 88 kinds of birds in 10 y survey to APA for Oval Wood Dish property (17 Mar) 2006

Page 155 of the ACR names two species of bird as observed in their survey of the Oval Wood Dish site in their formal response to the APA. Ms. Phyllis B. Thompson’s survey was limited to the months of
June, July and August. Ms. Thompson submitted her response to Mr. George Outcalt (APA Response #2005-100)

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Bradford L. Browning, 53 y.o., dies in ski accident at ORDA facility, Whiteface Mt. (17 Mar) 2006
Federal Appeals Court sides with 14 states opposing EPA’s easing of clean air rules (17 Mar) 2006
Bill Lee et al., HMBC, record extremely rare gray partridge, Perdix perdix, Rte 30, Malone (23 Mar) 2006
APA allows Spiegels to protect unfinished house from elements, Fawn Ridge, L. Placid, (28 Mar) 2006
NYS repeals ATVTDMF, assigns monies to general fund, restores $10 registration fee (30 Mar) 2006
R. Yunick & C. George find Chinese Mystery Snail, Vischer Ferry Preserve, Saratoga Co. (31 Mar) 2006
Earthquakes are detected in upstate NY, eastern Ontario and western Québec (Mar) 2006
Gov. Pataki appoints T.W. Scozzafava to NYPA board of directors (Mar) 2006
Village of Corinth adopts six-month moratorium on waste disposal facility development (Mar) 2006
Closure of 3/4 mi. segment West R. Rd. in Silver L. WA is contested as UMP is completed (Mar) 2006
Membership of the Adirondack Council is now about 18,000 (Mar) 2006
ORDA contracts with Constellation New Energy for green power at Whiteface & Gore Mt. (Mar) 2006
Brian Houseal, J. R. Risley and Lani Ulrich form Common Ground Alliance of the Adks (Mar) 2006
120 fire fighters respond by boat as 12 buildings and forest (7 a.) burn at Upper St. Regis L. (Mar) 2006
NYPA seeks 26.3 mi. long, $25M, 46 kV power line to serve development at Tupper L. (Mar) 2006
Airtricity, an Irish firm, proposes 10-17 wind turbines for Kayadeross Ridge, T. Greenfield (Mar) 2006
Saranac L. and Tupper L. post offices earn USPS 5-star rating in customer service program (Mar) 2006
C&S Wholesale Grocers opens former Tops Markets as Grand Union Family Markets (Mar) 2006
Grand Union Family Markets opens in Elizabethtown, Saranac Lake, and Schroon Lake (Mar) 2006
Grand Union Family Markets opens in Peru and Au Sable Forks (Mar) 2006
APA finds Michael Foxman’s revised AC&R submission incomplete (Mar) 2006
DEC offers $2500 reward for arrest in bald eagle killing at junction of Rtes 10 & 3, Jeff. Co. (Mar) 2006
Denton Publications, Elizabethtown, buys North Creek newspaper News Enterprise (6 Apr) 2006
Alternative Fuel Boilers, LLC. introduces line of residential wood gasification boilers (Oct) 2006
APA approves OSI subdivision of 10,000-a. Tahawus Tract opening most to public (7 Apr) 2006
Joan Collins reports decline of Adirondack Blackpoll Warbler numbers at c. 9% per year (10 Apr) 2006
IP to sell 275,000 a. to LTC for $137 million including 257,000 a. public-use easement (11 Apr) 2006
Town of Charlton, Saratoga Co., adopts rules regulating outdoor wood furnaces (12 Apr) 2006
IP sells nearly all its U.S. forestlands, coated papers, kraft papers and Amcel businesses (Apr) 2006
IP reaches tree-growing milestone, having grown over 9 billion seedlings (Apr) 2006
DOT closes Wilmington Notch to widen Rte 86 roadway with new containment wall (17 Apr) 2006
NYS AG sues Spiegels for APA permit violation in building of home at Lake Placid (17 Apr) 2006
NYS DOT releases multimodal corridor study for Adirondack Northway (I-87) (17 Apr) 2006
James E. Hansen et al. present at symposium on climate change at Albany Law School (18 Apr) 2006
NYS AG files suit in NYS Supreme Ct. Essex Co. against Spiegel’s Fawn Ridge house (19 Apr) 2006
USFWS approves DEC Comprehensive Wildlife Conservation Strategy (21 Apr) 2006
Federal Judge D. R. Homer proposes voidance of McCulley suit against DEC (25 Apr) 2006
Senator Little forces override of Pataki veto of funding for Ski Bowl-Little Gore ski lift (27 Apr) 2006
NYS Canal System opens, the earliest date in 33 years (28 Apr) 2006
Fast moving fire destroys six strip-mall shops, old hotel site, Rt. 9, Lake George village (29 Apr) 2006
Nellie Staves of Tupper Lake, is inducted into New York Outdoorsman Hall of Fame (29 Apr) 2006
IP, Stamford, CT, sells 5.4 million a. of forest land (85% of its holdings) to diverse buyers (Apr) 2006
Ralph S. Hames et al. note importance of invertebrate calcium levels in bird reproduction (Apr) 2006
Supervalu Inc. opens former Tops Markets, Port Henry and Keeseville as Save-A-Lot stores (Apr) 2006
Fr. Keppler et al., Max Planck Inst. for Nuclear Physics, detect methane release from trees (Apr) 2006
DOT, DEC and APA admit fault in tree cutting on 11-mile sector of Rt. 3 near Tupper Lake (Apr) 2006
DEC issues Draft UMP for Moose River Plains Wild Forest for public comment (Mar) 2006

“Municipal highways may be designated for use by ATVs only when necessary to provide access to adjacent trails. Highways previously designated for use by ATVs do not qualify as “adjacent trails” for this purpose. Trails on private land that are open to the public for recreational ATV use may qualify as “adjacent trails.”

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Airtricity, an Irish wind turbine company, proposes wind farm for Town of Greenfield (Apr) 2006
Rehabilitation begins on Bow Bridge spanning Sacandaga R. at Hadley (Apr) 2006
T. of Charlton board enacts regulations on operation of outdoor wood-burning stoves (Apr) 2006
Mark L. Malchoff, SUNY Plattsburgh, notes presence of alien plants in 49 waters of Adks (Apr) 2006
Gregory G. McGee reports of paucity of herb-stratum communities in secondary woodlots (Apr) 2006
PSC requires National Grid to refund $8.8 M to its customers for 2005 power outages (Apr) 2006
Barry P. Baldigo et al., USGS, report on aluminum toxicity for stream fish in SW Adks (Apr) 2006
Daniel Spada et al. report 2.84 a. of Adk FP affected by invasive species in 2005 survey (Apr) 2006
DOT is assesses $50,000 fine for Rt. 3 tree cutting and agrees to $200,000 worth of service (Apr) 2006
Saint Lawrence Zinc begins extracting ore at Balmat No. 4 zinc mine (Apr) 2006
AfPA is critical of APA permitting of 75-foot wide power line ROW near Tupper L. (Apr) 2006
Tupper Lake Town consultants (Hudson Group) issue report critical of AC&R financing (Apr) 2006
N. E. Karraker and J. P. Gibbs, ESF, report impacts of de-icing salt on Adk amphibians (Apr) 2006
S. LaPoint et al., ESF, note mortality of c. one M vertebrates/d on 6.5 M km of US roads (Apr) 2006
S. LaPoint et al., survey 150 km I-87 weekly for one year to find 220 road kills of 19 species (Apr) 2006
Ron and Beth Edgley, T. of North Elba, begin raising bison for meat (May) 2006
NYS Supreme Ct. Justice Aulisi rules T. of Horicon cannot regulate use of roads on FP (2 May) 2006
Peter Roemer receives Howard Zahniser Award of AfPA; Adk experience begins 1936 (5 May) 2006
Alvord’s ‘Leather Guy’ is sold, modified and moved ¼ mi. south on Rte 30, Mayfield (6 May) 2006
Chimney swifts arrive one-day late at chimney of old Hubbell Glove Factory, Northville (7 May) 2006
US Dist. Court lets Spiegel suit against APA proceed despite NY AG’s call for dismissal (8 May) 2006
Golub Corp declines to open Price Chopper at site of former Tops grocery in Tupper L. (10 May) 2006
Clarkson students present biodiesel alternative to petroleum diesel at EPA competition (10 May) 2006
Gov. Pataki reclassifies Carry Falls land, Raquette R., to allow ATVs and snowmobiles (10 May) 2006
NYS Inspector General finds inapposite images on computers of four APA workers (16 May) 2006
APA endorses APIPP’s Adirondack Park Aquatic Nuisance Species Management Plan (11 May) 2006
W. Cowett sues NYPA and APA for routing 46 kV TLERP power line past Crooked L. (11 May) 2006
USDJ and EPA seek federal consent decree approval for PCB dredging of Hudson R. (16 May) 2006
Federal Judge L.E. Kahn sends McCulley Old Mountain Road case back to state courts (17 May) 2006
U.S. Dist. Court voids Spiegel’s Fawn Ridge house due process claims against APA (20 May) 2006
S. & D. Hendren, Clover Mead Farm, of Keeseville receive Glynwood Harvest Farmer Award (20 May) 2006
Marker is unveiled at 181 Western Ave., Albany, one-time home of Verplanck Colvin (25 May) 2006
USDA releases Forest Insect and Disease Leaflet #118 re. balsam woolly adelgid (May) 2006
Jesse Yousey submits 4 lb. 15 oz. brook trout for state record (25 May) 2006
Doc film *An Inconvenient Truth*, directed by Davis Guggenheim, opens NYC and LA (24 May) 2006
USPS issues stamp honoring Samuel de Champlain’s discovery of his namesake lake (28 May) 2006
“Mother of All Storms” snaps poles, breaks trees, washes out roads, Town of Schroon (31 May) 2006
Hamilton Co. issues state of emergency after rain, wind and lightning cause outages (31 May) 2006
Betty Little receives Advance New York Leadership Award of NYS Economic Dev. Council (May) 2006
APA workers (4) lose vacation days for having inappropriate images on their computers (May) 2006
DEC approves tripling ton limits at Franklin Co. Regional Landfill extending solvency (May) 2006
Gov. Pataki approves APA State Land Classification Package for 74,000 a. of state land (May) 2006
Cornell orthithologists end unsuccessful search for ivory-billed woodpecker in Arkansas (May) 2006
James Quick opens tourboat season with the *Adirondack* (115-ft.) and *Horicon* (85-ft.) (May) 2006
Bob Kazmierski develops wildlife museum in former supermarket, Vail Mills, Fulton Co. (May) 2006
Local groups clean Saranac R. as National River Cleanup Week extends to Adks (13-21 May) 2006
DEC UMP for the Hudson Gorge Primitive Area raises angler-rafter controversy (May) 2006
HRBRRD requests proposals for Conklingville Dam repair, Great Sacandaga L., 27,000 a. (May) 2006
HRBRRD votes to hold acess fees for Great Sacandaga Lake stable for next three years (May) 2006
NYS Legislature approval of constitutional amendment for Colton power line is flawed and void (May) 2006
Large boulders are added to Sacandaga R. to create “rodeo holes” for kayakers (May) 2006
Chazy Orchards and Rusty Creek Partnership enter state Farmland Protection Program (May) 2006
Trout Unlimited *et al.* release report “Eastern Brook Trout: Status and Threats” (May) 2006
Gov. Pataki proposes cutting NY power plant mercury emission by 50% by 2010 (May) 2006
CH-47 Chinook transport helicopter crashes in Afghanistan killing 10 Fort Drum soldiers (May) 2006
Avian Flu outbreak in family of eight in Sumatra, RI, suggests person-to-person infection (May) 2006
Paul Mitchell Logging, adopts high-tech debarker-delimber chipper for pulpwood harvest (May) 2006
Cornell U. workers discover VHS in the round goby taken in St. Lawrence River (May) 2006
Saratoga Co. withdraws application for construction of tall towers inside Blue Line (May) 2006
Waters of Great Sacandaga Lake crest spillway of Conklingville Dam (May) 2006
Northern Forest Canoe Trail (Old Forge-Fort Kent) celebrates grand opening, Saranac L. (3 Jun) 2006
Adirondack Center for Writing inaugurates Adirondack Literacy Awards program (4 Jun) 2006
Eric Boulevard files for preliminary permit with FERC to study Indian Lake dam for hydro (June) 2006
AfPA intervenes in Erie Boulevard application (November) 2006
WMHT-TV presents one-hour feature *Seneca Ray Stoddard: An American original* (5 Jun) 2006
NYS grants Invasive Species Task Force $1M for control of invasive plant species (5 Jun) 2006
DEC announces recipients of $1M in grants to eradicate invasive aquatic species (5 Jun) 2006
APA approves development of 27 homes on 3.5 mi. of Woodlawn Lake shoreline by ALC (9 Jun) 2006
Braided Bridge crossing Boquet River at Whallonsburg is dedicated (10 Jun) 2006
J. Rapanos decision, No. 04-1034 etc favors Rapanos, condemning small, isolated wetlands (19 Jun) 2006
NYSDEC opens 241 a. Scarooon Manor site for public use: beach, bathhouse, picnic sites (Jul) 2006
Brookfield Power Corp. applies for permit to develop hydro-power at Indian Lake Dam (21 Jun) 2006
Finch, Pruyun & Co. announces Glens Falls mill is for sale (28 Jun) 2006
Heavy rains in NE US cause serious damage to Lock 10 on Erie Barge Canal (26-28 Jun) 2006
Heavy rains cause major flood damage Canajoharie, Fort Plain, Fultonville, elsewhere (26-28 Jun) 2006
Heavy rains wash out roads and bridges in Hamilton Co. (28 Jun) 2006
Heavy rains and high water result in closing of Sacandaga PC and Speculator beach (28 Jun) 2006
Flash flooding damages old Delaware and Hudson RR ROW at Greenfield, Saratoga Co. (28 Jun) 2006
High water results in closing of Northhampton Beach PC., Gr. Sacandaga L. (30 Jun-19 Jul) 2006
Nicole Grohoski and Tommy Perkins end NFCT trip from Old Forge to Fort Kent, ME (26 Jun) 2006
IP opens John Dillon Park near Glens Falls, fully dedicated to those with disabilities (27 Jun) 2006
Seagle Music Colony, Schroon L., presents Rogers and Hammerstein’s ‘Oklahoma’ (28 Jun) 2006

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David L. Newhouse, age 85, Adirondack conservation leader, Schenectady resident, dies (30 Jun) 2006
Ed Niedhammer, Maryde King, Abbie S. Verner receive AfPA Lifetime Achievement Awards (Jun) 2006
NY legislature passes constitutional amendment allowing Rt. 56 power line ROW thru FP (Jun) 2006
T. of Franklin contracts Yellow Wood Assoc. for Green Community Technology services (Jun) 2006
Millipore Corporation acquires Serologicals Corp.; its Lake Placid site is offered for sale 2006
ALC plans division of 1,235 a. into lots, common areas and an open space, near Old Forge (Jun) 2006
AfPA calls for APA public hearing on ALC plan to subdivide 1,235 a. tract near Old Forge (Jun) 2006
Clarkson University hosts conference on fuel issues and the Adirondacks (Jun) 2006
Speculator village board rejects petition for dissolution of village (Jun) 2006
The Park Report, RCPA, devotes June issue to wind power in NY with emphasis on Adks (Jun) 2006

Currently, the Adirondack Park is being ringed by wind farms. Across New York four wind power projects are up and running. These include the Maple Ridge Wind Farm (Phase 1: 120 towers, 198 MW; phase 2: 75 towers, 124 MW, Martinsburg, Lewis County); Fenner Wind Farm (20 towers, 30 MW, Fenner, Madison County); Madison Wind Power (7 towers, 11.55 MW, Madison, Madison County); Western New York Wind Power (10 towers, 66.6 MW, Wethersfield, Wyoming County). Others are in development.

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Current DEC regulations prohibit use of herbicides on the FP 2006
RCPA endorses judicious application of herbicides for control of terrestrial invasive species (Jun) 2006
David Tomberlin and Russ Cronin est. Well Dressed Foods, a specialty foods business, Tupper L. 2006
Zebra mussels are found at 4 sites in Lake George with 32 examples removed this summer (Jun) 2006
Large numbers of zebra mussels are removed from a Cleverdale marina in Lake George (Jun) 2006
Maryland officials announce presence of EAB introduced from Michigan in 2003 (Aug) 2006
US Supreme Court decides ACE may have exceeded its authority in Michigan wetlands case (Jun) 2006
Lake George Americade motorcycle convention is estimated to add $30 million to revenue (Jun) 2006
NTSB selects JMS Naval Architects and Salvage Engineers for stability analysis on Ethan Allen 2006
T. of Queensbury issues stop-work order to Ralph Macchio for work done on French Mt. (Jun) 2006
Saranac L. village board defers on Wal-Mart Supercenter (121,000 sf) 2nd stage review (Jun) 2006
$10,000 award is offered for conclusive evidence on existence of Ivory-billed Woodpecker (Jun) 2006
NWS reports June wettest ever for Albany International Airport with 8.74” of rain (Jun) 2006
Syracuse University Press pub Jack Maranville’s Forty-six Adirondack Sonnets (Jun) 2006
Lowé’s, APA fight highly public battle over sign at proposed Ticonderoga store (Jun-Oct) 2006
G. Marchini notes 6 alien earthworms: www.esf.edu/aec/research/Gina_Worms/Worms.htm (Jul) 2006
NTSB finds Ethan Allen tourboat was grossly overloaded and unstable (Jul) 2006
Lake George Opera company presents Thornton Wilder’s Pulitzer Prize play ‘Our Town’ (1 Jul) 2006
The Wild Center, Natural History Museum of the Adirondacks, opens at Tupper Lake (4 Jul) 2006
AfPA objects to scenic cutting in Blue Ridge Wilderness UMP as lacking APSLMP basis (5 Jul) 2006
AfPA calls helipad and observer cabin in Wakely Mt. Primitive Area nonconforming (5 Jul) 2006
AfPA urges reclassification of two Wild Forest parcels bordering BRW as wilderness (5 Jul) 2006
AfPA endorses UMP proposal to relocate Northville Lake Placid Trail (5 Jul) 2006
Late spring and early summer rains raise Lake Champlain level to 99.36’ asl (5 Jul) 2006
Gov. Pataki proclaims Adirondack Park Invasive Species Awareness Week (9-15 Jul) 2006
DEC Comm. Sheehan requires supplemental EIS on Ski Bowl Village project at Gore Mt. (12 Jul) 2006
Bob Kazmierski opens Wildlife Sports and Educational Center Museum at Vail Mills (14 Jul) 2006
David C. Evers reports mercury present in all 178 NY woodland birds tested (25 Jul) 2006
NTSB releases findings on Ethan Allen tour-boat disaster at L. George press conference (25 Jul) 2006
DEC estimates that brook trout habitat of Saranac L. Wild Area has fallen to 3% of original (Jul) 2006
Bigfoot Field Researchers Organization runs another expedition in Whitehall area (Jul) 2006
T. Franklin withdraws veto on purchase of conservation easements in Lyme Timber Co. deal (Jul) 2006
T. of Tupper Lake hosts public rezoning hearings pertaining to AC&R (July) 2006
Franklin Co. DA names Akwesasne Mohawk Peter J. Herne as assistant prosecutor (Jul) 2006
Photographer Mark Bowie pub Adirondack Waters: Spirit of the Adirondacks (Jul) 2006
Mountain Lake, Plattsburgh PTV, produces 57-minute DVD Call of the Loon (Jul) 2006
Freshwater jellyfish, Craspedacusta sowerbii, is found in Lincoln Pond, near Elizabethtown (Jul) 2006
Heavy rains, more than 5” in less than 4 hours, flood hamlet of Bloomingdale, Essex Co. (1 Aug) 2006
Arsonist burns Brant Lake General Store, a regional landmark, to the ground (1 Aug) 2006
Dredging begins at Lake Algonquin on Sacandaga R., Town of Wells (2 Aug) 2006
Gov. George Pataki waives fees at NYS PCs because of heat wave (1-2 Aug) 2006
NYRA cancels entire card at Saratoga because of expected 100° F; 1st since opening in 1940 (2 Aug) 2006
Settlement is reached on damages for liquid manure spill at Marks’ Dairy Farm, Lowville (3 Aug) 2006
Penalties for boating-while-drunken increase to match those of automobile DWI (6 Aug) 2006
APA approves Blue Ridge UMP (11 Aug) 2006
APA approves installation of 2nd wind test tower on Pete Gay Mt. at Barton Mines (11 Aug) 2006
S.C. Dickinson, Fort Ann, pleads guilty of 3rd degree grand larceny for timber theft (11 Aug) 2006
D.M. Dickinson, Hudson Falls, pleads guilty to misdemeanor in timber theft case (11 Aug) 2006
Porter E. Bull (b. 28 Feb., 1914) dies, age 92, Far Rockaway, NY, prime author NYS birds (11 Aug) 2006
Sen. McHugh secures grant to est. Adirondack commercial broadband network (21 Aug) 2006
Greyhound bus with 53 passengers crashes on I-87 near Exit 31 killing 5, injuring 43 (28 Aug) 2006
AfPA participates in funding of a new “forever wild” exhibit at the Paul Smith’s VIC (Aug) 2006
Rehabilitated Bow Bridge across Sacandaga R. at Hadley opens to motor traffic (25 Aug) 2006
Mountain Lake PBS (Plattsburgh Public TV station) produces DVD Call of the Loon (Aug) 2006
AfPA Conservation Committee and Concern Citizens of Tupper Lake meet re. AC&R (Aug) 2006
Seven RGGI signatory states publish model rule for implementation of RGGI (Aug) 2006
Chasm Hydro Dam drain is opened on Chateaugay R. releasing 4,000 yds³ of sediment (5 Sep) 2006
Fort Drum simulates terrorist attack on plane leaving Wheeler-Sack Airfield (13 Sep) 2006
Moose struck by Amtrak train at Putnam, Washington Co., is euthanized (13 Sep) 2006
Conservancy & Sporting Society announces purchase of The Point, Upper Saranac L (15 Sep) 2006
Verizon ends ORDA contract; van Hoevenberg Sports Complex reverts to original name (18 Sep) 2006
Louisa Munoz hits, kills moose with car on Rt. 73 near Mountain Lane, T. of N. Elba (20 Sep) 2006
Ruth Cassin hits, kills 700 lb. bull moose on Route 55 north of Saranac Lake (21 Sep) 2006
Maple Ridge Wind Farm, with 195 windmills, Lowville, hosts ribbon-cutting ceremony (26 Sep) 2006

The Maple Ridge Wind Farm, is operated by Horizon Wind Energy and Iberdola Renewables, and is located on some 21,000 upland acres owned by the residents of Lewis County, a tract covering some 12 by 3 miles. Each tower is 260 feet tall bearing a three-blade rotor each blade of which is 130 feet long (weighing 7 MT) resulting in a windmill 390 feet high. Each windmill costs some $2.8M, the entire project some $380M. On average each windmill produces enough power for 560 homes, the project enough for some 125,000 homes or 2% of NYS’s residential power needs. Power generated enters the NYS energy grid at a substation located near Rector Road, Town of Martinsburg, and then is ‘piped’ through a 230kV line to another substation on Wetmore Road in Glenfied 10.3 miles away to connect with the main 230kV National Grid bulk transmission line supplying Boston, New York City and points in between. The MRWF produces some 321 MW, the CO₂ equivalent of 205,440 a. or about 3.4% of the area of the Adirondack Park.

Based on information provided by the Cornell
Arts Guild of Old Forge breaks ground for $8.5 M Arts Center (29 Sep) 2006
Adirondak Loj Rd. is closed to truck traffic due to weak bridge across N. Meadow Brook (29 Sep) 2006
NYS SCJ D. Krogmann issues restraining order to R. Macchio et al. on French Mtn work (Sep) 2006
Towns of Inlet and Webb merge police departments to consolidate services (Sep) 2006
After three bad winters in a row, Oak Mountain Ski Center at Speculator is put up for sale (Sep) 2006
G. Hill et al. report presence of ivory-billed woodpecker, Choctawhatchee R., NW Florida (Sep) 2006
Fort Drum adds 8,700 feet of railroad siding to enhance its rapid deployment capability (Sep) 2006
HWF workers report largest beechnut crop in 20 years (Sep) 2006
Paul Jensen, DEC, notes exceptional, “nearly record breaking”, mast crop in eastern upstate NY (Sep) 2006
Moose relocated by DEC from Watertown to Five Ponds WA is found dead one day later (Sep) 2006
NELA starts Flat Mt. Demonstration Forest under long-term, high-value management plan (Sep) 2006
Robotic video cameras are installed in Cache R. area, Ark., to find ivory-billed woodpecker (Sep) 2006
T. of Tupper Lake issues rezoning of Oval Woods Dish lands facilitating AC&R (Sep) 2006
Tupper Lake Free Press appears with full-page devoted to AC&R controversy (Sep) 2006
NY permits two-week test burn (2 tons/hour) of rubber tire chips by IP at Ticonderoga (Sep) 2006
Southern Adirondack forests produce bumper crop of mast, i.e. acorns, nuts, seeds (Sep) 2006
Viral Hemorrhagic Septicemia (VHS) kills fish of Lake Ontario and St. Lawrence River (Sep) 2006
George Nigriny, with Richard Bailey, prime contractor, makes helicopter tree harvest (Sep-Nov) 2006

George Nigriny, with Richard Bailey (Bailey Forest Products) as his prime contractor, conducted a timber cut of by helicopter of some 300,000 bf on 800 a. of Hatchbrook Sportsman’s Club land, at the end of North Road, near Cathead Mt., Town of Benson, Hamilton County. A Boeing Vertol-11 helicopter powered by two 1,500 hp GE turbines, the world’s second largest flying-crane, did the lifting and transport from this site surrounded by lands of the FP. Bailey of Johnstown-Gloversville contracted with Columbia Helicopters of Portland, Oregon for the work. The site was prepared in September 2006. Fellers completed the cutting by the first week of October 2006, and the ‘helo operation’ was complete by 20 October, 2006. Veneer quality material included hard maple (32,030 bf), red oak (3,825 bf), cherry (2,340 bf) and birch (625 bf). Value?: The mill price for maple veneer was c. $4,550 per 1,000 bf., the amount of wood derived from a tree with 30” DBH yielding a log 56’ long. Saw log grade material included hard maple (211,860 bf), cherry (22,820 bf), red oak (15,905 bf) and birch (3,455 bf). This ‘high-grade cut’ had minimal visual impact on the site. Mr. Nigriny reports that “... without close inspection the casual observer would not even have realized that a harvest had taken place.”

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Based on e-mail interviews of June, 2010

Ward Stone claims relocated Watertown moose death due to tapeworm, E. granulosus (3 Oct) 2006
Moose is killed by a logging truck on Rt. 3 at Sugarbush (10 Oct) 2006
PSC moves culinary and hotel management programs to Crowne Plaza in Lake Placid (11 Oct) 2006
Long-horn Beetle larva are found on a ship from Turkey at Port of Albany (17 Oct) 2006
Chasm Hydro Partnership halts sediment cleanup of Chateaugay River due to expense (17 Oct) 2006
Gov. Pataki assigns Champion International land (2,698 a.) to NYS for hunting camp leases (Oct) 2006
A moose is killed on Rt. 87 (Northway) near Chazy (Oct) 2006
The federal Help America Vote Act is passed (Oct) 2006
Chasm Hydro Partnership begins cleanup of released sediment from Chateaugay River (Oct) 2006

Cooperative Extension of Lewis County
15 September, 2006
Richard Morrison proposes Morinfo, Inc., to provide wireless Internet service for Northville (Oct) 2006
Community Newspaper Holdings, Inc., buys Press-Republican (Plattsburgh) newspaper (Oct) 2006
NYSDEC and OPRHP issue “Snowmobile Plan for the Adirondack Park” (Oct) 2006
Gregory Lumber Co. of Plattsburgh sells its 4 yards to Curtis Lumber Co. of Ballston Lake (Oct) 2006
NYS Police wind turbine on Black Mt., T. Dresden, falls over as guy wire fails (Oct) 2006
DEC Snowmobile Master Plan proposes use of tracked groomer motor vehicles in FP (Oct?) 2006
AfPA funds Paul Smith’s VIC exhibit featuring words spoken at 1894 Constit. Convention (Oct) 2006
APA approves construction of Lowe’s store (with large illuminated sign) at Ticonderoga (Oct) 2006
Engineers at New York Air Brake Co., Watertown, win patent for new train braking system (Oct) 2006

... the most significant development in railroad braking technology since the 1870s

Joseph Board, Federal Railroad Administration, October, 2006

Paul F. Jamieson, Professor Emeritus of English, St. Lawrence Univ., Adk author, dies (4 Nov) 2006
T. of Essex files lawsuit against Lewis Family Farm to stop private farm roads (fall) 2006
D. Eisinger forms Multiplex Biosciences with fmr. employees of Upstate Biotechnology, L. Placid 2006
Mysterious die-off of worker bees from honeybee hives (later called CCD) is noted in Florida (Nov) 2006
DEC stocks 900 heritage strain brook trout in Brooktrout Lake, Hamilton Co. 2006
APA and Leroy Douglas sign written agreement ending wetland violation at Silver Lake (9 Nov) 2006
DEC pub final fifth version (400 pp.) of the NYS Open Space Conservation Plan (15 Nov) 2006
LeRoy Douglas meets with M. Rooks, APA, to inspect remediation of wetland violation (20 Nov) 2006
M. Rooks & Leroy Douglas agree upon more wetland remediation to be done in 2007 (20 Nov) 2006
PEPE Productions wins Aurora Award, Platinum Best of Show for video, “The Lost Radeau. . .” 2006
DEC unveils Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) to reduce CO2 emissions (5 Dec) 2006
AfPA informs DEC that Brookfield Power Corp. application re. Indian L. Dam is illegal (6 Dec) 2006
TNC and Lyme Timber Co. received NYS EEA for Sable Highlands Project (7 Dec) 2006
Sudden oak death (SOD) is reported for Maine (8 Dec) 2006
Defense Department reduces number of satellites surveying global atmosphere (11 Dec) 2006
Gov. Pataki gives $5M to Adk On Track Partnership to restore Adirondack Scenic RR (15 Dec) 2006
Moose is killed by automobile on Route 40 near Greenwich, Washington Co. (16 Dec) 2006
APA rules application for Adirondack Club and Resort (AC&R), Tupper Lake, complete (20 Dec) 2006
Sen. B. Little est. Adirondack Community Housing Trust (ACHT) for low-cost housing (20 Dec) 2006
VHS appears in St. Lawrence muskellunge, round goby, burbot, bluntnose Minnow (20 Dec) 2006
VHS appears in round goby and smallmouth bass of Lake Ontario (26 Dec) 2006
United Steelworkers of Finch, Pruyn & Co., Inc. reject proposed three-year contract (29 Dec) 2006
Greg Caito et al. form Adirondack Political Action Committee (29 Dec) 2006
Finch, Pruyn & Co., Inc., of Glens Falls now employs 840, including 300 salaried (29 Dec) 2006
AfPA asks FERC to stop work on Indian Lake Dam by Erie Boulevard Hydro (29 Dec) 2006
Alpha Industries relocates firewood packaging and pallet company to Corinth (Dec) 2006
DEC reward for killer of bald eagle in Jefferson Co. in March is doubled to $5,000 (Dec) 2006
Maryland officials request neighboring states for assistance in controlling EAB (Dec) 2006
APA approves Stickney Pt. development of 21 homes, 2 mi. of shoreline. Union Falls P. (Dec) 2006
Super Steel of Milwaukee and Schenectady begins repairs to Lake Placid Olympic torch (Dec) 2006
AfPA et al. file Article 78 action against T. Tupper Lake, AC&R, et al. re. land rezoning (Dec) 2006
APA refuses public hearing for 300 a. subdivision of 18 homes at Union Falls Pond (Dec) 2006
Tri-Lakes village mayors petition the State of New York for tax reform (Dec) 2006
Number of invasive species found in Great Lakes reaches 183, many from Black Sea (Dec) 2006
John Thaxton & co. sight Empidonax flycatcher at Westport during Christmas Bird Count (Dec) 2006
Ruby-crowned kinglet is sighted at Elizabethtown during Christmas Bird Count (Dec) 2006
Larry Master et al. sight Baltimore oriole during Saranac Lake Christmas Bird Clount. (Dec) 2006
S. Swain and R. Dutton, TI, are appointed fellows of the AAAS (Dec) 2006
Daily Gazette notes 142 media reports of coyote attacks on people in US beginning 1960 (Dec) 2006
Roland Ka, NYSM, reports shooting of wolf in NE Kingdom, VT (Dec) 2006
Young boy of Powassan, Canada, develops virulent viral encephalitis to be named Powassan Virus (Dec) 2006
CDC rep Powassan (disease with no known cure), tickborn (Ixodes scapularis), a RNA flavivirus (Dec) 2006
BioDiversity Inst., Gorham, ME, finds high Hg levels in birds and spiders of Dome I., L. George (Dec) 2006
NYS legislature misnames relevant town re. National Grid power line proposal for Colton (Dec) 2006
AfPA and RCPA endorse amendment allowing National Grid power line over FP at Colton (Dec) 2006
ARL appoints professional part-time librarian and archivist (Dec) 2006
Both houses pass retracted bill endorsing power line from Stark Falls Res. to Tupper Lake Village (Dec) 2006
ARL hosts 200 researchers from ‘all over the world’ with volunteers working 3,845 hours (Dec) 2006
American chestnut Foundation plants Chinese-American hybrid chestnut trees in Virginia (Dec) 2006
Pew Research Center poll of 1,500 shows that 77% think evidence is solid for global warming (Dec) 2006
Friends of Petrified Sea Gardens closes access to Saratoga stromatolite exposures, finest in US (Dec) 2006
Residential coal consumption hits all-time nationwide low at 258,000 tons (Dec) 2006
Franklin Co. highway death rate, 7 persons/yr (2003—2006), is triple NYS average (Dec) 2006
NYS gives $5.5 M to Town of Johnsburg to connect its Ski Bowl to state Gore Mt. Ski Center (Dec) 2006
Gore Mt. Ruby Run. off Nothwoods Gondola ‘opens with 1,700’, 2.2 mi. gentle descent (Dec) 2006
Nancy and Norman Germain refurbish Oak Mountain Ski Center, but do not open for season (Dec) 2006
Nancy and Norman Germain offer Oak Mountain Ski Center (263 a.) for sale at $2.4 M (Dec) 2006
At least 62 pair of Peregrine Falcon nest in NY including 26 pairs in Adirondack Park (Dec) 2006
Fund for L. George sues Town of L. George, LGPC and APA re. development on Prospect Mt. (Dec) 2006
D. Misiaszek-Antzak & husband report mountain lion on Rt. 30 btw. Paul Smiths & Meacham Lake (Dec) 2006
Hitching Post Restaurant, closed for 22 years, reopens at Lake Luzerne (Dec) 2006
T. of Greenfield permits Airtricity erection of 163-foot tall meteorological tower on TNC land (Dec) 2006
Pension Protection Act becomes law providing new benefits for giving of IRA assets (Dec) 2006
All state (New York) residents live in either a city or a town, as their boundaries do not overlap. Villages, in contrast, are located within towns, and their residents pay taxes to both the village and the town. Historically, a village tended to be the more densely populated section of a town—the part for which additional services such as water, sewer, police and fire protection were likely to be needed. In essence, a village was a smaller version of a city, providing services not available in the surrounding areas of the town. However, rapid suburbanization after World War II led to changes in law that allowed such services to be provided without creation of a village (often these services are provided through “special districts”). Today, water, sewer, sanitation, police and fire protection services are provided routinely throughout towns, and the incorporation of a village is no longer necessary for these purposes.


Tourism in Adks accounts for $1.25 billion in spending, 25,146 jobs and $523M in wages 2006
Some 5% of school-age children of Hamilton Co. are now home-taught 2006
Some 100 Harrietstown homeowners challenge 2006 tax assessment increasing an avg. 46% 2006
Gov. Pataki gives $7M to Gore Mt. Ski Center for expansion of ski trails 2006
Cornell University studies indicate average age of NY hunters is now about 50 yrs 2006
NYS WTD take is 189,108 2006
Paul Crutzen, Nobel chemist, proposes GCC by means of sulfur dioxide released from balloons 2006
Dacksdescents Publishing is est. in Lake Plaid 2006
P. Careless, U. Guelph, webs wasp control for EAB: www.uoguelph.ca/debu/pdf/biosurveillanca 2006
Loss of WTD in NYS to vehicle collisions is about 60,000 2006
Jay’s new covered bridge is completed and moved to span E. Branch of Au Sable River at Jay 2006
New covered bridge spanning East Branch of Au Sable River at Jay is now longest of 23 in the state 2006
Legislature overrides Pataki’s veto of $5.5M item to connect Gore Mt and Ski Bowl ski areas 2006
FERC accepts (preliminary) permit application by Erie Boulevard Hydro for Indian L. Dam 2006
AfPA, DEC, APA, Trout Unlimited, et al. oppose FERC permitting for Erie Boulevard Hydro 2006
T. of Indian Lake applies to FERC for a (preliminary) permit for operation of Indian L. Dam 2006
Erie Boulevard Hydro withdraws permit application to FERC for operation of Indian Lake Dam 2006
NY snowmobile club memberships double since 2005 due to discounts and NYS registration fees 2006
ANCA is awarded $260K DOT Scenic Byway grant for bicycling, dude ranches and alien plants 2006
Studies at Georgia Institute of Tech., Atlanta, GA, link global hurricane strength to ocean temp 2006
CP Rail will replace 165 ft. radio towers erected in 2004 near Lake Champlain with 95 ft. towers 2006
Julia Goren, Summit Stewards, finds Purple Crowberry, Empetrum eamesii, on Skylight Mt. 2006
Julia Goren, Summit Stewards, finds Appalachian Fir Moss on Basin and Boundary Mt. 2006
See works of Lee E. Frelich, D. Forest Resources, U. Minnesota, on dangers of invasive earthworms 2006

The common fishing worm, Lumbricus terrestris, and victim of the introductory biology course at Union College, is not a native American. It probably entered North America in the 1700s with marine ballast soils. It and other alien earthworms are now well and widely established in North America and as detritorves and fungivores they are able to impact forest ecosystems through harvest of mycorrhizae essential to water and nutrient uptake by plants. Forest trees of the genera Acer, Quercus, Betula, Pinus
and *Populus* are especially vulnerable. Google the works of Dr. Lee Frelich of the University of Minnesota and his associates for guidance on this commonly overlooked aspect of Adirondack forest ecology.

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Julia Goren, Summit Stewards, finds Northern Bindgrass on Boundary Mt. 2006
Bog Lake and Clear Pond are added to the Five Ponds Wilderness Area 2006
AfPA, with ACA funding, pub brochure on “Public Navigation Rights in NYS: Q & A” 2006
Sandy Treadwell *et al.* form LPRWSC to promote international sports events at Lake Placid (Nov) 2006
Gov. Pataki gives $5M to LPRWSC to promote international competition at Lake Placid 2006
DEC, APA classify 12,000 Raquette-Jordan Boreal tract Primitive, i.e. to be managed as wilderness 2006
WHO and USAID restore indoor use of DDT for control of malarial mosquitoes 2006
AC files notice of appeal to ruling of Justice Frank Williams re. ‘Frankenpine’ cell tower 2006
Finch, Pruyn & Co. re-certifies wood procurement program to SFI sustainable forestry standard 2006
With both SFI and FSC certification, all Finch, Pruyn & Co. sources of paper fiber are certified 2006
US residential lawns now cover nearly 40 million acres 2006
Jarden Plastic Solutions (form. Oval Wood Dish) facility, Tupper L., produces plastic poker chips 2006
Eurasian Millfoil control effort for Upper Saranac Lake has cost $1.6 M over last three years 2006
EPA delays 1st phase of Hudson R. PCB dredging from 2007 to ‘08 to plan Fort Edward sludge site 2006
Adirondack Museum renames its Founder’s Award the Harold K. Hochschild Award 2006
Adirondack Museum awards the Harold K. Hochschild Award to North Country Public Radio 2006
Gov. Pataki proposes and legislature approves $20M for development of cellulosic ethanol plant 2006
Paul Frederick, Jane Macintosh *et al.* produce CD *Seneca Ray Stoddard: An American Original* 2006
US now leads the world in the number of golf courses (16,000) with Japan second (2,500) 2006
Vermont continues (3rd year) control of Double-crested Cormorant at Young I., Lake Champlain 2006
Following ADA suit NYS and OSI improve access to Bearslides, Butternut Brook, Warren Co. 2006
Hamilton Co. is now least populated county east of Mississippi R.; 70% or houses are part-time 2006
In Hamilton Co. 93% of the land area is now unavailable for development 2006
Little and Aubertine propose administr. shift of private Adk campgrounds from APA to DOH 2006
B. Little and T. Saywood propose UMP moratorium until SLMP is updated as required by law 2006
AfPA initiates *Issues and Actions Journal* 2006
NYSDOH reports 85 Lyme disease cases (caused by bacterium *Borrelia burgdorferi,*), Saratoga Co. 2006
R.M. Heltsley *et al.* report that Prozac induces premature release of larvae in elliptio mussels 2006
T.A. Waite and D. Strickland link decline of gray jay in its southern range to climatic change 2006
Finch, Pruyn & Co. provide structures for canoe portage at Glens Falls 2006
Chapin Watermatics is purchased by Jain Irrigation Systems, Ltd., of India 2006
Johns Hopkins studies find antimicrobial soap chemicals in farm fields spread with sewage sludge 2006
RCPA awards Forest Stewardship Council certification to seven Adirondack businesses 2006
North Country, Adirondack, Hudson Valley and Mohawk Pathways Girl Scout councils merge 2006
DEC studies reveal mercury levels in Walleye as high as 0.8 ppm 2006
AIHA exhibits set of landscapes: *The Lanscape that Defined America: The Hudson R. School* 2006
DEC and DOH now post fish consumption advisories on mercury for 82 NYS lakes 2006
*Newsweek* names Paul Smith’s College as one of America’s hottest colleges 2006
Cornell Univ. webs zebra and quagga mussels: [www.utilities.cornell.edu/utl_lsceis_mussels.html](http://www.utilities.cornell.edu/utl_lsceis_mussels.html) 2006
Watershed Stewardship Program of PSC begins training of volunteers for alien plant control 2006
Chapman Museum, Glens Falls, features exhibit on road between Lake George and Glens Falls 2006
Sanford and Joan Weill give $1.25 M to build Joan Weill Student Center, Paul Smith’s College 2006

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The Brookfield Co., a Canadian power conglomerate, now owns 74 generating plants in NY 2006
Tom Wigley, US NCAR, suggests use of sulfate aerosols to defer global warming (Science) 2006
U. Colorado reports ice loss in Greenland at 59.5 mi³/year, a 250% increase over May 2004 2006
WMO reports ozone loss in Arctic less than that of eight of the last 11 winters (Jan) 2006
Josefin Comiso, NASA, reports 10 to 15% increased rate of Arctic sea ice melt (Sep) 2006
Ongoing NY DOH study notes similarity of blood PCB levels for study and control groups (Sep) 2006
Saratoga Co. plans to relocate emergency radio to 180 foot National Grid tower on Spruce Mt. (Oct) 2006
Saratoga Co. plans to remove old 140 foot radio tower from Adk Park site on Spruce Mt. (Oct) 2006
Corinth Village Board starts eminent domain action on 80 a. Philmet Capital LLC lands (15 Nov) 2006
Coalition of 12 states appear before SC seeking federal control of greenhouse gases (29 Nov) 2006
Hunter shot in Thurman is helicoptered to AMC at a cost of c. $10,000 (Nov) 2006
‘Old Gabriel’ weathervane is returned to Crown Point where it is kept in the jail (9 Dec) 2006
NYS installed wind energy capacity reaches 380 megawatts (Dec) 2006
GE is now the leading provider of wind energy in the US (Dec) 2006
Gov. Pataki to date, in his 12 years of office, overseen protection of 964,000 a. in Adk Park 2006
New Zealand mud snail (second form) is reported from the Duluth area of Lake Superior 2006
O. Pergams, U. Illinois, reports US children average 30 min/day of unregulated time outdoors 2006
Adirondack singer-songwriter Dan Berggren is elected AFPA “Musician in Residence” 2006
NOAA pub State of the Arctic, a major report by an international team of scientists 2006
Mt. pine beetle, *Dendroctonus ponderosae*, kills 1 M a. of forest in Wyoming and Colorado 2006
Tax assessments in Harrietstown increase by 46% prompting litigation in NYS Supreme Court 2006
Rabid animal is found along Richelieu R. near St. John, Québec, c. 30 miles north of border 2006
Shotgunned bald eagle is found at Round Lake and $2,500 reward is offered for arrest of killer 2006
LGLC is given 50 a. “Hunt Lake Inhold” (Oct) 2006
Saratoga Co. complete 546 contract negotiations with 546 hourly employees (Jan) 2007
AfPA, RCPA et al. sue T. of Tupper Lake for re-zoning 6,200 a. to aid proposed AC&R (8 Jan) 2007
TRCP starts Union Sportsmen’s Alliance (USA) to fight for access to hunting and fishing (15 Jan) 2007
A caver finds thousands of dead bats (WNS) Schoharie Caverns entrance, Schoharie Co. (18 Jan) 2007
AfPA et al. hold press conference calling on (new) Gov. Spitzer and APA to review AC&R (Jan) 2007
APA begins public hearings at Tupper Lake to review AC&R application (Jan) 2007
GE plans NY delivery of 300 1.5 MW wind turbines to Noble Environmental Power & Airtricity 2006
Neonicotenoids (neonics) as factor in CCD becomes issue in US 2006
Rainier Brock, ESF, DEC retired, notes that APA has issued 15,000 permits over this period 1990-2006
NYS issues 242,267 hunting and fishing licenses in Adirondack counties 2006-07
Inaugural First Night festivities are held at Saranac Lake (31 Dec-1 Jan) 2006-07
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Al Hicks, DEC, reports white-nose syndrome (WNS) for bat mortality at Schoharie Co. cave (Jan) 2007
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Nancy Heaslip, DEC, coins phrase ‘white-nose syndrome’ (WNS) for NY bat mortality (Jan) 2007
Dennis Squires (48), Adk whitewater legend, drowns in Waikaia River, New Zealand (Jan) 2007
T. of Indian Lake applies for FERC permit to study Indian Lake dam for hydro (Jan) 2007
PSC sells Hotel Saranac to Sarena, Sabena & Sewa Arora, hoteliers from Hauppauge, NY (2 Feb) 2007
Boonville Snow Festival II is held, featuring professional snowmobile racing (2-4 Feb) 2007
John Brown, Adirondack Almanack, surveys Adirondack African American history (4 Feb) 2007
William M. White, associate of John Apperson and founding member of ARL, dies (9 Feb) 2007
Newstech Paper Mill, Newton Falls, is sold to Scotia Investments, LTD (10 Feb) 2007
NYSERDA and DPS issue operating plan for renewable portfolio standard (12 Feb) 2007
Sen. H. Clinton and Congressman McHugh push USDA to fix rules regarding VHS (14 Feb) 2007
Finch, Pruyn & Co./United Steelworkers sign contract containing words on potential sale (19 Feb) 2007
NYS DAM and DEC announce plan to help Maryland eradicate EAB (26 Feb) 2007
Steward Crooker, Canadian truckdriver, dies in deep snow after his rig slides off Northway (Feb) 2007
AfPA & Sierra Club sue APA over approval of Union Falls Pond project w/o public hearing (Feb) 2007
DEC and AfPA intervene in FERC case P-12765 for Indian Lake dam (Feb.) 2007
Joseph Braile sells The Whiteface Lodge to Clifford Preminger, T-Rex Capital, for $62.2 M (Feb) 2007
Dennis Bunnell et al. raise $20M to reopen Appleton Papers as Newton Falls Fine Paper Co.(Feb) 2007
Following three-day review APA votes to convene adjudicatory hearings re. AC&R (Feb) 2007
USDA begins rabies vaccination of raccoons using traps and bait along Lake Champlain (Feb) 2007
Warren Co. grand jury indicts Ethan Allen owner & captain on abuses of NY navigation law (Feb) 2007
Michaels & Oko pub. hydraulic dredging is safer than clamshell for PCB removal from Hudson R. 2007
DEC receives reports of odd bat behavior, many dead bats in NY caves, i.e. bat WNS (Feb-Mar) 2007
APA writes Leroy Douglas that remediation of wetland violation is extended till 1 Jul ’07 (Feb) 2007
APA writes Leroy Douglas that new enforcement file has been opened re. wetland violation (Mar) 2007
Leroy Douglas completes all wetland remediation agreed to by M. Rooks, APA (Spring) 2007
APA OKs (destructive) routing of 46kV power line (75’ ROW 6 mi. long) in NW Adks (e. Mar) 2007
Two new, private houses at Whiteface Club and Resort catch fire and burn to the ground (Mar) 2007
Daylight Saving Time is extended from 1st Sun Mar thru 1st Sun Nov (11 Mar) 2007
SCJ Joseph Teresi rejects BRVFWC challenge to DEC closure of roads to ATVs (19 Mar) 2007
Al Gore offers testimony before US senate committee re. GCC (21 Mar) 2007
AATV initiates Adirondack Park Regional Assessment Project to survey Adk Park (22 Mar) 2007
David Catalfamo is appointed executive director of LPRWSC (23 Mar) 2007
Owner and captain plead guilty to minor charges in Ethan Allen tourboat accident (26 Mar) 2007
Panther Mountain Water Park seeks redress at Appellate Court for loss of Frontier Town (30 Mar) 2007
R. Erdman, Conservation Fund, notes grant from R.K. Mellon Fnd. for Adk land preservation (Mar) 2007

Big news: Some 257,000 acres of International Paper Co. land in the Adirondacks have been dedicated to various recreational and preservational uses: 82,000 a. with full public access rights, 173,000 a. with partial rights for hiking and snowmobiling, and 2,000 a. through outright purchase. Lands of nine counties are involved: Hamilton, Warren, Washington, Franklin, Clinton, St. Lawremnce, Essex, Saratoga and Herkimer. The cost is about $34M: $23.9M from the state, $5.5M from the Environmental Protection Fund, and $4.4M from the Richard King Mellon Foundation and the Ace Group. Planning by the Pataki administration for the deal began in 2004. The Lyme Timber Co. of Connecticut will own most of the land and apply sustainable forestry methods benefitting land, commerce and community in concert with various easements.
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Jack Drury receives Wilderness Education Association’s Instructor Award (Mar) 2007
Wind blades, 122 ft. long, 14,000 lb. weight, arrive in Albany for windfarm in Clinton Co. (Mar) 2007
T. of Indian Lake submits hydropower permit applications to FERC for Indian Lake Dam (Mar) 2007
AfPA opposes new hydropower plans for Indian Lake Dam because of its siting on FP land (Mar) 2007
ARL chair Betty Dietz reports recent appraisal of ARL sets value of collections at c. $1M (Mar) 2007
AfPA/Sierra Club sue APA for Stickney Point development approval w/o pubic hearings (Mar) 2007
Gov Spitzer rejects Sen. Betty Little proposal to waive APA policy on I-87 cell tower siting (Mar) 2007
Adk Park/region experience “crazy March” with rising temperatures, melting snow, floods (Mar) 2007
NYSDEC Office of Climate Change is est. (Mar) 2007
New Zealand mud snail is reported for L. Erie: Buffalo, NY, Erie, Pa, Put-in-Bay, OH (Mar) 2007
Mike Storey pub Why the Adirondacks Look the Way They Do (Mar) 2007
Conservation Fund, NYS, IP complete agreement on preservation of c. 260,000 a in Adks (Mar) 2007
T. of Hopkinton, Parishville, Piercefield and Black Brook oppose land preservation effort (Mar) 2007
A. A. O’Donagheue, Adirondack Explorer, reports on Adirondack Public Observatory (Mar/Apr) 2007
Following NY Senate confirmation, Pete Grannis assumes role of DEC Commissioner (1 Apr) 2007
Finch, Pruyn & Co., Glens Falls, proposes sale to Atlas Paper Resources, Greenwich, CT (2 Apr) 2007
US Supreme Court finds that EPA must consider means of regulating CO2 emissions (2 Apr) 2007
Radio station WSLP (93.3 MHz) begins broadcasting at 11,000 watts from Saranac Lake (2 Apr) 2007
EDP buys Horizon Wind Energy; MRWF project, Clinton Co., continues (2 Apr) 2007
Public hearings are scheduled at Tupper Lake for Michael Foxman’s AC&R (Apr) 2007
T. of Hadley announces plans for a new railroad station in rebirth of old RR link (Apr) 2007
EPA reports c. 16M indoor fireplaces and 10M wood stoves nationwide (Apr) 2007
L. Placid Craft Brewing Co. signs FX Matt Brewing Co., Utica, for supply & distribution (Apr) 2007
NYS laws re. ‘snowmobiling while intoxicated’ (SWI) on private land and lakes are set 2007
D. McDonald, Central Boiler Co., reports c. 200,000 outdoor wood-burning stoves in US (Apr) 2007
Big Sky Airlines begins servicing Watertown, NY under Essential Air Service program (8 Apr) 2007
PSC announces intent to buy wind-generated electrical power from Community Energy, Inc. 2007
AfPA requests formal party status with FERC on Indian Lake Dam hydropower project (9 Apr) 2007
Step It Up drives National Day of Climate Action at ~1400 locations across U.S. (14 Apr) 2007
Step It Up events occur at more than 70 locations in NY with a dozen in Adk Park (14 Apr) 2007
Plane crashes at Adk Regional Airport, Lake Clear; deceased pilot has two identities (18 Apr) 2007
Nor’easter fells Mountain Lake PBS WCFE TV transmitter tower atop Lyon Mountain (18 Apr) 2007
NY & NE states issue draft plan Northeast Regional Mercury TMDL to cut smokestack emissions 2007
NYS, Verizon & environmentalists agree on “statement of principles” for I-87 cell phone service 2007
APIPP applies APANSMP to slow spread of alien species in Adirondack waters 2007
NYS Comptroller criticizes DEC for lost revenues and poor management of state forests (17 Apr) 2007
Shareholders approve sale Finch, Pruyn & Co. to Blue Wolf Cap. & Atlas Holdings, CT (24 Apr) 2007
WCFE TV resumes broadcasting using WCAX TV (Burlington) ‘spare’ digital channel (24 Apr) 2007
Town of Indian Lake receives 3-year FERC permit for hydro study on Indian Lake dam (27 Apr) 2007
NNYTTRC study says tourists spent $1.7 billion in ten northern counties of NY in 2006 (Apr) 2007
FERC forces NYSEG to release the seventeen months’ late Au Sable River study (Apr) 2007
DEC and DAM announce a control program for the (Eurasian) Sirex Woodwasp, Sirex noctilio 2007
Donald Lozo estate sues R.T. Vanderbilt Co. for exposure to tremolitic (industrial) talc (30 Apr) 2007
Gov. E. Spitzer nominates Richard S. Booth to chairmanship of APA (1 May) 2007
Lee Walker and Sean Cornell, Paul Smith’s College students, drown Lower St. Regis L. (4 May) 2007
Finch, Pruyn & Co. advertisement wins Best of Show at Albany Ad Club NORI Awards (4 May) 2007
West side of the summit (8 acres) of Cobble Mt. vic. Lake Luzerne, burns (5 May) 2007
Comm Grannis appoints Elizabeth (Betsy) Lowe as DEC Region 5 director (9 May) 2007
DEC Comm. Grannis appoints Peter M. Iwanowicz, Director of Climate Change Office (10 May) 2007
Gov. E. Spitzer nominates Joe Martens of Open Space Institute (OSI) for chair of ORDA (14 May) 2007
SLPID applies $200,000 of Q-Sonar to s. end of Saratoga L. for Eurasian milfoil control (14 May) 2007
PSC initiates proceeding for NYS Energy Efficiency Portfolio Standard (EPS) (16 May) 2007
APC Paper of New York, Norfolk, St. Law. Co., invests $9M to overhaul its equipment (17 May) 2007
Comm. P. Grannis appoints Judy Drabicki Region 6 director replacing Sandy LeBarron (17 May) 2007
Jury convicts Brant Lake Country Store arsonist (17 May) 2007
ANCA and HI host farming community forum at Lake Clear to promote local farms (18 May) 2007
CAP-21 and NFC present Sustainable Economy Initiative (SEI) at Old Forge (18 May) 2007
DOH advises children, women of childbearing years, to avoid eating Hg-laden Adk fishes (18 May) 2007
DOH advises no more than one meal per month of carp caught in parts of Mohawk River (19 April) 2007
Northern Forest Days, a multi-day, multi-event celebration is held at Old Forge (18-20 May) 2007
Adk homeowners bring suit in NYS Supreme Court over 2006 tax assessments (22 May) 2007
ARC hosts 14th annual conference at the Wild Center with focus on climate change (22-24 May) 2007
AfPA hosts first Adirondack Energy Forum at Heaven Hill Farm, Lake Placid (23-25 May) 2007
RCPA supports T. of Indian Lake efforts for hydroelectric plant at Indian Lake Dam (23 May) 2007
U.S. Border Patrol allows man infected with XDR TB to cross border at Champlain (24 May) 2007
St. Regis Mohawk Tribal police earn full police powers for enforcing NYS state law (30 May) 2007
DEC proposes new trapping regulations to protect dogs (31 May) 2007
Three women are injured in auto collision with small moose near Lake Placid (31 May) 2007
USSC rules 9-0 against Duke Energy re. federal permits for 8 power plants in Carolinas (May) 2007
Clarkson Univ. students, Potsdam, complete restoration of Everest Reflecting Telescope (May) 2007
Mature male Chinese mitten crabs are found in crab pots of Delaware Bay (May) 2007
Franklin and St. Lawrence Cos. share Akwesasne Mohawk Casino slot-machine profits (May) 2007
Rte 86, the main thoroughfare through downtown Lake Placid, is overhauled and repaved (May) 2007
Schenectady Wintersports Club donates club records to Adirondack Research Library (May) 2007
R.E. Chambers, ESF, suggests Adk coyote is hybrid of coyote and Algonquin wolf (May) 2007
Richard (Dick) Lefebvre retires as Executive Director of APA, serving as ED since 2005 (May) 2007
IPCC 3rd and final report is finalized in Bangkok (May) 2007
IPCC estimates current annual CO2 release at 25 billion tons per year (May) 2007
Forty-seven alien plant species now occur in Lake Champlain (May) 2007
AfPA reports management abuse of snowmobile trails in Watson’s East Triangle WF (May) 2007
Prospect Hill Foundation grants $25,000 to AfPA for role in facilitating AC&R hearing (May) 2007
Wilderness Inc. (54 a. nature preserve), founded by Mary Cleland, opens in Johnstown (May) 2007
APA challenges Bruce Darring, Saranac Lake, on house/cabin moored on Flower Lake (May) 2007
Herbicide Sonar is applied, $225,000, to s. shore of Saratoga L. to control Eurasian milfoil (May) 2007
Moose is killed on Route 86 near Lake Placid (May) 2007
Moose is killed on Route 30 south of Speculator (May) 2007
AfPA convenes group to est. Adirondack Energy Smart Park Initiative (AESPI), L. Placid (1 Jun) 2007
EPA requires loggers, farmers and other off-road vehicles to used ultra-low-sulfur diesel (1 Jun) 2007
OSI and Finch, Pruyn & Co. swap >2K a. to open Santanoni Peak to public recreation (5 Jun) 2007
Monroe Tractor, St. Law. Co., offers ‘Clauss Mt. Lion 1400’, the world’s largest lawnmower (5 Jun) 2007
Appellate Court dismisses Panther Mountain Water Park suit for loss of Frontier Town (7 Jun) 2007
AIPFA fetes executive director David Gibson’s 20 years of service at Glen Sanders Manor (7 Jun) 2007
AM and TAUNY relocate No-Octane regatta for Wooden Boats to Tupper Lake (16 Jun) 2007
NYSERDA votes to appoint Paul D. Tonko as chief executive officer (18 Jun) 2007
TNC buys 161,000 a. from FPH for $110M with OSI-John Hancock Life Ins. Co loan (18 Jun) 2007
Finch, Pruyne & Co. under Atlas Paper Resources is renamed Finch Paper Holdings (18 Jun) 2007
Finch, Pruyne & Co, woodlands division will manage ANC’s timberlands for 18 months (18 Jun) 2007
ANC agrees to provide wood (paper fiber) to Finch Paper Holdings for 20 years (18 Jun) 2007
DEC confirms presence of VHS in walleye in Skaneateles Lake (19 Jun) 2007
Adult female Chinese mitten crab is found at Kent Point, MD, Chesapeake Bay (23 June) 2007
Sarah Tuff and Greg Melville select Lake Placid as ‘best outdoor town’ (30 Jun) 2007
National Audubon Soc. announces major declines for 20 species of N. American birds (Jun) 2007
Marty Podskoch pub Adirondack Stories: Historical Sketches, ill. by Sam, Glanzman (Jun) 2007
A stone amphitheater is completed at AIPFA CFFP in Niskayuna, Schenectady Co. (Jun) 2007
HRBRDD applies to FEMA for $70,000 grant for shore maintenance of Great Sacandaga L. (Jun) 2007
Bolton Landing residents petition T. Board to protect upland properties from development (Jun) 2007
Peter Bauer is hired as Executive Director at Fund for Lake George 2007
Lake Placid Biologicals, run by fmr Upstate Biotechnologies personnel, is bought by Active Motif 2007
U.S. Supreme Court rules that greenhouse gases can be controlled as air pollutants 2007
PEG Enterprises purchases former W. Alton Jones Cell Science property from Serologicals, Inc. 2007
Sessile diatom didymo sp., aka rock snot, is reported for Connecticut R. near Bloomfield (Jun) 2007
USDI announces plan to remove bald eagle from protection of Endangered Species Act (Jun) 2007
ANC buys 165,000 a. of former Finch, Pruyne & Co. land incl. Essex Chain Lakes, OK Slip Falls, etc. 2007
AATV raises concerns, esp. regarding leases, on ANC purchase of Finch, Pruyne & Co. land (Jun) 2007
Carnegie Institution report suggests GCC through release of sulfate particles (Jun) 2007
Lyons Mountain Mining and Railroad Museum opens in Lyons Mountain (Jun) 2007
Three environmental groups and two municipalities buy Gaslight Village for wetlands project 2007
Georgia-Pacific donates $15K toward restoration of Strand Theater (Plattsburgh) (18 Jun) 2007
Mature male Chinese Mitten Crab is found near Tappan Zee Bridge, Hudson R., (June) 2007
WPTZ parent co. Hearst-Argyle Television, Inc. launches its own channel on ‘You Tube’ (Jun) 2007
Construction of Ticonderoga Lowe’s is delayed 2 mos. when Native artifacts are found (Jun-Aug) 2007
ORDA & Olympic Training Center host Olympic Day to promote participation in sport (23 Jun) 2007
PSC joins Amer. College & Univ. Presidents’ Climate Commitment to fight climate change (Jun) 2007
Lewis Family Farm seeks judgment against APA for halting construction of farm housing (26 Jun) 2007
Fed. judge dismisses suit restoring Mohawk blessing (Ohenton Kiriwatehkwen) at SRSD (29 Jun) 2007
10 swimmers enter 25-mile Lake George Open Water Swim Marathon at Lake George (30 Jun) 2007
DEC polls public re. hunting and fishing opportunities for those with disabilities (5 Jul-8 Aug) 2007
NYCO Minerals, Willsboro, is purchased by Resource Capital Funds of Denver (7 Jul) 2007
Gov. Spitzer withdraws Richard Booth, Cornell, as APA chair choice after opposition (7 Jul) 2007
Stephen B. Sulavik pub. Adirondack: Of Indians and Mountains, 1535-1838, Purple Mt. Pr. (9 Jul) 2007
Exhibition of sculpture by John Van Alstine and Caroline Ranersdorfer opens at LPCA (12 Jul) 2007
A beaver dam break floods Howe and Towner Roads, Lake Luzerne (12 Jul) 2007
Sale of The Point to The Conservancy & Sporting Society is finalized (12 Jul) 2007
Beaver dam breaks closing Rte 22 at Putnam/Dresdan town line, Washington Co. (17 Jul) 2007
Lake Placid Skate Park opens (17 Jul) 2007
NYS Senate confirms Joe Martens as chair of ORDA board (17 Jul) 2007
DEC initiates Smart Growth grants for sustainable development and community livability (17 Jul) 2007
Giant hogweed is now found at 324 NY sites, most in western NY, Finger Lakes region (18 Jul) 2007
Gov. Spitzer and NYS legislature increase Environmental Protection Fund to $250 M. (19 Jul) 2007
WiseBuys Stores, Inc. buys Patrick Hackett Hardware Co. (20 Jul) 2007
ATBI holds BioBlitz in the Paul Smiths area, including the VIC property (20-21 Jul) 2007
Spontaneous combustion fire damages Lucky Leprechaun restaurant at Minerva (23 Jul) 2007
Gov. Spitzer signs new boating safety measures and increased penalties re. Ethan Allen (26 Jul) 2007
LGLC opens Macionis Family Center for Conservation at Bolton Landing (28 Jul) 2007
NYSEDC buys conservation easements on 51,950 a. of Rayonier lands, St. Law. Co. (31 Jul) 2007
VHS is now found in nearly two dozen species of New York fish (Jul) 2007
Spontaneous combustion fire damages Lucky Leprechaun restaurant at Minerva (23 Jul) 2007
Gov. Eliot Spitzer signs tougher boat safety law following tour-boat disaster of 2005 (Jul) 2007
Wawbeek resort at Upper Saranac Lake is sold to Dick Sittig of California for $6.25M (Jul) 2007
USDI declares all silver carp and largescale silver carp to be invasive species under Lacey Act 2007
Wawbeek resort at Upper Saranac Lake is sold to Dick Sittig of California for $6.25M (Jul) 2007
US FWS develops plan to manage and control Asian carp as invasive species in US (fall) 2007
AAH nomination of Champlain Bridge for NHR slows replacement plans (Jul) 2007
OSI acquires 1,540 a. on E. slope of Mt. Santanoni in land swap with Finch Paper Holdings (Jul) 2007
AFPA acquires land in Newcomb, Minerva, Schroon in land swap with Finch Paper Holdings (Jul) 2007
AFPA releases Shepherd of the wilderness, CD produced by singer-songwriter Dan Berggren (Jul) 2007
APIPP organizes European frog’s bit eradication program along Grasse River, T. of Clare (Jul) 2007
AC, ORDA and other agencies est. Bicknell’s Thrush Habitat Protection Fund BTHPF (Jul) 2007
VHS is found in Little Salmon R., Seneca-Cayuga Canal and isolated Niagara Co. pond (Jul) 2007
Adirondack region is shaken by series of magnitude 3.0+, Richter Scale, earthquakes (Jul-Aug) 2007
AFPA asks Gov. Spitzer to prohibit hydroelectric development of Indian Lake Dam (27 Aug) 2007
Adirondack Museum awards its Harold K. Hochschild Award to Elizabeth (Betsy) Folwell (Aug) 2007
APA serves notice on Leroy Douglas for enforcement proceeding on wetland violation (13 Aug) 2007
NSIDC reports lowest absolute minimum extent of Arctic sea ice at 2.02M sq. mi. (17 Aug) 2007
Black River Festival, a whitewater extravaganza, is held at Watertown, NY (21-23 Aug) 2007
Newton Falls Fine Paper receives $1.76 million from NYS for $21 million expansion (20 Aug) 2007
National Grid acquires KeySpan Corp. (of Brooklyn, NY) for $7.3 billion (24 Aug) 2007
T. of Fort Ann and contractor seek dismissal of 80 Hadlock Pond dam break lawsuits (24 Aug) 2007
AFPA asks Gov. Spitzer to prohibit hydroelectric development of Indian Lake Dam (27 Aug) 2007
Adirondack Museum awards its Harold K. Hochschild Award to Elizabeth (Betsy) Folwell (Aug) 2007
DEC offers $1000 reward for arrest and conviction of birch bark thieves in T. of Essex (Aug) 2007
Sudden oak death is reported for Indiana (Aug) 2007
Essex Co. lets L. Singer & G. Moore take possession of former Frontier Town properties (Aug) 2007
APA fines Nextel $10,000 for temporary cell phone tower without permit, Mayfield (Aug) 2007
Extent of Arctic sea ice reaches record low of 1.59 million square miles (Aug) 2007
More than 750,000 a. of the Adirondack Park are now protected by conservation easements 2007
Petified Sea Gardens (a stromatolite site), west of Saratoga Springs, closes to the public (Aug) 2007
NYS acquires $6.6 M easement on 51,590 a. of Rayonier Inc. lands in northwestern Adks (Aug) 2007
NYS Comptroller T.P. DiNapoli pub accounting of EPF ‘life to date’ appropriations (Aug) 2007
Since start, >$1 bill. has been spent, $170M is encumbered, $350M available from EPF (Aug) 2007
NYPA twice queries Canal Corp. about low water levels at Hinckley Reservoir (Aug & Sep) 2007
C. ‘Skip’ Hults bring 18 international students to Newcomb Central School w/ educational visas 2007

Unlike cultural exchange programs, educational visas allow schools to charge tuition and a payment to the host family that houses and feeds them. . . . In Newcomb, visiting students pay about $9,000, which is split between the school and the host family. The families of these students say they view the program as a way for their children to polish their English and as a possible entrée to attending college in the United States.  


Newton Falls Fine Paper opens production at former Appleton Papers mill, Newton Falls (4 Sep) 2007
APA employees illegally enter Leroy Douglas property to survey wetland remediation (6 Sep) 2007
ALJ J.T. McClymonds sends McCulley/Old Mountain Road case to adjudicatory hearing (7 Sep) 2007
Big Sky Airlines receives Essential Air Service bid for Adirondack Regional Airport (13 Sep) 2007
Adirondack Regional Airport receives $700,000 NYS DOT for terminal and hanger (13 Sep) 2007
DEC adopts revised proposed trapping regulations on emergency basis to protect dogs (15 Sep) 2007
Canal Corp. issues hourly schedule at canal locks to conserve water (18 Sep) 2007
DEC probes silt spill from dam on North Meadow Brook into W. Br. Au Sable River (17 Sep) 2007
John Caffry writes to Carol Ash, Commissioner of OPRHP - Moreau Lake SP is FP (Sep 21) 2007
Water flow from Hinckley Reservoir self-adjusts from 400 cfs to 370 cfs (21 Sep) 2007
AfPA dedicates Catskill Bluestone Amphitheater at Center for Forest Preserve (23 Sep) 2007
Canal Corp. incrementally reduces water flow from Hinckley Reservoir (24, 25, 26 Sep) 2007
Canal Corp. diverts water from Lake Delta to canal system to save Hinckley Reservoir (26 Sep) 2007
Oneida County and MVWA declare emergency water shortage restrictions (26 Sep-16 Oct) 2007
MVWA divers remove covers from lowest water intakes at Hinckley Reservoir (27 Sep-1 Oct) 2007
Dr. Ralph M. Steinman, chair of TI’s scientific advisory board, wins Lasker Award (28 Sep) 2007
NYSEG begins removal of manufactured gas sediments in Saranac R. at Plattsburgh (Sep) 2007
U.N. General Assembly passes Declaration on Rights of Indigenous Peoples; US opposes (Sep) 2007
AC pub fourth volume of series: 2020 Vision: Private Land Ownership (Sep) 2007
T. of Indian Lake issues first 6-mo. progress report for hydro study on Indian Lake dam (Sep) 2007
Economic Growth Index of the Business Council of New York fails 5 Adk counties (Sep) 2007
“First Nations” documentary is made at Elk Lake/Pack Forest with Haudenosaunee actors (Sep) 2007
Erie Canal curtails lockage because of months of low rainfall over Mohawk Valley (Sep) 2007
DOH rescinds drinking water filtration avoidance determination for Saranac Lake village (Sep) 2007
DEC moves 800 lb. male moose tranquilized in Troy to Lake Desolation area, Saratoga Co. (Sep) 2007
DEC moves, for the 2nd time, moose found in Troy, from Fonda to Moose River Plains (Sep) 2007
John Collins is elected chairman of RCPA, replacing Peter Hornbeck (Sep) 2007
US NSIDC reports record minimun extent of Arctic Ocean ice cap of 1.7 M square miles (Sep) 2007
US NSIDC reports ice make-up of Arctic Ocean has shifted from multiyear to annual form (Sep) 2007
Ross Whaley resigns as chairman of the APA (Sep) 2007
NYANG plans to reduce Adirondack and adjacent regional military overflights to 1,375 (Sep) 2007
National Wood Flooring Association names Ann Stillman O’Leary designer of the year (Sep) 2007
Hamilton County IDA forecloses on Oak Mountain Ski Center at Speculator (Sep) 2007
Charlotte Demers, Adirondack Ecological Center, Newcomb, notes abundance of mice (Sep) 2007
GE begins excavation of tunnel 200’ deep and 24’ dia. for PCB collection, Hudson Falls (Sep) 2007
SCJ J. Sisi grants Vil. of Speculator receivership of Oak Mt. Ski Center during foreclosure (Sep) 2007
NNYADP begins North Country Regional Foods Initiative to study local food economics (Sep) 2007
Adirondack Unitarian Universalist Community uses John Black Rm at Saranac Laboratory (Sep) 2007
AfPA est. the Adirondack Stewardship Training Program (Sep) 2007
Adirondack Explorer reports on a house boat on Lake Flower, Saranac Lake Village (Sep/Oct) 2007
Andrea Barrett pub The Air We Breathe, a novel about TB therapy in the Adirondacks (1 Oct) 2007
Lake Superior water level reaches lowest level on record for this time of year (2 Oct) 2007
900-pound male moose is sedated in Fonda by Cayadutta Ck. and moved to Raquette L. (3 Oct) 2007
AMC and HHHN ask Gov. Spitzer to designate Adks a “health-care distressed” region (4 Oct) 2007
NYPA halts power generation at Hinckley Reservoir due to low water (5 Oct) 2007
Upon draw-down of Canal Corp. reservoirs, Remsen issues water conservation notice (6 Oct) 2007
Canal Corp. draws water for canal from Kayuta, North, South, Sand and Woodhull Lakes (7 Oct) 2007
European Space Agency reports 30% annual decline in ozone hole over Antarctica (7 Oct) 2007
Veteran climber Dennis Luther falls to his death during climb on Poke-O-Moonshine Mt. (7 Oct) 2007
Canal Corp. sets early canal closures: 1 Nov for recreation, 7 Nov for commercial (8 Oct) 2007
Canal Corp. notes Mohawk Valley precipitation is more than 12 inches below normal (8 Oct) 2007
Dow Jones Industrial Average finishes at 14,164.53 (9 Oct) 2007
Canal Corp. stops water from backup reservoirs; Lake Delta is at minimum flow (10 Oct) 2007
AMC and HHHN propose to APA formation of ‘Adirondack Park Health Network’ (12 Oct) 2007
IPCC and A. Gore receive Nobel Peace Prize for work on global climatic change (GCC) (12 Oct) 2007
DEC delays McCulley/Old Mountain Road lawsuit in order to find state land boundary (12 Oct) 2007
AfPA assigns Zahnizer award to Norman Van Valkenburgh and Elizabeth Thorndike (12 Oct) 2007
SUNY ESF proposes new research facility at Newcomb (13 Oct) 2007
Gov. Spitzer est. interagency group to address Hinckley Reservoir water usage (19 Oct) 2007
Fires of California release some 8.7 million tons of CO₂ (19-26 Oct) 2007
NYS Senate confirms Curtis (Curt) Stiles, Tupper Lake, as APA chairman (23 Oct) 2007
International Polar Year (4th one) results in extensive, worldwide, coordinated research 2007-08
Big Sky Airlines begins air service at Adirondack Regional AP & Plattsburgh Int’l AP (31 Oct) 2007
Article in Nature reports average global increase in humidity of 2.2 % from 1973 to 2002 (Oct) 2007
Southeastern US suffers a major drought with lowest rainfall since record began in 1894 (Oct) 2007
NYS Bluebird Society reports bluebird population growth in Clinton, Essex, Franklin Co. (Oct) 2007
M/A-COM’s SWN, a year behind schedule, fails critical tests in Erie Co. (Oct) 2007
Betty Little is awarded Charles S. Parnell Award of American-Irish Legislators Society of NYS 2007
APA charges against Leroy Douglas for removing APA trespassing on his land are dismissed (Oct) 2007
FCC solicits bids for full-power radio stations on ‘unused’ non-commercial FM frequencies (Oct) 2007
Inaugural ‘Run Dawg Run Festival’ is held at Lake Placid for dog-powered sports (Oct) 2007
W. and S. Hall, Adirondack Wildlife Refuge and Rehab Center (AWRRC) receive USDA permits (Oct) 2007
National Snow and Ice Data Center, U. Colorado, reports 39% fall in Arctic sea ice cover (Oct) 2007
AEP settles NSR lawsuit by reducing NOₓ and SOₓ by 813,000 tons per year over 10 years (Oct) 2007
AEP agrees to pay $4.6 B to implement air-pollution control measues (Oct) 2007
AEP agrees to $15 M fine and $60 M mitigative work for air-pollution damage (Oct) 2007
CFIA last reports Asian longhorned beetle in Ontario, Canada 2007
Lack of rain results in low water levels of rivers and lakes of Upstate NY (Oct) 2007
Low flow in Salmon River and adjacent streams, Oswego Co., greatly reduces salmon run (Oct) 2007
With record low flow in W. Canada Creek DEC closes fishing from mouth to Trenton Falls (Oct) 2007
PSC ends its hospitality and culinary practicum at Crowne Plaza Resort and Golf Club (Oct) 2007
PSC hospitality and culinary students open St. Regis Café as on-campus course practicum (Oct) 2007
*Adirondack Life* wins gold, silver and two bronze medal awards at IRMA conference (Oct) 2007
SCJ Joseph Sise voids AfPA/Sierra Club suit against APA re. Stickney Point development (Oct) 2007
DOE designates National Interest Electric Transmission Corridor through Adks (Oct) 2007
D. Riordan is arrested and fined $200 for shooting timber rattlesnake on Tongue Mountain (Oct) 2007
DEC confirms “hard cap” for mileage open to public motorized uses in FP (Oct) 2007
DEC confirms that date of acquisition of FP lands has no bearing on application of law (Oct) 2007
APA declines to meet with NYS Ag & Mkts to discuss Right to Farm in New York laws (Nov) 2007
SCJ David Demarest voids AfPA, RCPA et al.’s suit against Tupper Lake Town Board (2 Nov) 2007
Voters approve constitu. amendment on use of FP land for Raquette Lake Vil. water supply (Nov) 2007
Voters approve amendment to Art. XIV, Sec. 1: drinking water for hamlet of Raquette L. (Nov 3) 2007

This situation with Raquette Lake is absolutely ridiculous. We can get water quicker to a third-world country than we can to a small community in the park.

*Teresa Sayward, Assemblywoman*


Erie Canal locks cease operation for recreational boats (1 Nov) and commercial boats (7 Nov) 2007
NYS PSC fines National Grid $8.8 M for failures in reliability and service in 2006 (7 Nov) 2007
Speculator Board appoints Oak Mountain Commission to run Oak Mountain Ski Center (8 Nov) 2007
37 years after passage of APA Act, only 18 of 105 Adk towns & villages have zoning plan (8 Nov) 2007
SCJ T.J. Walker rules NYS need not pay taxes on its lands, then stays ruling for appeal (14 Nov) 2007
Allegiant Air begins direct air service between Plattsburgh and Fort Lauderdale, FL (16 Nov) 2007
European Union proposes ban DuPont Pioneer, Dow and Syngenta genetically mod corn (22 Nov) 2007
A. W. Everest Reflecting Telescope is formally dedicated at Wild Center, Tupper Lake (27 Nov) 2007
Hinckley Reservoir, Oneida Co., is at its lowest level since construction in 1915 (Nov) 2007
American Electric Power (AEP), Ohio, agrees to $4.6B clean-up of coal burning plants (Nov) 2007
DEC warns T. of Indian Lk. re. hydro on Ind. Lk. Dam, “nothing changed since 1983” (Nov) 2007
R. & K. Mohring pull plan for 700-a. ATV & motocross park at Johnsburg and Thurman (Nov) 2007
EPA gives St. Regis Mohawks at Akwesasne power to enforce federal air quality rules (Nov) 2007
DEC releases Draft GEIS for Adirondack Park Trail Plan (NCNST) for public comment (Nov) 2007
DEC/PSC contest federal National Interest Electric Transmission Corridor through Adks (Nov) 2007
Canadian dollar is now on a par with the US dollar (Nov) 2007

Sen. Schumer offers U.S. farm bill ‘voluntary public access program’ for hunting on farms (Nov) 2007
DEC reports WTD infected with EHD in Albany, Rensselaer and Niagara Counties (Nov) 2007
ADK proposes rerouting priority hiking trails in Adirondacks to reduce soil erosion (Nov) 2007
Aldi Saranac Lake, a discount grocery store, opens in Saranac Lake (1 Dec) 2007
DEC proposes 190 mile long North Country National Scenic Trail (NCNST) to APA (13 Dec) 2007
Essex Co. approves temporary cell phone antennas on Public Safety Building in Lewis (17 Dec) 2007
Big Sky Airlines announces cessation of operations at all 5 Adirondack region airports (19 Dec) 2007
Crown Point White Church sells “Old Gabriel” weathervane to private buyer for $750K (19 Dec) 2007
WAMC settles dispute with NCPR over 91.7 FM for full-power station at Lake Placid (20 Dec) 2007
DEC creates Office of Invasive Species (26 Dec) 2007

NY App Div of NYS Supreme Ct. annuls Horicon law opening roads on FP to ATVs (27 Dec) 2007
DEC pulls Moose River Plains WF Draft UMP after receiving 5000+ critical comments (Dec) 2007
U.S. DOT issues emergency RFP under EAS for air service to 5 Adk region airports (Dec) 2007
APA board unanimously accepts Verizon Wireless plan for 1st of 13 I-87 wireless towers (Dec)

E. A. Burkowski et al. analysis of NE winter weather data shows 2.5 °F rise over 40 years (Dec)

NYS hunters & anglers contribute $1.8 billion/y of economic activity pursuing their sports (Dec)

Betty Little receives honorary doctoral degree at her alma mater, College of St. Rose (Dec)

After attending Bali climate talks, Ontario, Canada, begins steps to join RGGI (Dec)

National Bureau of Economic Research declares the onset of a recession in the US (Dec)

AfPA claims Art XIV violation in construction of water facilities at Moreau Lake SP (Dec)

AfPA claims Art XIV violation in laying of county water pipeline at Saratoga Spa SP (Dec)

ALJ Daniel O’Connell requires extensive additional applications for AC&R, Tupper Lake (Dec)

DEC finds Indian Lake Dam is on FP and rejects Town of Indian Lake hydroelectric plan (Dec)

Major US recession as linked to subprime mortgage crisis begins, according to USBER (Dec)

Western New York Energy begins production of corn-based ethanol at Shelby, NY (1 Dec)

US wildfires, on average, release 322 M tons of CO₂, challenging role of forests as CO₂ sump (Dec)

AfPA et al. challenge role of HRBRRD in operation of the Indian River dam and site occupancy (Dec)

R. S. Morin et al. pub ‘Spread of beech bark disease in eastern US’, Canadian Journal Forest Res. (Dec)

Lake George Park Commission releases Saratoga Associates study for protection of Lake George (Dec)

Associated Press reports on abundance of mice at Canada Lake and vicinity (Dec)

Saratoga Springs Orchestra performs ‘High Rock Springs’ by Hilary Tann, UC (Dec)

Adirondack Homes Inc. proposes subdivision into 5 lots 1,305.5 a. on Moose R., T. of Webb (Dec)

Mohawk Valley experiences infestation of mice – based on heavy mast growth of prior fall (Dec)

Adirondack and regional hardware shops sell large amounts of rodent poison and traps (Dec)

Robert Daniels, NYSM, notes presence of 2,759 lakes greater than 0.2 ha in Adirondack region (Dec)

NYS legislature corrects erroneous legislation of 2006 re. National Grid power line in Colton (Dec)

FPH, Glens Falls, now produces some 250,000 tons/y of uncoated printing papers (Dec)

US Mine Safety and Health Adm cites Imerys for 10 violations with $1,140 in fines; NYCO site (Dec)

National Grid wins 8th consecutive Tree Line USA award from NADF and NASF (Dec)

Elizabeth Lowe becomes director of DEC region 5 replacing Stuart A. Buchanan (Dec)

Following flood of 2006 NYS legislature est. Canal Flood Mitigation Task Force (14 member) (Dec)

USDOI reports nearly 10,000 nesting pairs of bald eagle with at least one pair/state in lower 48 (Dec)

Bill McKibben, VT, and followers est “350.org” with goal of 350 ppm CO₂ at key monitoring sites (Dec)

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St. Regis Mohawk Tribe sues Park Place Entertainment Corp. in federal court over Catskill casino (Dec)

APA begins using GIS and statewide real estate database to track and enforce subdivision laws (Dec)

Wawbeek (former Great Camp), Upper Saranac Lake, is sold to California buyer for $6.25M (Dec)

Dean Rhoads’ 14-acre property with 22,314 sq. ft. “camp” is featured in Architectural Digest (Dec)

An Inconvenient Truth wins Academy awards for Best Documentary Film and Best Original Song (Dec)

Al Gore and IPCC share Nobel Peace Prize; see An Inconvenient Truth, D. Guggenheim’s docufilm (Dec)

AfPA hosts Adirondack Stewardship Program meeting with students-faculty of St. Lawrence U. (Dec)

L. Champlain hosts seven major professional fishing tournaments with smallmouth bass featured (Dec)

Clarence Petty home (purchased for $500 in 1911), near Tupper Lake, is assessed at $340,000 (Dec)

D. A. Collins Cos., Petrified Sea Gardens owner, studies preservation of this key geological site (Dec)

Each four-day bass-fishing tournament at Lake Champlain brings $600K to local economy (Dec)

Hamilton College, Clinton, NY hosts “Eat Local Challenge” with food grown within 150 miles (Dec)

Albert ‘Al’ Gore film dealing with GCC, An Inconvenient Truth, is granted an Academy Award (Dec)

Controversy on tax assessment of Adirondack properties becomes a major social-political issue (Dec)

Use of coal for home heating begins a comeback in Adirondacks (Dec)
Judy Drabicki becomes director for DEC region 6 replacing Sandra LeBarron

Erie Blvd. pulls application for FERC study permit in deference to municipal preference rule

EPA/GE agree on AOC for a floodplains removal agreement

Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Maryland join RGGI

Adirondack Scenic RR carries 47,721 riders, up from 32,139 in 2005

NYSC approves 108 MW Noble Chateaugay Windpark

Complaints to DEC on nuisance black bears in the Adirondacks increases by 400% from 1993

DEC estimates New York population of black bears to be as high as 7,500 individuals

NYANG now makes c. 4,500 low-level military flights/y over Adirondacks and Tug Hill Plateau

Barbara McMartin and Bill Ingersoll publish Discover the Central Adirondacks

Cornell Univ. reports that WTD cause $60M damage annually to NYS farm crops

Cornell Univ. reports over $5M damage to North Country farms from WTD

The Conservancy & Sporting Society changes its name to Everlands (Jul)

Robert Huxley edits/pub The Great Naturalists, key reference highly relevant to Adk natural history

Minnesota developer hiring Pacific Legal Foundation calls for reduced protection of bald eagle

Federal budget cuts funding for operation of air-pollution monitoring in the Adks

Daylight Saving Time begins on second Sunday in March and ends first Sunday in November

A raven, Corvus corax, is alleged liable for $400 windshield wiper damage at Paul Smiths VIC

IPCC pub 4th Assessment Report: Climate Change 2007 (2 Feb), accenting economics

Greenland, Antarctic ice sheets and shelves and Arctic Sea ice are melting faster than expected

Two wood-to-ethanol plants are planned for upstate New York

Hamilton County population falls 4% from 5,379 in 2000 to 5,162 in July 2006

C.T. Driscoll et al rep 65% of Adk lakes have increased pH from 1992 to 2004

Gov. Spitzer establishes Climate Change Office in DEC

NYS Legislature approves constitutional amendment for 46 kV Colton power line land swap

NYS DOT biennial inspection of Champlain Bridge focuses on above-water superstructure

ACE Rivermede Project for riverbank stabilization and trout habitat restoration receives funding

AC estimates that some 25% of US Bicknell’s thrush population nests in higher elevations of Adks

APA approves 1 kW residential wind turbine for Bruce Kilgore/Nancy Dow, Town of Saranac

Mohawk Valley and southern Adirondacks suffer drought with 5 inch rainfall deficit (summer)

Giant hogweed is noted in NY: http://gardening.lohudblogs.com/2007/07/18/giant-hogweed-alert/

Researchers at ESF’s Thousand Island Biological Station find and tag four muskrun

More than half of U.S. EPA scientists report political interference in their work (summer)

Charlotte Demors, HWF, reports a major capture rate for small forest mammals in Adk tract

Windy and Steve Hall receive USDA permits to operate Adk Wildlife Refuge and Rehab Center

Purple loosestrife at Hovey Pond Park, Queensbury, is eradicated by Galeruella beetles

Jamie Johnson opens Adirondack Extreme Adventure Course near Bolton, Lake George

Lake George rates high in state-wide angler satisfaction survey

Gore Mt. “Village Chair” night aerial chairlift, Northwoods Lodge, North Creek Ski Bowl, opens

Arctic Ocean ice sheet thaws to lowest extent on record, some 50% of extent in 1960s

OSI acquires land in Newcomb, Minerva and Schroon from Finch, Pruyn & Co., 2,052 a. total

APA identifies 55 violations in 173 new subdivisions 2007

Of the private land in the Adirondack Park, 1.54M acres are classified as resource management, 1M acres are rural use, 371,558 acres are moderate and low intensity use, 53,730 acres are hamlet, and 12,567 acres are classified industrial.

Adirondack Park Agency

AfPA objects to $750,000 “Member Item” for Newcomb to buy Tahawus Rail Spur from NLI 2007

Member Item for Newcomb’s purchase of Tahawus Rail Spur is switched to sewer project 2007

DEC est. 11 designated campsites in 11,000 a. Round Lake Wilderness Area 2007

Northeast Wilderness Trust buys Northwest Boquet Mountain property in Essex 2007

Mt. pine beetle, *Dendroctonus ponderosae*, kills 1.5 M a. of forest in Wyoming and Colorado 2007

NYSDOH reports 4,187 cases of Lyme disease for entire state, a decrease from 2002 2007

Philip Terrie reports that more than 750,000 a. of Adirondacks are now protected by easements 2007


DEC reports 145 resident pairs of bald eagle hatching 188 chicks in NYS, 23% above prior year 2007

USFS reports fall in visitation of national forests for 2003-07 of 13%, compared to 2000-03 2007

AfPA, ADK and RCPA challenge OPRHP on use of FP lands outside of Adk and Catskill Parks 2007

American Lawn Mower Co. estimates 350,000 push-reel lawn mowers are sold annually in US 2007

CDC quarantines man infected with XDR TB under ‘order of isolation,’ the first since 1963 2007

T. of Essex is among five towns awarded grant under WRDA to build sanitary sewage system 2007

Only IP and Finch, Pruyn & Co. are now operating pulp and paper mills in the Northeast US 2007

New York State owns 64 percent of the land within the Town of Long Lake 2007

Colony Collapse Disorder (honeybee) has not affected apple orchards in Clinton and Essex Cos. 2007

Three ELF terrorists responsible for $40M arson damage are sentenced to 13, 12.6 and 9 years 2007

CommAir upsizes fleet, seeks to end Adk Regional Airport-Albany and Burlington service 2007

USDA Rural Utilities Service will loan $35 billion to cooperative electric utilities for coal plants 2007

Town of Arietta proposes SuperAWOS for Piseco Airport, Hamilton Co. 2007

US Forest Service has, to date, spent some fifteen million research dollars on HWA control 2007

Steering Committee of AdkAction.org is established in Saranac Lake area (Jan) 2008

Raquette Lake water wells and water plant go into service (2 Jan) 2008

All WiseBuys stores are renamed Hacketts (3 Jan) 2008

NYS and 14 other states sue EPA to reverse decision to block California emission standards (3 Jan) 2008

Michael P. Washburn is named executive director of RCPA (3 Jan) 2008

USDI Sec. D. Kempthorne rejects St. Regis Mohawk request for Catskills casino (4 Jan) 2008

Big Sky Airlines ends air service operations at all five Adirondack region airports (7 Jan) 2008

Lake George Park Commission terminates contract with Saratoga Associates (8 Jan) 2008

TI announces appointment of David L. Woodland as President and Director (9 Jan) 2008

Windstorm hits Adks; Onchiota, Sugar Bush, Black Brook, and Jay go >3 days w/o power (9 Jan) 2008

R.T. Vanderbilt announces cessation of talc mining at Gouverneur Talc by end of 2008 (10 Jan) 2008

Gov. Spitzer announces Camp Gabriels Minimum Security Correctional Facility closure (11 Jan) 2008

APA approves two cell towers for “dead zone” between Exit 29 and Exit 34 (11 Jan) 2008

APA Enforcement Program identifies subdivision violations with GIS and ORPS databases 2008

After 9 mo. review before town, village and APA, AM Lake Placid branch is approved (11 Jan) 2008

U.S. DOT selects Cape Air to service Adk Regional AP and P-burgh Int’l AP under EAS (16 Jan) 2008

US DOT requests 2nd round of bids for EAS at Watertown, Massena and Ogdensburg (24 Jan) 2008

Golden Arrow Lakeside Resort receives AI’s Four Green Leaf rating for green practices (30 Jan) 2008
Saranac APA float-plane ban at Lows L. rendered moot when DEC fails to write regulations (Jan) 2008
Class action lawsuit against Six Flags Great Escape is granted for norovirus outbreak case (Jan) 2008
Adirondack Action is formed at Saranac Lake to push for tax reform in the Adirondacks (Jan) 2008
Landvest, a land appraising company, sets value of $8.8M on 20,000 a. Lyon Mt. tract (Jan) 2008
Fed. Court (Albany) rejects T. of Fort Edward’s appeal to intervene with the Court re. PCBs (Jan) 2008
Sen. C. Schumer averts $1M federal funding cut to CASTNET at Whiteface Mountain (Jan) 2008
Dennis Squires, legendary Adirondack kayaker, drowns on Waikaia River, New Zealand (Jan) 2008
Westport blocks sale of Split Rock property to FP because of SCJ T. Walker’s tax ruling (Jan) 2008
Massena and Ogdensburg airport owners reject Boston-Maine Airlines proposal for EAS (Jan) 2008
Saranac L. Chamber of Commerce estimates Camp Gabriels adds $37M to local economy (Jan) 2008
Akrimax Pharmaceuticals, LLC buys Wyeth Pharmaceuticals at Rouses Point (Jan) 2008
Wyeth Pharmaceuticals signs 2-year lease for Akrimax plant at Rouses Point (Jan) 2008
Steering committee for AdkAction.org, with focus on Tri-Lakes Region, is appointed (Jan) 2008
LGLC purchases 1,436 a. Berry Pond tract at southwestern end of Lake George (22 Jan) 2008
AfPA et al. begin closed mediation sessions with AC&R developers to resolve issues (25 Jan) 2008
Tens of thousands of cold-shocked dead alewife appear along shores of Lake Champlain (Jan) 2008
NYS Ag & Mkts issues findings to APA re. Ag & Markets Law pertaining to farm housing (1 Feb) 2008
Watertown Daily Times (Watertown, NY) newspaper launches free website (7 Feb) 2008
US Court of Appeals reverses EPA’s 2005 mercury control plan (cap and trade) (8 Feb) 2008
US Green Building Council gives LEED silver certificate to NHMA, Tupper L. (8 Feb) 2008
Cape Air begins EAS air service between Adirondack Regional Airport and Boston (12 Feb) 2008
Major fire destroys four businesses and three apartments in downtown Corinth (11-12 Feb) 2008
DEC issues proposed dam safety rules for public comment (13 Feb) 2008
TNC reveals plan to sell 57,699 a. and conservation easements on 73,627 a. to NYS (14 Feb) 2008

I think the Adirondack Park has almost gone full circle back to its origins when you used to have the famous Great Camps and you had a two-tier society where you had the very wealthy who owned the Great Camps on the lakes and you had the service class—the guides, the folks who operated the local shops, people who essentially serviced that group. You do have a middle class here, but it’s small.

Rob Grant
Rob Grant & Associates Real Estate
Saranac Lake

SCJ Powers rules against T. of Essex in Lewis Family Farm suit re. private farm roads (19 Feb) 2008
Wilkins ice shelf collapses releasing 160 square-mile section into ocean (28 Feb) 2008
WIPS (1250 KHz), Crown Point, NY, ceases broadcasting (29 Feb) 2008
USPS relocates Childwold post office to Piercefield when septic system fails (29 Feb) 2008
DEC, NYPA, National Grid sign agreement allowing 1.8 mi. long power line on FP, Colton (Feb) 2008
DEC applies aquatic poison to kill northern snakehead fish at Ridgebury Lake, Orange County 2008
T. of Harrietstown and PSC team to provide sustainable forestry at Adk Regional AP (Mar) 2008
APLGRB passes resolution supporting Lewis Family Farm against APA proceedings (5 Mar) 2008
Lewis Family Farm starts Art. 78 proceeding against APA for stopping its farm housing (8 Apr) 2008
Ice storm hits southern Essex County, Tupper Lake; electric power is out three days (8-9 Mar) 2008
Ski Bowl Village at Gore Mountain makes presentation at APA meeting (14 Mar) 2008
Adirondack Center for Writing honors Anne LaBastille with a Lifetime Achievement Award 2008
More than 20 bat colonies infected with “white-nose syndrome” (WNS) now occur in NYS (Mar) 2008
US DOT gives Cape Air service contracts for Watertown, Ogdensburg and Massena (14 Mar) 2008
Clarkson University wins Clean Snowmobile Challenge at Houghton, MI (15 Mar) 2008
Norovirus outbreak at Six Flags Great Escape, Queensbury, impacts 600 persons (15 Mar) 2008
Sub-prime mortgage crisis begins (17 Mar) 2008
Gov. E. Spitzer resigns amid scandal and David Paterson assumes governorship of NYS (17 Mar) 2008
Voters reject dissolution of Village of Speculator by 3 to 1 margin (18 Mar) 2008

“There are 556 villages in the state. Since 1950, 24 villages have been created, 20 have voted to dissolve and two have consolidated.”

Paul Grondahl,
*Times Union* (Albany, NY), 20 Mar ’08

TNC sells 15,500 a. near Lake Lila est. Shingle Shanty Preserve and Research Station (19 Mar) 2008
LCBP issues “State of the Lake and Ecosystem Indicators Report—2008” (Spring) 2008
Gouverneur Talc (R.T. Vanderbilt Co.) ceases talc mining operations (Spring) 2008
APA fines J. David Beneke $200K for floating boathouse on Upper Saranac Lake (27 Mar) 2008
Girl Scouts of Northeastern New York does not open its Lake Clear Camp for the season 2008
Paul Smith’s College takes its sawmill out of service due to snow and ice damage (Mar) 2008
Haudenosaunee Grand Council of Chiefs approves Siemens AG to make new passports (Mar) 2008
Bill McKibben/students est ‘350.org’, i.e. 350 ppm CO$_2$, to reduce world wide atmospheric CO$_2$ (Mar) 2008
NYS AG posts revised advisory report (41 pp.) on use of outdoor wood boilers, OWB (Mar) 2008
AP reports that 46M Americans now use drinking water containing pharmaceuticals (Mar) 2008
Rayonier Timber Co. of Florida now owns 105,500 a. in Adks, on of Parks largest owners (Mar) 2008
APA fines Lewis Family Farm, Essex, $50K for erecting worker housing w/o permit (late Mar) 2008
APA fines Essex Co. $1000 for putting antenna on the County Public Safety Bldg. w/o permit (Mar) 2008
Hamilton Co. is last NYS county to receive Empire Zone status from NYS legislature (Mar) 2008
Altamont Pass Wind Res. Area, CA: 60 golden eagle, 2,500 raptors, 7,000 others killed/year (Mar) 2008
Rayonier buys 53,800 a. of timberland in St. Law., Lewis, Franklin, Clinton Cos. (2 Apr) 2008
FPC announces board endorsement of its sale to Atlas Paper Resources, a CT-based co. (2 Apr) 2008
APA commences duplicative Art. 78 action against Lewis Family Farm re. farm housing (11 Apr) 2008
APA approves Ski Bowl Village at Gore Mountain by FrontStreet Mountain Dev. (11 Apr) 2008
Acting SCJ R.B. Meyer issues stay on APA decision against Lewis Family Farm, Essex (11 Apr) 2008
APA revises enforcement order against Lewis Family Farm Inc. for worker housing (11 Apr) 2008
AAG R.C. Glennon sends APA case against Lewis Family Farm Inc. to SCJ K.K. Ryan (11 Apr) 2008
C. Preminger, T-Rex Capital, reneges on sale of The Whiteface Lodge (16 Apr) 2008
Judy Drabicki, DEC Region 5 Director, bans ATVs from 83.5 mi. of Lewis Co. roads (16 Apr) 2008
DOT ends use of A588 (rustic steel) highway railing 4 Sept. on basis of cost, longevity (16 Apr) 2008
SCJ James Dawson finds owner, Lee Catlin, can close Bullrock Road, Essex Co. (17 Apr) 2008
Dan, Evella, Tsermaa Plumley observe 5.5’ (nose to tail) black cat, Schaefer Rd., Keene (17 Apr) 2008

But in spite of the experience and competency of Dan Plumley, a long-term resident of the Adirondacks and professional naturalist, we have yet to find the remains of a mountain lion or escaped mountain lion in the Adirondack Park, nor do we have an authentic photograph of a whole animal or its footprints in snow or soil. The mystery remains.

The Editors

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NYS buys 754 a. ‘Flat Iron’ area along North & Middle Br. of Moose R. in Old Forge (29 Apr) 2008

Adirondack Homes sells 754 a. on North and Middle Branches of Moose R. to NYS for FP (Apr) 2008

Working Group issues report to governor on 2007 Hinckley Reservoir water shortage (30 Apr) 2008

Headquarters unit of 10th Mountain Division is again deployed to Iraq (spring) 2008

SCJ D. Demarest dismisses Art. 78 tax assessment suit against Town of Harrietstown (7 May) 2008

Pres. Bush’s proposed ’09 budget eliminates EAS funding for Adirondack Regional AP (8 May) 2008

APA approves 26.3 mi., $25M, 46 kV power line to serve development at Tupper L. (9 May) 2008

APA approves Verizon’s cell tower in T. of Schroon, similar to Nextel’s ‘Frankenpine’ (9 May) 2008

Keevesville VFD receives Higgins and Langley Memorial Awards in Swiftwater Rescue (10 May) 2008

USPS reopens Childwold post office (20 May) 2008

DEC PWG initiates efforts to control pharmaceuticals in water bodies (15 May) 2008

US declare polar bear as a threatened species because of GCC (May) 2008

Sacandaga Reservoir reaches 773.53 feet above sea level, a new record (27 May) 2008

Application program of the herbicide Renovate OTF to Saratoga Lake costs $300,000 (May) 2008

HRBRRD will include Corinth in its early warning system for Conklingville Dam failure (May) 2008

Decoys to attract polar bears to Au Sable Forks successfully deployed (May) 2008

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WCS and NHMA launch Adirondack Return of Moose Assessment (AROMA) project (May) 2008

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USP abreast, non-profit after two years closed (30 May) 2008

Tuesday, the Adirondack Fire Tower Assoc. (AFTA) and posts web page (30 May) 2008

T. of Indian Lake submits 2nd progress report to FERC re. hydro studies on Indian L. dam (Apr) 2008

No speeding convictions are given to snowmobilers since speed limit set at 55 mph (Apr) 2008

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Fifty-sixty Philip Terrie endorses (NY Farm B 2008

DEC proposes ending exemption from ban on open burning for towns < pop. 20,000 (May) 2008

NY Farm Bureau files amicus curiae brief in appeal of Lewis Family Farm Inc. v. APA (May) 2008

Robin Terrie endorses (Adk Explorer, Apr-May) wind power for Gore Mt. and other Adk sites 2008

Sixty-seven windmills are under construction at Clinton, north of the Adk Park (May/Jun) 2008

Fifty-four windmills are under construction at Ellenburg, north of the Adk Park (May/Jun) 2008

AMC est. Adirondack Fire Tower Assoc. (AFTA) and posts web page (30 May) 2008

Gov. Paterson reverses Gov. Spitzer’s plan to close Camp Gabriels MSP, Saranac L. (Jun) 2008

DEC issues emergency firewood regulations to control invasive insects (3 Jun) 2008

Clinton County forecloses on 14 Ganienkeh properties, T. of Altona, for non-payment of taxes 2008

Rob Hastings, Rivermede Farm, of Keene Valley receives Glynnwood Harvest Farmer Award 2008

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Plains of Abraham . . .: Collected Writings of Mary MacKenzie wins Adk Lit. Award (8 Jun) 2008

NYS DOT erects moose crossing signs on Rt 3 at Sugarbush (9 Jun) 2008

Powerful storms cause widespread damage across northern Adirondacks (10 Jun) 2008
Scientists, cavers convene in Albany to brainstorm on bats’ ‘white-nose syndrome’ (9-11 Jun) 2008
ALJ denies, nonbinding, Iberdrola wind farm erection in RG&E & NYSEG territories (16 Jun) 2008
Refurbished Olympic torch cauldron is returned to its tower at North Elba Show Grounds (18 Jun) 2008
FCPT inaugurates ‘Adirondack Route’ bus runs between Malone/L. Placid/Tupper L. (23 Jun) 2008
Ethan Allen tourboat disaster victims and families settle suit with boat owner and captain (24 Jun) 2008
Jan Wellford hikes all 46 Adirondack peaks in 3 days 17 hours and 14 minutes (24-28 Jun) 2008
Adirondack Museum cancels plans to build a branch in Lake Placid (24 Jun) 2008
The Wild Center hosts “The American Response to Climate Change Conference” (25-26 Jun) 2008
Verizon Wireless adds broadband service to parts of Warren and Washington Counties (Jun) 2008
Jason II satellite is launched to complement Jason I for precision sea-surface topography (Jun) 2008
See web for detailed results of Jason and Argo satellite missions re, global climate change. 2008
USDA reports NYS sugar maple syrup production at 328,000 gallons (Jun) 2008
NYS Bridge Inspection Program classifies Champlain Bridge as “structurally deficient” (Jun) 2008
Golden Arrow Lakeside Resort expands green initiative with Greengrid Green Roof System (Jun) 2008
Verizon Bill revising diesel fuel taxation by Sen. Elizabeth Little, Queensbury, passes senate 62-0 2008
Bill for revision of diesel fuel taxation by Assemb. William Magee fails to reach Assembly floor 2008
NY Appellate Division Court finds NY harmless in drownings at Split Rock Falls, Boquet R. 2008
Kenneth Hamm pub article in The Conservationist on paddlers’ rights (Jun) 2008

“Waterways subject to the public right of navigation can be navigated for any commercial or recreational purpose, and attempts by landowners to interfere with the public’s right to freely navigate violates the state’s interest in the waterway.”

Kenneth Hamm, DEC, Office of General Counsel
The Conservationist (page 19, June, 2008)

“Bigger, Better Bottle Bill” (A.8044A) is passed in assembly, but Senate fails to vote (Jun) 2008
Gr. Sacandaga Lake Business Assoc. tags 50 rainbow trout for $500 each reward to anglers (Jun) 2008
Clarkson School of Bus./Adk Scenic RR conduct business study on operational issues (Jun) 2008
GSNENY does not open Camp Little Notch, T. of Fort Ann, Washington Co. (Summer) 2008
David Strayer, Cary Inst. of Ecosystem Studies, notes Asian clam in tidal Hudson River (1 Jul) 2008
Deborah Clarke Mars Education Center, $23 M, opens at Fort Ticonderoga (6 Jul) 2008
SCJ Giardino orders Joseph Herms to tear down illegal “boathouse” on Canada L. (7 Jul) 2008
SCJ Giardino orders Joseph Herms to pay $50,000 fine in “boathouse” case at Canada L. (7 Jul) 2008
Jerry Carlson, DEC, reports giant hogweed in all NY counties with exception of Franklin (8 Jul) 2008
US Census reports NYS population at 19.3 M, increasing by 15,741 over prior (8 Jul) 2008
US, Japan, Germany, Gr. Brit., Russia, Italy, Canada agree to 50% reduction in GHG by 2050 (8 Jul) 2008
GE and Noble Environmental Power (NEP) plan to invest $100M in NY wind farms (9 Jul) 2008
GE and NEP plan 106.5 Megawatt Noble Chateaugay Windpark for Franklin Co. (9 Jul) 2008
GE and NEP plan 97.5 Megawatt Noble Altona Windpark for Clinton Co. (9 Jul) 2008
GE and NEP plan 126 Megawatt Noble Wethersfield Windpark for Wyoming Co. (9 Jul) 2008
Gov. David Paterson increases snowmobile trail aid from $2.87M to $5.34M (10 Jul) 2008
All eight Great Lakes States approve compact limiting export of Great Lakes water (16 Jul) 2008
Ice sheet several square miles in extent breaks off Canadian Arctic Ward-Hunt Ice Shelf (29 Jul) 2008
13,000 of National Grid customers elect “GreenUp” program, i.e. less than 1% of total (Jul) 2008
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Log Bay Day at Lake George draws some 1200 people on 300 to 400 vessels (28 Jul) 2008
Log Bay Day prerequisites: 26 law officers on 15 vessels; 5 fire & EMS agencies (28 Jul) 2008
Log Bay Day: 75 arrests; 90 tickets/summons issued, 6 fights, two rescues (28 Jul) 2008
House committee approves compact for prevention of water diversion from Great Lakes (30 Jul) 2008
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Town of Parishville, St. Lawrence Co., opens designated ‘ATV trail’ on town roads (Jul) 2008
NOAA Weather Service issues hydrological web guide: www.weather.gov/water (Jul) 2008
Garrett Hotel Group opens new Lake Placid Lodge in 1882-style of the original (summer) 2008
Forest Guild provides details on HWA: http://www.forestguild.org/rg_ne_hemlock.html (Jul) 2008
Adirondack Trust Co. announces plans to open retail branch in Queensbury, Warren Co. (Jul) 2008
Federal Appeals Court overturns EPA rule directed to reduction of power plant emissions (Jul) 2008
Diesel fuel costs now exceed $5.50/gallon in Adirondacks (Jul) 2008
Nitrogen fertilizer now exceeds $850/ton in Adirondacks (Jul) 2008
CBN Connect starts design of fiber-optic core ring for Adk-Champlain Telemedicine Network (Jul) 2008
Perito Moreno Glacier, Argentina, one of world’s largest, shows winter breakup for 1st time (Jul) 2008
Number of glaciers in Glacier National Park has fallen from 150 present in 1850 to 26 (Jul) 2008
Mount Shasta glaciers are only glaciers of western US that are now growing (Jul) 2008
Stillwater Mayor E. Martin asks for delay in PCB dredging following PCB contamination (Jul) 2008
Delaware County Electric Cooperative proposes 63 MW hydroelectric facilities for Catskills (Jul) 2008
NYC DEP denies support for hydroelectric plan for Gilboa (Jul) 2008
Adjudicatory hearings re. AC&R adjourn for smaller, confidential “mediation sessions” (Jul) 2008
Congress exempts recreational boaters from permits required for oil tankers and carton ships (Jul) 2008
Sub-prime mortgage crisis spreads to gov’t sponsored agencies Freddie Mac and Fannie Mae (Jul) 2008
There are now c. 45,000 recreational boaters registered for the Adirondack-Capital region (Jul) 2008
Atmospheric concentration of CO2 is now higher than at any time in the last 800,000 years (Jul) 2008
DEC begins sampling of Hudson River waterfowl for PCBs (Jul-Aug) 2008
Seven swimmers finish 112-mile-long fund-raising swim from L. Champlain to Albany (4 Aug) 2008
Kamp Kill Kare (1010.7 a.) is sold to Kathy Wood in an estate sale for $15 million (5 Aug) 2008
DEC opens “Don’t Flush Your Drugs” campaign to cut pharmaceuticals in water bodies (Aug) 2008
Northeast Biofuels begins production of corn-based ethanol, Fulton, NY (Oswego Co.) (14 Aug) 2008
DOH reports (31 July test) Schuylerville-Victory public water supply free of PCBs (20 Aug) 2008
TNC reveals sale of 90,500 a. former Finch, Pruyn & Co. lands to timber mgmt. cos. (21 Aug) 2008
AfPA awards Anne La Bastille and Robert Glennon the Howard Zahniser Award (22 Aug) 2008
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NYS begins ending contract with M/A-COM for statewide wireless network (SWN) (29 Aug) 2008
AfPA, RCPA et al. appeal SCJ Demarest’s voiding their suit against T. of Tupper Lake (29 Aug) 2008
Keene, NY, holds inaugural Great Adirondack Rutabaga Festival (30 Aug) 2008
Edw. Dweck, SLPIID, declares use of herbicide Renovate to Saratoga Lake successful (Aug) 2008
Chateaugay Rotary Club et al. inaugurate Adirondacks Unplugged Music Festival (Aug) 2008
Rotterdam wood worker Carl Borst carves beaver for Adirondack Carousel, Saranac L. (Aug) 2008
Bush admin. proposes that federal agencies alone determine impact of projects on wildlife (Aug) 2008
John Kostyack, NWF, claims proposed ESA revision would weaken protection of nature (Aug) 2008
M. Golden et al., UC Irvine, suggest big die-off of mountain plants due to climate change (Aug) 2008
AWI reports average of 512 stems of Eurasian milfoil per acre in Fish Creek Pond (Aug) 2008
Tom Woodman becomes publisher of Adirondack Explorer (Aug) 2008
Solar Influences Data Center, Brussels, records near-record minimum for sun spots (Aug) 2008
Woodward guideboat, Woodward Boat Shop, wins ACBS Best of Class pulling boat award (Aug) 2008
U.S. EPA fails to show at U.S. Senate hearing to justify its decisions on global warming (Aug) 2008
Markham Ice Shelf separates itself from Ellesmere Island and goes adrift in Arctic Ocean (Aug) 2008
Seron Ice Shelf, 47 sq. mi., goes adrift in Arctic Ocean (Aug) 2008
Ward Hunt Ice Self, 130 feet thick, 7 sq. mi., breaks up and goes adrift in Arctic Ocean (Aug) 2008
SUNY-ESF, OSI, et al. form Northern Forest Institute for research and education (5 Aug) 2008
NYS Legislature approves constitutional amendment for 46 kV Colton power line land swap 2008
APA approves permit for Verizon to construct 100-foot tower on Rte., 9, Lewis, Essex Co. (Aug) 2008
Town of Webb votes against local law allowing snowmobiles on sidewalk (Aug) 2008
US Coast Guard est. temporary base at Barrow, Alaska (Aug) 2008
ADK’s professional trail crew builds new 3.5-mile trail to summit of Lyon Mountain (Aug) 2008
ADK pro trail crew replaces 1876 Hungerford/Meader/Parsons trail w/ new trail up Lyon Mtn (Aug) 2008
Lewis Co. unanimously approves legal action against DEC re. ATV use of local roads (Aug) 2008
Sunset Inn, Thendara, drops affiliation with Best Western and becomes Adirondack Lodge (Aug) 2008
DEC revises Catskill Park SLMP to include new “Primitive Bicycle Corridor” (27 Aug) 2008
EPA proposes to tax cattle (627,000 in NYS) for emission of greenhouse gases (Aug) 2008
PSC approves Iberdrola SA’s purchase of NYSEG and Rochester Gas & Electric (3 Sep) 2008
Beechcraft Bonanza lands safely on northbound lane of I-87 after engine failure (3 Sep) 2008
EPA requires 35% emission reduction for new lawn-garden equipment effective 2011 (4 Sep) 2008
EPA requires 70% emission reduction for gas-powered recreational boats effective 2010 (4 Sep) 2008
Fire near National Grid substation burns 9 a. of Paul Smith’s College forest near Rte 30 (5-7 Sep) 2008
Iberdrola accepts PSC terms to buy Energy East (NYSEG and Rochester Gas & Electric) (10 Sep) 2008
PSC deal with Iberdrola requires construction of 100 MW of new wind power in NYS (10 Sep) 2008
HRBRRD approves proposed Great Sacandaga Permit System (15 Sep) 2008
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Sagbolt LLC. (Ocean Properties Ltd.), NH, buys The Sagamore (hotel), Bolton Landing (16 Sep) 2008
Cape Air service from Watertown, Massena, Ogdensburg to Albany begins (16 Sep) 2008
NYS Comptroller Thomas DiNapoli posts budget data for local governments online (23 Sep) 2008
TNC buys, $16M, 14,600 - 227 acres Follensby Pond tract, Tupper Lake, from John/Bird McCormick (18 Sep) 2008
NED Harkness, age 89, dies at his home in Rochester (19 Sep) 2008
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Al McGuire, MD, begins break-through genetic blindness cure of Corey Haas of Hadley (20 Sep) 2008
Peter Roemer dies, stalwart of AfPA and DEC, hunter, angler, wilderness leader, age 87 (20 Sep) 2008
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T. of Indian Lake submits third progress report to FERC re hydro study on Indian Lake dam (Sep) 2008
NYSP pilot spots 2000 marijuana plants growing near Minerva during missing person search (Sep) 2008
NYSDOH reports increased incidence, i.e. 115 to date, of Lyme disease for Saratoga Co. (Sep) 2008
NYS now hosts over 700 megawatts of commercial wind power ranking 9th in the U.S. (Sep) 2008
RGGI begins CO₂ emission permit auctions (Sep) 2008
NY Independent System Operator (ISO) enacts centralized wind forecasting system (Sep) 2008
Everlands, members-only club at The Point, folds when Lehman Brothers goes bankrupt (Sep) 2008
Oak wilt fungus is confirmed Scotia, Schenectady Co., NY: www.dec.ny.gov/lands/46919.html (Sep) 2008
Lincoln Logs Ltd. files Chap. 11 bankruptcy citing moribund housing market (Sep) 2008
Hospitals and long-term care centers discard some 250M lbs. of pharmaceuticals/year (Sep) 2008
Tyco Electronics sells M/A-COM to Cobham, PLC, but keeps wireless systems (29 Sep) 2008
Congress rejects bank bailout bill; DJIA falls 777.68 points in one day (29 Sep) 2008
S.O. Duke/S.P. Powles in Pest Manag. Sci. describe glyphosate as “virtually ideal” herbicide (Sep) 2008
NY coyote hunting season opens (ends 29 May) without pelt seal requirement or bag limit (1 Oct) 2008
New state-wide fishing regulations take effect (1 Oct) 2008
Dr. W.J. Brennan, Ticonderoga, receives Everett A. Dyer Award for school board service (Oct) 2008
State Supreme Court overturns Dillenburg v. State of New York re. taxation on FP (3 Oct) 2008
Clinic at Clifton-Fine Hospital burns (11 Oct) 2008
Financing stops NEP work at Bellmont and Chateaugay Wind Parks with layoff of workers (15 Oct) 2008
EPA est. new standard for atmospheric lead at 0.15 micrograms per cubic meter (15 Oct) 2008
B.H. Smith kills, butchers (aided by K. Reyell) cow moose near Owls Head Lane, M Keene (15 Oct) 2008
Artist Len F. Tantillo speaks at the opening of an exhibit of his paintings at the CFFP (17 Oct) 2008
US/European military leaders meet in Lake Placid to discuss operations in Afghanistan (17 Oct) 2008
DEC charges Titus Mountain Ski Area with discharging sewage into Salmon River (20 Oct) 2008
NYS DOH Comm. Dr. R. Daines commends AMC’s Tri-Lakes Uninsured Task Force (21 Oct) 2008
PSC notes Campus Sustainability Day with zero-emission electric car for security patrol (22 Oct) 2008
Cecil Wray ends his term as acting chairman of the APA (23 Oct) 2008
Sen. Hugh Farley assists ARL in $10,000 Legislative Grant for a part-time librarian (28 Oct) 2008
Snowstorm (13”) disrupts power and inconveniences Adks, esp. Franklin & Essex Co. (29 Oct) 2008
Conservation Law Fund sues EPA to reduce TMDL of phosphorus in L. Champlain (29 Oct) 2008
NYSDEC buys 20,136 a. of Domtar timberlands from TNC for $9.8M (30 Oct) 2008
DEC reports spiny water flea in Great Sacandaga Lake (30 Oct) 2008

“Unfortunately, another invasive species has spread in the waters of New York State,” said Steve Sanford, chief of DEC, Office of Invasive Species. “We are doing our best to alert fishermen, boaters and all users of New York waters to the presence of the spiny water flea and to promote practices that minimize the spread of theses non-natives.”

Native to Eurasia, spiny water fleas are crustaceans that can have a huge impact on aquatic life in lakes and ponds due to their rapid reproduction rates. In warmer water temperatures, these water fleas can hatch, grow to maturity, and lay eggs in as few as two weeks. But that is not the only challenge presented by this invasive species. Sometimes, its eggs can remain in a dormant state for years before hatching, making tracking it and limiting its spread very difficult.

NYSDEC press release
30 Oct 2008
www.dec.ny.gov/press/48494.html

Anglers of Great Sacandaga Lake will encounter the spiny water flea as a slimy, cotton-like mass clinging to their lines. It is thus crucial that drying and disinfection of gear, engine and trailer be conducted in order to prevent infestation of other water bodies.

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NYS AG Cuomo est. Wind Power Ethics Code for local officials and wind companies (30 Oct) 2008
D. Blehert et al. release a detailed account of WNS on the web (30 Oct) 2008
Credit laxity causes collapse of Freddie Mac and Fanny Mae and world-wide banking crisis (Oct) 2008
NY buys 17,190 acre tract, incl. Lyon Mt. with fire tower, from TNC initiating classification (Oct) 2008
Erik Schlimmer hikes Northville-Placid Trail end-to-end, unsupported, in 3 days, 8 hours (Oct) 2008
VT ARS notes variable-leaved watermilfoil, Myriophyllum heterophyllum, Halls L., Newbury (Oct) 2008
Pathogen in bat WNS is identified (Science) as a species of fungus (Oct) 2008
David Gibson and Ken Rimany pub. brief biography of Paul Schaef er, Conservationist (Oct.) 2008
Ryan Thum, Grand Valley St. Univ., MI, detects variable-leaf milfoil at Halls L., Newbury (Oct) 2008
NYS funds ($1.3M) TNC to est. 5-year Adirondack Park Invasive Plant Program, APIPP (Oct) 2008
Peter A.A. Berle (age 69), one-time DEC chief dies after collapse of building, Stockbridge (1 Nov) 2008
Finch Paper Holdings slows production and temporarily lays off 44 hourly workers (17 Nov) 2008
APA passes rule changes for shoreline development and for hunting and fishing camps (14 Nov) 2008
APA approves Verizon Wireless cell tower in Town of Keene (14 Nov) 2008
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As part of settlement, OPRHP to study seven state parks for possible inclusion in FP (Nov) 2008
Wild Center (Tupper L.) hosts conference: American Response to Climate Change (18-19 Nov) 2008
SCJ rules in Lewis Family Farm case: APA cannot regulate agricultural-use structures (19 Nov) 2008
Wyeth Pharmaceuticals, Rouses Point, announces lay-off of 118 workers (20 Nov) 2008
ORDA belt-tightening projections indicate cost reduction of $1.8M for 2008-09 (21 Nov) 2008
The Forward preserve at L. George is listed on National Register of Historic Places (21 Nov) 2008
David Pettit, Albany, catches tagged rainbow trout, Great Sacandaga L., to win $500 (c. 28 Nov) 2008
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AtP A, RCPA, ADK settle with OPRHP re. Art. 14 violations in Moreau SP (Nov) 2008
Paul DeLucia, Lean2Rescue, receives Outdoor Person(s) of the Year from NYSOHOF (Nov) 2008
Lake Placid Spirits is est. to make fine liquor in small batches using pot-still distillation (Nov) 2008
Federal agents report smuggling of 22,000 pounds of marijuana through Akwesasne Res. (Nov) 2008
Jaime Cool is arrested for ‘serial’ timber trespass in Town of Stratford, Fulton Co. (Nov) 2008
AMC receives LTCQII grant to improve food service at Mercy & Uihlein nursing homes (Nov) 2008
Town of Arietta does not renew Bioconservation Inc. contract for Bti black fly control (Nov) 2008
J. Jenkins webs Climate Change in Adks www.usclimateaction.org/userfiles/JenkinsBook.pdf (Nov) 2008
NYS DOT closes I-87 Lincoln Pond Rest Area at Mile 111.6; buildings to be removed (1 Dec) 2008
DEC files amicus curiae brief supporting AfPA suit against T. of Tupper Lake rezoning (1 Dec) 2008
Rep. Gillibrand ‘retires’ 9 tons of CO2 from AC’s ‘Cool Park, Healthy Planet’ program (1 Dec) 2008
DEC extends emergency firewood regulations for 90-days (5 Dec) 2008
SCJ Aulisi orders $591K in fines and penalties against Dunham’s Bay Resort, L. George (10 Dec) 2008
Two men are arrested for poaching 433 yellow perch in one day from Lake George (Dec) 2008
Russian educators from Novosibirsk visit Newcomb CS (Dec) 2008
APA defines ‘minor addition’ to pre-1973 shoreline house to allay opposition (11 Dec) 2008
APA board gives approval of ‘substantially invisible’ cell towers to Regulatory Prog. (11 Dec) 2008
Major ice storm slams Northeast, cuts power from NY to ME, but spares Adirondacks (12 Dec) 2008
AC sells all 1,000 tons of CO2 under its CPHPCR program (15 Dec) 2008
Horizon Wind Energy puts MRWF at Ellenburg and Churubusco on hold for 1 year (17 Dec) 2008
AfPA et al. issue news release opposing Gov. Paterson’s “tax cap” on lands of the FP (18 Dec) 2008
Essex Co., ORDA, Towns of Wilmington & Jay start free bus service to Lake Placid (18 Dec) 2008
Akwesasne Mohawk Casino donates $9M to St. Regis Mohawk Tribal Council (18 Dec) 2008
Golden Arrow Lakeside Resort ‘retires’ 100 tons of CO2 with AC’s CPHPCR program (19 Dec) 2008
ADK awards Eleanor Brown Communications award to Phil Brown of Adirondack Explorer (20 Dec) 2008
The Sagamore (hotel) lays off 200 workers and closes for the winter at Bolton Landing (22 Dec) 2008
NYSDEC buys conservation easement on 84,000 acres of Lyme Timber Co. lands (24 Dec) 2008
Lincoln Logs Ltd., Chestertown, goes out of business citing inability to obtain credit (29 Dec) 2008
West Canada Riverkeeper requests intervener status in MVWA—Canal Corp. lawsuit (30 Dec) 2008
Gov. David Paterson adds $1M of state funding to regional food banks (30 Dec) 2008
Current tax credit support program for U.S. windpower, already renewed 4X; expires (31 Dec) 2008
NYS Canal System has 22 percent decrease in traffic (Dec) 2008
M.J. Bernard et al. suggest that Adk native forest soils are inhospitable to invasive earthworms (Dec) 2008
Hudson River Environmental Conditions Observing System (HRECOS), www.hrecos.org, is est (Dec) 2008
Nathan Farb’s Glashy Pond photograph is converted to c. 6’ x 5” color cibachrome print (Dec) 2008
Some Adk High Peaks black bears learn how to open improved BearVault™ bear canister (BRFC) (Dec) 2008
RCPA and AfPA appoint exploratory committee to consider merger (Dec) 2008
SABB reports loss of brown thrasher from 1,004 survey blocks (Dec) 2008
SABB reports major range expansion for the merlin incl. Adks (Dec) 2008
SABB reports major decline of black duck in the Adks (Dec) 2008
SABB reports 34% decline of olive-sided flycatcher (important Adk species) since 1988 (Dec) 2008
SABB reports 42% increase of yellow-bellied flycatcher, Adks playing major role, since 1988 (Dec) 2008
SABB reports 32% decline of three-toed woodpecker since 1988 (Dec) 2008
SABB reports 11% increase of black-backed woodpecker since 2008 (Dec) 2008
SABB reports 26% decline of spruce grouse, one of rarest birds in Adks, since 1988 (Dec) 2008
SABB reports 23% decline of rusty blackbird since 1988 (Dec) 2008
SABB reports 12% increase of boreal chickadee since 1988 (Dec) 2008
SABB reports 20% increase of gray jay since 1988 (Dec) 2008
SABB reports 46% increase of Bicknell’s thrush, reestablished as a distinct species in 1995 (Dec) 2008
B.H. Smith pleads guilty to killing cow moose, is fined $2,000 and sentenced to 30 days (Dec) 2008
Sacandaga R. rafting guides seek to ban Hudson River Rafting Co. from operating on Sacandaga R. (Dec) 2008
Hudson River Rafting Co. sues J. Duncan et al. and continues rafting on Sacandaga River (Dec) 2008
BMSB is documented in Hudson Valley region of New York state (Dec) 2008
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Lake Superior water levels reach record lows 2008
DFWI workers’ estimated year of colonization of L. George by Asian clam, *Corbicula fluminea* 2008
Asian clam, *Corbicula fluminea*, is found in Champlain Canal 2008
Marcus Erikson, Onondaga Hill, shoots 300 lb wild boar in Scott, Cortland Co. 2008
Peter Gianferrara, Camillus, shoots 260 lb wild boar in Scott, Cortland Co. 2008
Gore Mt. high-speed quad open on Burnt Ridge Mt. providing 2,300’ vertical descent 2008
Chicago city police shoot and kill 150 lb mountain lion, northside, inside city limits 2008
NYSDEC estimates that $36.2B is needed for NYS wastewater treatment infrastructure upgrading 2008
US Census reports annual population growth of Plattsburgh at 0.16% 2008
US Census reports annual population growth of Saratoga Springs at 0.68% 2008
PSC’s Timber Harvest class initiates plan to donate fire wood to Brighton Food Pantry 2008
NYS Canal Corp economic study reports that canals generate $380 M annually 2008
APA approves Front Street Development ski resort, 130 homes, 5 hotels, at North Creek (Apr) 2008
SABB reports 4,200%! increase of palm warbler since 1988, most new sites in Adirondacks 2008
NYS now has some 700 megawatts of wind power capacity 2008
HRBRRB now issues 4,700 access permits to state-owned land fronting on Great Sacandaga L. 2008
David Gibson, AFPA, notes that of 34 Adk lakes larger than 1,000 a. only two are free of motors 2008
Anne Scoltie and Elizabeth Folwell pub *The Adirondack Book* 2008
SLCBC notes 67 common raven (Dec) 2008
AATV and ANCA commission $120,000 Adk Park study by The LA Group of Saratoga Springs 2008
The price of a face cord of firewood in the Adks now fluctuates around $75 2008
Hydrilla, African-Asian, is now present in Me, CT, MA, NJ, NY, the SE US and on the West Coast 2008
APA sets new rules for wetland protection, hunting camp construction and shoreline development 2008
Following “housing crash” sawlog prices fall sharply 2008
Environmental Protection Fund falls from $225M to $133M following “Great Recession” 2008
APA permits construction of hotel-restaurant at Antlers Pt., Raquette L. by Dean Pohl 2008
Neighbors of Dean Pohl oppose construction of hotel-restaurant at Antlers Pt, Raquette L. 2008
Batchellerville Bridge: [www.nysdot.gov/regional-offices/region1/projects/batchellerville-bridge](http://www.nysdot.gov/regional-offices/region1/projects/batchellerville-bridge) 2008
Vermont Fuels for Schools reports that 20% of Vermont public schools are heated with wood 2008
Vermont Agency of Natural resources releases 39 spruce grouse from Québec and ME in VT 2008
GE sites renewable power headquarters in Schenectady dedicating $100M for NY wind farms 2008
New Batchellerville Bridge construction bids exceed $39 M federal funding by $25 M 2008
Saratoga Co. builds mile-long, $191,000 road to top of 1,600’ Fraker Mt. to est. radio tower 2008
Norman J. Van Valkenburgh pub *America’s First Wilderness* 2008
Bat white-nose syndrome is now evident in some 25 hibernacular caves of NY, VT and MA 2008
Open Space Inst. sells 7,000 a. and assigns easements for 3,000 a. of land near Tahawus to NY 2008
BP leases *Deepwater Horizon* offshore drilling rig from Transocean Co. 2008
Fulton County landfills takes in 31,509 tons of commercial waste for the year 2008
Northern snakehead fish is reported for a stream in Wawayanda, NY 2008
Mt. pine beetle, *Dendroctonus ponderosae*, kills c. 2 M a. of forest in Wyoming and Colorado 2008
*Annual Energy Review* reports total US energy consumption at c. 100 quads per year 2008
‘Bouldering’ emerges as new Adk climbing activity in guide pub by Jim Lawyer and Jeremy Hass 2008
*Annual Energy Review* reports wood supplies US with c. 2 quads per year 2008
Annual Energy Review reports US annual sustainable wood supply at c. 5 quads per year 2008
China now exceeds US in annual industrial production of CO\textsubscript{2} 2008
DOH reports PCB levels as high as 119 ppt in Stillwater Village public water supply 2008
DEC, APA, DOT pub Guidelines for the Adirondack Park, i.e. ‘Green Book’ for Adk highways 2008
Asian longhorned beetle (ALB) is found in Worcester, MA, forcing cutting of some 25,000 trees 2008
Fort Ticonderoga, Lake Champlain, has annual attendance of 83,000 2008
Long Lake Historical Society is founded 2008
Upper Bridge, wrought iron Pratt truss type, is closed at Keeseville, NY 2008
DOH reports 2,841 cases of Lyme Disease in 17-county tri-city area, increase of 88% over 2002 2008
NYSDOH reports 35 cases of HGA in 17 county tri-city area, an increase from seven found in 2002 2008
\textit{Lac du Saint Sacrement}, 190’ length, 40’ beam, 1,000 passenger, enters Lake George service 2008
Germany bans use of neonicotinoids (Gaucho and Poncho) to deal with ‘mad bee disease’ 2008
UN estimates that 2/3rds of world population will lack access to clean, fresh water by 2025 2008
Air Force-Air National Guard reduces low-level training flights of F-16s and A-10s over Adks 2008
BioDiversity Research Inst., Gorham, ME, notes elev. Hg in bald eagles of Catskill Park (Nov) 2008
Invasive Species Council, Title 17, Section 9 ECL, auspices DEC, inacted/est 2008
Champlain Barge Canal, Whitehall to Waterford, handles 2810 tons of cargo 2008
DEC traps and removes 44 feral swine (wild boar) in Cortland and Onondaga Cos. 2008-09
T. Sayward/B. Little file bills to amend HL § 212 removing state ability to close roads in AP 2009
RGGI three-year CO\textsubscript{2} emission compliance period begins (1 Jan) 2009
\textit{Hamilton County Express} continues \textit{Hamilton County News} newspaper at Speculator (1 Jan) 2009
Almy D. Coggeshall, age 91, noted regional conservation leader of Schenectady, dies (1 Jan) 2009
Dr. Frank Nocilla begins implementing Hospitalist Program at AMC (6 Jan) 2009
National Grid sues HRBRRD challenging the district’s access permit system (7 Jan) 2009
Common Ground Alliance urges Gov. Paterson to rescind tax cap proposal on FP land (8 Jan) 2009
D. Bonaparte pub \textit{A Lily Among Thorns: The Mohawk Repatriation of Káteri Tekakwí:tha} (9 Jan) 2009
St. Joseph’s Rehabilitation Center, Saranac Lake, is chosen as top-40 employer in NYS (Jan) 2009
NY Blue Line Council sues APA (Art. 78) re. rule change for shoreline development (13 Jan) 2009
Gouverneur Talc (R.T. Vanderbilt Co.) extends talc production from stockpile thru April (Jan) 2009

We had to keep the relationship (with our customers) intact. If we had known how critical it (talc) was to them, we probably would have raised the price.
Roger K. Price, President and COO
R.T. Vanderbilt Co.

NEP suspends construction at Chateaugay II wind park citing financial constraints (12 Jan) 2009
Nine counties, eleven towns sue APA re. rule change for shoreline development (13 Jan) 2009
Cornell researchers find deer fluke, a.k.a. large liver fluke, in northern New York cattle 2009
Northeast Biofuels (corn ethanol plant) files Chap. 11 bankruptcy protection, Fulton, NY (Jan) 2009
Almy D. Coggeshall personal papers are donated to Adirondack Research Library (Jan) 2009
Charles C. Morrison writes AfPA white paper on Indian Lake Dam issues (Jan) 2009
NYS ends $2B contract with M/A-COM for not fixing Statewide Wireless Network (16 Jan) 2009
Gov. Paterson orders new DEC fee structure to keep Reynolds Game Farm open (17 Jan) 2009
DEC submits to APA a revised proposal extending floatplane access to Lows Lake (21 Jan) 2009
PSC launches Center for Adirondack Biodiversity with David A. Patrick as ED (21 Jan) 2009
Pfizer announces purchase of Wyeth Pharmaceuticals for $68M (26 Jan) 2009
Indeck Energy Services Inc. (Corinth) files suit challenging the legality of RGGI (29 Jan) 2009
Fulton Co. C. of C. Great Sacandaga Lake Walleye Challenge is inaugurated (31 Jan) 2009

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David Blehert, USGS, reports bat WNS now at 33 sites near Albany disease epicenter (Jan) 2009
APA extends land-use controls to houses built before 1973, date establishing initial policy (Jan) 2009
7 Adk counties petition APA to rescind land-use rules extended to houses built before 1973 (Jan) 2009
Finch Paper, Glens Falls, eliminates 43 salaried jobs (31 Jan) 2009
Joseph Raccuia becomes Finch Paper President and CEO as Richard J. Carota retires (Feb) 2009
Erin Hamlin, Remsen, wins Luge World Championship, beating Germans at Lake Placid (6 Feb) 2009
NCPR upgrades low-power translator to WXLB 91.7 FM radio station at Boonville (Feb) 2009
L. Stephenson (Stephenson Lumber) buys Lincoln Logs, Chestertown, at bankruptcy sale (6 Feb) 2009
DEC closes PCs at Sharp Bridge, Poke-O-Moonshine, Point Comfort, Tioga Point (Feb) 2009
Lewis County creates permit-based ATV trail system 2009
U.S. Congress enacts the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (11 Feb) 2009
J. Krivulka and L. Mazur form Rouses Point Pharmaceuticals to market generic products (Feb) 2009
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A. Reynolds, P. Bray, A. Smith, NYDEC, rep formation of Mohawk River Basin Program (27 Mar) 2009
TNC sells 92,000 a. in Adks to ATP Timberland Invest, a Danish pension fund (30 Mar) 2009
DEC plans to rehabilitate fire tower on Saratoga Co. land, Spruce Mt., southern Adks (Mar) 2009
DEC cracks poaching & wildlife trafficking ring (turtles, rattlesnakes, salamanders) (Mar) 2009
US Fish & Wildlife Service charges NY poachers with violations of the Lacey Act (Mar) 2009
Curt Stiles, chair of APA, reports imminent release of long-pending draft snowmobile plan (Mar) 2009
Colorado Division of Wildlife reports four nips/bites of urban Denver residents by coyotes (Mar) 2009
DAM promotes sugar maple industry est. Maple Task Force of 13 industry representatives (Mar) 2009
Controversy increases on draft Conservation Law Part 247 re. use of outdoor wood boilers (Mar) 2009
Hamilton Co. IDA forecloses on 275-a. Oak Mountain Ski Center (Mar) 2009
Roger Dziengeleski, Finch Paper Co., reports annual production of some 250,000 tons (Mar) 2009
RMK Timberland, Atlanta, becomes US agent for ATP Timberland Invest, Denmark (Mar) 2009
Conference, Copenhagen, reaches consensus that GCC is occurring faster than anticipated (Mar) 2009
Empire State Games (summer) are cancelled due to lack of NYS funding (3 Apr) 2009
Lake Placid News wins 8 awards at NYPa’s Better Newspaper Contest (3 Apr) 2009
NYS budget is approved including tax payments for FP in amount of some $90 to 100 M (3 Apr) 2009
Statewide Wireless Network (SWN) is retitled Statewide Interoperability Advisory Council (5 Apr) 2009

Despite having spent over $100 million with M/A-COM in development of a statewide communication system for first-responders, NYS OFT has terminated that contract and is now starting over with a new design basis for the system: Instead of building a statewide communications network and offering to connect counties and other local governments to it, the state will now work to facilitate the development of regional networks connecting groups of partnering counties thereby improving its usefulness. . . . The new strategic road map we are pursuing de-emphasizes the one-size-fits-all notion and envisions an interconnected system of systems. . . . The major emergencies that have occurred around the state are far more regional in nature than they are statewide. Whether it’s a plane crash in Erie County, an ice storm in the Adirondacks or forest fires on Long Island, these are all actual incidents that required a major commitment of resources. The public safety response was far more regional in nature than statewide. A regional radio network can handle these needs more directly with better local knowledge than a statewide system.


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Finch Paper announces layoff of 57 workers by August (13 Apr) 2009
AFPA reports DOT plans to greatly enlarge 7.4 mi. of Route 28, Oneida Co., SW Adks (13 Apr) 2009
APA votes 9-to-2 to end floatplane access to Lows Lake as of 31 Dec 2011 (16 Apr) 2009
The Sagamore (hotel) Bolton Landing, L. George, reopens for the season (24 Apr) 2009
Adirondack Daily Enterprise/Lake Placid News/Leader-Herald launch Embark (24 Apr) 2009
AM webs Adk artists: www.flickr.com/photos/adkgrandtour/show/with/3480509196/ (27 Apr) 2009
GALR receives NYSHTA Good Earthkeeping—Stars of the Industry award (27 Apr) 2009
Philmet Capital Group gives Hudson River paper mill, Corinth, back to IP (27 Apr) 2009
Sen. C. Kruger proposes reforms to APA definitions of Adirondack towns and hamlets (Apr) 2009
R. Conine & J. Mattison receive Carnegie Hero award for rescue of L. George fishermen (Apr) 2009
PSC wins 63rd annual woodsmen’s Spring Meet at Dartmouth by two points (24 Apr) 2009
Dennis Aprill is inducted into NYSOHOF (Apr) 2009
Ticonderoga Ferry assumes new ownership (26 Apr) 2009
AG requests SCJ Demarest to find Tim Jones in contempt of court and order removal of his cabin (Apr) 2009
L. George Village receives $2.5M DOT grant to re-establish wetland at Gaslight Village site (Apr) 2009
Mohawk River Watershed Coalition of Conservation Districts (MRWCCD) is est (Apr) 2009
APA Board of Commissioners passes new community housing policy for Adirondacks (Apr) 2009
Lake Placid Volunteer Fire Department elects Liane Colby as its chief (Apr) 2009
NYS DMV renders opinion that UTVs may not be operated on roads or ATV trails (Apr) 2009
NYSDEC opens public access to 44,000 a. in Black Brook, Kushaqua & Altamont tracts (Apr) 2009
T. of Indian Lake submits 4th progress report to FERC re Indian Lake dam hydro studies (Apr) 2009
Ron and Sheila Cuccaro est. Save White Lake Trees opposing route 28 devel., Oneida Co. (Apr) 2009
VT ANR continues control of variable-leaved watermilfoil at 24 sites, Halls Lake, Newbury (Apr) 2009
DJIA bottoms out (5 Mar); Obama economic stimulus plan then stops the panic (Apr-Jul) 2009
Spiny water flea is identified in Peck Lake, near Gloversville, Fulton County 2009
NYSDEC closes King Phillip’s Spring near Rte 87 Exit 30 due to coliform bacteria (Apr) 2009
National Geographic names Adk Five Ponds-High Peaks canoe circuit among best in U.S. (Apr) 2009
Forest fire burns 13 a. on Tongue Mtn (Deer Leap trail), L. George Wild Forest (30 Apr-7 May) 2009
PSC hosts discussion panel with TI experts et al. on Swine flu (H1N1 flu) (1 May) 2009
FERC grants seasonal access to Au Sable Chasm for recreational paddling (1 May) 2009
Gov. Paterson signs exec. order phasing out state purchase of small-bottle drinking water (5 May) 2009
Gov. Paterson reports: 4 billion lbs. of water bottles are landfilled in NY each year (5 May) 2009
Gov. Paterson reports 450 M gal. of oil are used per year in transport of bottled water (5 May) 2009
Gov. Paterson reports US uses 17 M bar. of oil/y in manufacture of plastic water bottles 2009
APA requests ALJ O’Connell to reconvene all AC&R mediation parties in June (6 May) 2009
Congressmen McHugh and Arcuri restore funding for CASTNET and TIME/LTM (7 May) 2009
ORDA approves $5.5M North Creek Ski Bowl Interconnect project (8 May) 2009
U.S. Judge McAvoy ends Ethan Allen liability claims against Scarano Boat Builders (11 May) 2009
Saranac Lake village begins study of co-terminus boundaries with T. of Harrietstown (11 May) 2009
Clarkson University elects Mohawk Tribal Chief, James W. Ransom, to board of trustees 2009
APA approves expansion of T. of Ephratah granite mine from 13.4 a. to 93 a. (14 May) 2009
APA proposes reclassification of Lows Lake as wilderness as part of Five Ponds WA (14 May) 2009
GE begins Phase 1 of PCB removal from Hudson R. at Roger’s Island near Fort Edward (15 May) 2009
ALJ McClymonds declares Old Mountain Road (OMR) to be a North Elba/Keene town road 2009
DEC Comm. Grannis affirms Chief ALJ finding that OMR is a town road crossing the FP (19 May) 2009
DEC Comm. Grannis dismisses DEC enforcement proceeding against Jim McCulley (19 May) 2009
To date, the Towns of Keene and/or North Elba have not abandoned OMR (19 May) 2009
NYS senate passes (62-0) power line bill, National Grid; Stark Falls Res to Tupper L Vill 19 May) 2009
DEC issues revised proposed dam safety and inspection rules for public comment (20 May) 2009
FERC sustains denial of HRBRRD costing of power cos. below Conklingville dam (21 May) 2009

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High ground of northern Adirondacks is covered with white blanket of hail and snow (31 May) 2009
CBSA closes SIB at Cornwall I. when Haudenosaunee protest arming of border guards (31 May) 2009
GE Energy and WSI Corp. collaborate to forecast wind patterns for wind farms (May) 2009
Assemb. Teresa Sayward declines member items, i.e. ‘pork’ from NYS ‘09-‘10 budget (May) 2009
Lake Placid is among top 100 U.S. places to visit and live in The Great Towns of America 2009
River sludge processing plant and transportation facility (110 a.) at Fort Edward is ready (May) 2009
Pope Benedict moves RCC Bishop R.J. Cunningham from Ogdensburg Diocese to Syracuse (May) 2009
IP’s Ticonderoga mill furlough’s 600 workers for two weeks due to lack of orders (May) 2009
Champlain Memorial Lighthouse incl. plaque by A. Rodin, Crown Point, is restored (May) 2009
USFWS reports more than 10,000 breeding pairs of bald eagle in 48 continuous states (May) 2009
DEC proposes loosening its proposed ban on open burning for towns < pop. 20,000 (May) 2009
Sen. B. Little secures $100K to expand fiber-optic broadband system in T. of Keene (May) 2009
Maine now hosts some 500 breeding pairs of bald eagle, largest population in Northeast (May) 2009
Growing population of bald eagle in Maine impacts nesting sites of great cormorant (May) 2009
Threat to EPF is avoided and actual increase to $222M for current fiscal year occurs (May) 2009
A. Gargas et al. describe fungal pathogen Geomyces destructans as causal suspect of WNS (May) 2009
Flume Trail System, 8-mi. IMBA mountain biking network, opens in T. of Wilmington (May) 2009
SCJ Samuel Hester rules on ‘take’ of water from Hinckley Reservoir (May) 2009
Phil Brown canoes Shingle Shanty Br., long blocked by Brandreth Park Association (BPA) (May) 2009
Tri-Lakes electric project activates $30 M, 46 KV power line on FP in Colton-Tupper (May) 2009
HMBC Century Run records black vulture, Coragyps atratus, Crescent Dam, Mohawk R. (May) 2009
DHS Sec. J. Napolitano requires passports for U.S.-Canada movement per WHTI (1 Jun) 2009
USBSF inducts Eddie Eagan, Billy Fiske, Jennison Heaton & Wm. Napier into Hall of Fame (Jun) 2009
American Whitewater files legal challenge to FERC’s seasonal access at Au Sable Chasm (1 Jun) 2009
Pres. Obama nominates John McHugh (23rd Congressional Dist.) for Sec’ty of the Army (2 Jun) 2009
U.S. News & World Report identifies Glens Falls as among U.S. top ten housing markets (4 Jun) 2009
ANCA & AATV releases two-year study “Adirondack Park Regional Assessment Report” (6 Jun) 2009
Tom Yacovella lands record 21” brook trout weighing 5 lbs 4.5 oz, 15” girth, Raquette L. (7 Jun) 2009
CBP begins testing unmanned surveillance aircraft drones over St. Regis Mohawk Reserv. (8 Jun) 2009
Haudenosaunee partially reopen SIB at Cornwall I. (8 Jun) 2009

The Wall Street Journal features The Wild Center, Tupper Lake (9 Jun) 2009
AfPA receives $248,000 Johanson Family Endowment for Private Land Stewardship (9 Jun) 2009
AC threatens Saranac Lake Village with lawsuit over excessive salt in Lake Colby (10 Jun) 2009
Governor’s Office withdraws HRBRRD rule changes for Sacandaga Res. access permits (11 Jun) 2009
Mirror Lake Inn gets AAA Four Diamond Award of Distinction for 25th consecutive year (11 Jun) 2009
WHO declares Swine flu (H1N1) a pandemic (11 Jun) 2009
Analog television (TV) broadcasts cease in the U.S. (12 Jun) 2009
APA issues permit to Brandreth Park Association, Hamilton, Co., allowing 44 homes, etc. (12 Jun) 2009
AfPA challenges merits of APA permit for Brandreth Park Association construction (12 Jun) 2009
Science reports avg. water temp rise at Lake Baikal, Siberia, of 1.21 °C, 1946-2008 (12 Jun) 2009
Black swallow-wort, Cynanchum louiseae, now occurs upwind of Adks in Jefferson Co. (13 Jun) 2009
Pale swallow-wort, Cynanchum rossicum, now occurs upwind of Adks in Jefferson Co. (13 Jun) 2009
D. Heneka, Wehle St. Park manager, notes swallow-wort within 30 mi. radius of Adk park (13 Jun) 2009
Finch Paper creates a forestry consulting service: Finch Forest Management (15 Jun) 2009
Neal Andrews est. Refugees to Camp to send poor resettled refugee children to Adk summer camp 2009
Barkeater Trails Alliance (BETA) is formed to promote mountain biking in Tri-Lakes area 2009
Cornell Univ. scientists report finds EAB, Randolph, Cattaraugus County, NY (15 Jun) 2009
One federal advisory for the control of an estimated total population of the emerald ash borer suggests that all host trees, i.e. members of the genus *Fraxinus*, within a half mile of the infection site be destroyed. A DEC exercise sited for Putnam Pond State Campground approximated that thousands of trees, actually 63 thousand, would have to be destroyed to achieve the federal protocol. Given Article XIV how can this be legally done? How can any control method involving the destruction of trees on the Forest Preserve, even the building of fire breaks, be legally done without constitutional amendment? Judith Harper and Phil Brown highlight this dilemma in their article in *Adirondack Explorer* (November/December) 2009. A workshop or conference is needed to brainstorm this challenge. One source estimates that 50 to 80 million ash trees of the estimated 900 million population have been destroyed already.

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DEC issues consent order to Saranac Lake to cover or move its road sand/salt pile (17 Jun) 2009
Norman J. VanValkenburg speaks on life of Verplanck Colvin at CFFP, Niskayuna (17 Jun) 2009
DEC reports that EAB attacks all American species of ash: white, black, blue and green (17 Jun) 2009

In the northeast we may expect more frequent days with temperatures above 90 degrees; a longer growing season; increased frequency of heavy precipitation; less winter precipitation falling as snow and more falling as rain; a thinner snowpack; a reduced ski and snowboard season; greater use of water to make artificial snow; earlier breakup of ice on lakes and rivers; earlier spring snowmelt; earlier peak river flow; rising sea-surface temperatures; rising sea level.

U.S. Global Change Research Program Report (USCCRP)
Press Release, June 17, 2009

U.S. Dist. Court Judge Batts adjourns ‘bottle bill’ hearing so bottlers and NYS can talk (19 Jun) 2009
NY and VT sign agreement to repair or replace the Champlain Bridge (21 Jun) 2009
Eastman Kodak Co. announces the end of Kodachrome film production (22 Jun) 2009
M. McGrath reports late-blight infected commercial potato fields on Long Island (23 Jun) 2009
K. Perry, Cornell plant pathologist, finds tomato plants with late blight in Ithaca Lowe’s (23 Jun) 2009
Tomato plants with late blight are found in big-box stores across six Northeast states (23-24 Jun) 2009
AC&R developers withdraw from mediation and return to adjudicatory hearing track (23 Jun) 2009
Planning session re. AC&R following 21 mos. of mediation occurs at Wild Center (23 Jun) 2009
Court of Appeals ends reassessment suit against T. of H’town due to jurisdictional defect (24 Jun) 2009
Yellow-Yellow, HP black bear, makes NYT for ability to open ‘BearVault™ 500’ BRFC (24 Jul) 2009
NY App Div NYS Supreme Court denies dismissal of Hadlock Pond residents’ lawsuit (25 Jun) 2009
M. Wilson, LPHA, reports 3 sites of variable-leaf milfoil, *M. heterophyllum*, L. Placid (26 Jun) 2009
American Clean Air and Energy Security Act, HR 2454, (ACES) passes House 219-212 (26 Jun) 2009
Variable-leaf milfoil is now found in NE US incl. NY, MA, NY, ME, CT and VT (29 Jun) 2009
NYSM BRI closes in cost-saving effort canceling NE Natural History Conference of 2010 (30 Jun) 2009
E. Schuur, U. Fla., est. (Economist) 1.6 MT tons permafrost carbon, 3 X prior estimates (30 Jun) 2009
DEC will not authorize HRBBRD’s ‘exclusive use’ permits for shoreline at Sacandaga Res. (Jun) 2009
Brookfield Power Co. decides not to renew Hudson River Rafting Co. permit for Sacandaga River (Jun) 2009
Sunoco buys Northeast Biofuels Fulton plant for $8.5M & invests $25M to fix problems (Jun) 2009
Natural gas surpasses nuclear as single-largest source of electric power production in NYS (Jun) 2009
Sunspot region develops suggesting beginning of Solar Cycle 24 – and solar cooling (GCC) (Jun) 2009
TI partners with Health Research Inc. for commercializing its intellectual property (Jun) 2009


T. of St. Armand & Franklin stop selling hunting/fishing licenses for lack of interest/income (Jun) 2009

DEC et al. set 3,000 purple, prism-shaped baited-traps for emerald ash borer across Adks (Jun) 2009

HRBRRD receives $4.4M annually from 5 down-river municipalities and 30 hydro operators (Jun) 2009

Galerucella beetles are released, N. Elba’s Mill & Power Ponds, to control purple loosestrife (Jun) 2009

Mike Stavola paddles NFCT in his kayak from Old Forge, NY to Fort Kent, ME in 32 days (Jun) 2009

Federal Court and FERC determine that HRBRRD has no authority to assess hydro plants (Jun) 2009

National Grid drops law suit against HRBRRD regarding allocation of operating costs (Jun) 2009

AATV (and ANCA) release APRAP report profiling 103 Adk municipalities (Jun) 2009

DEC reports SPB in Cattaraugus Co., now one of 24 NYS counties hosting the species (Jun) 2009

NYS maple syrup production increased 10% to 362K gallons since 2008 (Jun) 2009

W. F. Porter, J. D. Erickson, R. S. Whaley (eds.) pub. *The Great Experiment In Conservation* (Jun) 2009

APA and DEC stop mowing lawns at their Ray Brook headquarters (Jun) 2009

USBER declares 19-month long major recession beginning December 2007 ended (Jun) 2009

AfPA, DEC propose Water Resources Protection Act to monitor–guide large volume use (Jun) 2009

Fort Covington dam on the Salmon River at Fort Covington is removed (Jun-Jul) 2009

The draining of the 1.3-hectare reservoir required only 25 hours and resulted in a lowering of the water level by 47 cm at the reservoir center (3.3 m at the dam). The rapid draining of the reservoir stranded, and subsequently killed, more than 3200 unionid mussels of eight species along the shorelines and in two adjacent ponds. Loss of shallow-water river habitat was estimated to be 30%, with a 66% loss of habitat in the ponds. The removal of the dam increased water velocity from 12 cm/s to 34 cm/s during low flow, and scoured sand deposits from the upstream riffle, shorelines, and sand bars that had formed in the reservoir. The volume of scoured sand deposited within the river five months after dam removal was estimated at 42,480 m$^3$, which covered 1097 m of the river bottom to a depth of up to 1.5 m. Continued scouring has resulted in deposition in downstream portions of the river, leaving steep-sided shorelines with unstable coarse sand as the primary mussel habitat. Dam removal has been utilized in restoring rivers to a more natural state, but can have unintended consequences. In this this case, the sudden reduction in the mussel population.


Oak Mountain Ski C. operated for 2nd year by Village of Speculator makes $30,000 profit (Jun) 2009

Girl Scouts of Northeastern New York does not open its Glens Falls Camp for the season 2009

Appellate court upholds dismissal of AfPA et al. lawsuit re. T. of Tupper Lake rezoning (2 Jul) 2009

Phil Brown writes in *Adk Explorer* about his May canoe trip on blocked Shingle Shanty Br. (Jul) 2009

Lake George Village sanitary sewer breaks spilling raw sewage into Lake George (5 Jul) 2009

Lake Placid Village Board closes village boat launch to reduce spread of Eurasian milfoil (6 Jul) 2009

Million-dollar Beach at south end of Lake George is closed due to sewage pollution (7 Jul) 2009

Yellow-Yellow, genius IQ black bear, opens BearVault to eat food cache, High Peaks, NYT (7 Jul) 2009

Late blight appears in NY incl Montgomery, Fulton, Saratoga, Albany counties (8 Jul) 2009

“Town of Brighton Smart Growth Plan” is completed by F.X. Browne, Inc. (9 Jul) 2009

US NSIDC reports ave. Arctic Ocean ice loss at 41,000 sq. miles per day for July (9 Jul) 2009

US NSIDC reports ice extent for Arctic Ocean at 2.6 M sq. miles (9 Jul) 2009

*Journal News* (Lower Hudson) reports earliest advent of late blight in regional history (10 Jul) 2009

Vermont Trans. restricts Champlain Bridge to one-way traffic and 40 ton weight limit (10 Jul) 2009
LGPC sends proposed stream protection rules for Lake George to GORR (Jul) 2009
All Lake George beaches reopen, except Shepard’s Park, after sewage pipe break (10 Jul) 2009
BioDiversity Inst. reports high levels of methylmercury at Dome Island, Lake George (Jul) 2009
Warrensburg Museum of Local History reopens after 5-yr renovation (11 Jul) 2009
Gov. Paterson signs law re. cold-weather boaters and wearing of PFDs, 1 Nov to 1 May (11 Jul) 2009
AfPA & RCPA members approve consolidation of their respective organizations (12:06 PM, 11 Jul) 2009
Hilary Smith, APIPP, ADE, notes presence of goutweed, Aegopodium podagraria, Adks (14 Jul) 2009
Resuspended sediments reach PCB thresholds in Hudson R. dredging project (15-16 Jul) 2009
Lewis Family Farm v. APA is widely recognized as test case for APA farm permitting (16 Jul) 2009
Appellate Court rules 5-to-0: APA has no jurisdiction over ‘agricultural structures’ in AP (16 Jul) 2009
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Barb Putnam, HMBC, observes brown pelican, Pelecanus occidentalis, at Fourth Lake (19 Jul) 2009
Pfizer purchase of Wyeth Pharmaceuticals is approved by stockholders at annual meeting (20 Jul) 2009
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Global Foundries breaks ground for $4.2 B computer chip factory, Malta and Stillwater (24 Jul) 2009
APA limits Fraker Mt. radio tower, Saratoga Co., to 88’ to serve Great Sacandaga Lake (24 Jul) 2009
Saratoga Co. awards $121,572 to ANS of Albany for radio tower at Great Sacandaga L. (24 Jul) 2009
Sunspot minimum extends to some 650 days, 150 days longer than usual 500 days (26 Jul) 2009
Gov. Paterson seeks federal aid for crop losses from late blight & cool, wet weather (27 Jul) 2009
NBC’s Today Show broadcasts live for 2 ½ hrs from The Sagamore (hotel) (27 Jul) 2009
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Clarkson University initiates Elmer Gates’s Adirondack Initiative for Wired Work (30 Jul) 2009
DEC & DAM restricts movement of wood in Chatauqua and Cattaraugus Cos. to slow EAB (Jul) 2009
Abundant moisture and cool temperatures foster outbreak of late blight in NE US (Jul) 2009
Saratoga Co. est. 185’ radio tower at Mt. McGregor prison to serve Moreau and Wilton (Jul) 2009
APA allows move of Graymont Materials to AWPBP, its first tenant since creation in 1999 (Jul) 2009
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BioDiversity Inst., ME, again finds very high Hg levels in birds and spiders of Dome I., L. Geo. 2009
ANCA appoints Gregory Hill as interim Executive Director (5 Aug) 2009
“Great Camp” Uncas, near Raquette Lake, is designated a National Historic Landmark (1 Aug) 2009
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Drew Haas runs N-P Trail unsupported from Northville to Lake Placid in 60.5 hours (2-4 Sep) 2009
AP reports on BP find of Tiber Prospect oil deposit at 40,000’ depth, Gulf of Mexico (3 Sep) 2009
Fire destroys Oscar’s Smokehouse, Warrensburg (4 Sep) 2009
NYSDEC approves statewide ban on open burning of residential waste (4 Sep) 2009
Joseph Herms continues to litigate re. demolition of 1,700 sq. ft. ‘boathouse’, Canada Lake (5 Sep) 2009
Fran Betters, renowned flyfisherman and guide, of Wilmington, dies (5 Sep) 2009
Press Republican reports finding of seal bones on shores of Lake Champlain (7 Sep) 2009
C. Delavale/J. Wellford hike Adk 46 in single push, unsupported, no caches, no cars (7-14 Sep) 2009
First annual Forever Wired (yes, not ‘Wild’) Conference is held at Clarkson University (8 Sep) 2009
CBS reports that archaeological studies will be done on disturbed Fort Edwards site (9 Sep) 2009
APA establishes a general permit for small-scale wind turbines (10 Sep) 2009
APA votes to classify western majority of Lows Lake as Wilderness, eastern part Primitive (11 Sep) 2009
APA approves Verizon and T-Mobile cell towers at North Hudson (11 Sep) 2009
Matthew Quirk drowns at Lake George (see Ethan Allen tourboat disaster) (12 Sep) 2009
Elizabethtown town council bans outdoor wood boilers (OWB) (15 Sep) 2009
U.S. Senate unanimously confirms John McHugh as Secretary of the Army (16 Sep) 2009
U.S. Dist. Court grants summary judgment to APA in Spiegel Fawn Ridge house suit (18 Sep) 2009
DEC arrests ten persons for poaching black bear (Ursus americanus) with bait-piles (18-26 Sep) 2009
ARISE cites APRAP to promote rejuvenation of Big Tupper Ski Center and AC&R (21 Sep) 2009
ANCA pub *Scenic Byways* travel brochure featuring ‘The Adirondack Trail’ (22 Sep) 2009
Protect the Adirondacks! is incorporated to effectuate consolidation of AfPA & RCPA (24 Sep) 2009
L. George Village and Town impose moratorium on connections to wastewater system (29 Sep) 2009
Foster Brook delta, Hulett’s Landing, L. George, $30,000 dredging removes 1,450 yd³ (30 Sep) 2009
Tuktoyaktuk, NW Territories reports major changes in biota as average temperatures rise (Sep) 2009
T. of Indian Lake fifth 6-mo. hydro study progress report on Indian L. dam due to FERC (Sep) 2009
NYSM scientists report eastern coyote cross-breeding with wolf and dog in NY (Sep) 2009
Bill McKibben’s International Day of Climate Action incl. 5200 actions in 181 nations (24 Oct) 2009
Pew Research Center poll of 1,500 shows that 57% think evidence is solid for warming (22 Oct) 2009
VT, NY close Champlain Bridge between Crown Point & Addison due to emergency (20, 22 Oct) 2009
FERC notifies T. Indian L. on overdue dam study and permit cancellation in 30 days (21 Oct) 2009
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Phil Brown pub article in *Adk Explorer* on BPA cable blockage of Shingle Shanty Brook (Oct) 2009
China releases liquid nitrogen in clouds over 60th-anniversary parade preventing rain (Oct) 2009
Judson Potter, BPA, contests Sierra Club demand re. Shingle Shanty Brook access (Oct) 2009
Town of Lake Pleasant, Hamilton Co., passes law re. introduction of aquatic invasive plants (Oct) 2009
LGPC team hand picks over 200,000 Eurasian milfoil plants in 7-week program at L. George (Oct)  
Cold-weather boaters in vessels less than 21 ft. long must wear PFDs 1 Nov to 1 May (1 Nov)  
Voters OK Art. XIV Sec. 1 ‘after-the-fact’ land swap for 46 kV power line along Rte 56 (2 Nov)  
VT and NY officials rush to est. ferry service between Addison, VT, and Crown Pt, NY (3 Nov)  
Constitutional Amendment referendum re. installed Colton power line appears on ballot (3 Nov)  

The amendment would allow the state to swap six acres of Forest Preserve land in Colton for 43 acres owned by National Grid in the towns of Piercefield and Clare. Approval of the land swap is the final step in a $30 million upgrade to the electric distribution system in the Tri-lakes, which includes construction of a new 23-mile electric transmission line to Tupper Lake, substation upgrades and other improvements.

Chris Knight  
Adirondack Daily Enterprise (Saranac Lake)  
21 October, 2009

AATV and ANCA pub Adirondack Park Regional Assessment Project, APRAP (8 Nov)  
APRAP reports ave. Adirondack age of nearly 43, compared to statewide ave. of 37.4 (8 Nov)  
APRAP reports Adk Park school enrollment has fallen 31% since 1970, an ave. of 328/y (8 Nov)  
APRAP reports Adk K-12 pop. at 13.5% of 132,000 total pop. versus 18% nationally (8 Nov)  
APRAP reports exodus of residents aged 20-35 and in-migration of those aged 35-65 (8 Nov)  
BBB takes effect adding 5-cent returnable deposit to water and sugar-free flavored water (8 Nov)  
See CO₂ levels at Mauna Loa: www.esrl.noaa.gov/gmd/ccgg/trends/ (9 Nov)  
NY/VT governors announce replacement of Champlain Bridge (9 Nov)  
Ticonderoga Ferry announces extension of operations into winter (14 Nov)  
APA approves revised DEC guidelines on snowmobile trail development in FP (13 Nov)  
J. Collins, Blue Mt. Lake, receives PROTECT’s Howard Zahniser Adirondack Award (14 Nov)  
SRMTC Chief James W. Ransom attends tribal-nations conference at White House (Nov)  
APA reclassifies Lows Lake and Hitchins Pond lands, but not the water or lakebeds (12 Nov)  
APA approves (10-1) a new snowmobile trail management plan (12 Nov)  
Moira man loading firewood is attacked by male WTD and is bruised from head to toe (13 Nov)  
DEC reverses Sep vote to vote against Lows L. status as Wilderness, Primitive or Canoe (13 Nov)  
APA after Governor’s rejection of Sept proposal provides new Lows L. class. proposal (16 Nov)  
Piper Cherokee airplane flies into south face of Santanoni Peak killing two (18 Nov)  
Gov. Paterson forms LCBEAP to aid businesses affected by closing Champlain Bridge (19 Nov)  
Stolen e-mails at British univ. get media coverage embarrassing GCC scientists (19 Nov)  
Under emergency declaration, APA approves temporary ferry plans at Crown Point (20 Nov)  
Low demand causes Valero Energy Corp, San Antonio, to close Delaware City refinery (20 Nov)  
Clarence Petty of Coreys, guide, pilot, Adirondack hero, age 104, dies (30 Nov)  
PROTECT receives Pearsall Adirondack Foundation grant for sustainable forestry project (Nov)  
Leroy Douglas sues AC and Brian Ruder for collusion in APA enforcement action (Nov)  
Patrick Hackett Hardware Co. files Chapter 11 bankruptcy (Nov)  
DEC replies to Sierra Club about its complaint on illegal blockage of Shingle Shanty Brook (Nov)  
NY apple growers have a bumper crop, prices fall and many apples remain unharvested (Nov)  
Adirondack Scenic Railroad, Lake Placid to Saranac Lake, becomes controversial in media (Nov)  
APA drops action re. Leroy Douglas, Silver Lake/Black Brook, after 3 yrs’ prosecution (Nov)  
Maple Task Force pub advisory on means of increasing maple syrup production in NY (Nov)  
NYS currently ranks 3rd nationally after VT and ME in production of maple syrup (Nov)  
C.L. Wigley, NCAR, for GCC web page: www.pewclimate.org/node/1081 (Nov)
Chesapeake Energy holds leases for natural gas drilling into the Marcellus shale in the Catskill Region but promises not to apply them because of the inevitable controversy. The 1,585 square mile watershed west of the Hudson R. basic to NYC’s watersupply for nine million people would be threatened says the DEC and NYCDEP. Some 3,000 to 6,000 wells would be involved involving thousands of acres of landfelling, millions of truck trips and other threats. Failure of water quality in the Catskill region would require ten billion dollars in water purification development none of which is extant at this time. We also suggest that problems with this source would reopen the issue of the Adirondacks as a major public drinking water resource. Events outside of the Adirondacks can indeed have impacts inside the Blue Line.

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DEC lists lands of Marion R. Carry, Hamilton Co., connecting Utowana L. and Marion R. as crucial 2009
DEC reports discovery of emerald ash borer in NYS 2009
Overcrowding (1,227 inmates versus rated capacity of 747) at FCI Ray Brook causes unrest 2009
Six Flags Great Escape, Lake George, files for bankruptcy 2009
NASA’s polar-observing satellite ICESat ceases operation; (ICESat-2 expected 2018) 2009
Transmission Developers, Inc., Toronto, proposes DC power line from Canada to Yonkers 2009

Transmission Developers, Inc. (TDI), of Toronto, Canada, proposes to build the $3.8 billion Champlain-Hudson PowerExpress Line for transport of 2,000 megawatts of DC power – enough power for two million homes - generated in Labrador 355 miles south to New York City. The four transmission cables would be buried in the bottom of Lake Champlain, the Champlain Canal and the Hudson R. for much of the way. Other sectors would use existing land-based rights-of-way. A side trunk would also supply power to Connecticut.

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Based on an article appearing in
The Daily Gazette (Schenectady, NY), 10 March, 2010

NYSM opens exhibit on mines and mining in the Adirondacks 2009
Mohawn Nation Council of Chiefs est. web page 2009
Xue-Jie et al, China, isolate virus causing Severe Fever with Thrombopenia Syndrome (SFTS) 2009
Talc mines of the western Adirondack region are now the most productive in the world 2009
DEC brings 187 charges against deerjackers in Regions 3, 4, 5 and 6 during hunting season 2009
USFWS funds ($993,000) Staying Connected to est. habitat linkages, e.g. Green and Adk Mts 2009
Cornell Cooperative Extension’s Community Garden movement flourishes in Adirondacks 2009
NYS DOT requests federal stimulus money ($26.8M) for high-speed rail Albany-Montreal 2009
Toilet paper and facial tissue represent five percent of U.S. papermaking industry 2009
Fulton County landfill takes in 21,114 tons of commercial waste for the year 2009
High Line and Wild Walk (truly exciting!) open at The Wild Center, Tupper Lake 2009
Clothes dryers now account for 5.8% of all U.S. residential electrical power consumption 2009
Deepwater Horizon drills to depth of 35,050’, deepest oil well in history of industry (Sep) 2009
NYS Canal System has 5 percent increase in traffic (Dec) 2009
Stewart’s Shops now owns and operates more than 300 shops in NYS 2009
Pres. Obama est. 3 national parks, 2 M acres of wilderness, over 1,000 miles of wild-scenic rivers 2009
SUNY Canton Office of Lifelong Learning offers course on casino management at Akwesasne 2009
Lacking funds, Cornell Coop. Ext. sells 17 a 4-H summer camp, Sacandaga Lake, opened 1945 2009
Heart of New Jersey Council’s Eagle Island Camp (Girl Scout) does not open for the season 2009
R. S. Morse and R. A. Daniels redescribe Catostomus utawana, the ‘summer sucker’ (Copeia 2) 2009
APRA notes that seventeen percent of Adirondack residents are older than 65 years (Jun) 2009
Abanakee Bridge maintenance, Indian Lake, is delayed by ARRA funding 2009
Some 10M tons of road salt are now spread annually on American roads, most in the northeast 2009
Clarkson Center for the Environment completes 3-year study of road salt impacts on Route 73 2009
Salmon River CS District est. web site: http://www.srk12.org/district/contactinformation.htm 2009
Fort Ticonderoga Assoc. now holds more than 2,000 a. of land and a major military collection 2009
Of $85M member items, Sen. Betty Little gets $184K, least in state, with >$60M going to NYC 2009
Use of BRFCs reduce annual bear encounters in EHPW to 65, down from 350 in 2004 2009
C. P. Dawson/J. C. Hendee pub Wilderness Management: Stewardship and Protection of Resources 2009
Shawn Glazier, Glazier Food Service, promotes a “buy local” program in northern Adks 2009
Adirondack residents are subject to some of the highest per capita tax rates in the state

Sherman’s Amusement Park, Caroga Lake, opened in 1921, closes

Senators Charles Schumer and Kirsten Gillibrand request funds for Northern Tier Expressway

The Northern Tier Expressway, aka Rooftop Highway, would approximate the current path of Route 11 running from Watertown to Rouses Point on Lake Champlain passing through Potsdam and Malone. The Development Authority of the North Country, based in Watertown, is a prominent proponent.

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DEC meets with BPA telling them that Shingle Shanty Brook is navigable-in-fact (Dec) 2009
DEC meets with BPA to propose 3-yr trial with Shingle Shanty Brook open to public use (Dec) 2009
Nancie Battaglia Adirondack Canoe Classic photo is in Sports Illustrated ‘Pictures of the Year’ 2009
New York state leads the U.S. in net domestic outmigration 2001 to 2008 2009
DEC reports state-wide harvest of black bear at 1,478. 2009
DEC et al. est Mohawk River Basin Action Agenda; Google this title for 30 page report 2009
NY Ocean and Great Lakes Ecosystem Council pub Our Waters, Our Communities, Our Future 2009
Taylor Mitchell, Toronto folk singer, is killed by coyotes, Cape Breton Highlands NP, Nova Scotia 2009
Lake Champlain bass tournaments bring $8M revenues to Clinton Co. 2009
Ohio State Univ. researchers note 4 attacks by coyotes on Denver residents beginning in 2008 2009
Hunters take 914 black bears in the Adks, 426 during ‘early’ season, 46 percent female 2009
Adirondack Regional Medical Home Pilot to redesign health care across AP is launched (1 Jan) 2010
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Lake Placid/Essex County Visitors Bureau is renamed ROOST (6 Jan) 2010
Hickory Ski Center, Warrensburg, opens under new ownership after closing in Spring ’05 (Jan) 2010
AC sues APA, DEC and OPRHP re. snowmobile trail management plan adopted Nov. (12 Jan) 2010
Gov. D. Paterson approves APA’s Lows Lake land classification recommendations (12 Jan) 2010
PROTECT and ADK sue APA to reclassify Lows Lake bed and waters as wilderness (12 Jan) 2010
NYSC denies Jos. Herms 2nd appeal to argue case re. “boathouse” on Canada Lake (12 Jan) 2010
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Huge ice jam forms on Salmon R., Fort Covington; 15 homes emptied with little damage (Jan-Mar) 2010
Town of Franklin abolishes its planning board (13 Jan) 2010
Adjudicatory hearings for AC&R are delayed while APA requested info is prepared (15 Jan) 2010
NYS/VT agree to build modified network tied arch bridge to replace Champlain Bridge (15 Jan) 2010
HRBRRD prepares to bill five Capital Region cos. $4 M to pay taxes and operating bills (15 Jan) 2010
Ramsfield Hospitality Finance gains controlling interest in Lake Placid Lodge (15 Jan) 2010
Tim Jones and representatives meet with Glen Bruening, counsel to Gov. D. Paterson (15 Jan) 2010
GE web report of Phase I, Hudson R. PCB dredging: www.hudsondredging.com (15 Jan) 2010
GE and EPA exchange reports on Phase 1, PCB dredging, Hudson R. (15 Jan) 2010
Gov. Paterson proposes closing VICs, several parks, and reducing Adk land purchases (19 Jan) 2010
Gov. Paterson proposes closing Moriah Shock Correctional Facility and 3 others (19 Jan) 2010
Public objection to camp memoval req. DEC and Heartwood Forestland Fund allow 1 a. plots 2010
DEC-Heartland amendment assigns 2,146 a parcel on Deer River, Franklin Co. to FP 2010
DEC-Heartland amendment assigns 515 a. parcel, outside of the Adk Park, Franklin Co. to FP 2010
NY continues purchase of conservation easement on 89,000 a. former Finch, Pruyn tract (21 Jan) 2010
Gov’s moratorium on FP additions results in “hold” on addition of 60,000 a TNC tract (22 Jan) 2010
Champlain Hudson Power Express, Inc. (CHPEI) applies to USDOE for presidential permit (25 Jan) 2010
K. Regan, APA, reports reclassification to “administrative” of 2.63 a. at Indian L. Dam (26 Jan) 2010
PBS releases documentary “Small Town, Big Dreams: Lake Placid's Olympic Story” (30-31 Jan) 2010
Hurricane season (Jun 1- Jan 31) ends; 9 storms, 5 hurricanes, none making US landfall (31 Jan) 2010
Betty Little and Teresa Sayward promote moratorium on additions to Adk FP (Jan) 2010
Planning proceeds to replace Batchellerville Br., Great Sacandaga L., 3,078’ long, est. 1930 (Jan) 2010
GE, EPA note Hudson R. dredging released PCBs 25X expected and 5X increase in fish (Jan) 2010
Center for Biological Diversity, NYSM, estimates 90% loss of bats for some NY colonies (Jan) 2010
John Maye, Howard Aubin, APLGRB, claim secret interaction of ANC and state, Post Star (Jan) 2010
Arizona, Idaho, Louisiana, Iowa propose closing natural park areas as cost-cutting measure (Jan) 2010
LIHEAP aid for ME falls 81%, VT 80$, NH 78%, Alaska 62%, compared to 2009 (Jan) 2010
Lake Placid Brewing Co. closes Plattsburgh plant; FX Matt Brewing makes & ships its beer (Jan) 2010
DEC and APA release interagency management guidelines for invasive species of Adk Park (Jan) 2010
Walt Ebell, Kodiak-Kenai Cable Co., plans underwater fiber cable from Tokyo to London (Jan) 2010
NASA reports the 1999-09 decade is 0.96 F above normal, the warmest on record (Jan) 2010
NOAA reports 2010 as the hottest year of record, the record being more than 130 years long (Jan) 2010
The 1932 and 1980 Olympic Bobsled track at Mt. van Hoevenberg is listed on NRHP (Feb) 2010
SCJ rules Lewis Family Farm can recover court costs from APA suit (from NYS taxpayers) (Feb) 2010
"Snowmageddon", Cat. 3 blizzard, cripples Atlantic Coast cities with loss of power, etc. (Feb) 2010
Friends of NY’s Environment make 100 visits to Assembly-Senate members re. budget (Feb) 2010
DEC workers apply 3 kinds of antifungal agents to c. 250 bats to control WNS mortality (Feb) 2010
Chris Rizzo Trucking Co., Gloversville, begins razing J. Herms ‘boathouse’ at Caroga L. (Feb) 2010
APA approves simulated 129’ white pine communication tower for Keene Valley hamlet (Feb) 2010
APA approves conversion of hotel to multifamily dwellings at Wilmington (Feb) 2010
Olympic Bobsled Run, Mt. Van Hoevenberg, is named to National Register of Historic Places (Feb) 2010
Concrete supports and steel I-beams of J. Herms “boathouse” at Caroga L. remain (Feb) 2010
The vast majority of conclusions in the IPCC are credible, have been through a very rigorous process and are absolutely state of the science, state of the art about what we know on the climate system.

Jane Lubchenco
Chief, NOAA

Gov. Paterson introduces legislation seeking to end DEC oversight of (Feb) 2010
Iceberg B9B, 60 mi. long, strikes Mertz Glacier Tongue forming 48-mi. long iceberg (Feb) 2010
NYS (motorcycle) Ice Championships are held at Lake George Winter Carnival (Feb) 2010
Spiegel v. APA for Fawn Ridge house goes to NYS Supreme Court, Warren Co. (Feb) 2010
D.L. Kelting, AWI, AdkAction.org, release report on use of road salt in Adk Park (18 Feb) 2010
OPRHP proposes 41 parks and 14 historic sites for closure in cost-cutting measure (19 Feb) 2010
OPRHP proposes abol. John Brown Farm Historic Site for closure in cost-cutting measure (19 Feb) 2010
Panel of 10, WMO, *Nature Geoscience*, predict fewer but more powerful cyclones (21 Feb) 2010
Public meeting on Hurricane Mt. Prim. Area draft UMP is held at Keene CS (25 Feb) 2010
Public meeting on Jay Mt. Wilderness draft UMP is held at Keene CS (25 Feb) 2010
Bill Demong, Vermontville, wins Olympic gold medal in LH Nordic combined (25 Feb) 2010
Jane Ferrigno, USGS, reports 50-year loss of 8,000 mi² of ice from west Antarctic peninsula (26 Feb) 2010
Two skiers survive avalanche on Wright Peak, High Peaks, after heavy snowfall (27 Feb) 2010
Extreme low temperatures in southeastern US diverts emergency home-heating $$ from NE (Feb) 2010
Extreme undulation of jet stream brings record cold to many sites in northern hemisphere (Feb) 2010
APA approves 80’ cell tower at Duane; but signal will not reach Rt. 30 or Meacham Lake PC (Feb) 2010
CLO et al. conduct 13th annual Great Backyard Bird Count, New Yorkers submit 5,715 lists (Feb) 2010
TNC assigns 3-year leases to hunting clubs formerly hosted by Finch, Pruyn Holding Co. (Feb) 2010
Dick Beamish, *Adirondack Explorer*, authors brief biography of Clarence Petty (Feb) 2010
Teresa Sayward, NYS assembly, convenes, for 1st time, Adirondack Legislators Caucus (1 Mar) 2010
Essex Co. joins Warren & Hamilton Cos. in appeal of APA’s shoreline and wetland regs (3 Mar) 2010
See web page for Franklin B. Hough: en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Franklin_B._Hough 2010
Golden Arrow Lakeside Resort receives 5 Green Leaf Rating from Audubon International (3 Mar) 2010
APA approves land-swap for top of Spruce Mt., S. Corinth, owned by Saratoga Co. to NYS (5 Mar) 2010
WNS is confirmed in western Maryland (5 Mar) 2010
Jim McCulley, DEC settle federal civil rights case for $58K, re. OMR prosecutions (5 Mar) 2010
David Gibson, PROTECT ED, is reassigned to role of Senior Conservation Advisor (6 Mar) 2010
Federal judge allows Ethan Allan case to proceed against Lake George Steamboat Co. (8 Mar) 2010
USDA notes pine shoot beetle in IL, IN, MD, ME, MI, NH, NY, OH, PA, VT, WI, WV (11 Mar) 2010
USDA notes that Scots pine is preferred host for pine shoot beetle (11 Mar) 2010
Google reports sighting of a black vulture just south of the Adirondacks (12 Mar) 2010
Open-burning ban takes effect in Adirondack communities < 20K pop. (15 Mar) 2010
Executive budget for DEC NPS is set at $63M, down from $127M of 2007-2008 (15 Mar) 2010
Comm. Pete Grannis plans loss of 380 DEC jobs through buy-outs, attrition and cuts (15 Mar) 2010
Comm. Pete Grannis reports Finch, Pruyn 93,000 a. Adk conservation easement signed (15 Mar) 2010
Stewart Udall, 90 yro, former Secretary of USDI, co-writer of the Wilderness Act, dies (20 Mar) 2010
PROTECT announces reorganization and downsizing of its staff (19 Mar) 2010
Small fissure eruption at Icelandic volcano Eyjafjallajokull breaks 189 yrs of dormancy (20-21 Mar) 2010
Tim Jones, APA settle 18-year dispute over 500 sq. ft. camp on Raquette River (23 Mar) 2010

After battling Tim Jones for nearly two decades, creating a paper record so voluminous the APA’a records officer said it would take him a month to review it, the agency declared that the cabin would have a minimal effect on the environment.

Will Doolittle
*Post Star* (Glens Falls, NY), 1 May ’10

Since April 2008, DEC has lost 326 staff and reduced its budget by $64M (Mar) 2010
Gov. Paterson proposed budget requires DEC cut 135 staff and lower $32M in spending (Mar) 2010
US DOT gives 4-yr contract to Cape Air for EAS at Adirondack Regional Airport (22 Mar) 2010
US DOT gives 2-yr contract to Colgan Air Inc. for EAS at Plattsburgh International AP (22 Mar) 2010
Cape Air offers 4th daily flight from Adirondack Regional Airport during summer months 2010
DEC announces closure of 7 PCs, incl. Caroga Lake PC, for summer of 2010 (23 Mar) 2010

The seven Adirondack public campgrounds, including day use areas, scheduled for closure by the DEC during the 2010 season are Caroga Lake, Town of Caroga, Fulton County; Tioga Point, Raquette Lake, Hamilton County; Sharp Bridge, North Hudson, Essex County; Taylor Pond, Long Lake, Hamilton County; Poplar Point, Arietta, Hamilton County; Hinckley Day Use Area, Russia, Herkimer County; Schroon Manor Day Use Area, Schroon, Essex County. These sites had occupancy rates ranging from 30 to 39% during 2009.

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Based on a DEC news release of 23 March, 2010

PROTECT expresses concern re. proposed legislation fostering maple sugaring on FP (23 Mar) 2010
EPA observes 2,000 ppt PCBs at Thompson I. causing Halfmoon to use Troy water (26 Mar) 2010
Fort Drum plans for military helicopter training flights to Mt. Washington (31 Mar) 2010

The 10th Mountain Division of the U.S. Army proposes 22 helicopter training missions per week in April and May from Fort Drum to the top of Mt. Washington, a one-way distance of 88 nautical miles using the Lake Placid airport as the primary refueling site. Four kinds of helicopters would be involved: AH-64 Apache, UH-60 Blackhawk, CH-47 Chinook cargo, and the OH-58D Kiowa Warrier. No ammunition would be carried. The noise generated by the flying helicopters would approximate that of a chain saw for a ground auditor. Mt. Washington is the only appropriate training site in New York State U.S. Army authorities claim. Public comment was accepted.

Based on an article appearing in the Press Republican (Plattsburgh, NY)
31 March, 2010

HRBRRD votes unanimously to bill 5 Capital Region counties $4.45M for flood control (30 Mar) 2010
HRBRRD denies appeals by five counties to avoid paying $4.45M bill (30 Mar) 2010
Monsanto is patent assignee for glyphosate as an antibiotic or antimicrobial (USP 7,721,736) 2010
Comptroller DiNapoli criticizes NYSDEC for slow implementation of EPF grants (31 Mar) 2010
USCCRP continues its web re. GCC: www.globalchange.gov/about/overview (Mar) 2010
DEC webs tent caterpillars and gypsy moth: www.dec.ny.gov/animals/7111.html (Mar) 2010
ACGA proposes the Adirondack Park as a special economic zone (Mar) 2010
Oscar Mayer Wienermobile supports NE Police Ski Championships at Whiteface Mtn (Mar) 2010
PSC rolls out Adirondack Woodsmen’s School for those interested in lumberjack sports (Mar) 2010
Georgia-Pacific (Plattsburgh) receives kudos for Quilted Northern Ultra Plush bath tissue (Mar) 2010
Leroy Douglas files U.S. suit against APA, AC for violating constitutional/civil rights (Mar) 2010
Ice-out at Lake Flower, Saranac Lake (2 Apr) 2010
Fred Dicker, New York Post, criticizes TNC and DEC for sale price for 20,000 a. to NYS (5 Apr) 2010
USGS reports decline of two more glaciers below 25 a. at Glacier NP, leaving 25 (7 Apr) 2010
AC sends Bucksaw T. Beaver (a.k.a. Bucky) to NYS capital to lobby for EPF (7 Apr) 2010
Mike Lynch, Adirondack Daily Enterprise, comments on 20,000 a. Lyon Mt. purchase (8 Apr) 2010
Ice-out at Lake Placid and Mirror Lake both occur on the same day, two minutes apart (8 Apr) 2010
NRDC reports 75% of US population has triclosan (from antimicrobial soap) in its urine (8 Apr) 2010
D.H. Gibson, PROTECT, responds to New York Post art. re. NYS purchase of 20,000 a. (9 Apr) 2010
Fred LeBrun, Times Union, comments on NYS purchase of 20,000 a. Lyon Mt. tract (11 Apr) 2010
WNS is found in Québec by Ministère des Ressources naturelles et de la Faune (MRNF) (12 Apr) 2010
Dow-Jones Industrial average closes above 11,000 2010
WCAX.com notes great decline in 5 of 8 bat species native to NH due to bat WNS (13 Apr) 2010
Icelandic volcano Eyjafjallajokull erupts 2nd time blasting ash and steam from its caldera (14 Apr) 2010
Airborne ash from volcano Eyjafjallajokull disrupts European air traffic for 6 days (15 Apr) 2010
Al Hicks, ESU, DEC, speaks at CFFP on native bats and the impacts of the WNS (14 Apr) 2010
Rep. T. Sayward convenes inaugural meeting of Adirondack Caucus at Chestertown (15 Apr) 2010
APA will explore legal means to keep fire towers on St. Regis Mtn and Hurricane Mtn (15 Apr) 2010
Adirondack Caucus holds inaugural public forum at Chestertown (15 Apr) 2010
DEC announces new fishing regulations to take effect on 1 Oct (15 Apr) 2010
NYS DOT delivers ‘temporary’ bridge from Saratoga Co. to N. Elba for Adk Loj Road (16 Apr) 2010
DEC plans to sell firewood at 7 Adk PCs to contain EAB & Asian long-horned beetle (16 Apr) 2010
Pres. B. Obama launches America’s Great Outdoors Initiative (16 Apr) 2010
Bill Elliott, Missouri State Department of Conservation, reports WNS in Pike Co. cave (19 Apr) 2010

Bat Conservation International reports that WNS, a fungal disease, has now killed some millions of bats in 11 states and two provinces of Canada. This source suggests that this number of bats would annually eat some 700,000 tons of insects, many of which are potential vectors of disease in man and other animals. Is there sufficient public concern about this problem?

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R. Miller, Newstimes.com, notes bat WNS loss at Mine Hill Preserve hibernaculum, CT (20 Apr) 2010
Deepwater Horizon explodes, Gulf of Mexico, killing 11, initiating conservation crisis (20 Apr) 2010
A. Larson, Republican-American, notes major bat WNS death in Litchfield cave, CT (21 Apr) 2010
U.S. Army, 10th Mtn Div., begins high altitude helicopter training on Whiteface Mtn (22 Apr) 2010
Deepwater Horizon, Gulf of Mexico, sinks beginning largest oil release in U.S. history (22 Apr) 2010
SUNY Potsdam presents Are the Adirondacks a Global Model? at its annual festival (22 Apr) 2010
PSC hosts Stihl Timbersports Northeast Collegiate Challenge, a.k.a. the Spring Meet (23-24 Apr) 2010
Fingerlakes Community College wins men’s championship at STCC at PSC by 7 pts (23-24 Apr) 2010
PSC wins women’s championship at STCC (Woodsmen’s Spring Meet) at PSC (23-24 Apr) 2010
PROTECT web: “Forever Wild”: New York’s Constitutional Mandates to Enhance the FP (Apr) 2010
Becky Manly, Times Tribune, reports on bat WNS seminar at Union College (26 Apr) 2010
Heavy snow damages incubation ponds at Essex Co. Fish Hatchery, electrocutes fish (27 Apr) 2010
Snowstorm dumps 17” heavy wet snow at Malone & northern Franklin/Clinton Cos. (27-28 Apr) 2010
AC&R developers present ‘minor’ changes to Tupper Lake Planning Board (28 Apr) 2010
AC&R proposes ROW taking on TNC road, Follensby tract, giving access to housing lots (28 Apr) 2010
Lake Placid Spirits issues 46 Peaks Vodka using local potatoes & Herkimer diamond filter (Apr) 2010
All studied NYS bat hibernacula now manifest bat WNS (Apr) 2010
ALAP and AWI now enroll 71 lakes in their assessment program (Apr) 2010
FCTP notes ridership is up 10% in first quarter of the year continuing previous trend (Apr) 2010
FCTP solicits Town of Franklin and Vermontville residents for desirability of bus service (Apr) 2010

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Severe frost following period of exceptional warmth causes bud and new foliage damage (1 May)

PROTECT initiates staff furloughs as a cost-cutting measure (1 May)

Beth Hill becomes ED of Fort Ticonderoga after tendentious departure of D. Westbrook (3 May)

DEC drops assistant ranger program due to NYS budget cuts (5 May)

DEC announces closure of two access roads to Moose River Plains Recreation Area (5 May)

ANCA’s Central Adirondack Trail Scenic Byway launches new theme and logo (5 May)

DOT opens construction bids to replace Batchellerville Bridge, Great Sacandaga Lake (6 May)

NCPR press release announces closure of many Adk roads in cost-cutting measure (6 May)

Hannaford Supermarkets announces siting of supermarket grocery store at Lake Placid (12 May)

Town of Franklin repeals its subdivision law (12 May)

APA approves new regulations for docks (14 May)

T. of Caroga and other supporters fund opening of DEC’s Caroga Lake Campground (15 May)

Al Hicks, ESU & DEC, speaks at APA regarding WNS and bats in NYS (15 May)

Adk Council/Town of Greig, Lewis Co, oppose extraction 288,000 gpd water for sale (13 May)

Chris Knight, Enterprise, reports forthcoming new maps and reports on the AC&R (13 May)

HRBRRD restores ‘exclusive use’ of Sacandaga Reservoir shoreline to permit holders (14 May)

APA approves new regulations for docks (14 May)

Press-Republican, Plattsburg, reports on Hurricane and St. Regis fire tower APA revue (14 May)

11 a. of Lake Luzerne is treated with herbicide triclopyr to control Eurasian water milfoil (17 May)

Paul Smiths College hosts forum on the impacts of road salt use in the Adirondack Park (17 May)

K. Strike and L. Duvall, PROTECT, review APRAP at 17th annual conference of ARC (20 May)

Detailed architectural plans for Adirondack Public Observatory, Tupper L., are released (24 May)

HRBRRD, running out of money, lays off 12 employees—half its staff (26 May)

NYS legislature reduces EPF by $78M to balance budget and keep state parks open (28 May)

M. Carr, TNC, issues news release on Tupper Lake’s action on Follensby Pond ROW (28 May)

M. Carr, TNC, reports on long-standing ROW agreement with Oval Wood Dish Corp. (28 May)

A Colorado company is given NTP to begin construction of new Champlain Bridge (29 May)

Forest fires affecting 200,000 a. near La Tuque, Que. reduce north Adk air quality (25 May)

Stephen Canaday, Albany, is swamped and drowned while canoeing in Lake George (31 May)

Lake Placid Lodge is sold to CR PL, LLC, a joint venture between Ramsfield (May)

Didymo, ‘rock snot’, is found in Kayaderossers Creek, near Middle Grove, Saratoga Co. (May)

SCJ Meyer gets Leroy Douglas suit against AC re. collusion and interference with APA (May)

TNC asks judicial intervention in AC&R taking of right-of-way from its Follensby tract (May)

DEC-APA propose shift of 15,000 a. of Moose River Plains WF to wilderness category (May)

Long Lake teams with Old Forge, Inlet & Indian L. to est. Great Adirondack Garage Sale (May)

ADK Glens Falls Chapter inaugurates ‘Winter Adirondack Fire Tower Challenge’ for hikers (May)

Curt Stager, M. Thill, TNC pub. report “Climate change in the Champlain Basin” (May)

T’s of Inlet and Indian Lake offer in-kind services to keep Moose River Plains roads open (May)

AE notes Asian clam at four sites with 4 a. area in L. George, only Adk infestations so far (May-Jun)

Adirondack Wild: Friends of the Forest Preserve (AWFFP) is organized (late May)

Acting SCJ Meyer denies APA enforcement action against Joe & Pat Zelanis, T. of Putnam (1 Jun)

David Gibson, Senior Conservation Advisor of PROTECT, and 22-year ED of AfPA resigns (1 Jun)

Adirondack Almanack reports that Saranac Lake has more art galleries (7) than bars (6) (8 Jun)

Saratoga County transfers ownership of Spruce Mt. summit to NYSDEC (8 Jun)

Boat operated by Donald Peltier, Queensbury, kills Peter Snyder in kayak at Lake George (9 Jun)

Sen. Neil Breslin and Assemb. Ron Conestrari introduce legislation to eliminate HRBRRD (9 Jun)

AC&R prompts ROW hearing on private road owned by TNC, Tupper Lake (10 Jun)

USDA reports NY maple syrup production at 312,000 gal. a fall of 30% from last year (10 Jun)

APA approves new boathouse rules to take effect in September (10 Jun)
APA exempts Lake George from new boathouse rules; LGPC rules will prevail (10 Jun) 2010
APA considers Hurricane Mt. Primitive Area UMP incl. evaluation of fire tower (10 Jun) 2010
APA considers Jay Mt. Wilderness Area UMP (10 Jun) 2010
APA considers Moose River Plains Wild Forest Revised UMP (10 Jun) 2010
Fulton Co. Dept. Solid Waste $6.5 M methane-to-electricity (1.6 MW) project begins (10 Jun) 2010
Construction of new Champlain bridge begins after groundbreaking ceremony (11 Jun) 2010
DEC tickets guardian of two boys, 13 and 14 years old, molesting loon nest at Sixth L. (12 Jun) 2010
Town of Lake George bans (effective 1 Sep) the use of phosphorus-based fertilizer (15 Jun) 2010
T. of Lake George bans (effective 1 Sep) any fertilizer within 20’ of streams and lakes (15 Jun) 2010
Liability allocations are announced for Hadlock Pond dam failure of 2005, Times Union (18 Jun) 2010
Cornell reports on presence of leek moth in Village of Canton, St. Lawrence Co. (18 Jun) 2010
FERC overrules NYSEG to allow whitewater paddling on 3.5 mi run in AuSable Chasm (18 Jun) 2010
NYSEG under orders from FERC opens AuSable Chasm for paddling (18 Jun) 2010
AuSable Chasm Company threatens paddlers with trespassing at AuSable Chasm (19 Jun) 2010
Wild boar (feral swine) are reported at Bear Swamp Rd, Peru, Clinton County (24 Jun) 2010
Center for Adirondack Biodiversity conducts all taxa ‘bioblitz’ at Follensby Pond (19 Jun) 2010
Sunoco’s Fulton, NY, ethanol plant produces first batch of corn-based ethanol (Jun) 2010
Peter Borrelli is appointed president of PROTECT at its board meeting, Blue Mtn Lake (19 Jun) 2010

The APA calls for public comment on its Draft Mermorandum of Understanding (DMOU) on the interaction of the DEC and the APA regarding the issuance of easements on private lands by the DEC. Recreational management planning is also covered under the APA Act’s Section 814 porcess – this covering land use management on private lands in the Adirondack Park by all state agencies. See the web for the DMOU.

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Excerpted from an APA news release
21 June, 2010

Spiny water flea is found in Stewarts Bridge Reservoir near Great Sacandaga Lake, Saratoga Co. 2010
NOAA adds 12 hours of lead time for hurricane watches and warnings, respectively 48 and 36 hours 2010
Spiny water flea is found in Sacandaga Lake near Speculator, Hamilton County 2010
U.S. Census shows 4,836 permanent residents in Hamilton County, down from 5,379 in 2000 2010
USDA Wildlife Services capture and kill 27 wild boar in Onondaga, Cortland & Tioga Cos. 2010
Earthquake, magnitude 5.0, 24 mi. north of Cumberland, ON shakes northern Adks (23 Jun) 2010
Adks feel 8 sec, 5.0 R scale earthquake, epicenter at Gatineau, Québec-Ontario (1:42 PM, 23 Jun) 2010
Shepard’s Park beach, Lake George, reopens after 2009 sewage pipe break (24 Jun) 2010
APA approves cell phone tower in Town of Long Lake (24 Jun) 2010
Adirondack Daily Enterprise reports SUNY ESF to take over APA’s VIC at Newcomb (25 Jun) 2010
NYS Senate votes to set 10-yr. statute of limitations on enforcement violations at APA (25 Jun) 2010
APA extends comment period to 2 Aug for Jessup River Wild Forest UMP amendment (26 Jun) 2010
AC and PROTECT direct Freedom of Information Law requests to ALGRB re. lobbying (29 Jun) 2010
Coyote attacks 3-year old girl in Rye, Westchester Co., NY (29 Jun) 2010
J. Collier, ADE, reports submission of revised AC&R application by M. Foxman (30 Jun) 2010
Edwin H. Ketchledge, age 85, SUNY-ESF, devoted Adirondack ecologist, dies Potsdam (30 Jun) 2010
Daniel Plumley, Dir. Conservat. Progr., resigns from PROTECT following staff restructuring (Jun) 2010
S. M. Young (editor), NYNHP, issues New York Rare Plant Status List: June 2010 (Jun) 2010
DEC reports 27 nesting peregrine pairs in Adirondacks (Jun) 2010
NYNHP webs a new list of rare NYS plants: www.nynhp.org (Jun) 2010
NOAA reports worldwide temperature in June was 61.1 F, 1.22 F higher than average (Jun) 2010
Hatchbrook Sportsman’s Club, aka Thomas Gang, Inc. plans FP land swap at Cathead Mt. (Jun) 2010
Sen. E. Little (S7957) and Assemb. P. Sayward (A11307) endorse Cathead Mt. land swap (Jun) 2010
Lake Placid Village drains Lower Mill Pond to replace two 75-year-old sewer pipes (Jun) 2010
WDT review of DEC records shows 24 complaints in ten years for OWB (Jun) 2010
NOAA reports Arctic sea ice cover at lowest extent since records began in 1979 (Jun) 2010
NOAA reports that temperatures have risen more than 4.5 °F for much of Arctic since 1970 (Jun) 2010
The Wild Center receives USDA grant for high-efficiency, wood-pellet-gasification boiler (Jun) 2010
Michael Foxman, AC&R, updates development proposal initiated six years earlier (Jun) 2010
El Nino causes warming Indian Ocean, SE Asian waters, Coral Triangle and coral bleaching (Jun) 2010
Of 74 Adk lakes with invasive species 53 have Eurasian milfoil, Adirondack Explorer (Jul/Aug) 2010
Patrol Hills at Saranac Lake, a proposed respite and reintegration center, holds forum (Jul) 2010
NYS Senate passes bill to stop DEC’s proposed OWB regs after stiff public opposition (1 Jul) 2010
APA statute of limitation bill sponsored by Assemblyman T. Sayward dies in Assembly (1 Jul) 2010
APA transfers Visitor Interpretive Center (VIC) assets at Newcomb to SUNY-ESF (1 Jul) 2010
Two coyotes engage in evening attack on 6-y old girl in Rye, Westchester Co., NY (2 Jul) 2010
Gazette reports on est. of aquatic plants, Rogers I., Hudson R., following PCB dredging (5 Jul) 2010
Cornell Cooperative Extension presents a web page on the leek moth (7 Jul) 2010
EAB now appears in 14 states incl. Cattaraugus Co. (8 Jul) 2010
EAB distribution is webbed at www.emeraldashborer.info/files/MultiState_EABpos.pdf (8 Jul) 2010
UK refuses Iroquois Nationals to FIL World Lacrosse Tournament citing old passports (9 Jul) 2010
Richard J. Carota, long-term CEO, Finch, Pruyn & Co., dies, Ellis Hospital, Schenectady (10 Jul) 2010
AC presents Adirondack Harvest with its Conservationist of the Year Award (10 Jul) 2010
Judge Richard C. Giardina, NYSSC, declares bulk of J. Herms’ performance bond spent (12 Jul) 2010
DEC finds major EAB infestation in City of Kingston on west side of Hudson River (15 Jul) 2010
U.S.A. 10th Mtn Div. says Whiteface helicopter training will not impact Bicknell’s thrush (Jul) 2010
Burlington TV reports Paul Smith’s College take-over of Paul Smith’s VIC of APA (c. 20 Jul) 2010
Youth molests five swimming loons at Tupper L. with personal (unregistered) watercraft (21 Jul) 2010
Severe storm wrecks houses, floods streets, hail destroys crops at Bangor and Malone (21 Jul) 2010

There is a well-established EAB infestation in northern Ulster Co. that likely extends into Greene Co. We have evidence for infestations at 19 sites including towns of Saugerties, Ulster, Kingston, Woodstock, and Hurley. Hundreds of trees have been attacked with the epicenter near Ruby, midway between Kingston and Saugerties, Ulster Co. One site is in the FP.

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Excerpted from a DEC report

Deepwater Horizon oil spill is capped after release of c. 4.9 M barrels at great expense (15 Jul) 2010
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City, state and federal agencies join in effort to reduce eastern Canada goose population (23 Jul) 2010
The Canada goose population of the 17 states of the Atlantic Fly is now estimated at some one million birds, far in excess of the carrying capacity of the region. New York state and other agencies, federal and local, will participate in a massive culling program coordinated by the USDA. The resident Canada goose population of NYS is now estimated at 250,000 birds some 170,000 of which are planned for removal.

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Based on NY Times article of 23 July, 2010

Grimditch family, d.b.a. Happy Hill LLC, builds 2 boathouses on L. Placid w/o town permits 2010
Grimditch family violates stop-work order issued by T. of N. Elba code enforcement officer 2010
ADA is revised: state/local gov’ts must make ‘reasonable modifications’ for the disabled (23 Jul) 2010
Joe Hackett, Adk Daily Enterprise, reports on revival of Veteran’s Mt. Camp, Tupper L. (31 Jul) 2010
G.W. Bush vacations at Harlan Crow’s Camp Topridge, Upper St. Regis Lake (31 Jul-1 Aug) 2010
T. of Ticonderoga applies for herbicide permit to control Eurasian milfoil at Eagle Lake (Jul) 2010
Steve Chorvas, Esopus Pond Nature Preserve, Saugerties, Hudson Valley, finds larvae of EAB (Jul) 2010
Travel & Leisure ranks Whiteface Lodge tops among Northeast US and Canada resorts (Jul) 2010
Aquatic Invasive Management hand-pulls 38 ton of Eurasian milfoil from Chateaugay Lake (Jul) 2010
DEC staff paddle Shingle Shanty Brook at Brandreth Park Association’s invitation (Jul) 2010
Heat wave results in record NYS use of electricity at 17,312 gigawatts-hours (Jul) 2010
Nat. Geogr. rep prolonged, wide-spread record breaking heat-wave killing 10,860 in Moscow (Jul) 2010
Gov. D. Paterson signs bill lowering phosphorus to 0.3% by weight for dishwashing detergents (Jul) 2010
Gov. D. Paterson signs bill lowering phosphorus to 0.67% by weight for lawn fertilizer (Jul) 2010
Canal schooner Lois McClure, L. Champlain, makes Erie and Champlain Canals tour (Jul-Aug) 2010
President and Mrs. George W. Bush visit Harlan Crow at Camp Topridge (31 Jul-1 Aug) 2010
Fulton Co. landfill operators seek approval to receive 20,000 tons of out-of-county waste (2 Aug) 2010
Tornadic winds hit Lewis, Essex Co (3 Aug) 2010
Chazy River floods Ellenburg and Altona, Clinton Co., causing great damage (4 Aug) 2010
Jerry Jenkins, botanist, naturalist, photographer receives AM’s Harold K. Hochschild Award (4 Aug) 2010
Officials gather at Batchellerville Br. to open construction of new $46.6 M structure (3 Aug) 2010
Gov. David Paterson declares August to be NYS Forest Pest Awareness Month (3 Aug) 2010
Congressmen B. Owens and D. Cardoza meet 20-some Adk farmers to discuss farm issues (5 Aug) 2010
Satellite records calving of Petermann Glacier, NW Greenland, to yield 100 mi² iceberg (5 Aug) 2010
DEC further reports presence of EAB in FP of Catskills, possibly introduced with firewood (5 Aug) 2010
CHC holds 2nd annual Arts & Reintegration Retreat for women veterans at WHH (9-11 Aug) 2010
Adirondack Forum on Invasive Species is scheduled at PSC, hosted by APRISM (10-11 Aug) 2010
Gov. Patterson signs Census Adjustment Act assigning inmate residency to home address (11 Aug) 2010
Gov. Paterson family and friends raft Hudson River with Beaver Brook Outfitters (14-15 Aug) 2010
NYS Dishwater Detergent and Nutrient Law becomes effective (14 Aug) 2010
Dennis Murphy, 35 y.o., falls 200’ to his death from Upper Washbowl Cliff, Giant WA (16 Aug) 2010
ARISE and AC&R hold meeting to update Tupper L. residents on development efforts (18 Aug) 2010
Michael Clark is selected to head HRBRRD upon retirement of Glen LaFave (18 Aug) 2010
A rare meeting of Haudenosaunee traditional and elected chiefs is held to respond to cigarette tax 2010
Haudenosaunee traditional and elected chiefs come to consensus re. NYS cigarette tax (18 Aug) 2010
Haudenosaunee protest NYS cigarette tax policy (18 Aug) 2010

What's wrong with a Jewish man egging on a black man to shoot an Indian?
Oren R. Lyons Jr.
Odato, James M., “Tribes protest change,”
APA approves wind monitoring mast at Benson Mines, Town of Clifton, St. Law. Co. (19 Aug) 2010
Veterans’s group files federal suit against APA, DEC for floatplane access to Adk lakes (23 Aug) 2010
Maynard Baker & others sue DEC, APA et al. on floatplane ban under ADA (23 Aug) 2010
DEC, DOT, APA hold public meeting to develop TCUMP for State Route 3 (24 Aug) 2010
BPA votes against DEC proposal to open Shingle Shanty Brook to public access (Aug) 2010
OPRHP tells NCS to store in perpetuity old window sashes replaced for energy efficiency (Aug) 2010
ESFPA urges members to stifle NYSDEC rule protecting habitat of ‘endangered species’ (Aug) 2010
HRRC sends kids, counselors downriver w/ too small rafts, too few guides, no food/drink (10 Aug) 2010
BMSB is now found in much of the NE, Mid-Atlantic, Upper Mid-West and several western states 2010
Jeremy Farrell of DFWI finds Asian clam, Corbicula fluminea, in southwestern Lake George (Aug) 2010
Conservationist notes presence of rock-snot for Kayaderoseras Ck., tributary to Saratoga L. (Aug) 2010
Conservationist reports EAB in 13 states, two Canadian provinces, killing 70 M trees in US (Aug) 2010
SCJ Muller finds Arthur and Margaret Spiegel in contempt of court over Fawn Ridge house (Aug) 2010
Frick, Pollock, Hicks et al. say bat WNS will extirpate little brown bat from NE US, Science (Aug) 2010
DEC announces cessation of trash pickup on Lake George’s islands to save $92.5K (Aug) 2010
Gov. D. Paterson vetos two global warming bills in favor of Climate Action Council plan (Aug) 2010
Town of Lake George bans phosphorus lawn fertilizers to reduce algal growth in lake (1 Sep) 2010
PROTECT launches Greensheet to reach members/constituents quickly and at low cost (9 Sep) 2010
Owner and guide of Hudson River Rafting Co. are charged with endangering clients (14 Sep) 2010
Families of Ethan Allen victims settle lawsuit with Lake George Steamboat Company (23 Sep) 2010
DEC authorizes use of crossbows for 2011-12 big game hunting season (17 Sep) 2010
DEC tells BPA that Shingle Shanty Brook is legally navigable and must be opened to public (Sep) 2010
Great Adirondack Moose Festival, a.k.a. Moosefest, is inaugurated at Indian Lake (18-19 Sep) 2010
Relief well for Deepwater Horizon is completed resulting in “official sealing” of the well (19 Sep) 2010

But what possible relevance can the explosion and consequences of the 20 April, 2010, Deepwater Horizon explosion have to the Adirondack Park? It has stimulated greater concern for the environmental impacts of big industry on distant targets. How does big coal shape the Adirondacks? How has mining in Sudbury, Canada, impacted the Adirondacks? How has big shipping and world trade modified the biota of the Great Lakes and surrounding lands? What other industries are present in our region that could have significant influence on the Adirondack Park and are regulatory laws in place and being enforced? The Park is not an island unto itself.

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National Pesticide Information Center (NPIC) reviews glyphosate (Sep) 2010
USDA rep glyphosate-based herbicides are now applied at more than 2 lbs/acre for GM crops 2010
NYS maple syrup now sells for about $40 per gallon 2010
R. Greenberg and M. Matsuoka, The Condor,112(4), report >90% decline in the rusty blackbird 2010
Proctor Maple Research C., VT, reports earlier sap flow (7 d) and cessation (10 d) than in 1960s 2010
Low-income Home Energy Assistance Progr. reports annual heating oil cost in ME at $2.5-3.5K 2010
DEC webs Adirondack Fire Towers at www.dec.ny.gov/lands/62283.html 2010
APA’s new regulations regarding boathouses and boat docks take effect (21 Sep) 2010

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Citing role of the recession, Adirondack Museum closes its store in Lake Placid (23 Sep) 2010

Chris Amato, DEC, affirms Shingle Shanty Brook public access to Wm. C. Whitney WA (24 Sep) 2010

L. Champlain Comm. notes summer 2010 $1.4M control effort for Asian clam, L. Tahoe (24 Sep) 2010

PROTECT executes staff ramp-down plan as a cost cutting measure (27 Sep) 2010

St. Regis Mohawk get $0.642M grant to upgrade public computer center at Akwesasne (27 Sep) 2010

CBN Connect $39M grant for optical fiber broadband across 6 Adk counties is denied (27 Sep) 2010

SCJ M.C. Lynch denies dismissal of ADK and PROTECT, in the matter of Lows Lake (28 Sep) 2010

SCJ G.W. Connolly tossing AC snowmobile trail maintenance suit against APA and DEC (Sep) 2010

EANY notes that DEC will have downsized from 3775 in 2007 to 2926 by end of 2010 (30 Sep) 2010

DEC loses 260 employees through early retirement incentive (30 Sep) 2010

Ward B. Stone, Peter Nye, Alan Hicks et al. retire from NYSDEC (30 Sep) 2010

NYS DAM extends ban on movement of ash trees to sixteen additional counties (Sep) 2010

DEC estimates NYS moose population at 800 animals, most animals in the Adirondack region (Sep) 2010

Study committee recommends Village of Corinth not be dissolved (Sep) 2010

TNC chapters of Adirondacks, Vermont pub Climate Change in the Champlain Basin (Sep) 2010

TNC chapters of Adirondacks, Vermont web GCC: www.nature.org/champlainclimatereport (Sep) 2010

Tupper L. jury awards easement to AC&R across 400’ strip of TNC land with $10,000 comp. (Sep) 2010

Round goby is now found in Erie Canal at Rochester (Sep) 2010

Vishnu Chaturvedi, NYS DOH, identify various compounds as effective against WNS in the lab (Sep) 2010

Ticonderoga Cartoon Museum relocates to Pittsburgh ToonSeum, Pittsburgh, PA (Sep) 2010

Adirondack Explorer reports on merger of AfPA and RCPA to form Protect the Adirondacks! (Sep) 2010

David Gibson et al. report on formation of Adirondack Wild in Adirondack Explorer (Sep) 2010

Adirondack Wild adopts Adirondack Wildernerss Stewardship Training Pogram as est by AfPA (Sep) 2010

Tom Kalinowski pub. Adirondack Nature Notes: An Adirondack Almanac Sequel (1 Oct) 2010

Most scientists are underwhelmed by reports of fungus-virus combination cause for CCD(Oct) 2010

Local interests persuade DEC to add $3 to L. George Island camping fees for trash pickup (Oct) 2010

DFWI begins installing benthic barriers against Asian clams at L. George (8 Oct) 2010

US DOT requests 2nd round of bids for EAS at Watertown, Massena and Ogdensburg (8 Oct) 2010

Trudeau Institute promotes Dr. Edward J. Pearce to chief scientific officer (8 Oct) 2010

APA recommends Hurricane Mt. and St. Regis Mt. fire towers be declared historic/saved (14 Oct) 2010

Jake Swamp, SRM sub-Chief, elder statesman, ambassador, spiritual leader, dies, age 68 (15 Oct) 2010

D. Gibson, Adirondack Wild, urges removal of Hurricane and St. Regis Mt. fire towers (16 Oct) 2010

Gov. Paterson fires DEC Commissioner Pete Grannis over memo leaked to press (21 Oct) 2010

Thomas Julian Reiss, oldest son Julian and Daisy Margaret Reiss, dies Saranac Village (21 Oct) 2010

Lori Severino, DEC, reports controlled killing of 25 double-crested cormorants, L. George (Oct) 2010

M.W. Lankester rep. meningeal worm is most credible explanation for moose declines (Oct) 2010

Some one-thousand double-crested cormorant, a fish-eating diving bird, now inhabit Lake Champlain. And now the species has spread into Lake George. They roost on smaller islands causing, by means of their acid guano, death of the hosting trees and general disruption of island ecosystems. Populations of Lake Ontario have been judged excessive initiating DEC control by means of gun and the oiling of eggs. We wonder what the natural controls were/are for the species.

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Excerpted from recent DEC reports

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Gov. David Paterson assigns Newcomb and Paul Smiths VICs to new management (31 Dec)

IP announces razing of Hudson R. paper mill, Corinth, on 300 a. site, once employing 1,000 (Dec)

With lower CO2 emissions, RGGI fails to sell devalued cap and trade permits in Sep and Dec (Dec)

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Peak raccoon prices per pelt of past fall from $50-60 to $8-14 (Dec)

Michaels and Oko report on failings of EPA monitoring of safety of Hudson R. PCB dredging (Dec)

NYS buys conservation easements on 89,000 a. of former Finch, Pruyn land from ANC for FP (Dec)

P. Cunningham of HRRC is indicted on 5 charges for two incidents in August (27 Oct)

Gov. Paterson names Peter M. Iwanowicz Acting Commissioner of the DEC (28 Oct)

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Clarkson University opens Adirondack Business Center in Saranac Lake (30 Oct)

Hallie Bond, PSC, announces new degree program in natural resources sustainability (Oct)

J. Feeley, Franklin Co. Mgr., shows NYS mandates constitute 124% of county tax levies (Oct)

Comptroller DiNapoli reports that NYS personal income falls for the first time in 70 years (Oct)

NYS cities, counties and authorities est. $200B of health benefits for their beneficiaries (Oct)

EPA approves ethanol/gasoline blends up to fifteen percent (E15) for certain vehicles (Oct)

DEC issues revised proposed regulations for OWB after public hearings (Oct)

USPS closes Keene Valley Post Office (1 Nov)

NYSERDA pub. ClimAID draft report “Responding to Climate Change in New York State” (1 Nov)

APA, DEC accept GEIS for Proposed State Land Management Action, Moose R. Plains (6 Nov)

BMC Biology webs on WNS: www.bimedcentral.com/1741-7007/6/135 (11 Nov)

Gov. Paterson releases (GCC) NYS Climate Action Plan Interim Report (13 Nov)

BPA and Friends of Thayer Lake sue Phil Brown for trespassing on Shingle Shanty Brook (15 Nov)

NYS SCAD overturns SCJ Samuel Hester’s ‘take’ decision for waters of Hinckley Res. (15 Nov)

Empire State Games (summer, winter, physically challenged, senior) are cancelled (17 Nov)

P. Cunningham of HRRC pleads not guilty on 5 charges of imperiling clients (17 Nov)

Lake George Asian Clam Rapid Response Task Force is formed (17 Nov)

US Army, Fort Drum, halts pursuit of MOU with DEC and APA for military training on FP (Nov)

OPRHP awards $250,000 to T. Wilmington to restore stone ‘castle’ at top of Whiteface Mt. (Nov)

Jury finds D. Peltier, defendent in L. George kayak death of P. Snyder, in ROW violation (Nov)

Chuck Dente, DEC, estimates 800 moose to now live in NYS, 90% in Adirondacks (Nov)

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Mountain lion is seen at Lake George, as reported in October NYS Conservationist (Dec) 2010
USFWS declares extinction of wild eastern panther – despite genetic work by Culver et al. (Dec) 2010

There is currently no physical evidence documenting the continued existence of a population of wild eastern mountain lion.

USFWS, December, 2010

2010 ties with 2005 for warmest year of record (NOAA 58.12° F) affirming continued GCC (Dec) 2010
DEC assigns 11,513 trapping licenses for year to local residents (Dec) 2010
LI power plant records 2 days with sea-water temp >68° F from 1976 to-date, see 2014 (GCC) 2010
Hudson River Rafting Co. drops membership in Hudson River Professional Outfitters Association 2010
Beginning in 1958 NYS heavy precipitation has risen 70% 2010
US Census counts NYS prison inmates as residents of the towns of the prisons of confinement 2010
NYS law declares prison inmates shall be counted as residents of their home communities 2010
Curt Austin, Chestertown, opens discussion NLI to convert North Ck-Tahawas RR to recreation trail 2010
Jerry Jenkins pub. Climate Change in the Adirondacks: The Path to Sustainability, Cornell Univ. Pr. 2010
US DOE proposes 2 GW power cable Quebec to NYC via L. Champlain, Hudson R. and LI Sound 2010
Iowa Pacific Holdings (RR) of Chicago opens Saratoga & North Creek RR Line 2010
DEC discontinues trout stocking 545 a. Lower Chateaugay L. – depriving introduced northern pike! 2010
DEC halts trout stocking 2,594 a. Upper Chateaugay L. – depriving introduced northern pike! 2010
Federal court and Cinergy (Duke Energy) Corp. settle providing funds for air-pollution remediation 2010
Chris Navitsky, LGW, reports anaerobic “dead zone” in Caldwell Basin, vic. Tea Island, L. George 2010
FLG and Lake George Waterkeeper report on northern snakehead fish for Lake George 2010
DEC estimates Adk WTD population at sixty to eighty thousand, 2nd largest of record 2010
Warren Co. ends sponsorship of short-run RR train between N. Ck. and Riparius, begun 1999 2010
Conservation groups focus on regulating development of Adirondack ridges, slopes and hilltops 2010
FLG sues successfully Bolton Planning Board for plan approval for 3 large homes, Pinnacle ridge 2010
27th Americade motorcycle tour convenes at L George paying $72,000 DEC facility fee 2010
NYS biofuel producers of biodiesel or ethanol are eligible for tax credit of $0.15 per gallon 2010
Peter Hornbeck is denied APA board appointment due to affiliation with environmental groups 2010
SCIR rules against Dean Pohl seeking permit to build hotel-restaurant, Raquette L. 2010
APLGRB votes unanimously to urge Gov. Cuomo to halt acquis. of Follensby P. tract for FP (Jan) 2011
Franklin Co. Legislature urges Gov. Cuomo to halt acquis. of Follensby P. tract for FP (Jan) 2011
Joe Martens is appointed Acting Commissioner of DEC replacing Peter Iwanowicz (20 Jan) 2011
Post office in hamlet of Sabael burns and will not be replaced (28 Jan) 2011
OSI sells 1,921 a. of former Camp Little Notch property to Meadowsend Timberlands Ltd. (28 Jan) 2011
PBS airs Mother Nature’s Child, 57 min, featuring work of Richard Louv, Brother Yusuf, et al. (Jan)2011
TI declares intent to remain in Saranac Lake despite strategic plan to leave (3 Feb) 2011
ARRA funding ends, TI research revenues drop 25%, much belt-tightening ensues (Feb) 2011
Massive ice jam on Salmon R. at Fort Covington breaks free without flood or damage (Feb) 2011
DEC begins consolidating dispatch units to Albany to use radio-over-Internet technology (Feb) 2011
Brandreth Park Association files revised complaint in Shingle Shanty Brook case (2 Feb) 2011
Islamic Circle of North America acquires 116 a. former Girl Scout Camp, L. Luzerne (10 Feb) 2011
Tupper L. Town Board passes resolution supporting AC&R and critical of delaying tactics (16 Feb) 2011
PSC permits 115-KV National Grid power line 33 mi. long from Spier Falls to Rotterdam (17 Feb) 2011
Locally funded Empire State Winter Games are held in Lake Placid region (25-27 Feb) 2011
Heavy rains cause floods, with wet snow covering Adks, with up to 30” in Franklin Co. (6-7 Mar) 2011
NYS Senate confirms Joe Martens as NYSDEC Commissioner (8 Mar) 2011
Earthquake (9.0 mag.) off east coast of Japan causes major tsunami, death and land damage (11 Mar) 2011
APA reviews 220 hunting/fishing camps on former Champion Paper land, 3 Adk Park Cos. (Mar) 2011
US Census Bureau reports increase of nearly 19,000 for population of Saratoga Co. (24 Mar) 2011
US Census Bureau reports decline in population for most Adk Park demographic units (24 Mar) 2011
ADK approves formation of Northville-Placid Chapter, its 27th, with focus on NPT (26 Mar) 2011
Paul B. Hai, SUNY ESF, announces Adirondack Residential Semester, HWF (28 Mar) 2011
USFWS again declares eastern mountain lion “extinct,” i.e. not regionally “extirpated” (28 Mar) 2011
Ameriade, DEC, Warren Co., agree on new deal to rent state facilities at Lake George (29 Mar) 2011
APA permits five-lot subdivision plan of Dean and Donna Pohl on Marion R. Carry (Mar) 2011
APA adjudicatory hearings for AC&R, Tupper Lake, stage 1, are completed (22-24 Mar) 2011
T. Queensbury holds public hearing on septic tank use for 120 residences, Rockhurst Penn (23 Mar) 2011
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Indeed, the Asian clam may become one of the more serious invasive species for the waters of the Adirondack Park. Reaching the size and form of a cherry tomato this filter-feeding mollusk may prosper to depths exceeding 200 feet to form colonies with a density of 1,500 individuals per square meter. Its ability to both filter feed and to surface feed by means of its foot make it a most competent competitor for space and nutrients and therefore a potent concentrator of nutrients fostering bacterial and algal growth. It may burrow to a depth of five or more inches and thus remain unseen to the casual observer. It is used as bait and as a human food, the probable explanation for its rapid dispersal.

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APA proposes standards for smokestack capture (91%) of mercury (Mar) 2011
James A. (Jim) Goodwin, legendary Adk guide, climber, trail builder, historian, dies (7 Apr) 2011
NYSDEC issues emergency rule allowing sale of non-certified OWB until 14 Jul (14 Apr) 2011
NYS auctions minimum-security prison Camp Gabriels 2nd time; again, there are no takers (28 Apr) 2011
Hannaford supermarket opens in Lake Placid (16 Apr) 2011
Heavy rains in Raquette R. watershed result in 500 year flood in Tupper Lake vill (22 Apr-2 May) 2011
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Michae, herpetologist, identifies 11 species of frog and salamander at AC&R site (25 Apr) 2011
Heavy rains, snow melt cause states of emergency in Franklin, Clinton, Essex Cos. (27 Apr) 2011
Flooding, Essex Co, closes 70 roads, washes out 2 bridges, causes $5M damage on roads (28 Apr) 2011
Flood discharge USGS gage, Fort Edward, 48,800 cfs, 31.34 ft (29 Apr) 2011
Stephen Young *et al.* found Adirondack Botanical Society (ABS), Raybrook, NY (30 Apr) 2011
LGACRRTF places >5 a. benthic mats on bottom of L. George to smother Asian clams (Apr-May) 2011
Heavy rains, snow melt fill Sacandaga Reservoir to record level of 774.5 feet (1 May) 2011
Hamilton Co. DA re-instates reckless endangerment charges against P. Cunningham, HRRC (3 May) 2011
L. Champlain flooding forces evacuation of 200 Plattsburgh residents (3-6 May) 2011
L. Champlain flooding halts CP Rail, Whitehall, Champlain br. construction, Crown Pt (3-6 May) 2011
Mary Thill, AE, notes spring rains increased Lake Champlain surface area by 66 square miles (May) 2011
Lake Champlain level reaches record 103.2 feet, 10 a.m. (6 May) 2011
I had a guy from the state (New York) tell me this is the slowest disaster he’s ever seen.
Eric Day
Clinton County Emergency Services Director

APA approves 74 cell tower permits since 2008; 74 towers were approved 1973 to 2008 (May) 2011
C. Morrison *et al.* meet with C. Amato *et al.*, DEC, Heartwood easement, Camp Gabriels (11 May) 2011
P. Cunningham of HRRC is re-indicted on charges of reckless endangerment (19 May) 2011
J. Martens, DEC, reports 664,000 a. FP conservation easements acquired in last 15 yrs (20 May) 2011
SCJ Thomas McNamara issues injunction blocking sale of non-certified OWB (24 May) 2011
Heavy rain causes landslide expanding existing slides near Whiteface Ski Center (27 May) 2011
Intense rains, >10 in/hr, cause floods, washouts and road closures across Warren Co. (28 May) 2011
Intense rains destroy T. of Thurman roads and bridges, damage exceeds $7M (28 May) 2011
Andrew Kozlowsky, NYSM geologist, AE, describes 82 a. landslide, Little Porter Mt, Keene (May) 2011
EANY/Amer. Lung Assoc. sue NYSDEC to stop extension of sale of non-certified OWB (May) 2011
AJES (PSC) goes on line: [www.AJES.org](http://www.AJES.org) (May) 2011
Tropical storms Irene/Lee severely damage Guy Park Manor, Old Fort Johnson, Amsterdam (May) 2011
Slow-motion 82 a. landslide at Little Porter Mt affects 4 properties in Adrian’s Acres (May-Jun) 2011
ORDA unveils new convention center at Mount van Hoevenberg (21 Jun) 2011
ORDA declines opportunity to host world cup biathlon event due to budgetary uncertainties 2011
Relocation of Myriad RBM & Active Motif biotechs to Saranac L. village is announced (30 Jun) 2011
Great Scandaga Lake reaches record 774.4’ asl, exceeding spillway height to cause flooding (Jun) 2011
NY App Div rules *Ethan Allen* victims’ families can sue NYS for costs (14 Jul) 2011
Adirondack Health is organized as parent organization of Tri-Lakes health providers (21 Jul) 2011
Male mountain lion is killed by car in CT, this animal reported from L. George area in 2001 2011
Eric Rhoads initiates PleinAir Magazine Publishers Invitational Adk ‘paintcation’ at Paul Smiths 2011
SCJ M.C. Lynch rules that 2,600 acres of Lows Lake is correctly classified as wilderness (18 Aug) 2011
NYSDEC and APA pursue appeal of SCJ Lynch ruling classifying Lows Lake as wilderness (Aug) 2011
Seidl & Klepeis (Colgate U.) pub. alien earthworm introduction study at Huntington Forest (1 Sep) 2011
S.B. Lewis accepts $71,690.28 from NYS for court costs of Lewis Family Farm v. APA (9 Jun) 2011
DNA of male, 140 lb. mountain lion killed by car Milford, Ct., indicates N. Dakota origin (11 Jun) 2011
Federal funding is approved for 21 upstate counties for 26 Apr–8 May flooding (11 Jun) 2011
Long Lake Central School graduating class consists of one student (Jun)  
ACF inoculates hybrid chestnut trees with blight fungus with 20% showing strong resistance (Jun)  
IP begins demolition of its Hudson River Mill buildings, Corinth (Jun)  
J. Vandenbarg, USDA, releases wasps attacking EAB lavae, Ulster, Greene, Cattaraugus Cos. (Jun)  
NYSDEC opens Scaroon Manor Public Campground accessible to people of all abilities (24 Jun)  
Air National Guard plans Adk flight of unmanned MQ-9 Reapers, 36’ length, 66’ wingspan (Jun)  
LGACRRTF removes benthic mats from beaches in front of L. George resorts (late Jun)  
Dr. Mariette Anne LaBastille dies of Alzheimer’s disease, Plattsburgh (1 Jul)  
Reuters reports on major landslide in the Adirondacks (4 Jul)  
EPA finalizes Cross-State Air Pollution Rule (CSAPR) impacting Adk NO\textsubscript{x} and SO\textsubscript{2} levels (6 Jul)  
DEC enforces Adk firewood quarantine with highway checkpoints and issuance of tickets (8 Jul)  
Lake Placid Lodge is ranked 1\textsuperscript{st} in NE & NYS, 6\textsuperscript{th} in US as ‘America’s Best Mountain Resort’ (Jul)  
‘Affordable Housing’ revision to APA Act is signed allowing ‘smart housing’ near hamlets (15 Jul)  
Glens Falls Hospital adds heliport at its Emergency Care Center (Jul)  
Asian clams are found in Lake George’s Boon Bay by divers retained to harvest milfoil (15 Jul)  
DEC starts eradication effort when landowners find 18 wild boar ‘grazing’ in Clinton Co. cornfield (Jul)  
Dick Beamish, Adirondack Explorer, reports presence of giant hogweed in Essex Co. (Jul)  
Giant hogweed, Heraclium mantegassianum, confirmed at L. Champlain Co. dock, Essex (17 Jul)  
CBN Connect gets funds for broadband ring for Adk-Champlain Telemedicine Network (18 Jul)  
Saranac Lake Veterans Administration clinic opens; ribbon-cutting ceremony is held 8 Sep (19 Jul)  
Saratoga & North Creek Railway makes inaugural run from North Creek to Saratoga Springs (Jul)  
Adirondack Futures Project is initiated at CGA Meeting, Long Lake (Jul)  
LGPC sends proposed stream protection rules for Lake George to Governor’s office for review (Jul)  
Brian Houseal (Adk Council) endorses highy conditional permit for the AC&R in AE article (Jul)  
USPS proposes closure of 15 post offices within the Adirondack North Country (Jul)  
Gov. A. Cuomo launches NCREDC to stimulate economic development in Adks (28 Jul)  
DEC accepts FEIS on Independence R. Wild Forest UMP Amendment (3 Aug)  
Asian clams are found in Lake George at Diamond Point and Bolton Landing (5 Aug)  
APA issues non-jurisdictional go-ahead for underground segments of ACTION broadband (10 Aug)  
U.S. Senators Charles Schumer and Kirsten Gillibrand visit Tri-Lakes area together (13 Aug)  
SCJ Lynch rules APA Act/APSLMP require APA to classify State-owned water bodies (15 Aug)  
FEMA denies extension of disaster dates for Franklin, Essex, Clinton Cos. spring flooding (Aug)  
FHA awards ANCA $1.2M to est. Olympic Byway Lake Placid Recreation Path (Aug)  
Rick Karlin, Times Union, reports on sighting of wild boar in Washington Co., Adks (13 Aug)  
Rick Karlin, Times Union, reports some twenty NY preserves hosting wild boar hunting (13 Aug)  
David Vanderzee, Easton View game farm, Washington Co., currently hosts boar hunting (13 Aug)  
Albany SCJ Lynch affirms wilderness classification of Low’s Lake and Bog River Flow (15 Aug)  
Gov. Cuomo signs law requiring water use exceeding 100,000 gpd to have DEC permit (16 Aug)  

The new law (Chapters 400-402, Laws of 2011) mandates that operators of power plants, golf courses, snow-making facilities, mining operations, oil and gas production facilities, water bottlers and other commercial and industrial entities seeking to withdraw more than 100,000 gallons-a-day must first secure a Department of Environmental Conservation permit.
Gov. Cuomo signs law requiring valid hunting tags on all black bear parts offered for sale (18 Aug) 2011
PSC AWI receives $300K grant from US EPA to combat aquatic invasive species (19 Aug) 2011
*Adirondack Almanack* notes that air guns may now be used in harvest of small game (19 Aug) 2011
*Adirondack Almanack* notes that CWD containment area has been decommissioned (19 Aug) 2011
*Adirondack Almanack* notes tagging-sealing of beaver pelts in NY is no longer required (19 Aug) 2011
“Hip Hop for Rip Rap” benefit for Dome Island, L. George, is held at Bolton Landing (20 Aug) 2011
Idea for NYS Mesonet weather network is formed at UAlbany after TS Irene and Lee 2011
Henry L. Diamond is presented with lifetime achievement award from US Dept. of Interior 2011
Earthquake, mag. 3.4, strikes Brandon, southern Franklin County, 1:14 pm (24 Aug) 2011
NYSDOH pub. *Adirondack Region: Health Advice of Eating Fish You Catch*, including a map (Aug) 2011

Regarding the edibility of fish caught in the AP: A map of 63 major water bodies of the AP is presented, each lake numbered. Women under 50 years of age and children under 15 are advised not to eat any fish taken from these waters. Men over 15 and women over 50 years of age are advised to eat a limited number of fish as specified for each water body. Commonly, one fish per meal per month of the named fish species is suggested. Methyl mercury is the prime pollutant of concern. Fourteen species of fish are considered, six of which are senior predators, bioconcentrators, and thus especially dangerous to eat: largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, northern pike, walleye, pickerel, yellow perch of 10 inches in length.

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Center arch of new Champlain Bridge, 1.8 million lbs, is lifted into place at Crown Point (26 Aug) 2011
Gov. Cuomo orders pre-emptive siting of emergency forces for oncoming TS Irene (26 Aug) 2011
Tropical Storm Irene hammers eastern Adirondacks and Vermont with heavy rains, wind (28 Aug) 2011
Deaths ravage St. Huberts, Keene Valley, Keene, Upper Jay, Jay, Au Sable Forks, Altona (28 Aug) 2011
Over 100 roads and bridges are washed out in Essex and Clinton Counties (28 Aug) 2011
State highways, Routes 73, 86, 9N are closed due to missing bridges, washouts (28 Aug-8 Sept) 2011
Missing bridges trap hikers, guests, residents at Adk Loj, JBL, The Garden (28 Aug-7 Sep) 2011
Bridge across Marcy Dam and sluice gatws are swept away by stormwaters of TS Irene (28 Aug) 2011
Dam at the Duck Hole is breached by stormwaters of TS Irene (28 Aug) 2011
Flooding severely damages Rivermede Farm, Keene Valley; Snowslip Farm, North Elba (28 Aug) 2011
Essex County, Town of North Elba declare states of emergency (28 Aug) 2011
Landslides occur on many High Peaks with most occurring in the Great Range (28 Aug) 2011
Beaver Dam fails in Gull Pond Preserve, T. of Putnam, threatening blue heron rookery (28 Aug) 2011
Lake Champlain water level rises 24 inches in 55 hrs (28-31 Aug) 2011
DEC closes High Peaks & Giant Mtn WAs due to trail & bridge washouts (28 Aug-8 Sep) 2011
DEC closes Dix Mountain WA due to trail & bridge washouts & Rte 73 closure (28 Aug-8 Sep) 2011
Tropical storm Irene causes major flood damage on the Mohawk River watershed (29 Aug) 2011
Gov. Cuomo suspends APA, DEC permitting rules for rebuilding & repairs in Adks (30 Aug) 2011
Canal Corporation closes Erie and Champlain Canals due to damage from Tropical Storm Irene 2011
Gov. Cuomo requests Feds to speed up federal aid to recover $1B damages from TS Irene (30 Aug) 2011
ARTA is formed to promote removal of rails and ties from L. Placid to Tupper Lake (30 Aug) 2011
Curtis (Curt) Stiles resigns as chair of the APA (11 member) board (Aug) 2011
Pres. Obama declares major disaster in 21 NY counties freeing up FEMA funds (31 Aug) 2011
FEMA declares Essex, Clinton and Warren Cos. eligible for individual assistance funds (31 Aug) 2011
Gov. Cuomo starts ‘Labor for your Neighbor’ drive to inspire volunteers to help flood victims (Aug) 2011
Essex Co. declares more than 100 homes on Lake Champlain uninhabitable (Aug) 2011
Tropical depression Lee drops 2-4” of rain on Mohawk R. watershed causing devastation (4-5 Sep) 2011
Gov. Cuomo personally volunteers to help clean up flood damage in Keene (5 Sep) 2011
Mary Esch, AP, cites G. Batcheller, DEC, est. of NY wild boar population at “hundreds” (5 Sep) 2011
Gov. Cuomo et al. announce DOT’s reopening of Route 73, three days early (12 Sep) 2011
Jim Beil finds healthy colony of English white oak, Quercus robur, in Pharaoh Lake WA (12 Sep) 2011
T. Queensbury T. Board passes law restricting fertilizer use on lands adjacent Lake George (12 Sep) 2011
IP donates former Hudson River Mill administration building to T. of Corinth for museum (15 Sep) 2011
US military jets fly mission-critical flights over the Adks daily (15 Sep) 2011
SCI Feldstein agrees to ACOD, with conditions, charges against P. Cunningham for 6 mos (21 Sep) 2011
Shoreline Cruises, Ethan Allen's insurance co., is charged with fraud & money laundering (23 Sep) 2011
Canoes-kayaks (1,925) form a colorful “Hope” raft, Fourth L, in support of cancer research (24 Sep) 2011
Adk Wild, Ausable (sic) River Assoc, AC raise concerns re. dredging of Adk rivers/streams (25 Sep) 2011
DEC hosts Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) conference re. CO2 cap and trade (26 Sep) 2011
Hickory Ski Center, Warrensburg, completes upgrades to lodge, grooming and lifts 2011
Mount Pisgah, Saranac Lake, replaces old T-bar lift with new T-bar ski lift 2011
PROTECT sells its CFFP, Paul Schaefer’s former Niskayuna home, to Union College (28 Sep) 2011
PROTECT places the Adirondack Research Library on permanent loan to Union College (28 Sep) 2011
20 conservation organizations appeal Gov. Cuomo’s waiving DEC & APA permitting rules (28 Sep) 2011
AWFFP appeals to Gov. Cuomo to reinstate permitting for storm-impacted stream care (30 Sep) 2011
Moncada Energy Group, Italy, seeks to buy 85 a. at IP site, Corinth, to build solar panels (Sep) 2011
Canal Flood Mitigation Task Force appointed 2007 by NYS legislature has yet to meet (Sep) 2011
Michael Farrell, USMR&EFS, begins consulting on commercialization of maple water (sap) (Fall) 2011
Lewis Family Farm receives USDA certification for grass-fed, organic beef cattle (1 Oct) 2011
High Falls Gorge reopens after completing major repairs of TS Irene damage (1 Oct) 2011
Adirondack Council pub 26th annual State of the Park report (4 Oct) 2011
Adirondack Council notes that APA lacks chair and eight gubernatorial appointees (4 Oct) 2011
Adirondack Council notes that APA staff has declined from 70 to 52 (4 Oct) 2011
WAMC (Albany, NY) goes live in Lake Placid area at 88.7 Mhz FM (Oct) 2011
Two girders, each c. 100’ long, arrive for $46.6 M rebuilding of Batchellerville Bridge (4 Oct) 2011
Road repairs following Tropical Storm Irene allow Adirondack fall foliage leaf peeping (6 Oct) 2011
Press Republican notes 20 a. of variable-leaved watermilfoil in S. Bay, L. Champlain (14 Oct) 2011
Dr. S. Smiley et al., TI, pub. FXI-targeted therapeutics for listeria & sepsis-causing bacteria (17 Oct) 2011
Iowa Pacific Holdings (SNCR) petitions STB to reopen Tahawus rail line to Tahawus mine (25 Oct) 2011
Nature defines pathogen of white-nose syndrome of bats as fungus Geomyces destructans (26 Oct) 2011
Milwaukee Journal Sentinel notes death of some two million North American bats by WNS (26 Oct) 2011
28th Americade motorcycle tour attracting thousands to L. George to pay $50,000 DEC fee (26 Oct) 2011
Population of Hamilton Co. (1,717.4 mi²) is 4,836 down from 5,379 in 2000, drop of 10.1% (27 Oct) 2011
US Census data for all Adk counties: quickfacts.census.gov/qfd/states/36/36041.htm (27 Oct) 2011
Salim B. ‘Sandy’ Lewis, Lewis Family Farm, proposes a slaughterhouse inside Blue Line (27 Oct) 2011
NY App Div says T. of Fort Ann is liable for damages at Hadlock Dam (28 Oct) 2011
Saranac Lake Community Store, a locally-owned department store, opens in Saranac Lake (29 Oct) 2011
Gazette notes AT&T activation of 8 cell towers serving L. George, N’way, rural Fulton Co. (31 Oct) 2011
Gazette notes AT&T mobile band tower up grades at L. Placid, Lyons Falls, Mineville etc (31 Oct) 2011
Fall color development in NE US is occurring several days later than >20 years ago (Oct) 2011

Yes, peak fall color is occurring later than in the past. Studies at the federal Hubbard Brook Experimental Forest, Woodstock, NH, indicate the delay to be two to five days when compared to 20 years ago. John O’Keefe of the Harvard Forest, 65 miles west of Boston, reports the delay to be about three days later relative to 20 years ago. NASA Goddard Flight Center researchers, using satellite imagery, suggest the 2008 green season to be about 6½ days later than in 1982. Fall foliage expeditions will have to adjust in the Adirondacks and elsewhere.
Shift of inspectors from agric. products to terrorism after 9/11 results in increase of exotics (Oct)
Tim Barnett, Adirondack Nature Conservancy, notes that ANC has preserved 575,000 a. (Oct)
R.A. Michaels, Saratogian, challenges EPA oversight of PCB storm transport in Hudson R. (3 Nov)
Champlain Bridge at Crown Pt. officially opens with a 1929 Pierce Arrow leading the way (7 Nov)
Flatiron Constructors gets $1.1M bonus for opening Champlain Bridge ahead of schedule (7 Nov)
Gov. Cuomo appoints APA Commissioner Leilani (Lani) Crafts Ulrich APA Chair (9 Nov)
Gov. Cuomo nominates Sherman Craig as APA commissioner (9 Nov)
Erie Canal reopens allowing boats stranded by T.S. Irene damage to travel (20 Nov)
Kubricky Construction, T. of Fort Ann, argue breach of contract before SCJ D. Krogmann (22 Nov)
USDE reports global CO₂ emission for 2010 at 564 M tons, 6% increase over 2009 (Nov)
Arthur and Margaret Spiegel dismantle their Fawn Ridge house to satisfy court order (Nov)
T. Kalinowski proposes bats L. noctivagans, L. borealis & L. cinereus are not waning in Adks (Nov)
Adk senators resist change of prison populations providing employment for their constituents (Nov)
SCJ Devine decides prison inmates will be counted as residents of their home communities (1 Dec)
Staff of NY Mine Kill State Park (650 a.), Schoharie Co., report presence of HWA (3 Dec)
Gov. A. Cuomo appoints R. Stegemann as director of DEC Region V to replace Betsy Lowe (7 Dec)
US Dist. Judge G. Sharpe rejects NYS request to dismiss M. Baker suit re. float plane ban (8 Dec)
EPA and GE announce 25% increase in Hudson River PCB dredging goals for 2012 (8 Dec)
NCREDC is awarded $103.2M in state funds for economic development within Adk Park (8 Dec)
Ed Ellis, Iowa Pacific Holdings, Chicago, Times Union, notes 3 M tons of tailings, Tahawus (8 Dec)
Ed Ellis, IPH, Times Union, suggests use of Tahawus tailings as road aggregate, rare earths (8 Dec)
Times Union reports NL Industries of Dallas as owner of 1,200 acre Tahawus mine tract (8 Dec)
TI, UAlbany receive $1M from NYS for a biotechnology research program (9 Dec)
Champlain Islands CBC yields record 28,305 TI, UAlbany receives $1M from NYS for a biotechnology research program (9 Dec)
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Kubricky Construction, T. of Fort Ann, settle on amount owed for Hadlock Dam failure (27 Dec)
Snow train reincarnation (SNCR) makes inaugural run from Saratoga to North Creek (30 Dec)
Milda Burns greets Frederica ‘Freddie’ Anderson at snow train station, same as in 1934 (30 Dec)
Court of Claims decides NYS must pay $25 million to settle SWN suit with Tyco Electronics (Dec)
EPA finalizes control standards for coal-fired power plants release of mercuty and other toxics (Dec)
Roland Kays, curator of mammals, departs NYSM for NCSU after recent SED decisions (Dec)
Asian carp, despite federal management and control plans, are spreading from Mississippi River (Dec)
C. Rosenzweig, et al. pub. Responding to climate change in New York State: the ClimAid . . .
USFWS proposes removal of federal protection for wolves in NE US, with NYSDEC opposing (Dec)
C. Dawson et al., ESF, survey Adk trail use: 90% white, 3% Hispanic, 2% Asian, <1% Afro Amer. (Dec)
Mark Whitmore, Cornell U., reports balsam woolly adelgid widespread in NYS (Dec)
NYS pays $75,613,492 in taxes for 3,416,190 a. of FP land in the Adirondacks for this year (Dec)
Gore Mt. Ski Resort, North Ck., installs 160 high-capacity snow guns and new towers (Dec)
Union College ARL continues long-term care of John Apperson and Paul Schaefer papers (Dec)
Jean Rikhoff pub Earth, Air, Fire and Water: A Memoir (Dec)
Gore Mt. opens “Hudson Chair” connecting with North Creek Ski Bowl, Litle Gore Mt. (Dec)
Massachusetts County Checklist, rep. crested late-summer mint, Elsholtzia ciliata, for 5 counties (Dec)
H.H. Kim, et al., Experimental Biology and Medicine rep on crested late-summer mint therapy (Dec)
DEC discontinues stocking of Atlantic salmon and wild lake trout, 1,606 acre Chazy Lake (Dec)
Adirondack Center for Writing gives Jean Rikhoff award for Earth, Air, Fire and Water: A Memoir (Dec)
DOC reports that some 19% of all NYS prison inmates are confined in Adirondack prisons (Dec)
NSFHWAR rep increase of women engaged from 1.2 M in 2006 to 1.5 M, a 25% increase (Dec)
Professor John Hafernik of San Francisco State College, and President of the California Academy of Science, discovered, in 2008, larvae of the phorid fly, *Apacephalus borealis*, in a collection of honey bees serving as food for a preying mantis. Follow-up work indicates that infected bees leave the hive at night to gather around lights and wander aimlessly before death. Hafernik’s study team has found 77% of hives in the vicinity of SFSC to have infected bees. Thus far the flies have been detected as infecting honey bees in California and South Dakota, but the seasonal movement of bees for commercial pollination from east to west and back suggests expansion of the parasite. We wonder why the parasite has not been detected already in regions being impacted by CCD, if this indeed is the cause of CCD. We also wonder why it has taken Professor Hafernik so long to report (by press release on 3 January, 2012) on his important findings.

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APA reworks the AC&R permit to make it more amenable to APA commissioners (18 Jan) 2012
APA, 10-1, approves M. Foxman’s project, Adirondack Club & Resort, at Tupper Lake (20 Jan) 2012

Remember what APA permitted in January: 706 residential units, 332 buildings, 39 large “great camps,” 15 miles of new roads, sewer, water and electric lines, fences and posted signs spread across 6200 mostly undeveloped forest acres—75% of which is in the most protected private land classification in the park, Resource Management.

David Gibson
*Adirondack Almanack*, 15 March 2012

Plattsburgh allows passage of huge wind turbine parts from CP Rail yard via its roads (22 Jan) 2012
Tupper Lake town-village joint planning board begin review of AC&R application (25 Jan) 2012
DEC issues bobcat mgmt. plan expanding hunting-trapping, Dec 10 – Feb 15, for review (24 Jan) 2012
DEC est NY bobcat population at 5,000 with 400 to 500 taken annually in hunting-trapping (24 Jan) 2012
USDA revises garden zone maps in light of global warming – last revised in 1990 (25 Jan) 2012
DG reports USFWS (and state agencies) estimate 55.7-6.7M bat WNS deaths to date (30 Jan) 2012
Altona Wind Farm turbine catches fire but is too high for local fire fighters to extinguish (28 Jan) 2012
Demolition of 300+ a. IP site in Corinth continues on schedule; (Jan) 2012
East Anglia Climate Research Unit, London, using data 30,000 stations denies 15 y warming (Jan) 2012
USDA issues new Plant Hardiness Zone Map due to changes in growing season (1 Feb) 2012
AM announces assignment of Harold K. Hochschild Award to John and Margot Ernst (2 Feb) 2012
T. Newcomb buys 348 a. from TNC for $256,591, part of 161,000 a Finch, Pruyn acquisition (6 Feb) 2012
RCMP Super. Slinn starts anti-marijuana plan to reduce amount flowing south across border (Feb) 2012
IPH applies to federal Surface Transportation Board to reopen Tahawus RR line (Feb) 2012
Essex Co. Board votes unanimously to support IPH plan to reopen Tahawus RR (9 Feb) 2012
Rhodia Rare Earth Systems (French), owner of tailings in Moriah, seekTahawus RR reopening (Feb) 2012
Adirondack Council and Protect the Adirondacks! oppose reopening of Tahawua RR line (Feb) 2012
FIBT Bob & Skeleton World Championship tournament is held at Lake Placid, NY (17-26 Feb) 2012
Steve Holcomb, Steve Langton win FIBT 2-man bobsled championship gold medal (19 Feb)

U.S. farmers suffer more crop losses ($9 bill) in 2011 than any other year in recorded history (Feb)

Adk Explorer & Adk Almanack form partnership to enhance online presence (20 Feb)

Stan Benham, Tony Carlino et al. are inducted into USBSF Hall of Fame, L. Placid (25 Feb)

LGLC reports purchase of 500 a., $500,000, incl. headwaters of Indian Bk., T. of Bolton (29 Feb)

Gov. Cuomo sends Mandate Relief Council to Adks to research unfunded state mandates (Mar)

New York State Library features Adirondack materials in public floor exhibits (Mar)

Dr. E. Landing, NYS Mus., pub. ‘global hyperwarming’ presides over atmospheric CO2 level (Mar)

Lt. Gov. Duffy heads MRC hearing on unfunded state mandates (Mar)

NOAA reports extreme warmth for North America, thousands of records being broken (Mar)

US House of Representatives hearing on the US Farm Bill is held in Saranac Lake (9 Mar)

NOAA NCDC reports seasonal average temperature at 36.8° F, c. 4° F warmer than 20th C avg (20 Mar)

USSC rules that ‘wetland’ landowners as defined by EPA may seek judicial review (21 Mar)

Court of Appeals rules that DEC must provide PCB-related documents to T. of Waterford (22 Mar)

Adk TNC reports that Gov. Cuomo sustains Environmental Protection Fund at $134M (26 Mar)

Federal judges approve new 21st Congressional District encompassing whole of Adk Park (19 Mar)

PROTECT, Sierra Club, 3 individuals file suit against APA, DEC, OWD et al. re. AC&R (20 Mar)

NOAA NCDC reports winter of 2011-12 is 4th warmest of 117-year record (20 Mar)

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Heartland Forest Fund-DEC agreement allows 200 cabins to remain, M. Lynch, ADE (31 Mar)

DEC modifies easements on Heartwood Forestland III lands to keep 220 hunting camps (30 Mar)

Heartwood Forestland III transfers 2,797 acres to FP for permanent leases on 220 camps (30 Mar)

Post Star lays off 7 newsroom staff, parent corp. gives $750K bonuses to CEO and CFO (31 Mar)

Watertown Daily Times (Watertown) closes its Washington, DC, news bureau after 60 yrs. (31 Mar)

NOAA reports extreme warmth for North America, thousands of records being broken (Mar)

CCD of bees becomes national problem but Adk colonies remain vigorous (Mar)

Dan Kenwood, S. Adk Beekeepers Assoc. (SABA), 100 members, reports no Adk CCD (Mar)

HMBC est Rare Bird Alert Automatic Phone System (5 Apr)

Michael Anich, ADE, reports Fulton Co. Bd. Sup. urges APA appeal Lows L. classification (7 Apr)

Fulton Co. Bd. Superv. urges APA appeal of Supreme Ct. ruling on Lows Lake classification (9 Apr)

DEC rep more than 70 NYS lakes impaired for drinking, fishing, by nutrient discharge (10 Apr)

LGACRRTF divers begin control measures against Asian clams at Lake George (16 Apr)

NYSDEC releases Al Hicks’ 2011-12 winter bat survey (19 Apr)

DEC winter bat survey finds little brown bats holding steady in 5 well-studied hibernacula (19 Apr)

Dave Wicks becomes 2nd ED of Lake George Park Commission as M. White retires (23 Apr)

USDL, under intense pressure, withdraws plan to restrict child labor on family farms (26 Apr)

NYS OPRHP posts non-smoking signs effective this date in parks throughout state (Apr)

WNS has been confirmed in 19 states & 4 Canadian provinces where bats hibernate (Apr)
Human skeleton & bone collections (removed ‘93 & ‘95) are returned to Fort William Henry (Apr) 2012
Sacandaga Reservoir water level falls to 759 feet due to lack of snow and rain (Apr) 2012
Uihlein Sugar Maple Research Station, Lake Placid, begins trials with birch and walnut syrup (Apr) 2012
EPA names Mohawk Fine Papers as nation’s 13th largest user of 100 percent renewable power (Apr) 2012
Post Star (Glens Falls) begins charging for online content of its newspaper (2 May) 2012
William Altman, catches record brook trout (5 lb 14 oz), West Canada WA, Hamilton Co. (5 May) 2012
Fewer chimney swifts return to Stephen Acker’s chimney, Northville, on normal date (6 May) 2012
PROTECT hires Peter Bauer as Executive Director; he will start in the fall (May) 2012
After 8-mo. study NCCC environ. science students fault APA approval of AC&R project (May) 2012
USPS retracts closure of 3700 rural post offices; instead may reduce hours at 13,000 POs (10 May) 2012
Sen. Betty Little proposes bill authorizing TDRs in the Forest Preserve (May) 2012

The big takeaway here is that the park’s politicians and green activists agree that working forests should be protected, that development should be steered toward hamlets, and that TDRs are a good thing . . . wouldn’t it be nice if the two sides could modify the proposal to satisfy all concerned?


Federal Surface Transportation Board approves reopening of Tahawus Branch by SNCR (14 May) 2012
Gov. A.M. Cuomo and DEC declare week of 20-26 May as Emerald Ash Borer Week (18 May) 2012
Hudson River Rafting Co. guide leaves raft mid-trip; clients finish 4-miles w/o guide (27 May) 2012
Boat-cleaning station is est. at Hague, Lake George, to reduce entry of alien species (28 May) 2012
Gov. Cuomo suspends NYS OPRHP no-smoking program following strong reaction (30 May) 2012
A. Cuomo appoints David Wick, ED LGPC, replacing Michael White after 25 yrs of service (May) 2012
C. Beier et al. Climate Change, note less annual ice cover on 5 lakes at AAHWF, Newcomb (May) 2012
L. George Vill. begins construction of 2.3 mi. of porous asphalt for Beach Rd., unique to NY (May) 2012
Canadian officials pledged $17.5 M, NYON, to protect Great Lakes from Asian carp (May) 2012
Gov. Cuomo & legislature approve two Adk land swaps that would amend NYS constitution (6 Jun) 2012
NYSDEC & APA halt challenge of SCJ Lynch ruling classifying Lows Lake as wilderness (8 Jun) 2012
Purdue engineers announce cost-effective thermo-chemical H2Bio-Oil method to make biofuel (Jun) 2012
NYSDEC continues eradication efforts to control wild boar in Clinton County (Jun) 2012
NYS farmers grow 75 acres of hops 2012
Spiny water fleas are found in Glens Falls Feeder Canal and Champlain Canal near Lock 9 (Jun) 2012
Ron Konowitz founds Adirondack Powder Skiers Association (APSA) (12 Jun) 2012
SNCR begins work to reopen Tahawus Branch (rail line) from North Creek to Tahawus (15 Jun) 2012
NY Outdoor News reports on LGPC’s boat decontamination proposal (15 Jun) 2012
Mary Esch, Gazette, reports OSI 258 a. restoration, AISC site Tahawus; blast furnace, etc. (16 Jun) 2012
K. Rehone, LGA, est. 800,000 white ash trees on L. George watershed in EAB control plan (16 Jun) 2012
NYS legislature passes 1st constitutional amendment for NYCO Minerals land swap (20 Jun) 2012

NYCO Minerals, Inc., in an effort to access a wollastonite vein proposes to swap 1,500 acres of their land with trout streams and fine views of the High peaks for 200 FP acres near Lewis promising wollastonite. Wollastonite is a white mineral composed of calcium and silica used in the manufacture of ceramics, paints, brakes, clutches, dashboards, car bumpers and as a substitute for asbestos. The swap requires an amendment to Article XIV of the NYS constitution as approved in two consecutive meetings of the NYS legislature. The several major conservation organizations of the Adirondacks are not yet in agreement re. the exchange.
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SCJ Demarest orders release of 26,000 cartons of NE-bound, Akwesasne-made cigarettes (21 Jun) 2012
Sen. C. Schumer states his Maple Tapping Access Program (TAP) Act is in U.S. Farm Bill (24 Jun) 2012
A.H. Sallenger Jr. et al. report East Coast sea level is rising 2x faster than elsewhere (24 Jun) 2012
U.S. Appeals Court affirms 2009 EPA rules limiting air pollutants linked to global warming (26 Jun) 2012
Camp Little Notch, T. of Fort Ann, reopens with camping experiences for girls and others (30 Jun) 2012
Todd Martin, NYON, is bitten by coyote while hunting turkeys, Berkshires, Tioga Co. (15 Jun) 2012
NYSERDA-funded report by BRI and WCS notes common loon Hg. threat (30 Jun) 2012
Steve Tyrell is hired as President of North Country Community College (Jun) 2012
Nina Schoch, BDI, reports Adk common loon pop. at 1,500 -2,000, up from c.800 in 1980s (Jun) 2012

BDI of Gorham, Maine, has released a report on studies funded by NYSERDA on the presence and impact of mercury on the common loon of the Adirondacks: 44 lakes were studied; 75% of the loon sampled had Hg. levels placing them at moderate to high risk; loons with high levels produced 40% fewer young; loons of the SW Adirondacks and of more acid lakes had higher Hg. levels. Regardless, Adk loon populations are increasing.

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Tupper Lake Tinman (triathlon) celebrates 30th anniversary, Tupper Lake (30 Jun) 2012
Sixth year of the North County Triathlon is conducted at Lake George (30 Jun) 2012
USCG orders ships traversing US waters to install on-board ballast water filtration systems (Jun) 2012
Steve McQueen begins direction of the film version of Twelve Years a Slave (Jun) 2012
Sen. Gillibrand obtains BCAP program to grow willow shrubs as renewable energy source (5 Jul) 2012
SUMI launched on Black Brant rocket IX, White Sands Missile ERrange, NM (2:49:59 EDT, 5 Jul) 2012
David Gibson, Adirondack Almanack, reviews APA cases in light of its decision re. ACR (11 Jul) 2012
ARTA releases Rails-to-Trails Conservancy report promoting Adirondack Rail Trail (12 Jul) 2012
Tops Friendly Markets re-acquires Adk Grand Union stores from C&S Wholesale Grocers (19 Jul) 2012
Thin Adk snowpack and summer drought force draft restrictions on Hudson R. freighters (Jul) 2012
NYSDEC confirms ID of spiny water flea taken by angler in Lake George near Ticonderoga (Jul) 2012
Brian Nearing, Tu, reports on merits of Tahawus RR track change to recreational trail (11 Jul) 2012
Adk Architectural Heritage hosts tours of Tahawas mines, Crown Point ironworks (11, 15 Jul) 2012
NYS Farm Brewery Act is signed to promote hop & barley growing and farm-based brewing (Jul) 2012
DEC issues “high fire danger” for Adks along with all of upstate NY (12 Jul) 2012
Adirondack ATBI Bioblitz is held in Village of Saranac Lake (14-15 Jul) 2012
Saratoga Co. supervisors assign 2.55 a. at Spruce Mt. fire tower, S. Corinth, to FP (17 Jul) 2012
200 attend Common Ground Alliance 6th annual conference, Mt. Sabattis Pavillion, Long L (18 Jul) 2012
Rhodia (Solvay Group), China Rare Metals & Rare Earth Co., Ltd., sign agreement (20 Jul) 2012
Lake Champlain Res. Inst., PR, report 2 spiny water fleas in Champlain Canal (25 Jul) 2012
Lake Champlain Res. Inst., PR, reports 3 spiny water fleas in Glens Falls feeder canal (25 Jul) 2012
Saratoga Co. sewer commissioners urge 8$M in contracts for sewer at Great Sacandaga L. (25 Jul) 2012
DEC releases report of LCBAISRTTF on spiny water flea as challenge for Lake Champlain (30 Jul) 2012
Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-VT:” closes part of Champlain Canal to control spiny water flea” (30 Jul) 2012
Log Bay Day (last Monday of July) is held at Lake George, the Lake’s biggest annual party (30 Jul) 2012
Steve Tyrell, NCCC pres., signs 15-yr contract for downtown Malone campus; it fails (30 Jul) 2012
Champlain Canal passes more than 5,000 recreational vessels in 2011: Lee Coleman, DG (31 Jul) 2012
Champlain Canal passes more than 6,000 tons of cargo in 2011: Lee Coleman, DG (31 Jul) 2012
Crossroads Gallery, NYSM, opens exhibit: ‘Seneca Ray Stoddard: Capturing the Adirondacks’ (Jul) 2012
Three fires in the Adks: Upper Saranac Lake (0.5 a.); vic. Rock Pond (1 a.); Tripp Mt. (5.7 a.) (Jul) 2012
J.R. O’Connor, DEC, e-mail, surveys on NYS Annual (Waterfowl) Harvest Estimate Report (Jul) 2012

Regarding waterfowl hunting in NYS: Some 17,900 hunters are estimated harvesting c. 173,000 ducks and some 15,600 goose hunters harvesting c. 132, 800 geese for 2011. Of 23 species of duck taken, 8 increased in harvest number for 2011, while 15 declined. However total harvest declined to only 173,900 from 179, 900 for 2010. The total number of duck hunters for 2010 was c. 16,600 and total number of goose hunters for 2011 was c. 14,400.

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NYS DOH guidance on eating Adk fish: Google “NYS DOH, fish advisories, Adirondacks” (Jul) 2012
Warrier Run is est. at Tupper Lake Ski Area, four miles of mud and other obstacles (Jul) 2012
Adirondack Futures Project presents its findings at annual CGA meeting, Long Lake (Jul) 2012
NYSDEC notes angler’s report of spiny water flea near Mallory Island, Lake George (1 Aug) 2012
Lake George Assoc. workers find spiny water flea at Mallory Island, Lake George (1 Aug) 2012
Darrin Fresh Water Institute, Bolton Landing, confirms ID of spiny water flea in L. George (2 Aug) 2012
Gov. Cuomo announces purchase ($49.8M), 69,000 a. former Finch, Pruyn lands from TNC (5 Aug) 2012

Some of the features of the recent land acquisition for the Adirondack Park: 180 miles of rivers and streams; 175 lakes and ponds, 465 miles of undeveloped shoreline; six mountains taller than 2,000 feet, an area equal to 5% of the Upper Hudson River watershed; providing snowmobile connection between Newcomb and North Hudson; the largest single acquisition to the FP in years.

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NRCC, Cornell U., reports 12-state region temp ave. for Jan-Jul at 49.9 F, highest on record (7 Aug) 2012
Ed Ellis of SNCR reopens rail service from North Creek to North River for hauling freight (8 Aug) 2012
D.A. Burns et al. pub on sources of mercury in Adk sector of Hudson R., Biogeochemistry (9 Aug) 2012
Mary Esch, DG, notes damage by starving black bear of candy store, Old Forge (10 Aug) 2012
Mary Esch, DG, links heat, drought, and reduced plant growth to urban wildlife invasions (10 Aug) 2012
Casey Seiler, TU, warnings of dangers of being cut by shells of zebra mussel in L. Champlain (12 Aug) 2012
D. Jacangelo, NYSSA, notes fall in snowmobile registration: 135,000 (’11) to 90,000, DG (12 Aug) 2012
D. Jacangelo, NYSSA, notes fall in snowmobile maint. fund: usual $43.3M to $23.3M, DG (12 Aug) 2012
Gov. Cuomo rep. expansion AP snowmobile trail to connect Newcomb-N. Hudson, DG (12 Aug) 2012
U.S. News reports planting of more than 100,000 hybrid chestnut trees in 19 states (20 Aug) 2012
Essex Co. SWCD, hosts inspection of 2,500’ reach of E. Branch Au Sable R, Keene Valley (16 Aug) 2012
Saranac L. village lures biotech companies Myriad RBM and Active Motif from L. Placid (summer) 2012
Biotechnology cluster in Saranac Lake region consists of four high tech companies (summer) 2012
Sara Foos, DG, features Wiawaka Holiday House, L. George, oldest U.S. women’s retreat (19 Aug) 2012
USFWS initiates review to determine whether Bicknell’s thrush warrants protection (Aug) 2012
Clarkson Univ. opens Adirondack Center for Education and Sustainability at Saranac Lake (Aug) 2012
Clarkson Univ. inaugurates its Adirondack Semester with students housed in Saranac Lake (Aug) 2012
Piseco Common School District operates no schools; tuitions students to Lake Pleasant (Aug) 2012
Jerry Levine completes his ‘46 peaks’ for Adk 46ers on Whiteface Mtn at age 82 yrs (Aug) 2012
Blue Line Brewery LLC is formed at Saranac Lake (Aug) 2012
Hudson River Rafting Co. sends two clients down Hudson R. w/o guide or agreement (26 Aug) 2012
Brown marmorated stink bug (BMSB) is now found in 38 states (Aug) 2012
DEC discovers hemlock woolly adelgid (east Asian origin) near Union Coll., Schenectady (20 Aug) 2012
Fed. court rejects EPA’s CSAPR rule governing SOx/NOx from Midwest coal-fired plants (21 Aug) 2012
AP reports on Irene-Lee storms: Cuomo distributes $574M in aid; C. $1.5B FEMA costs (23 Aug) 2012
Seven hardest hit cos: Schoharie, Broome, Delaware, Essex, Greene, Orange, Tioga: AP (24 Aug) 2012
Howard Glazer, Director NYS Operations reports 18,000 people housed 198 shelters: AP (24 Aug) 2012
T. Zarnowski, DG, surveys high pressure, 140 degree, washing stations pans for L. George (26 Aug) 2012
EPA proposal to take ‘navigible’ from CWA is roundly criticized, esp. NY Farm Bureau (27 Aug) 2012
Gov. Cuoma announces purchase of 69,000 a. from TNC for $47.4M for addition to Adk FP (Aug) 2012

TNC acquired 161,00 a. from Finch, Pruyn & Co., now named Finch Paper Co., in 2007. The sale of 69,000 a. to NYS for the FP leaves 94,000 a. which is now used for lumber harvest, hunting and other recreational purposes. Funding for the purchase comes from a tax on real estate transfer. The purchase, the largest acquisition for the FP in some 117 years, is opposed by seven counties impacted by the transfer but strongly endorsed by the major conservation organizations dedicated to the Park.

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Michael Vaughan, age 72, is suspected to have contracted hantavirus in High Peaks; DG (26 Aug) 2012
Office of the Comptroller accepts $48.6M contract to buy Finch, Pruyn & Co. lands from TNC (Sep) 2012
Justin Mason, DG, reports sighting of mountain lion by Stephen Teshonye, Edinburg (1 Sep) 2012
Dan Berggren, Adirondack Center, Union College, inaugurates lecture and concert series (6 Sep) 2012
LGACTF reports finding Asian clams at Log Bay, Hague, Paulist Fathers, Diamond Point (13 Sep) 2012

We have had disappointing results with some of our (benthic) mats. Eradication of the clams now seems clearly out of the question. It is technologically beyond our ability to eliminate it.

Dave Wick, Exec. Dir. of Lake George Park Commission

We have to shift from a strategy of eradication to one of long-term management of the clam.

Walter Lender, Director of the Lake George Association

S&B Ind. Minerals buys Rolling Rock Minerals (NYCO) from Resource Capital Funds IV (14 Sep) 2012
USFWS reports in USA Today 11% increase in fishing and 9% in hunting over 2006 (24 Sep) 2012
TNC builds artificial cave in Tennessee to study white-nose syndrome (WNS) in bats (Sep) 2012
ADK revamps its guidebook series reducing volumes from seven to four regions plus the NPT (Sep) 2012
Lost Pond Press/ADK pub P. Brown’s Adirondack Paddling: 60 Great Flatwater Adventures (Sep) 2012
Amtrak and SNCR use dome cars during the Adirondack fall foliage season (13 Sep-21 Oct) 2012
Woman from Hudson River Rafting Co. raft drowns in Indian River; her guide is drunk (27 Sep) 2012
Ham. Co. DA reinstates 12 Aug 2010 reckless endangerment case against P. Cunningham (2 Oct) 2012
Brian Houseal, ED, Adirondack Council, resigns; Diane Fish fills in as acting ED (Oct) 2012
CDC confirms hantavirus in Michael Vaughan, L.I.; contracted High Peaks by mouse bite (17 Oct) 2012
Benthic mats are placed over four newly identified Asian clam colonies at Lake George (Oct) 2012
Food-stamp recipients rose 47, 61 & 40% in Clinton, Essex & Franklin Cos. 2004 to 2011 (Oct) 2012
NYS AG sues Hudson River Rafting Co. for multiple civil violations & charges (10 Oct) 2012
Ted Galusha dares judge to jail him versus a fine for parking in a Special Use Area (10 Oct) 2012
SCJ Giordano orders closure of Hudson River Rafting Co. for duration of civil suit (11 Oct) 2012
Earthquake, 3.9 mag., epicenter 7 miles NE of Montreal, rattles northern Adirondacks (12 Oct) 2012
NYSDEC posts new hunting & trapping season & territory for bobcat, effective fall 2013 (17 Oct) 2012
Vermont Gas, IP agree to run natural gas pipe under Lake Champlain to Ticonderoga mill (18 Oct) 2012
Notorious High Peaks black bear, Yellow-Yellow, is shot/killed by hunter in Town of Jay (21 Oct) 2012
*Condé Nast Traveler* Reader’s Poll awards Mirror Lake Inn as #1 resort in the Northeast (24 Oct) 2012
NYSDAC suspends Patrick Cunningham’s guide’s license (27 Oct) 2012
Great Sacandaga Lake Fisheries Federation stocks Great Sacandaga L. with 4,000 walleye (25 Oct) 2012
Iowa Pacific Holdings (RR) of Chicago and Adk Rail Pres. Soc. propose 119 mi. line (25 Oct) 2012
Kelly de La Rocha, DG, notes DEC discovery of HWA in Schoharie Co. (29 Oct) 2012
W. Brook Conserv. Initiative receives $.5M Wright Family Fdn grant for L. George project (Oct) 2012
DEC says Bigfoot (Sasquatch) does not exist in NY; hunting regulations are unwarranted (6 Nov) 2012
Earthquake, 3.7 mag., epicenter near Hawkesbury, Ontario, shakes northern Adirondacks (7 Nov) 2012
Smugler of giant snakeheads into NYS is convicted on Lacey Act, NYS & Can. laws (13 Nov) 2012
Phil Brown, Shingleshanty Brk, trespassing case appears before Fulton Co. SCJ RT Aulisi (16 Nov) 2012
EPA & GE announce removal of 649,000 cu. yd. of PCB sediments from Hudson River (Nov) 2012
UAlbany submits proposal for NYS Mesonet network following Hurricane Sandy (Nov) 2012
Batchelerville Bridge, 3,078’ span, Great Sacandaga Lake, nears completion costing $47M (10 Nov) 2012
New Batchellerville Bridge, the 8th at this site, opens one year ahead of schedule (15 Nov) 2012
*Condé Nast Traveler* readers select Mirror Lake Inn as #6 ski hotel in North America (20 Nov) 2012
M. Baker drops disabled-access floatplane suit against DEC/APA due to litigation costs (21 Nov) 2012
Hudson River Rafting Co. guide pleads guilty to all charges related to drowning incident (26 Nov) 2012
Turtle Island Trust files suit against Clinton County over tax foreclosures, T. of Altona (28 Nov) 2012
Court of Appeals cites ‘sovereign immunity’ tossing *Ethan Allen* survivors’ lawsuit (29 Nov) 2012
APA proposes new rules for clear-cutting tracts greater than 25 a using the “general permit” (Nov) 2012
Clint County holds public auction to sell foreclosed Ganienkeh properties, T. of Altona (30 Nov) 2012
Clarkson U. Adirondack Semester students identify weaknesses in APA review of AC&R (6 Dec) 2012
Adirondack Health announces layoff of 17 employees to close $3M budget deficit (7 Dec) 2012
Diane Fish, AED, Adk Council, urges new Wild Rivers Wilderness Area along Hudson R. (11 Dec) 2012
Hudson River Rafting Co. owner is charged with reckless endangerment re. 5/27 incident (11 Dec) 2012
Blue Line Brewery, LLC. begins commercial beer production at Saranac Lake (15 Dec) 2012
30 Forest Rangers and volunteers rescue injured climber from Nippletop slide in 28 hrs (15-16 Dec) 2012
Gov. Cuomo vetoes bill assigning $56M in bottle deposit funds to NYS EPF (17 Dec) 2012
NCREDC is awarded $90.2M in state funds for economic development in North Country (19 Dec) 2012
NYS acquires 18,294 acres of the Essex Chain of Lakes tract from TNC (21 Dec) 2012
SLCBC with 44 observers notes 4,123 birds representing 51 species (30 Dec) 2012
APA proposes loosening clear-cutting rules for lands of FP with objections by Adk Council (Dec) 2012
APA proposes lake-wide permitting, v. site specific, for control of invasive aquatic species (Dec) 2012
NYSERDA, in major report on GCC, notes threat of HWA movement into Adirondacks 2012
*Timbuctoo* (exhibit) is shown at St. Lawrence Univ, product of *John Brown Lives!* organization 2012
Steve Tyrell, NCCC pres., signs 15-yr contract for dormitory in Ticonderoga; it goes unused (Dec) 2012
Biodiversity Research Inst., Adk Center, reports on mercury in 101 male loons from 44 Adk lakes 2012
Erie Canal carries 43,022 tons of freight this year, the most in two decades 2012
LGPC issues web report on Eurasian milfoil in Lake George: [www.lgpc.state.ny.us](http://www.lgpc.state.ny.us) 2012
David Fiske pub *Solomon Northup: His Life Before and After Slavery* 2012
USDA rep recovery of Adirondack agriculture increasing by some 5000 a. over the last 12 years 2012

But we have not found data on the actual number of acres devoted to Adirondack agriculture!
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Sunspot cycle is predicted to peak causing era of major impact of sun-spots on global electronics 2012-13
Some 550 small NYS dairy farms close as herd size increases from c. 610,000 to 625,000 2012-17
Ray Hubbell, razes 50’ brick chimney long used as chimney swift nesting site, Northville (Jan) 2013
‘Polar Lunge’ at Lake George, occurs for 40th time with 1,200 participating (1 Jan) 2013
Farm Brewery Act (passed Jul 2012) to promote NYS-grown hops/barley goes into effect (1 Jan) 2013
Northville received $75,000 grant to design walkway for spillway bridge along S. Main St. (2 Jan) 2013
“Robo deer” are used to enforce NYS hunting laws with hundreds of violations issued in 2012 (Jan) 2013
John W. Laundré pub. paper in *Onyx* advocating reintroduction of mountain lion in Adks (Jan) 2013
OSI reveals purchase of Marion River Carry and 295 surrounding acres in Hamilton County (9 Jan) 2013
OSI buys ($2M) Marion R. Carry: 280 a. forest, 3 a. Marion R., 14.5 a. Utawana L. front (13 Jan) 2013
LGPC/NYSDEC shelve mandatory boat inspections to stop invasive species at L. George (16 Jan) 2013
Jury acquits P. Cunningham of reckless endangerment on Hudson River on 12 Aug ’10 (17 Jan) 2013
*TU* notes Ralph Macchio plan to build 3,500’ long, $1.5M, zipline, French Mtn, L. George (20 Jan) 2013
Lee Coleman, *DG*, notes DEC-LGPC plan hold for paid boat inspection for invasive species (21 Jan) 2013
Keeseville voters (spanning Clinton & Essex Co.) approve dissolution of village 268 to 176 (22 Jan) 2013
S. Williams, *DG*, notes est. Adirondack Acid Rain Recovery Program under NYSERDA (22 Jan) 2013
GSLLF hosts ice fishing contest at Great Sacandaga L. with 1,877 paid registrants (26 Jan) 2013
AIHA hosts major show of Hudson River School including many images of Adks (26 Jan-18 Aug) 2013
*DG* reports on DEC clean-up of Pan American Tannery site, Gloversville; copper, arsenic (31 Jan) 2013
Cristina Eisenberg, wolf specialist, confirms photos of tracks taken in Keene as those of wolf (Jan) 2013
UAlbany, DHS, DHSES est. NYS Mesonet with 125 weather stations for improved forecasts (Jan) 2013
Goddard Space Flight Center, using GEOS-5, relates sudden earth warming to polar vortex (8 Jan) 2013
Michael Hill, *DG*, reports on role of DOC inmates in Saranac Lake ice palace festival (2 Feb) 2013
D. Lombardo, *DG*, reports OPRHP snowmobile registrations down: 90,000 winter ’11-’12 (11 Feb) 2013
*DG* reports reduced funding for snowmobile trail maintenance due to less snow (11 Feb) 2013
David Gibson, AWFFP, endorses wilderness classification for former Finch lands in DG (13 Feb) 2013
Chelyabinsk meteorite, 18 m. dia., explodes 18.5 mi. above Urals, Russia, injuring 1,491 (13 Feb) 2013

The Chelyabinsk meteorite is the largest object from outer space striking earth’s atmosphere since the Tunguska meteorite of 1908. Millions of pounds of dust and gas were released to the atmosphere to circle the earth possibly leaving its marks in the sediments of the Adirondacks. In addition to the injuries some 7,200 buildings were damaged. This object, more brilliant than the sun and weighing 12,000 to 13,000 MT entered the earth’s atmosphere at an angle with a speed of some 42,000 mph. Curiously, another asteroid, 367943 Duende, c. 30 m. diameter, passed the earth 16 hours later. Our precious Adirondack Park would be lost in minutes with such an arrival from outer space – unless new studies on the location, rerouting and destruction of such asteroids save us from such encounters – which seem inevitable.

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LGPC reports presence of 200 current sites with Eurasian milfoil in Lake George (21 Feb) 2013
Saratoga Co. Supervisors approve $3.7M credit for back taxes owed it by HRBRRD (24 Feb) 2013
Albany Co. legislature approves $3.2M HRBRRD payment for mgt of Great Sacandaga L. (12 Feb) 2013
PROTECT files suit on NYSDEC & APA over construction of snowmobile trails on FP (13 Feb) 2013
DEC rep opening Seventh Lake Mountain Trail, 12.8 mi, connecting Inlet and Raquette L. (15 Feb) 2013
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Saranac Lake 6ers hiking challenge is formed to introduce people to Saranac L. region (15 Feb) 2013
Union College dedicates Kelly Adirondack Center, St. David’s Lane, Niskayuna (16 Feb) 2013
NYSDEC est. 2 public access points (one north, one south) to Essex Chain Lakes purchase early 2013

Vans RV-10 aircraft crashes near Big Burn Mtn; 3 aboard uninjured after night in woods (21 Feb) 2013

Stephen Williams, DG, reports US ski and snowmobile industry generates $12.2B per year (24 Feb) 2013

NYS Snowmobile Assoc. estimates that snowmobiling generates c. $868M/year for NY (24 Feb) 2013

105,000 snowmobiles are registered in NYS, an 18% increase over last winter (24 Feb) 2013

SCJ Aulisi dismisses BPA suit against Phil Brown, letting public on Shingle Shanty Brook (26 Feb) 2013

Lake George Winter Festival, Warren Co., cancels on-ice motor races because of thin ice (Feb) 2013

PROTECT challenges APA-DEC plan for road-like Class II Community Connectors (C2CC) (Feb) 2013

The Class II Community Connector (C2CC) is devoted to snowmobile traffic. They are built with heavy equipment in the Forest Preserve that level a 20-30’ wide course clearing thousands of trees followed by maintenance with large tracked groomers the size of bulldozers. An example is the Seventh Lake Mountain C2CC in the Moose River Plains Wild Forest area.

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DOT announces completion of commodious High Peaks Welcome Centers on I-87 corridor (Feb) 2013

Iowa Pacific Holdings ships first load of tailings from Barton Mines, North River (Feb) 2013

NYS DOT Essex Co. engineer, Mike Fayette, is forced to retire for talking to media (Feb) 2013

Rob Seamon is appointed Chief Executive Officer, Clifton-Fine Hospital, St. Lawrence Co. (Feb) 2013

Hamilton County Express (Speculator) weekly newspaper goes ‘daily’ at its website (1 Mar) 2013

MD John Broderick, Adk Medical C., proposes conversion of L. Placid ER to day service (8 Mar) 2013

Wildlife Society Bull. Reports U. S. wind-turbines kill c. 573,000 birds, 880,000 bats, each year Mar) 2013

We are thus prompted to ask about the impacts of the large wind-turbine farm located west of the Adirondack Park near Lowville on the flying life of the Park.

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Comptroller DiNapoli announces GE agreement to study expansion of Hudson R. cleanup (11 Mar) 2013

PROTECT gets go-ahead to sue NYSDEC/NYS APA for Ham. Co. snowmobile trail (28 Mar) 2013

Newcomb provokes Gov. Cuomo to expedite repair of Route 28N with YouTube video (29 Mar) 2013

SCJ Giordano finds HRRC guilty on 3 of 4 charges in suit filed by AG Schneiderman (29 Mar) 2013

DG reports $20M settlement by GM and Alcoa for St. Regis Mohawks, St. Lawrence R. (31 Mar) 2013

Xue Yu et al. pub Modeling & Mapping of Atmospheric Mercury Deposition Adk Pk, NY (25 Mar) 2013

Xue Yu et al. PLOS ONE, rep fall of 370 kg/yr dry Hg and 210 kg/yr wet Hg for Adk Pk (25 Mar) 2013

We suggest this as one of the more authoritative studies on mercury deposition for the Adirondack Park, one of the “hot spots” for the nation. The report is heavily references with citation of 68 key sources with research based at the Adirondack Ecology Center, Huntington Wildlife Forest, SUNY College ESF, Newcomb, in the heart of the Park. See the full citation in our reference section.

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APIPP receives National Invasive Species Awareness Week Award (Mar) 2013

Gasoline-use declines, high ethanol reserves, high corn prices cause ethanol plants to close 2013

ENYMTA reports Great Upstate Boat Show, Queensbury, generated $3.3M sales in 2012 (Mar) 2013

DEC adopts Spruce Grouse Recovery Plan, following prolonged Adk decline of the species (2 Apr) 2013

Union College UCALL program features Adks in five-lecture series (2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Apr) 2013

P. Bauer (PROTECT) disparages Adirondack Life portrayal of ADK Futures findings (22 Apr) 2013

NYS Canal Corp. begins planning dredging of Champlain Canal, 1st time since 1980 (Apr) 2013

TNC sells 130 a. former Finch, Pruyn & Co. land to Northern Frontier Camp at OK Slip Pond (Apr) 2013
Two researchers at Univ. of Vermont discover new way to extract maple sap from saplings 2013
Michaels and Oko reiterate concerns on hydraulic dredging of Hudson River PCBs (9 Apr) 2013
Southern Adirondack Beekeepers Association reports 38% loss of hives over the winter (11 Apr) 2013
PSC approves $2B Champlain-Hudson River Express, 1,000 MW, Canada-NYC powerline (18 Apr) 2013
NYS pays TNC $6.3M for 9,300 a. of former Finch, Pruyn lands, incl. O.K. Slip Falls (23 Apr) 2013
NYS buys 1900 a. Cat and Thomas Mountain Preserve from LGLC for $1.5M (24 Apr) 2013
NYS buys 565 a. East River Road Tract adjacent to Cat/Thomas tract from TNC for $383K (24 Apr) 2013
ARTA requests NYS DOT, NYSDEC, NYS APA to review Adk Scenic Railroad (25 Apr) 2013
GE sues National Grid in federal court seeking costs of PCB cleanup of Hudson River (26 Apr) 2013
Conservationist publishes 400th issue (Apr) 2013
NYSDEC est. 2 public access points (one north, one south) to Essex Chain Lakes acquisition early 2013
Rick Beauchamp catches NYS record brooktrout (22.5” long, 6 lbs.), Silver L., Hamilton Co. (Apr) 2013
Lake George towns issue draft ‘Trails Master Plan for the West Side of Lake George’ (Apri 2013
Adk Nature Conservancy pushes for ecofriendly design for 149 large Adk culverts (Apr) 2013
BPA/Friends of Lake Thayer appeal SCJ Aulisi decision on Shingle Shanty Brook access (Apr) 2013
NYS DOT estimates $90M annual culvert-care cost would increase by 80% to be ecofriendly (Apr) 2013
DEC reports on recent season take of WTD: www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/90.368.html (Apr) 2013
Old Batchellerville Bridge at Great Sacandaga Reservoir undergoes dismantling (Apr-Jun) 2013
NYSDEC opens conservation easements on former Finch, Pruyn lands to public fishing (1 May) 2013
William C. (Willie) Janeway replaces Brian Houseal as ED of Adirondack Council (1 May) 2013
DG reports that DEC estimates NY population of moose at 500, most in the Adirondacks (5 May) 2013
Some 7 Chimney swifts, Northville, relocate rejecting new plywood structure substitute (6 May) 2013
SSC judge D. Krogman, Warren Co., fines Six Flags Great Escape $1.3 M in norovirus case (8 May) 2013
S. Williams, DG, endorses Paul Schaefer Wild River Wilderness name for FP addition (11 May) 2013
DG editorial affirms naming former Finch, Pruyn lands to public fishing (1 May) 2013
Lake George leaders engage in issue of rezoning allowing buildings up to six-stories tall (11 May) 2013
St. Regis Mohawk Tribe Envir. Div., et al. rep on water pollution by Massena industry (13 May) 2013
Beauchamp’s fish is 8th time in nine years that state brook trout record has been broken (15 May) 2013
20th annual ARC Conference on the Adirondacks focuses on climate change (15 May) 2013
Appellate Ct.: PROTECT, Sierra Club et al. may appeal Mar & Apr. AC&R rulings as one (16 May) 2013
Earthquake, magnitude 5.2 MN, near Shawville, QC, shakes northern Adirondacks (17 May) 2013
Adirondack Health opens Saranac Lake Health Center to expand outpatient care (20 May) 2013
SCJ Giordano fines HRRC $12K and sets $50K performance bond to stay in business (20 May) 2013
SCJ Giordano allows HRRC raft trips, but only with licensed whitewater guides (20 May) 2013
DEC hosts planning meeting for 3,200 a. Sacandaga West Conservation Easement (22 May) 2013
Debabrata Mukherjee replaces Joseph Raccuia as CEO and president of Finch Paper (24 May) 2013
34” snow falls on Veterans Memorial Highway, Whiteface Mt. with lifts/slopes closed (25-26 May) 2013
Kayakers find bodies of two fishermen (missing ten days) at Great Sacandaga Lake (28 May) 2013
Whiteface Mt. receives c. 3’ snow (c. 30 May, Memorial Day weekend) 2013
Federal and state wildlife experts find EAB in Delaware and Otsego Counties (May) 2013
The Sagamore (hotel), Bolton Landing, returns to year-round operation with peak staff of 600 (May) 2013
Sagamore (hotel), among 100 sites, is owned by Ocean Properties Ltd., Delray Beach, Fla. (May) 2013
Unreplaced staff retirements at NYSDEC eviscerate wildlife programs (May) 2013
Archaeological dig, Wiawaka Holiday House (women’s retreat), L. George, seeks volunteers (May) 2013
USGS reports minor earthquake (2.7 RS) for Lake George region (9:30 AM, 7 Jun) 2013
US Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand announces plans for Invasive Fish and Wildlife Protection Act (7 Jun) 2013
Montcalm Restaurant, Lake George, closes (Jun) 2013
AWFFP offers name ‘Paul Schaefer Wild Rivers Wilderness’ for former Finch, Pruyn lands (13 Jun) 2013
Franklin County declares state of emergency, Salmon R. floods; Fort Covington is worst (13 Jun) 2013
Salmon River flood damage at Fort Covington tops $4,000,000 (13 Jun)

New York maple syrup farmers report 547,000 gallons produced, most since 1947 (18 Jun)

USFWS proposes lifting national endangered species status for the gray wolf (Jun)

USFWS estimates population of 6,100 gray wolves in contiguous US; 4,432 in W. Great Lakes (Jun)

Hyde Collection, Glens Falls, exhibits Lake George works of Georgia O’Keeffe (15 Jun-15 Sep)

Hyde Collection publ *Modern Nature: Georgia O’Keeffe and Lake George* (15 Jun-15 Sep)

DG announces $3M porous asphalt project for parking lot and Beach Rd., L. George Vil. (23 Jun)

Lightning strike on Lyon Mountain takes Mountain Lakes PBS off the air (25 Jun)

Lightning strike on Lyon Mountain sets Mountain Lakes PBS transformers on fire (26 Jun)

DG announces Jefferson Project of IBM, RPI DFWI and FUND for Lake George study (28 Jun)

HRBRRD reports 9½” rain on 1,044 a. Great Sacandaga L. watershed; lake level of 770.28’ (30 Jun)

Warren Co. completes 75 mi. of porous paving of Beach Road at south end of Lake George (Jun)

U. of Maryland reports fungicide use makes honeybees more susceptible to parasites (CCD) (Jul)

Vaughn Clark, Paul Mrocka, David Bruce open Paradox Brewery, at Schroon Lake (Jul)

Kristine D. Duffy becomes SUNY Adk president; Queensbury and Wilton campuses (1 Jul)

DEC and APA host hearing on classification of lands acquired from TNC in Albany (2 Jul)

DEC/S.L. village release water from Saranac R./L. Flower to control high water levels (4 Jul)

High water levels, heavy rains flood I-87 at Exit 33; wash out RR tracks, T. Chesterfield (4 Jul)

DFWI and LGPC report that Asian clam matting control is 98% effective, Lake George (9 Jul)

Hampton Inn opens in Lake Placid; Dr. George Hart and wife, Ruth, are first guests (11 Jul)

Adirondack ATBI Bioblitz is held at Intervale Lowlands Preserve, Town of North Elba (21 Jul)

LGPC votes unanimously to require alien species-inspection for foreign-trailered boats (23 Jul)

LGLC staff pub “Lake George Land Conservancy Celebrates John Apperson” (30 Jul)

ANC transfers OK Slip Falls (250’ high falls) tract of 2,800 a on Hudson R. to FP (c. Jul)

DOCCS plans OK Slip falls access trail, 2nd highest in Adks, after 150 years Finch, Pruyn closure (Jul)

Oil tanker train explodes Lac Megantic, Québec, killing 47 people, raising concerns for Adks (Jul)

DOCCS plans 2014 closure McGregor medium-security facility, 320 employees, 455 inmates (Jul)

Lake George Village Board amends local code to allow 6-story buildings in portion of village (Jul)

200 gather at Newcomb Central School for seventh annual forum of CGAA (1 Aug)

“Our planet as a whole is becoming a warmer place.” Kathryn Sullivan, NOAA Admin. (6 Aug)

In the special 2013 State of the Climate edition of the *Bulletin of the American Meteorological Society* published online and engaging 384 scientists from 52 countries, the following information is provided: 2012 is ranked as one of the top ten warmest years of record; 2012 is the warmest year of record for the United States and Argentina; carbon atmospheric carbon dioxide shows a sharp increase in 2012; other green-house gases continue to rise; global average sea level is 1.4 inches higher than the 1993-2010 average; The extent of sea-ice coverage in the Arctic is lowest since satellite observation began; Sea-ice coverage in the Antarctic is the greatest of record.

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DEC announces single ban on ash tree wood movement for all or part of 42 NYS counties (14 Aug)

David Kenny proposes six-story, $15-18M, Marriot Hotel for Canada St., L. George, *DG* (20 Aug)

Hilary Smith, APIPP, rep. balsam fir mortality due to BWA at Indian L. & L. Abanakee (20 Aug)

Small earthquake (mag. 2.7) centered near Warrensburgh shakes Lake George region (25 Aug)

NSF, IRIS & EarthScope installs grid of USAArray transportable seismometers in Adks (Aug)

*DG* reports $565M federal-state damage repair expense for tropical storms Irene and Lee (27 Aug)

Jeffrey Short, DFWI, reports sodium chloride in Lake George has tripled in 3 decades (Aug)

Jeffrey Short, DFWI, estimates some 9 tons of road salt ends up in Lake George annually (Aug)

Rick Georgeson, DEC, reports trap capture of three adult EAB, Middleburgh, Schoharie Co. (Aug)
As power transmission line running from hydropower facilities in 2013
60 attend ACE/DOE hearing, Champlain Hudson Power Express transm. line, Whitehall (18 Nov)
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Pier blasting of old, one-half mile long, Batchellerville Br., Great Sacandaga Lake, begins (25 Sep) 2013

Tupper Lake planning board extends building permit for AC&R held up in litigation (25 Sep) 2013

EANY reports significant decline in air and water pollution inspections by NYSDEC (Sep) 2013

ITC rules China is flooding US with subsidized plywood, opens door for import duties (Sep) 2013

NYSDEC issues “Interim Access Plan” for Essex Chain Lakes area (Sep) 2013

Gazette reports NYS legislature seeking approval of closure of DOCCS Mt. McGregor facility (Sep) 2013

Cornell U. est. CICCA to strengthen northeast agriculture in the face of climate change (Sep) 2013

151 US coal mines idled as US burns 943M tons of coal versus 4B tons by China, SNL Energy (Sep) 2013

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Phylogenetic analysis of G. destructans (WNS) requires change to Pseudogymnoascus destructans 2013

DEC opens some 22,000 a. around the Essex Chain of Lakes to public recreation (1 Oct) 2013

Exclusive leases in Essex Chain Lakes lands shrink to one acre around camp buildings (1 Oct) 2013

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DEC applies rotenone to Lower Sargent P. to kill invasive fish for return of native brook trout (Oct) 2013

The Park Report, PROTECT, describes its DEC-APA lawsuit re. snowmobile trail mgt. (Oct) 2013

FP classification of Adirondack Park now includes 45,756 a. of Primitive Areas, TPR (Oct) 2013

USGS reports 2012 capture of native-born grass carp, Sandusky R., tributary L. Erie (28 Oct) 2013

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K. Riva-Murray et al. pub on bioaccumulation of mercury in Adk streams, Ecotoxicology (26 Oct) 2013

DEC passes law making it illegal to import, breed or release Eurasian (wild) boar in NYS (22 Oct) 2013

Taking of Eurasian (wild) boar on private, enclosed shooting preserves will be legal until Sep 2015 2013

ADK Works, a real estate PAC, is est. to promote development of AC&R at Tupper L. (22 Oct) 2013

NYT reports decline in moose populations in all states and provinces with moose (14 Oct) 2013

Cornell Institute for Climate Smart Solutions (CICSS) is created at CALS, Cornell University 2013

J. Sterba, WSJ, calls for commercial ‘market’ hunting to control WTD population (18 Oct) 2013

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Twist of Lyme: Battling a Disease 2013

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EPA move ahead with plans to strongly regulate new coal-burning power plants (20 Sep) 2013

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NYS Constitutional Amendment, Proposition 4, re. Township 40 land titles passes by 72% (5 Nov) 2013

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EANY selects former DEC Commissioner Peter M. Iwanowicz as Executive Director (7 Nov) 2013

DEC reclaims Lower Sargent Pond, 131 a, near Raquette L., to stock native brook trout (15 Nov) 2013

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Lake Champlain to the Hudson River to again go underwater to New York City, without connections to the New York State electrical power grid. The application was first submitted to the US Department of Energy (DOE) on January 25th, 2010. Blackstone Group LP is a major actor in the application.

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Gov. Cuomo announces partnership of NYS, Clarkson U. & TI to drive biotech R&D (20 Nov) 2013
Sub-Chief M.L. Conners accepts certificate on behalf of Mohawk code talkers, Wash, DC (20 Nov) 2013
DEC presents web page on the Black River with map of watershed and contributing rivers 2013

The Black River is the main drainage of the western Adirondacks with three major tributaries: the more northern Beaver River with 624 miles of significant channel, the middle Independence River with 207 miles of significant channel and the more southern Moose River with 872 miles of significant channel. The area of the watershed is 1,920 square miles. Lowville is a prominent community of the Black River Valley. The Black River Canal, ceasing operation in 1900, was a navigational feature of the watershed.

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Edith Healey, Otsquaga Ck., Fort Plain, dies as her mobile home is carried away by flood (late Jun) 2013
C. Holzworth, OPRHP, studies HWA control by tooth-necked fungus beetle, Laricobius nigrinus 2013
500 beetles from Washington state released Mine Kill State Pk, N. Blenheim, to control HWA (Nov) 2013
Substructure Inc, NH, begins detailed bathymetry of L. George for Jefferson Project, DFWI, (Nov) 2013
Javier Monzón et al., Molecular Ecology, test 427 NE canids to find coyote-wolf-dog mix (Nov) 2013
Dan Plumley directs Adirondack-Siberia exchange, featuring Buryat region east of L. Baikal (Sep) 2013
NYSDEC issues “Interim Access Plan” for Essex Chain Lakes area (Sep) 2013
LGPC approves mandatory 24/7 boat inspections at Lake George public boat launches (3 Dec) 2013
J. D. Corbin, UC, highlights impact of WTD overpopulation on forest ecosystems in NYS (4 Dec) 2013
APA releases proposed classification of Essex Chain of Lakes and Finch Paper property (6 Dec) 2013
DEC est. 8 public-private partnerships (PRISM) to prevent spread of invasive species (16 Dec) 2013
ADK Works release survey results: 61% support AC&R, while only 15% oppose it (23 Dec) 2013
Fred Roedel III (Roedel Companies) buys Hotel Saranac from Arora family for $1.4 million (Dec) 2013

The Council on Library and Information Resources (CLIR), funded by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, awards Schaffer Library at Union College $160,000 for arrangement, description, and partial digitization of the Adirondack Research Library's John S. Apperson, Jr. and Paul Schaefer Collections. The grant was awarded in recognition of the inspiration Apperson’s and Schaefer’s grassroots conservation work in the Adirondacks provided activists across the country as well as the regulations and policies they fought to protect and enact that set a standard for federal and state parks nationwide.
Rhode Island issues 874 commercial lobster licenses, a decline from 1,600 for 1998. (GCC, Dec) 2013

Biological indicators may be one of the more potent forms of evidence for GCC and changes in the NE lobster fishery may be a prime example. The fishery south of Cape Cod has crashed while that north of the Cape is booming. Gulf of Maine catches have reached record highs, more than doubling to c. 250 millions adult lobsters since the mid 1990s. Coastal water temperatures are considered the prime mover. Maine flobstermen have harvested more than 100 pounds of lobster for the four most recent years in a row, the highest catch in the state’s history. Do we have comparable indicator species in view for the Adirondack region and if so what are they?

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Union College ARL acquires assorted papers of Jeanne Robert Foster 2013
DEC reports state-wide harvest of black bear at 1,358, 3rd highest of record 2013
D. Plumley, et al. AWFFP, report on conditions of Uplands Pond: lack of meltwater, low level, etc. 2013
DEC and APA deem 50,000 a Taylor Pond Wild Forest UMP in compliance with the SLMP 2013
A Brief History of Time pub by Stephen Hawking (1943 - ), British, exceeds 10 mill copies in sales 2013
APA, forest industry, continue efforts to relax permitting on AP clearcutting, permit-free to 25 a. 2013
Adirondack Park Invasive Plant Program (APIPP), TNC, pub. Invasive Plants of the Adirondacks 2013
Adk Chapter of TNC, Keene Valley, pub Invasive Animals of the Adirondacks 2013
Tornado History Project reports 53,000 U. S. tornadoes to date, 411 since 1952 for NY, c. 6.5/year 2013
US Census Bureau reports Essex Co. population falls from 39,373 (2010) to 38,762 2013
PROTECT pub. The Myth of Quiet, Motor-free Waters in the Adirondack Park 2013

PROTECT reminds us that of the 100 largest lakes in the Adirondacks that only eight are motor-free, that 14 are privately owned, and that 77 are open for ‘all manner of motorized boating and floatplanes’.

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Dan Ash, FWS director, allows wind-energy companies to lawfully kill eagles for up to 30 years 2013
US Census Bureau reports Hamilton Co. population falls from 4,836 (2010) to 4,773 2013
BRI and TNC begin 5-year mercury survey in songbirds sponsored by NYSERDA 2013
Twin Rivers Boy Scout Council TRBSC), former Woodworth L. Scout Reservation, closes operation 2013
TRBSC sells Woodworth Lake site to NY Land and Lakes Development (NYLD), Oneonta 2013
Public votes to amend NYS constitution resolving state-resident land ownership at Raquette L 2013
ALAP volunteers of AWI and PROTECT monitor water quality for 70 Adirondack lakes and ponds 2013
Lobster catch south of Cape Cod falls to c. 10M, c. 20% of catch of late 1990s (GCC) 2013
Duke Energy Corp., Wyoming, fined $1M, for violation of Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA) 2013
Cory Delavale, Albany, completes winter climb of all 46 Adk peaks in eight days 44-minutes 2013
J. Ralston/J.J.Kirchman predict major NW shifts of avian range “centroids” for 15 species by 2080 2013

J. Ralston and J. J. Kirchman predict major New York range losses for 15 New York, VT and NH bird species by 2080: 100% for the American three-toed woodpecker, black-backed woodpecker, gray jay,
and ruby-crowned kinglet.; 99.9% for the spruce grouse, boreal chickadee and white-crowned sparrow; 97.4% or more for Swainson’s thrush, blackpoll warbler, Cape May warbler, and yellow-rumped warbler. See the synopsis of their work in The Adirondack Journal (Volume 20, 2015). Can you imagine the absence of this array of species which add so much to the sounds and sights of the Adirondack Park?

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Jeremy Kirchman, NYSM curator, and Alison Van Keuren conduct survey of Whiteface Mt birds 2013-14
Adirondack Almanack runs 8-part series by Pete Nelson on racial diversity in AP (14 Dec-22 Feb) 2013-14
IPCC issues its Fifth Assessment Report on Climate Change 2013-14
NYS invests $5.5M to bring broadband Internet service to remote-rural areas of AP 2014
ARL Committee as est by AfPA (now replaced by PROTECT) passes resolution to dissolve (10 Jan) 2014
DG notes registration of some NYS 475,000 boats, a challenge for invasive species control (10 Jan) 2014
Dr. M. Kudish reports on charcoal date 4410-4150 BP, 27”, Bog #386, South Mt., Catskills (16 Jan) 2014
Dr. M. Kudish reports on Drepanocladus sp. moss mat, Bog #382, Donker Clove, Catskills (18 Jan) 2014
Earthjustice, Adk Wild, Protect the Adks!, Sierra Club, ASLF oppose NYCO sampling (17 Jan) 2014
Protect the Adirondacks rep massive die-off Adk bats due to white-nose syndrome (WNS) (29 Jan) 2014
AWFFP raises concern to Gov. Cuomo re. FP lands near Mt. McGregor state prison (30 Jan) 2014
DEC reports temperatures at Newcomb ranging from 40 °F to -20 °F (Jan) 2014
Wooden footbridge crossing Oswegatchie River, Wanakena, NRHP, is severely ice damaged (Jan) 2014
Justin Staskiewicz and Richard Mathy found Fulton Chain Craft Brewery at Old Forge 2014
Comptroller DiNapoli issues audit criticizing ORDA for fiscal mismanagement 2014
David Winchell, DEC, reports 7 Adk waters as treated with rotenone since 2003 (Jan/Feb) 2014
Union College hosts Hallie Bond in 5-part “Who Were the Adirondackers?” at KAC (Jan-Mar) 2014
Lake George Winter Carnival, Warren Co., opens with optimism because of 10-12” of ice (1 Feb) 2014
NWS reports Lake Champlain is frozen over (12 Feb) 2014
GLERL, Ann Arbor, Michigan, reports 88% ice cover for Great Lakes, a major increase (13 Feb) 2014

Is ice cover on the Great Lakes – holding nearly 20% of all the liquid fresh-water on earth - really relevant to the Adirondack Region? We think so. More ice means less evaporation and thus less precipitation (snow and rain) downwind and greater water levels in the Great Lakes adjacent the NW sector of the Park. More ice cover, especially in the spring, means less food for waterfowl and other aquatic herbivores. Ice cover of the Great Lakes is also one of the markers for global climate change. The winter of 2013-2014 shows an abrupt change in the 70% recession of ice cover over the past four decades, presumably due to the “polar vortex”.

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Secretary of State, John Kerry, mocks global climate change deniers in Jakarta, RI, speech (16 Feb) 2014
USDA announces $3M pasture program in Mid-West to combat CCD among honeybees (25 Feb) 2014
Conservationist reports rescue of 68 yro ice climber, Chapel Pond Canyon, Essx Co. (Feb) 2014
David Sive, devoted Adirondacker, one of founders of “environmental law” dies in NYC (12 Mar) 2014
APA approves “Bear Pond Zip Flyer” zipline project on French Mtn amid controversy (13 Mar) 2014
M. Jessie and J. Hockey open Raquette River Brewing for business in Tupper Lake (15 Mar) 2014
NYSP open one-man satellite station covering 1,070 sq. mi. at Wells, Hamilton Co. (mid-Mar) 2014
Sandra Weber, Adirondack Almanack, pub Mary Katherine (Kate) Keemle Field biogr. (29 Mar) 2014
Adirondack Brewery, L. George, announces 5-yr, $5M expansion, including a distillery (Mar) 2014
DEC to destroy 17 mature oaks infected with oak wilt fungus, Glennville, Schenectady Co. (Mar) 2014
Fred Roedel III begins extensive renovation and modernization of Hotel Saranac (Spring) 2014
TU reports increase in cigarette trafficking thru Adks as ATF eases PACT enforcement (Mar) 2014

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Climate Change Panel of AAAS reports on GCC (Mar) 2014
PROTECT creates Cougar Watch to assess presence of mountain lion in Adirondacks (Mar/Apr) 2014

The NYSDEC, despite hundreds of civilian reports of mountain lion in New York, declares that the species is extirpated in the State. Rainier Brocke, professor emeritus, SUNY ESF, affirms this position as does Michale Glennon of The Wildlife Conservation Society.

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AE reports that DEC has elected to remove Marcy Dam at estimated cost of $50,000 (Mar/Apr) 2014
NYS Mesonet weather detection system comes to fruition with FEMA funding approval (1 Apr) 2014
DEC releases draft UMP Amendment re. NYCO Minerals sampling in Jay Mt. Wilderness (2 Apr) 2014
41st TenandehoWhite Waters Derby convenes 1200h, Coon’s Crossing, Mechanicville (6 Apr) 2014
Earthjustice challenges APA re. Draft Amendment of 2010 Jay Mt. Wilderness UMP (9 Apr) 2014
N.A. Rockefeller Inst., Albany, hosts ‘Facing the Storm’ re. increasing extreme weather (17 Apr) 2014
Ferona Forests begins selling Vertical Water, pasteurized maple sap from NYS grown trees (Apr) 2014
Massive ice jam forms on Salmon River at Fort Covington (Apr) 2014

The Powassen virus, causing severe or fatal encephalitis, is a new threat to the Adirondack region. It is now being reported for the more southerly counties of the Hudson River watershed. DOH et al. examination of thousands of deer ticks, aka blacklegged ticks, reveal infection rates of 1 to 6%. Of special concern is the rapidity of transfer of the virus from the the tick to the human host, a matter of just 15 minutes, in contrast to the transfer of the Lyme disease virus which may take more than 24 hours. We expect the first cases of Powassen encephalitis to occur soon in the Adirondack region. Check yourself well
after contact with tick country! Save the tick(s) if they are found imbedded in your skin for use in your visit to the emergency room.

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Paul Grondahl, AE, reports on Kelly Adirondack Center and ARL, Union College (May/Jun) 2014
Lake George Village hosts “low key” Americade motorcycle rally (1-7 Jun) 2014
DEC adopts statewide sanitization rules for all watercraft using 300 DEC boat launches (5 Jun) 2014
PROTECT urges Wilderness classification, Shaker Mt. Wild Forest, Fulton-Hamilton Cos. (6 Jun) 2014
DEC reports that some 475,000 watercraft are now registered with NYS DMV (5 Jun) 2014
Illinois passes law to phase in a ban plastic microbeads in consumer products (10 Jun) 2014
APA unanimously endorses amending Jay Mt. Wilderness UMP allowing drilling (13 Jun) 2014
Chris Knight, Adirondack Daily Enterprise, reports on APA approval of NYCO project (14 Jun) 2014
Fred Roedel (Roedel Companies) buys PSC Church Street dormitory to convert to guest rooms (Jul) 2014
NWS confirms tornadoes at Smithfield, North Creek, Lowville, Deerfield and New London (8 Jul) 2014
Woman driving alone on Rte 8 near Wells hits a sasquatch with deer in its arms with her car (11 Jul) 2014
Mooney M20F crashes on Snowslip Farm, River Rd, ½ mi. from L. Placid AP; 3 die (19 Jul) 2014
Mandatory L. George invasive species control program inspects 3,898 boats so far (22 Jun) 2014
USFWs to issue 1st 5-year Programmatic Eagle Take Permit, Shiloh IV Wind Project, CA (26 Jun) 2014
NYSDEC releases revised draft plan for North Country National Scenic Trail (NCNST) (Jun) 2014
USBGN renames East Dix Plk. as Grace Peak honoring Grace Hudowalski, 1st woman 46er (Jun) 2014
DEC releases controversial management plan for Essex Chain of Lakes, Essex/Hamilton Cos (Jun) 2014
Justin Staskiewicz and Richard Mathy found Fulton Chain Craft Brewery at Old Forge 2014
DOT puts improper ‘U.S. route’ signs on Interstate I-87, Warren Co. line northward for some 40 mi. 2014
Substructure Inc., NH, Jefferson Project, DFWI RPI, IBM completes bathymetry of L. George (Jun) 2014
NASA reports atmospheric CO2 levels exceeding 400 ppm; pre-industrial levels were 270 ppm (Jun) 2014
Crude oil price falls to c. $30 per barrel (Jun) 2014
APA hosts public hearing NYCO proposal re. Lot 8, Seventy and Oak Hill mine expansion (2 Jul) 2014
APA hearing re. NYCO proposal results in public demand for adjudicatory hearing procedure (2 Jul) 2014
NASA Orbiting Carbon Observer 2 (OCO-2) is launched, Vandenberg AFB, CA (2:56 AM, 2 Jul) 2014
Press Republican reports firm court dismissal of Protect the Adirondacks! case against ACR (3 Jul) 2014
David Smith’s steel sculpture show (‘Circle I’, et al.) opens Clark Inst., Williamstown, MA (4 Jul) 2014
Yale Univ Pr. Pub 80 page catalogue work of David Smith, Clark Inst., Williamstown, MA (4 Jul) 2014
DEC proposes campsites, fishing access, L. Desolation State Forest, 2,328 a. tract, Greenfield (7 Jul) 2014
APIPP hosts hemlock woolly adelgid symposium at Indian Lake (8 Jul) 2014
Article 78 lawsuit filed Essex Co. Sup Ct challenges DEC, APA, NYCO re. mineral explor. (14 Jul) 2014
SCJ Th. Buchanan grants Earthjustice request for temporary restraining order for NYCO (16 Jul) 2014
T. Queensbury Planning Board approves Zip-flier ‘zipline’ thrill ride on French Mtn (16 Jul) 2014
Canadian tour bus rolls over on Northway, 90 mi. N. of Albany, killing one, injuring others (18 Jul) 2014
Jeremy Farrel, RPI, speaks on fish history of L. George at DFWI (21 Jul) 2014
Mt. McGregor Correctional Facility, 86 a., 71 buildings, some 320 employees, closes (26 July) 2014
ADK constructs 2 sets stone stairs, Tinker Falls, Onondaga Co., in $75,000 NY Works Proj (28 Jul) 2014
Arigo global float array now consists of 3,603 floats yielding some 100,000 data sets/year (29 Jul) 2014
Google “Argo” for detailed guiance on global sea water T, salinity, velocity profiles (29 Jul) 2014
Estate of LaBastille assigns her Twitchell Lake cabin and $300K to Adk Mus (26 Jul) 2014

Adirondack Museum will dismantle her cabin entirely and reassemble a portion of it as an exhibit of LaBastille’s life at Twitchell Lake. The original cabin, as built in 1964, had a 12’ x 12’ living space with 8’ covered porches on either end. The kitchen (one of the porches) was enclosed in 1964 after she very quickly realized that using a stove outside in bad weather was not a good idea. The
other porch was eventually enclosed when she needed additional living space. This resulted in a 28’ x 12’ cabin where she lived alone with her two dogs part-time for some 40 years without electricity or running water. A telephone came much later.

Her husband at the time, C.V. “Major” Bowes later recalled that the cabin, which had no road leading to it, was built too close to the lake, a covenant in the deed (which she had failed to read) had prompted a neighbor to complain. Friends slid logs underneath it and inched it back during a rainstorm, while LaBastille was inside making sure everything was okay as it moved. A sun deck was later built on the original site.

She eventually built two leantos and two other cabins on her property, each farther back from the lake shore than the other. “Thoreau II” was built on ‘Lilypad Lake’ in 1983, and the other some years later. In the 1980s, she purchased an old farm near Wadhams and lived there during times when weather prevented access to the cabin or to conduct business. She always considered the Twitchell Lake cabin to be her true home and this is where she did most of her writing.

The Editors, paraphrased from various written accounts and personal correspondences with Laura S. Rice, Chief Curator, Adirondack Museum, 16 Mar 2016.

Environmental attorney Chris Amato is elected vice chair AWFFP Board of Directors (30 Jul) 2014
AWFFP elects Helen Chase, CCCA, C. Dawson, SUNY, Ed Zahniser to Advisory Council (30 Jul) 2014
Edward Kanze pub. Adirondack, the story of his family’s homesteading in the Adirondack Park (Jul) 2014
O.K. Slip Falls trail, 2.5 mi. long, FP, opens to one of highest waterfalls in the Adirondacks (Jul) 2014
AWFFP celebrates NWA with DVD featuring art of Carl Heilman II & Dan Berggren (Jul) 2014
Tim Barnett, TNC, is honored by Adk Park Inst. at Adk Interpretive Center (8 Aug) 2014
RPI FWI releases long-term study on L. George: The State of the Lake: Thirty Years of . . . (14 Aug) 2014
DEC announces $475,000 upgrade Upper Saranac Lake Boat Launch, Back Bay Rd. (15 Aug) 2014
Plan for 2nd 6-story hotel in L. George village is dropped in favor of approvable 3-story hotel (Aug) 2014
D. Starbuck, SUNY, ends archaeological dig, Colonial military site, L. George B’field Pk. (15 Aug) 2014
DG provides update on Hudson River PCB dredging, largest chemical clean-up in history (24 Aug) 2014
Justin Gillis, NYT, reviews forthcoming major new UN draft report on GCC (26 Aug) 2014
DEC opens Goodman Mt. Trail to 2,176’ summit, Tupper L., Franklin Co. (27 Aug) 2014
Adirondack Diversity Advisory Council (ADAC) est at a diversity symposium, Newcomb (Aug) 2014
Appellate Division, NYS Supreme Court, upholds APA ACR, Tupper Lake, project approval (Aug) 2014
DEC announces new law making fishing licenses valid for 365 days from date-of-purchase (Aug) 2014
DEC withdraws UMP for Essex Chain Lakes area for redrafting due to negative commentary (Aug) 2014
PROTECT proposes 12,000 a. West Stony Creek WA incl. Shaker Mt. Wild Forest, etc. (Aug) 2014
DEC regs make it illegal to possess, sell, distribute, trade or transport Eurasian boar in NYS (1 Sep) 2014
Dylan and Dan Badger open AuSable Brewing Company at Keeseville (1 Sep) 2014
Cathy Dove becomes 10th president of PSC replacing John Mills (1 Sep) 2014
AWFFP reports on “Towards a More Diverse Adirondacks Conference” at Newcomb VIC (9 Sep) 2014
Niskayuna TB approves mausoleum in Paul Schaefer style, Most Holy Redemer Cemetery (23 Sep) 2014
SCJ T.D. Buchanan rules Grimditches must tear down two boathouses on L. Placid (23 Sep) 2014
Southern pine beetle (SPB), Dendroctonus frontalis, is found Suffolk Co., Long Island (c. 25 Sep) 2014
KAC, UC, presents panel: “Role of Higher Education in Shaping Our Wilderness Future” (30 Sep) 2014
National Wilderness Preservation Act became law 50 years ago; to credit of Howard Zahniser (Sep) 2014
Howard Zahniser family grants conservation easement to NYSFP for FWA drafting cabin (Sep) 2014
NWPA has preserved 106M acres (429,000 km2) of federal and state land in 44 states to-date (Sep) 2014
Stacy McNulty, AECN, reports unexplained major decline of rusty blackbird for Adks (Sep-Oct) 2014
FP acquires 5,770 a. tract incl. L. Andrew near High Peaks W., from TNC opening to public (1 Oct) 2014
DEC and OPRHP hold hearings on Draft Open Space Conservation Plan (21-23 Oct) 2014
NYSSCJ Thomas Buchanan presides at NYCO Minerals hearing, Schenectady (24 Oct) 2014
NYSSCJ Thomas Buchanan maintains TRO against tree cutting/road building NYCO Min. (24 Oct) 2014
NYSSCJ Thomas Buchanan denies NYCO Min. Request for $100,000 bond (24 Oct) 2014
Tucker Farms notes 3-week extension of Adk potato harvest season over past 50 years (Oct) 2014
Draft Open Space Conservation Plan (incl. GCC concern) is released by DEC and OPRHP (Oct) 2014
John Lipscomb becomes Riverkeeper for Mohawk with its 400’ el. range and 19 locks (UOD, Oct) 2014
Draft Open Space Conservation Plan proposes purchase of LaBastille estate at Twitchell Lake (Oct) 2014
PROTECT accents importance of improved funding of NYS Environmental Protection Fund (Oct) 2014
DEC, USDA confirm presence of emerald ash borer in Broome and Westchester Counties (3 Nov) 2014
DEC reports presence of emerald ash borer in 24 NYS counties (3 Nov) 2014
NYSSCJ initiates study to determine size and distribution of Adk moose population 2014
Barkeater Trails Alliance (BETA) and Adirondack Ski Touring Council (ASTC) join forces (Fall) 2014
13 conservation organizations advise Gov. Cuomo to reject proposed ATV law changes (3 Nov) 2014
NY 21st congressional district elects Elise Stefanik, the youngest woman ever, to Congress (4 Nov) 2014
Adirondack Almanack reminds users of key information sources on local outdoor conditions (6 Nov) 2014

John Warren, inspiring leader of Adirondack Almanack, notes key sources of information on Adirondack outdoor conditions to as the weekly Adirondack Outdoor Recreation Report as presented Fridays on WSLP (93.3); North County Public Radio and Mountain Lake PBS.
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Blueline Magazine, celebr. 35th Anniv., D. English & Communication, SUNYA, Potsdam (7 Nov) 2014
NYSEDEC begins receiving reports of dead steelhead trout on Salmon River (mid-Nov) 2014
Parts of Buffalo area receive heavy lake-effect snowfall (c. 6”) with 2”+ more expected (19 Nov) 2014
Estate of LaBastille establishes Woodswoman Scholarship Fund at Cornell U. (19 Nov) 2014
Lake-effect snow storm ends with fall exceeding 7”, 14 dead, Thruway vehicular stranding (21 Nov) 2014
Cowlesville, Wyoming Co., receives 88” snowfall, Lake Erie lake-effect storm (21 Nov) 2014
Outlets at Lake George West opens on site of former Montcalm Restaurant (Nov) 2014
Joyce Carol Oates, 40 novels, plays, short stories, plays, poetry, pub Carthage: A Novel (4 Nov) 2014
Ed Reed, DEC, reports estimated NYS population of moose at 500 to 1,000 animals (1 Dec) 2014
Minnesota moose decline: 8,840 (2010) to 2,760 poss. due to warmer winters and parasites (1 Dec) 2014
New Hampshire moose numbers fall: 7,000 to 4,600 poss. due to GCC and parasites (1 Dec) 2014
DEC, ESF SUNY, WCS, Cornell Univ. will begin studies of Adk moose population (1 Dec) 2014
Blue Line Brewery, Saranac L, expands to triple production & open pizza-serving brewpub (12 Dec) 2014
AWFFP releases special report on strengthening NYS’s Adk Park State Land Master Plan (12 Dec) 2014
Mary Thill, Adk Chapter TNC, pub report on lake trout, showing loss in 74 of 102 lakes (15 Dec) 2014
Gov. Cuomo announces ban on fracking in NYS (17 Dec) 2014
USDC fines PacifiCorp Energy, WY, $2.5M, in turbine death 38 golden eagles, 336 others (19 Dec) 2014
Denton Publications Editorial Board calls for abolishment of Protect the Adirondacks! (24 Dec) 2014
AE rep purchase 112,238 a, mostly AP by Molpus Woodlands Group (MWG), LLC, (17 Dec) 2014
AE rep Molpus Woodland Group, LLC as largest AP private land-owner with 273,000 a (17 Dec) 2014
AE rep Lyme Timber Co. as owning 239,500 a in Adirondack Park (17 Dec) 2014
Milk prices peak for Adk dairy farms at c. $25/ hundredweight (Dec) 2014
NYSDEC issues Essex Chain Lakes Management Complex Stewardship Plan (Dec) 2014
John Warren provides web address Adirondack Almanack — http://adirondackalmanack.com/ (Dec) 2014
ADI (formerly Adirondack Diversity Advisory Council) hosts forum, Whallonsburg Grange (Dec) 2014
PROTECT reports 17 “credible sightings” and two sets of cougar tracks in Adirondack Park (Dec) 2014
George Perkins Marsh’s publication of monumental work *Man and Nature* marks 150 years in print

Ian Howat *et al.,* *Cryosphere,* rep. catastrophic drainage subglacial lakes, 50 km inland of Greenland

NYSDEC announces pilot project on improved salt management for routes 3, 7, 8 and 66

Rockefeller Institute & AWFFP collaborate to educate public on signing of 1964 Wilderness Act

Heavy media coverage of cold winter of 2013-14 leads to popularization of term “polar vortex”

Ricochet Duo performs “Solstice,” musical work by Hilary Tann, UC, honoring Anne LaBastille

M. Wysession, Washington Univ., St. Louis, MO, reports some 1,500 volcanoes as active globally

Utility-Task Vehicle bill; (S. 1946-a/A. 4971-a) fails (up to 6 people + cargo = small compact car)

Li power plant reports >75 days with ave sea-water temp >68° F, for 2012, ’13, ’14 (GCC)

James VanArsdall, West Henrietta, hooks 26-lb, 33.5” freshwater drum, Irondequoit Bay, L. Ontario

DEC renews existing regulations expanding use of crossbows for hunting

Ray Bettis, USW Local 4 representative reports more than 70 union workers at NYCO site

See E.A. Adams *et al.,* re. mercury in Adirondack songbirds, [www.nyserda.org](http://www.nyserda.org)

Annual US production of alcohol now exceeds 14 billion gallons most in accord with the FRF Stand

Adirondack Center for Writing names Lorraine Duvall’s *I Know too Much to Pretend* Best Memoir

Indiana Division of Fish and Wildlife rep 17,541 licenses issued to women 2006, 33,922 this year

80th anniversary of the Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Program is celebrated

Michael Benson pub *Cosmographics: Picturing Space Through Time,* a grand survey of our universe

FMBHCSP has raised $900M to preserve 6M acres across US for Nat. Wildlife Refuge Syst.

NPS imposes interim ban on use of drones in national parks following use over Grand Canyon

J.L. Schnoor, Envir. Sci. Technol., est. 84,000 synthetic organic chemicals now in US daily use

A. Pochodylo & D.E. Helbling, NYSWRI, sample Hudson R. estuary finding 117 micropollutants

Indeed, we of the Hudson River watershed are treating Gaea, our crucial earth goddess and resource, for many problems: atenolol for beta blocking, atenolol acid (metabolite for atenolol), venlafaxine for depression, caffeine for stimulation, paraxanthine (metabolite of caffeine), sucralose to further sweeten her, methyl benzotriazole to keep her industries running, and DEET, to chase the insects and their relatives away. This list of the top eight is provided by Amy Pochodylo and Damian E. Helbling of Cornell University. Gaea is a tad nervous with all of this chemical attention.

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NOAA rep year as warmest of record for Alaska with winters 6° F warmer over past 50 years

*AE* purchases *Adirondack Website*

Gov. Cuomo budget includes $6M for NY Works Funding incl 50 new land/water access projects

Gov. Cuomo budget includes $4M for repair of NYS fish hatcheries

NYSDEC institutes new grading system for maple syrup bottled and sold in NYS (1 Jan)

NYSDEC releases “NYS Fisher Management Plan” *Martes pennanti* for public comment (Jan)

Upstate Revitalization Initiative denies NCREDC request for $1.75M to upgrade ORDA facilities

Chas. Clusen, Chair, PROTECT Bd. of Directors, vig. rebuts Denton Pub abolition proposal (6 Jan)

Denton Pub editorial by D. Alexander deems PROTECT abolition proposal “a mistake” (6 Jan)

18 member Essex Co. Bd. of Supervisors backs Denton Pub PROTECT abolition proposal (8 Jan)

NYSDEC reports L. Ontario steelhead trout & salmon suffer from thiamine deficiency (7 Jan)

Great Lakes fish predators (including salmon and steelhead) that feed primarily on alewife are prone to thiamine deficiency. Alewife, an invasive bait fish in the Great Lakes, are known to contain thiaminase, an enzyme that degrades thiamine. A thiamine deficiency can impact egg quality and the survival of eggs and newly hatched fish, and, in severe cases, can cause the death of adult fish.
“DEC studying ongoing Salmon River steelhead disorder,”
(press release), NYSDEC, 7 Jan 2015

Sherri Mason, SUNY Fredonia, reports on microfiber release to lakes/rivers noting impacts (9 Jan) 2015
Earthjustice files suit on behalf of AWFFP and PROTECT re. snowmobile connector trails (11 Jan) 2015
Union College begins seminar series devoted to Communicating Climate Change (14 Jan) 2015
Appellate Div. of State Supr. Ct. upholds Aulisi decision 3-2 in Shingle Shanty Brk case (15 Jan) 2015
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Union College begins seminar series devoted to Communicating Climate Change (14 Jan) 2015
APA unanimously approves development Woodworth L. former BS camp site, Fulton Co. (15 Jan) 2015
National Sports Academy, L. Placid, files Chap. 11 bankruptcy citing debt & lawsuits (17 Jan) 2015
D. Gibson, AWFFP, scorns APA approval of 1,119 a. Woodworth Lake subdivision in DG (20 Jan) 2015
NYSDEC releases “NYS Fisher Management Plan” for public comment (Jan) 2015
NOAA reports 2014 as the hottest year of record, a period of 135 years (Jan) 2015
NOAA reports average 2014 air temp. (58.24 °F) as 1.24 °F above 20th C average (Jan) 2015
NOAA reports temperature of world’s oceans as “shattering” old records (Jan) 2015
NOAA reports that nine of the 10 hottest years of its global record have occurred since 2000 (Jan) 2015
NOAA reports December, 1916, as the coldest month of record (Jan) 2015
Oceanographic research centers report 2014 as not a year of El Niño weather oscillation (Jan) 2015
SLCBC, over its 59 years of observation has of January, noted examples of 91 avian species (Jan) 2015
NASA reports 2014 as the hottest year for 135 years of record (Jan) 2015
Jennifer Francis, Rutgers meteorologist, suggests climate is warmer now than in last 5000 yrs (Jan) 2015
Japanese Weather Bureau (translated agency title) reports 2014 as the hottest year of record (Jan) 2015
University of California Berkley reports 2014 as the hottest year of record (Jan) 2015
Plant Disease Diagnostic Clinic, Cornell, rep (WWW) on spruce needle rust, threat to spruce (1 Jan) 2015
LGA continues its web page: http://www.lakegeorgeassociation.org/who-we-are/FAQ.asp (Jan) 2015
Northeastern New York and adjacent region do not experience the usual “January thaw” (Jan) 2015
Pres. Obama funds “Precision Medicine Initiative” to define/store DNA profiles of 1M (30 Jan) 2015
Hacker Boat Co. announces introduction of fiberglass hull for standard Hacker-Craft (6 Feb) 2015
NYSDEC pre-emptively injects adult steelhead trout with thiamine at Salmon R. Hatchery (Feb) 2015
Vermont Gas & IP cancel natural gas pipeline under Lake Champlain as uneconomical (10 Feb) 2015
R.T. Vanderbilt loses $10.5 mil. asbestos liability suit over Balmat talc mined in 1970s (12 Feb) 2015
NWS Burlington reports Lake Champlain is frozen over (16 Feb) 2015
NYSDEC issues NYCO revised TRP reducing drill pad sites from 21 to 10 (18 Feb) 2015
NYSDEC scales back expansion of NYCO Minerals wollastonite mine near Willboro (19 Feb) 2015
NSIDC rep peak ice cover Arctic Ocean at 5.6M mi², 50,000 mi² less than prior low of 2011(25 Feb) 2015
Accumulated snowfall for Boston reaches 102” with a normal of 34” (26 Feb) 2015
Imerys buys S&B Industrial Minerals, the parent of NYCO Minerals, Inc., Willboro (27 Feb) 2015
J. Francis, Rutgers U. and S. Vavrus, U. Wisconsin, link wavy jet stream to warming Arctic (Feb) 2015
Average daily temperature for Albany of 12.7 °F ranks this as 2nd coldest of record per NWB (Feb) 2015
AWFFP, PROTECT, Sierra Club Atl. Ch., et al. abandon NYCO wollastonite test drilling case (Feb) 2015
DEC posts new commercial and recreational regulations for harvest of American eel (Feb) 2015
Moriah Hydro Corp. applies FERC for licence to build 240-MW Mineville Energy Project (Feb) 2015

James Besha, head of the Albany Engineering Corp., has applied, as the Moriah Hydro Corp, to FERC for construction of a 240-MW pumped-storage system using the shafts of a former mine at Mineville, Moriah, Essex County. An upper four-acre reservoir with a storage capacity of 2,448 acre-feet rising from 495’ elevation to 1,095’ would receive water at times of lower network power need for release and power
generation to the lower reservoir comprised of the lower levels of the former mine ranging from -1,075’ to -1,555’, 5.1 acres in extent and capacity of 2,448 acre-feet. Transfer shafts of 14-foot diameter and 2,955’ong would connect the two reservoirs. A 25-foot diameter main power shaft descending 2,955’ from the upper reservoir to the powerhouse chamber would provide the water flow for the 100 reversible pump-turbine units. Average annual generation is projected at 421 gigawatts-hours (GWh) as transmitted by an existing 115-kV line. The system would be unique in America.

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Conservationist reports “shockingly large number” of 3 species of bat killed by wind turbines (Feb) 2015
ADAC announces engagement of nine affiliate organizations in seeking Adironack plurality (2 Mar) 2015
Mike Kelly, J. Farrell lecture on Jefferson Project at Lake George, Nott Memorial, U.C. (3 Mar) 2015
Cornell Institute for Climate Smart Solutions launches Climate Smart Farming Program (CSF) (3 Mar) 2015
Pope Francis to issue Papal Encyclical endorsing action of diverse faiths regarding GCC (3 Mar) 2015
C. Stager et al., PSC, pub. research showing yellow perch (Perca flavescens) is Adk native (9 Mar) 2015
New DEC regulations on nuisance and invasive species (6NYCRR, Part 575) go into effect (10 Mar) 2015
St. Regis Mohawk Tribe becomes co-licensee of Hogansburg Hydroelectric Project (13 Mar) 2015
Bradly J. Field retires as Director of NYSDEC Division of Mineral resources (23 Mar) 2015
Katherine (Kathy) Sanford appointed Acting Director NYSDEC Div. of Mineral Resources (23 Mar) 2015
NYS Court of Appeals hears oral arguments re. Phil Brown’s Lila Traverse canoe access (24 Mar) 2015
LGLC sells 1,438 a. Berry Pond tract to NYS for addition to FP (26 Mar) 2015
Steve Englebright is appointed chair State Assembly Environment and Conservation Comm. (Mar) 2015
PROTECT opposes “sprawling” subdivision around Woodworth Lake, S. Adks (Mar) 2015
PROTECT pub criteria to evaluate future draft constitutional amendments for Article XIV (Mar) 2015
Gov. Cuomo / NYS legislators move $41 million RGGI funds to gen’l fund to balance budget (Mar) 2015

If money collected from RGGI is now going to be spent on general budget matters, anti-climate action groups could attack the program in court as an illegal tax. That’s because, unlike in some other states, RGGI was adopted as an executive action by the governor—it was not passed by the Legislature. All taxes must be passed by the Legislature (in NYS). New York has to be extremely careful about what they do with RGGI proceeds because the collection of proceeds has not been approved by the Legislature. New York has prevented legal challenges in the past because they’ve used that money to drive down carbon pollution. It’s directly related. If they move away from that concept, they open up the prospect of legal action.

Peter Iwanowicz, Environmental Advocates of New York, 7 Apr 2015

Great Southwoods Project to host two meetings on conservation easements/private land mgt. (Mar) 2015
NYS maple syrup producers make more than 600,000 gallons of syrup (most since 1944) (Mar) 2015
DEC updates freshwater fishing regulations for NYS (1 Apr) 2015
The Week rep Alaska’s rivers are now flowing with volume exceeding that of Mississippi R. (3 Apr) 2015
Deborah G. Grantham, NY SWRI, Cornell, dgg3@cornell,edu, rel Stream Behavior Videos’ (6 Apr) 2015
Eileen Mack, UC, presents ‘Jeanne Robert Foster, Voice of the Mountains’ at KAC (7 Apr) 2015
USGS rep est level, velocity gage 01354500, Mohawk R, Freeman’s Br, Glenville (8 Apr) 2015
Hallie E. Bond, formerly with AM, assumes directorship of Union College KAC (8 April) 2015
Philip G. Terrie, UC, presents ‘Adirondack Logging: From Cut and Run to Obsolescence’ (13 Apr) 2015
Rockefeller Institute & UAlbany hold 2nd Severe Weather Conference at UAlbany (23 Apr) 2015
Gov. Cuomo announces $4,25M purchase 6,200 acre McIntyre East Tract for FP (23Apr) 2015
20 YENN Albanians plant c. 200 trees, two locations, Upper Hudson R, N of L. Luzerne (25 Apr) 2015
This planting led by DEC forest rangers and David Gibson of Adirondack Wild: Friends of the Forest Preserve, was in honor of Brother Yusuf Abdul Wasi, Arbor Day and Earth Day. Jaime Edwards is Executive Director of the Youth Ed-Venture and Nature Network (YENN). Ms. Cherrie Burgess, wife of the late Abdul Wasi is president of the YENN board.

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NYS AG Schneiderman reports on microbead pollution in wastewater treatment plants (Apr) 2015
Natural gas overtakes coal as principal source of U.S. electric power generation (Apr) 2015
Maine larval eel (elvers) prices now reach $2,000/lb for nursery growth Korea, Taiwan, Japan (Apr) 2015
DEC, 4 other NYS agencies sub Crude Oil Report on NY dangers incl. junk DOT-111 tankers (Apr) 2015
NYS maple syrup producers make more than 600,000 gallons of syrup (most since 1944) 2015
LGLC buys The Pinnacle, T. of Bolton landmark, saving it from development (6 May) 2015
Tom Panter catches two rudd, *S. erythropthalmus*, in Lake Flower at Saranac Lake (7 May) 2015
Life of Brother Yusuf Abdul-Wasi is praised at John Brown State Historical Site, L. Placid (9 May) 2015
USMR&EFs, c. 200 a, L Placid, now works c. 4,000 sugar maple taps using vacuum tubing (9 May) 2015
UC hosts 3rd annual “Adirondack Week” featuring role of women in the Adirondacks (10-15 May) 2015
David Bowie, Adk Photography Inst, opens exhibit of his work at KAC, Union College (13 May) 2015
Bee Informed Partnership reports 42.1% die-off of honeybees in previous 12 mo. (13 May) 2015
DEC/DAM replaces 40-county EAB quarantine zone with 14 restricted zones (13 May) 2015
Aaron Mair, 56 years old, epidemiologist, Schenectady, is elected president of Sierra Club (16 May) 2015
Under Ma’s ownership Brandon Park LLC is renamed New Brandon LLC (21 May) 2015

Jack Ma (a.k.a. Ma Jun) was introduced to the Adirondacks by The Adirondack Nature Conservancy. He has been associated with The Nature Conservancy since 2007 and was appointed chairman of its China program and to its global board of directors in June 2013. Mr. Ma, a retired businessman, philanthropist and conservationist, has been involved in conservation projects in China for several years. He is a founding member of the Sichuan Nature Conservation Foundation, a Chinese private nongovernmental organization started in 2011 to protect land in western Sichuan and throughout China. There, in Sichuan, he helped create the 27,000 acre Laohegou Nature Reserve to protect giant panda, *Ailuropoda melanoleuca*, habitat.

Ma delights in New Brandon Park which he bought “principally for conservation purposes, but also plans to use as an occasional personal retreat.” He was drawn to the Adirondacks partly because of the area’s history of overcoming environmental threats. He has reorganized New Brandon Park to operate as a nonprofit entity and he will maintain its wild character under the pre-existing conservation easements administered by the Adirondack Nature Conservancy. Note Wilhelmina Ross’s assignment of these easement to ANC in 1978. New Brandon Park includes a 1940s log camp at its gated entrance, eight homes and more than a dozen other structures, including guest cabins, lean-tos and a fish hatchery. It encompasses roughly 40 miles of roads, nine miles of the St. Regis River, eleven brook trout ponds, several streams, a 2000-foot mountain, and thousands of acres of forestland. It previous owners, the Ross family, left a private-label maple-syrup operation and a native brook trout fishery producing a heritage strain of brook trout.

Compiled from numerous print and online sources

AWFFP expresses concern on DEC “regional land bank amendment” (22 May) 2015
US gov rep. (WSJ) new-home construction (191,000 starts) jumps 20.2% for April (22 May) 2015
US gov rep. (WSJ) that housing surge is biggest monthly gain since Feb 1991 (22 May) 2015
WSJ rep. that China now accounts for c. 20% of US lumber exports (22 May) 2015

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WSJ rep. that housing now accounts for 40% of US lumber demand (22 May) 2015
IP Ticonderoga starts receiving 18 to 20 daily truckloads of compressed natural gas (25 May) 2015
APWA gives L. George Beach Road award of the year for its porous pavement design 2015
National Sports Academy, L. Placid, closes following financial difficulties (31 May) 2015
DOH revises Adirondack Region Fish Advisory re Hg, PCBs, etc; www.health.ny.gov/fish (May) 2015
NYS legislators encourage GE to dredge PCBs from Champlain Canal (Jun) 2015
DEC opens park-wide, voluntary boat inspection for control of invasive species (Jun) 2015
R. Sadeghi et al. pub. “Adk Park incidents” on search & rescue in Wilderness and Envir. Med. (Jun) 2015

Analysis of search and rescue reports determined that in the Adirondacks men are twice as likely as women to be rescued, the vast majority of those rescued are between 18 and 44 years old, that they were most likely to be lost or injured, and if injured, it was due to a fall or slip, or that they exceeded their ability.

Sadeghi, Rokhsanna, et al., Wilderness and Environmental Medicine, 2015 Jun; 26(2):159-63

Jack Ma stops ongoing logging operations at Brandon Park (Jun) 2015
Big Tupper Brewing, Tupper Lake, launches its flagship brew: ‘IPA “eh” Ale’ (9 Jun) 2015
Two convicted killers tunnel from max-security Clinton Correctional Facility, Dannemora (6 Jun) 2015
AWFFP raises analyses concerns re APA Project 2015-76, c. 500a, Lyme Timber (11 Jun) 2015
TNC adds 414 a. to c. 16,000 a. Tug Hill Plateau holdings, c. 33% of THP forest 2015
PSC hosts 1st International Birch & Syrup Conference, Michael Farrel coordinating (12-14 Jun) 2015
U.S. Marshals Service place David Sweat & Richard Matt on “15 Most Wanted” list (18 Jun) 2015
Ensuing search includes some 1100 law enforcement, border patrol & corrections officers (Jun) 2015
Pope Frances issues 184 page encyclical on climate change: Laudato Si – Praise be to you (18 Jun) 2015
Dr. Roland Brown, Jr., donates his father’s WWII Congressional Gold Medal to Adk Mus (25 Jun) 2015

16 states sue to block Waters of the United States Rule of late May, re. 22M a. wetlands (29 Jun) 2015

Comptroller DiNapoli rates Corinth Central School District 5th most stressed out of 672 (30 Jun) 2015
Heads roll for failings at Clinton Correctional Facility, Dannemora, after recent escape (30 Jun) 2015
IPH, SNCR, Tahawus mine tailings contract expires after moving 80,000 tons at a loss (30 Jun) 2015
PROTECT alleged DEC misconduct as “de facto private lobbyist” in NYCO amendment (Jun) 2015

AM loans legendary powerboat El Lagarto to Lake George for its Gold Cup Festival (Jul-Sep) 2015
Rail Explorers introduce Korean rail bike tours to 6-mi Saranac L-L Clear rail corridor (2 Jul) 2015
APA unanimously approves Community Connector Trail Plan UMP (snowmobiling) (9 Jul) 2015
PSC announces intention to change name to Joan Weill-Paul Smith’s College for $20M (16 Jul) 2015
Adk Council marks 40th anniversary with 300 well-wishers at Heaven Hill Farm, L. Placid (18 Jul) 2015
Adk Council, headquarters Hand House, Elizabethtown, has membership of c. 20,000 (18 Jul) 2015
PROTECT says Essex Chain Lakes Area UMP violates WSRR Act re. motor vehicle use (20 Jul) 2015

NYSDEC Exec. Deputy Marc S. Gerstman is appointed Acting Commissioner of DEC (24 Jul) 2015
Ed Ellis, Iowa Pacific Holdings (SNCR), notifies Warren Co. of tanker car storage plan (28 Jul) 2015
DEC issues Community Connector Plan for snowmobiling: Minerva, Newcomb, N. Hudson (29 Jul) 2015
Denton Publications launches website for community news: www.suncommunitynews.com (30 Jul) 2015
Denton Publications reorganizes and renames itself Sun Community News (30 Jul) 2015

LGLC buys Pinnacle from Ernest Oberer Sr. & Jr, $525,000 selling CE to Bolton for $150,000 (Jul) 2015
An unleashed border terrier (a small breed with strong hunting instincts) well ahead of its owner accosts an adolescent black bear while on a hike. The bear responds by ‘going after’ the dog which retreats to its owner with the bear in hot pursuit. The owner did what experts tell you to do: intimidate the bear. He stood tall and raised his arms. He started shouting. The bear kept coming. When he stooped to scoop up his dog, he slipped and fell, but he recovered in time to jump on the bear’s back to save his beloved pet. The bear let the dog go and the next thing he knew, he was wrestling the bear. He collapsed onto the ground to protect himself from the claws and teeth of the bear which was then on top of him. Only after he managed to grab a stick lying on the ground and first used it to protect himself, and then hit the the bear on the snout, did the bear decide to withdraw. This left the dog and its owner with a number of serious bites, scratches and puncture wounds, bleeding, and in shock, some three miles in the woods from their car. Only with great difficulty were they able to find their way out to a campsite where help was obtained. Both the dog and its owner recovered after quite some time under medical and veterinary care.

Despite all of the above, the owner professes to have no ill-will toward the bear—the bear was only doing what bears do.

Compiled from contemporary newspaper reports

David Starbuck & SUNY ACC volunteers close Fort George dig, L. George Battlefield Pk (14 Aug)  2015
Gov. Cuomo extends fishing regulation allowing three-lines per angler thru 2017 (16 Aug)  2015
Wallface climber saved with helicopter, 12 rangers, 2 SAR climbers & no media coverage (17 Aug)  2015
UAlbany inaugurates NYS Mesonet with 30’ tall weather station, Schuylerville, 1st of 125 (31 Aug)  2015
Willsboro removes 125 yro Saw Mill Dam (#237-0449) from Boquet River (Aug-Sep)  2015
Hudson R. PCB Superfund Community Advisory Board announces GE PCB dredging end (18 Aug)  2105

Dredging of some 2.65 million cubic yards of PCB-contaminated Hudson River sediments from the 40-mile reach of the River from Hudson Falls to Troy, the largest clean-up of this type ever undertaken globally, will end this fall. Various parties oppose the closure.

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DG rep. that some 19 tons of microbeads enter NY waters, statewide, each year (6 Sep) 2015
R. Wege, DG, rep hydro waters of Canada now flood 4,200 mi², 8.6 times area L. Champlain (6 Sep) 2015
U.S. Distr Judge N.A. Mordue grants SPC summary judgement denying rate increases (8 Sep) 2015
5th annual 8-mi. Kayak 4 Meso fund-raise for asbestos-related cancer runs Champlain Can (12 Sep) 2015
SG rep Essex Co $450,000 culvert replacement assisted by TNC $300,000 USFWS grant (13 Sep) 2015
SG rep on NOAA memo that NE culverts are no longer competent to handle storm run-off (13 Sep) 2015
Paul Smith’s College board approves renaming college in honor of $20 M Joan Weill grant (14 Sep) 2015
NSIDC rep Arctic summer min. sea ice cover at 1.7 M mi², down 240,000 mi² from 2014 (15 Sep) 2015
NSIDC rep 5-yr ave min. Arctic sea-ice cover at 1.72 M mi², 62% of previous 5-yr ave (15 Sep) 2010-15
EPA seeks comment on closure of 110 a GE PCB facility, Fort Edward, est. 2008 (16 Sep) 2015
Dan Jenkins tags Adk monarch butterfly (recovered El Rosario, Mexico, 6 Mar ’16) (16 Sep) 2015
43rd annual Adirondack Balloon Festival opens Crandall Park, Queensbury (17 Sep) 2015
Male moose is euthanized after being struck by tractor-trailer in Rte 67, eastern Amsterdam (18 Sep) 2015
Truck-struck male moose assigned to Hunters Helping the Hungry, Schoharie Co., for food (18 Sep) 2015
Young (mule watching, c. 700 lb) male moose tranquilized Troy, relocated to wildlife area (21 Sep) 2015
S. Nerem, NASA Sea Level Change Team, rep accelerated sea level rise; melting/warming (25 Sep) 2015
David Gibson, AWFFP, and KAC members lead 25 UC freshmen up Crane Mt (26 Sep) 2015
Total lunar eclipse, i.e. earth’s shadow falling on moon, occurs for NE (27 Sep) 2015
DEC estimates that some 800 moose now live in NYS (Sep) 2015
DEC releases draft RMP 18,989 a. Kushaqua Conservation Easement tract incl 35 mi. ATV rts (Sep) 2015
NOAA reports highest global monthly temp departure rec for 1,629 months began Jan 1880 (Sep) 2015
Lake George Village hosts Adirondack National Car Show (Sep) 2015
Fulton Montg Reg Chamb Comm/Saratoga Co. Chamb Comm pub new Gr. Sacandaga L Map (Sep) 2015
NYT rep gasoline prices now average $2.42/g nationwide, lowest price in 11 years (Sep) 2015
Grimditch family dismantles 2 boathouses worth $600,000 on L. Placid per court order (Sep) 2015
Thomas Crowther et al., Yale, rep global loss10 Ba forest/year, 46% decline in human history (Sep) 2015
D. Walters et al. USGS rep high levels Hg and Se pollution for Colorado R., Grand Canyon (Sep) 2015
9th annual meeting UAS Summit and Expo held Grand Forks, ND, agric/forestry role drones (Sep) 2015
Northville-Placid Trail shifts 15 mi of roads to woodland, now 135 mi, only 3.5 mi on roads (Sep) 2015
Peter Bauer, PROTECT, alleges (AE), improper support of NYCO open-pit mine by DEC (Sep-Oct) 2015
Randall Swanson, PSC, (AE), reports on goutweed in Adks: “A plant from hell” (Sep-Oct) 2015
R. Goldfarb, TI Pres. & Dir., departs when TI fails to win Upstate Revitalization Initiative (Fall) 2015
Gov. Cuomo nominates Basil Seggos for NYSDEC commissioner to replace J. Martens (2 Oct) 2015
Adirondack Mycology Club inaugurates ADK Fungi Fest at Paul Smith’s College VIC (3 Oct) 2015
USFWS says status of American eel, Anguilla rostrata, does not warrant protection under ESA 2015
IP agrees to separate its sludge dumps from the Corinth paper mill site to make it easier to sell 2015
Town of Inlet inaugurates ‘Inlet Outdoor Family Challenge (3 Oct) 2015
FERC announces Moriah Hydro Corp. applic. for 240-MW Mineville Energy Storage Proj. (4 Oct) 2015
NYSDEC opens new hiking trail and restored fire tower on Spruce Mt., Town of Corinth (7 Oct) 2015
GE announces end $2 B, 2.75 M yd³ sediment, 300,000 lb PCB, 40-mi, Hudson R dredging (5 Oct) 2015
GE finishes Hudson R. PCB dredging, EPA declaring that no more dredging is warranted (Oct) 2015
Gov. Cuomo appoints Basil Seggos NYSDEC ‘Acting Commissioner’ (c. 7 Nov) 2015
SCJ JT Ellis denies proposed PSC name-change to Joan Weill-Paul Smith’s College (6 Oct) 2015
Rockefeller Inst. Gov./ARC host conference on “Demographic Trends in the Adirondacks” (7 Oct) 2015
NASA predicts a major El Niño lasting into spring reducing drought of southern California (7 Oct) 2015
NYS proposes 45 mi tourist train sector, NE part for multi-use, for 119-mi rail corridor (8 Oct) 2015
‘Once-a-millenium storm’, massive flooding, strike S. Carolina causing failure of 17 dams (10 Oct) 2015
Elk, deer, wild boar, wolf, abound in 835 mi² Polesie Preserve, Chernobyl, Belarus, Ukraine (11 Oct) 2015
Philip Terrie pub (AA) description of Philosophers’ Camp, Follensby Pond, Harrietstown (11 Oct) 2015
Star Mountain Resources buys St. Law. Zinc Co. (Baltimore mines) from HudBay Minerals (13 Oct) 2015
T. of Chestertown launches Chester Challenge to promote health, fitness & hiking in area (14 Oct) 2015
DEC rep. seizure of 37 kg eels at JFK AP, valued at $60,000; illegal to possess NY (15 Oct) 2015
D.A. Bishop et al., Ecosphere 6:10, report significant decline of Adirondack sugar maple (21 Oct) 2015
PSC decides not to appeal SCJ JT Ellis decision re. Weil name-change (22 Oct) 2015
Voters in Port Henry, Essex County, vote 190 to 171 to dissolve village (27 Oct) 2015
Globally concerned Wildlife Conservation Society lists NA Forests incl. ADKs among top 15 (Oct) 2015
Michale Glennon (WCS) receives P. Schaefer Wilderness Award at AWFFP annual meeting (Oct) 2015
Kelly & Ben Nessle receive Stewardship Award at AWFFP annual meeting, North Creek (Oct) 2015
Henry L. Diamond is presented Environ. Achievement Award from Environmental Law Inst. (Oct) 2015
judge rules, on basis Phelps Smith will, that Paul Smith’s College may not change its name (Oct) 2015
AG Eric Schneiderman issues subpoena to Exxon Mobil for climate change research records (4 Nov) 2015
AC initiates coalition BeWildNY to campaign for Boreas Ponds wilderness protection (9 Nov) 2015
Union College announces mission for the Kelly Adirondack Center; see their web page (Nov) 2015
Jim McCulley files Article 78 against NYSDEC et al. for Joe Marten’s OMR ruling (18 Nov) 2015
T. of North Elba files Article 78 against NYSDEC et al. for Joe Marten’s OMR ruling (23 Nov) 2015
NYS Mesonet weather stations Whiteface Mtn Base and L. George go online ‘live’ (5 & 6 Dec) 2015
Paris Climate Agreement is adopted by consensus by 196 parties, UNFCCC, starting 2020 (12 Dec) 2015
PA DEP rep. decline of smallmouth bass Susquehanna R. poss. due endocrine disrupters (14 Dec) 2015
Mathy Stansilaus, EPA, agrees to early 2016 start GE PCB Hudson R Clean-up review (18 Dec) 2015
Tupper Lake Triad hiking challenge is inaugurated (20 Dec) 2015
Champlain Islands CBC yields record 84,500 snow geese, Point Au Roche, NY (20 Dec) 2015

This record breaking passage of snow geese for the Champlain Islands during this past December is a strong if not ominous signal of change. Dozens of other observations for the region affirm exceptional numbers as well. The previous record of 11,667 set in 1990 provides basis for assessing the extent of change. The DEC has reacted by setting the daily bag limit at 25 snow geese with unlimited possession! Canadian authorities report extensive tundra deterioration, vigorously vegetated surfaces converted to mud flat.

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Record breaking floods strike parts of Mississippi River basin, e.g. Washington, MO (30 Dec) 2015
In the US, 89% of corn, 94% of soybeans, and 89% of cotton planted is glyphosate-resistant 2015
Atsuo Kuki comes to TI as ‘consultant’ and chief scientific officer (Dec) 2015
DEC blocks Iowa Pacific Holdings, LLC, from tanker storage, L. Sanfrod RR spur, Essex Co. (Dec) 2015
RIG/AWFFP receive Frank Hutchins Adk Environ. Education Leadership Award from API (Dec) 2015
Pres Obama adopts Clean Power Plan to deal with global climate change (Dec) 2015
Jack Drury et al., Saranac L., acting on DEC request, rep on “Hut-to-Hut” idea for Adks. (Dec) 2015
NYS DOH reports 3,252 confirmed, 1,002 suspected, cases of Lyme disease in NYS (Dec) 2015
NYS Maple Producers Assoc. harvest more than 600,000 gallons maple syrup this year (Dec) 2015
DEC rep 33,000+ sign trailhead register for Cascade Mtn ascent (Dec) 2015
Upstate Revitalization Initiative denies NCREDC request for $1.75M to upgrade ORDA facilities 2015
AWFFP pub The Adirondack Park at a Crossroad: A Road Map for Action, incl 37 salient citations 2015
DOT begins $15.6 M replacement of 7 bridges, Rte. 73, T Keene, in response to incr. storm run-off 2015
audubon.org/climate predicts that range of 314 NA bird species will decline more than 50% by 2080 2015
Mike Damp, LS (Lower Saranac Lake) Marina LLC, opens plan to expand to 270 covered slips 2015
Larry Master, AJES, pub “The Saranac Lake Christmas Bird Count” (a history of SLCBC) 2015
LGLC open Anthony’s Nose, eastern shore of northern Lake George, to the public 2015

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Wilderness and Environmental Medicine rep 239 Adk rescue missions (349 people), 2008, 2009 2015
Upper Hudson Ski Loop, 4.2 miles long, opens near confluence of Hudson and Goodnow Rivers 2015
NYSDEC Bureau of Fisheries pub I Fish NY Guide to Capital District Fishing 2015
NYSDOH reports 3 cases of anaplasmosis, St, Lawrence Co., 783 statewide 2015
LGPC begins $100,000+ Asian clam eradication at Rogers Rock Campground, L. George 2015
Stacy McNulty, et al., AJES pub “Rusty blackbirds in New York State” accenting major decline 2015
Franco Tassi, former director Abruzzo National Pk of Italy, discharged after c. 30 year’s service c. 2015
MWG promotes sale of Saranac River Forest: 2,200 BF and 13 cords per acre, 8,000’ Saranac R. 2015
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Peter Wohlleben, German, pub The Hidden Life of Trees: What They Feel, How They Communicate 2015
NY Open for Fishing and Hunting Initiative fosters hatcheries, hunting, fishing, tourism, access 2015
R. Yunick reports on (NABB) 24 yrs’ banding work on ruby-throated hummingbird in Adks 2015-16
Mt. Van Hoevenberg Cross-coutry Ski Center closes with brief seaso of 37 days (Feb) 2015-16
Public hearings held at Albany, Saratoga re. APSLMP for trail bikes in Essex Chain Lake tract (Jan) 2016
Geo. Shaw, Union College, pub Earth’s Early Atmosphere and Oceans, and the Origin of Life (Jan) 2016
Adirondack Council seeks to codify ban on ATV use in the Adirondack Park (Jan) 2016
DEC proposes controversial pedestrian-snowmobile bridge for Cedar R., Essex Chain Lakes (Jan) 2016
After Oklahoma fracking USGS reports c. 2,700 temblors, >2.5, for, 2015, up from 3 in 2005 (Jan) 2016
Gov. Cuomo proposes expansion of EPF to $300 M in state budget (5 Jan) 2016
Ray Smith, founder Long L. Historical Society, historian, author, archivist, genealogist dies (6 Jan) 2016
D. Plumley, AWFFP, testifies APA re. APA/DEC proposed Primitive area trail-bike access (6 Jan) 2016

Maintenance for all-terrain trail-bike recreation in the 40 Primitive areas of the AP will require access of truck and earth moving equipment along with bridge construction and maintenance.

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DG editorial features importance of diversity in future of Adirondacks (10 Jan) 2016

Peter (Pete) Nelson, Saranac Lake, one of the founders of the Adirondack Diversity Advisory Council, is an especially competent author-worker on the crucial importance of diversity for the future of the Adirondacks. See his recent article in Adirondack Explorer. This council now organizes an annual symposium on the issue in Newcomb. The late Brother Yusuf Burgess of Albany was one of the most vigorous leaders in building bridges between urban youth and the Park. His wife Cherrie Burgess continues in the effort centering her work in Albany. Kelly Metzgar has been active in bringing transgender health care to the North County. Adirondack Futures, the Common Ground Alliance and the Regional Office of Sustainable Tourism are also joining the Adirondack diversity movement. Overcoming the wilderness estrangement of urban populations is vital to our region and will become more so as American minorities become majorities.

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Earthjustice files lawsuit on behalf AWFFP & PROTECT re. Essex Chain Lakes tract UMP (11 Jan) 2016
Gov. Cuomo vows to close NYS coal-fired plants by 2020 (c. 12 Jan) 2016
NYS AG moves McCulley Art. 78 lawsuit to Appellate Division (14 Jan) 2016
APA hosts 90 min public hearing, Saratoga Springs, on proposed uses Essex Chain Lakes (14 Jan) 2016
Andy Arthur posts trail map to Pine Orchard, off Rte. 30, Wells (18 Jan) 2016

Pine Orchard, Wilcox Lake Wild Forest (c. 140,000), hosts a scattered grove of large white pine some reported to be more than six feet DBH, more than 150’ tall and 200 years old. Jim Beil (NYSDEC) led William Fairchild, Jack Lynch, Lois Porter, Hank Stebbins and Carl George to these grand pines on August 9, 2010, to measure 12 of the some 50 larger ones: 3.2’, 3.5’, 3.5’, 3.7’, 3.9’, 4.0’, 4.1’, 4.1’, 4.3’, 491
4.5’, 4.9’, and 5.1’ DBH = diameter at breast height. One fallen tree was measured at c. 120’, full stem length. The team found none reaching the reported diameters of six feet. It is thought that the hurricane of 1815 opened the site for the onset of the pines with further fostering by good and moist soil. Black cherry, hop hornbeam, red maple, yellow hirch, paper birch, basswood, hemlock et al. are associate tree species. The ‘comfortable’, relatively level access trail is 4 miles RT making available some of the finest white pines of the Adironack Park. See Barbara McMartin’s Great Forests of the Adirondacks for locations of other grand examples of the Adironack trees and forests.

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G. Schmidt, GISS, NASA/NOAA rep 2015 hottest year of record begun 1880 (20 Jan) 2016
NASA rep ave temp of 2015 as 0.23° F warmer than 2014; 15/16 hottest years occur this C (20 Jan) 2016
NOAA rep ave temp 2015 as 0.29° F warmer than 2014; 1.62° F warmer than 20th C ave (20 Jan) 2016
NOAA rep that every month of 2015 except January and April globally hottest of record (20 Jan) 2016
NOAA rep record numb Category 3 tropical cyclones N hemisphere incl Hurricane Patricia (20 Jan) 2016
NOAA rep major El Niño as elevating temperature record of northern hemisphere (20 Jan) 2016
Snowstorm strikes Atlantic coast (NYC, Wash, Phil); more than 30” in hard ground (20 Jan) 2016
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The Lacey Act prohibits the import and interstate trade of listed species. The fungus Batrachochytrium salamandrivorans, also known as Bsal or salamander chytrid, has wreaked havoc on salamander species overseas and poses an imminent threat to native salamander populations. The fungus is not yet known to be found in the United States. The Bsal fungus has the ability to devastate our native salamander populations. For purposes of this listing, the prohibition includes importation or interstate transport of live and dead animals, including parts.


NYS Mesonet Weather Stations Ticonderoga and Chestertown go online ‘live’ (28 & 29 Jan) 2016
Stephen Williams, DG, rep on impact of mild winter and open water at Lake George (31 Jan) 2016
Oil prices fall to < $30/barrel and regional gas prices to c. $2.00/gallon (31 Jan) 2016
OSI buys Huckleberry Mt. tract, 848 a., T. of Warrensburg, with intent of sale to NYS FP (Jan) 2016
Lake George Wild Forest situated both sides of lake is 71,033 a. (1 Feb) 2016
NYS Mesonet weather station GABR at Tucker Farms, T. of Brighton, goes online ‘live’ (1 Feb) 2016
Air temperature Union College 56° F, cloud cover 100%, wind SW 10-15 mph (9:14 AM, 1 Feb) 2016
DEC rep Hudson R. Atlantic sturgeon population, protected for 20 years, at a ten-year high (3 Feb) 2016
K. Rines, NH DFG, more moose brainworm fatalities due to incr of tick vector and warming (5 Feb) 2016
Saranac Lake is awarded 2017 World Snowshoe (racing) Championship competitions (5 Feb) 2016
Federal Supeme Court blocks federal EPA rule limiting carbon emissions by power plants (9 Feb) 2016
Vivian Lee, DG, rep on impact of mild winter in Adironack Park (10 Feb) 2016
Henry L. Diamond, former NYDEC Commissioner and noted conservationist dies (21 Feb) 2016
NYT reports sea-level rise at fastest rate in 28 centuries (22 Feb) 2016
James Clark, et al., Global Change Biology, rep on drought threat to all US forests (22 Feb) 2016
Adironack Almanack updates on WNS caused by fungus Pseudogymnoascus destructans (28 Feb) 2016
DEC completes bridge replacement project at Perkins Clearing Easement Tract, Hamilton Co (Feb) 2016
DEC rep $2 M in EPF grants to control invasive aquatic species (plants, mussels, et al.) (Feb) 2016
Snow drought impacts Adk ski industry causing much use of artificial snow with financial loss (Feb) 2016
Snow drought impacts Adk snowmobile recreation focusing action Old Forge with 2' of snow (Feb) 2016
J.T. Ellis, NYSSC, rejects Paul Smith’s College name change in honor of donor Jean Weill (Feb) 2016
Adirondack Cuisine Trail Association (ACTA) is organized in Essex, Clinton & Franklin Cos. (Feb) 2016
PROTECT Annual Report lists 108 Adk lakes now surveyed by ALAP and associates (Feb) 2016
PROTECT Annual Rep charges DEC lobby role in NYCO Constitutional Amendment (Feb) 2016
DEC issues “Don’t Eat” walleye advisory for Lower Hudson R. and other species of Adks (1 Mar) 2016
Hua Shi Davis dies of hypothermia after summiting MacNaughton Mtn (4-5 Mar) 2016

Davis’ death did not come as a surprise to those who knew her. She personified the very fit hiker ‘who knew how to hike, but (somehow) did not know how to prepare for a hike’. She belonged to an ultralight hiking group which prided itself in hiking fast with minimal gear. She had gained a reputation for traveling very light and fast. She relied on others to provide whatever gear or clothing that she lacked on any given hike and did not realize the risks she was taking. On this difficult winter hike, she carried no spare clothing and no emergency gear: no space blanket, no bivy sack, no extra food or water, no proper fire-starting materials, no map, no compass (indeed, she supposedly did not even know how to read a map or how to use a compass), and she carried no snowshoes or skis. In summer, the risk of traveling light may be manageable given certain skills and experience, but in winter, that is another matter. On this hike, to further reduce her margin of safety, she was hiking alone, and she was wearing her normal sneakers and fleece sweatpants, of which the coroner noted, “Once it gets wet, that’s it; you are wet.” When she was found huddled in waist deep snow, her clothing was soaked through and she was dead. Simple thermodynamics had taken over resulting in hypothermia and death. Mr. Terns wonders how many experienced winter hikers avoid ‘teachable moments’ when encountering such hikers in the backcountry?


Estate of LaBastille donates her 32 a. parcel on Twitchell Lake to NYS FP (7 Mar) 2016
Little brown bat infected with WNS is found near North Bend, WA (11 Mar) 2016
NYSDEC issues Kushqua Tract Conservation Easement RMP (Mar) 2016
12 yro boy is killed when 3’ x 2’ boulder falls 100’ down Roaring Brook Falls, St. Huberts (13 Mar) 2016

This tragedy is an example of being in the wrong place at the wrong time.

Derived from numerous newspaper reports

NYT Service reports worldwide disruption of agriculture due to severe El Niño (20 Mar) 2016
LGLC begins acq 245 a. on Indian Brk, Lake George, incl. Isabel La Roche Godwin Pres (29 May) 2016
Hudson River PCBs Superfund Site Community Advisory Group meets re EPA dispute (31 Mar) 2016
Gov. Cuomo and NYS legislators take $68 million RGGI funds to balance NYS budget (Mar) 2016
AG Eric Schneiderman and other AGs join to learn fuel companies’ role in climate change (Mar) 2016
Jack Ma, New Brandon Park, halts logging, upgrades Brandon fish hatchery, various buildings (Mar) 2016
APA modifies APSLMP expanding motorized use FP trails fostering economic development (Mar) 2016
SUNY-ESF MS by Grete Bader finds “millions” of orchids on mine tailings at Benson Mines (29 May) 2016
EPA announces fall sampling of 1,000 locations for PCBs on upper Hudson floodplain (1 Apr) 2016
Gov. Andrew Cuomo purchases 20,758 a. Boreas Pond Tract from ANC for FP (5 Apr) 2016

Acquisition of the Boreas Pond Tract on April 5, 2016 is New York State’s largest addition to the Adirondack FP in more than 100 years. This act completes reassignment of the 69,000 acres previously owned by Finch, Pruyn & Company – the tract located mostly in North Hudson, Essex County, south of the High Peaks Wilderness Area. The Adirondack Nature Conservancy acquired the tract in 2007 from Finch Paper Holdigns LLC and was prime intermediary owning and overseeing the land during the transfer. Governors Spitzer and Paterson opened negotiations on the transfer to the FP. Originally Finch, Pruyn & Co. owned 161,000 acres and Gov. Paterson signed a conservation easement on 90,000 + of these acres thus leaving much of the original tract in private ownership and management. The Boreas Pond purchase cost $14 million as provided by the Environmental Protection Fund. DEC now works on access and “development” of the site but gives immediate access by non-motorized means.

Governor Andrew Cuomo,
Press release, 10 May 2016

I.A. Pfingsten et al. USGS pub major bibliography on water-chestnut (7 Apr) 2016
S. Williams, DG, rep DEC finalization of plans to restore Camp Santanoni, Newcomb Lake (13 Apr) 2016
Six key Adk conservation organizations send letter to Gov. Cuomo re. APA nominations (13 Apr) 2016
CPC, NCEP, NOAA/NWS predict further weakening of strong El Niño, advent of La Niña (14 Apr) 2016
SNIRT Run, Lewis Co., sets records for participation, crashes, DWIs, trespassing, SAR (Apr) 2016
Forest fire near Buttermilk Falls destroys several dozen acres (15 Apr) 2016
Maurice Kenny dies, Saranac L, 86 yo, poet, Seneca, Mohawk, Irish, Pulitzer nominee (16 Apr) 2016
Comptroller Tom Di-Napoli calls for better federal reg of CSX, Canadian Pacific oil trains (26 Apr) 2016
Wikipedia rep on explosion of Chernobyl reactor thirty years ago with parkland emerging (26 April) 2016
YENN team plants 250 balsam fir, white pine, larch, dogwood, Hudson River Mgt Area (30 Apr) 2016
Kelley Tucker et al., Ausable (sic) R. Assoc, pub draft Au Sable Watershed Management Plan (Apr) 2016
Long-term/highly respected APA member Richard Booth condemns Cuomo control of APA (Apr) 2016
Paris Agreement is reached on mitigation of factors causing global climate change (Apr) 2016
Mike Gersten, Lyme Timber/Pete Nelson, find Colvin’s copper survey bolt, Bald Mtn (Apr) 2016
RGGI auctions raise $2.3 billion for its members: NY, DE, MD, CT, MA, RI, VT, NH, ME (Apr) 2016
PROTECT, The Park Report, votes “no confidence” on APA management of the FP (spring) 2016
DEC est Climate Change Science Clearing House website (6 May) 2016
NYS Court of Appeals sends Phil Brown Shingle Shanty Brook case to trial at lower court (10 May) 2016

“The record is not conclusive with regard to, for instance, the Waterway’s historical and prospective commercial utility, the Waterway’s historical accessibility to the public, the relative ease of passage by canoe, the volume of historical travel, and the volume of prospective commercial and recreational use.”

Unanimous decision
NYS Court of Appeals, 10 May 2016

Dan Berggren, Sandra Hildreth, Eliz. Folwell, Nils Luderowski panel on Adk art, UC (10 May) 2016
Aaron Mair, Guilderland, Sierra Club, speaks at Nott Memorial, UC Adirondack Week (10 May) 2016
EPA issues standards to curb methane release from new oil and natural gas wells (12 May) 2016
DEC UMP as accepted by DOT to replace RR tracks L. Placid to Tupper L. proceeds (17 May) 2016
WSJ rep on use of Japanese knotweed, a major Adk invasive plant, as food in Pittsburgh (24 May) 2016
A wide-ranging interview of David Gibson and Dan Plumley of Adirondack Wild: Friends of the Forest Preserve by Matt Ryan brings much attention to the recent controversy on the conduct of the APA, meddling by the governor, weakening of the State Land Master Plan, issues concerning the Boreas Ponds and Essex Chain Lakes acquisitions and unit management plans, the rail-trail debate, etc.

New York Now (WMHT-TV)
http://nynow.org/post/spotlight-adirondack-issues

St. Regis Mohawk, L. Levi Oakes, WWII code talker, accepts Congressional Silver Medal (28 May) 2016

US Rep. Elise M. Stefanik presented the silver medal not only to Mr. Oakes, age 94 and the last surviving St. Regis Mohawk code talker, but also to the family members of the sixteen other confirmed St. Regis Mohawk code talkers. She also awarded the bronze Congressional Medal to the family members of seven unconfirmed Akwesasne Mohawk code talkers who served in both WWII and the Korean War. The enemy never did break ‘their code’.


Long-term APA member Dick Booth announces his “complex” retirement from APA (May) 2016
KAC CLIR grant ends with 210 cubic-feet J.S. Apperson/Paul Schaefer archives processed (May) 2016
Amelia Whalen catches 36.5”, 29-lb., 14-oz. freshwater drum near Lake Champlain Bridge (4 Jun) 2016
NWS predicts c. 2” of snow on Adk and Vt. mountains with elevations greater than 3,000’ (8 Jun) 2016
DEC reports presence of EAB in Ballston L. & Waterford, 34th NYS county thus infested (10 Jun) 2016
DEC reports presence of some 900 million ash trees in the state, approx. 7% of all trees (10 Jun) 2016
NYS Senate after 7 mo. of inaction confirms Basil Seggos as NYSDEC Commissioner (15 Jun) 2016
Gov. Cuomo appoints Sherman Craig, Wanakena Woodworks, chair of the APA (17 Jun) 2016
Gov Cuomo appoints Chad Dawson, Barbara Rice and John Ernst to APA board (17 Jun) 2016
Rabid 22 lb. bobcat attacks, bites woman in Albany County; husband kills it (22 Jun) 2016
Gov. Cuomo est NYS Pollinator Protection Plan/ Task Force with $500,000 EPF funding (24 Jun) 2016
Trudeau Institute, Saranac Lake, appoints Dr. Atsuo Kuki as President and Director (Jun) 2016

TI is in a major transition from basic research to applied research after an unfortunate attempt to relocate the facility from Saranac Lake and the subsequent loss of federal funding for basic research in immunology. Since 2010, its faculty dropped from 130 to 48 scientists and technicians as its grant funding dropped from $11.4 million to $243,000. Since 2013, the institution has been propped up by Gov. Cuomo with millions of dollars of taxpayer money as part of the collaboration with Clarkson University. Kuki’s objective is to transform the institution into a hub for applied research of infectious diseases and to restore it to solvency without taxpayer money.

Various articles in Adirondack Daily Enterprise

GMO Free USA rep. glyphosate use as ripening agent for wheat, barley, oats, et al. (28 Jun) 2016
Lani Ulrich and Richard Booth reject APA board reappointments to end their 4-year terms (30 Jun) 2016
NYS Assembly passes bill to execute Township 40 amendment approved by voters in 2013 (Jun) 2016
Richard Betts, Washington Post, rep CO2 exceeding 400 ppm for entire year, fastest rise ever (Jun) 2016
Drought associated with recent El Niño has reduced forest CO$_2$ fixation and has fostered forest and brush fires releasing much CO$_2$ to the atmosphere. The rate of human CO$_2$ emission has also increased. The current rate of increase of this green-house gas exceeds all annual rates as first monitored at Hawai’i’s Mauna Loa Observatory begun in 1958.

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_Bloomberg Businessweek_ rep Larry Page invest in battery-powered drones for human transport (Jun) 2016

How well are we planning regulation of drone use in the Adirondacks? Will they be used in hunting? Can they serve in limnology, forestry, law enforcement, wilderness photography, road and railway surveillance and maintenance, and much more?

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_Wash. Post_ rep most serious infestations of gypsy moth in RI, CT and MA since 1980s (7 Jul) 2016

Ralph Macchio/Adirondack Extreme open Eagle Flyer zipline on French Mtn, T. of L. Geo. (9 Jul) 2016

Dr. Richard Park played a major role in ecosystem modelling for Lake George as part of the International Biological Program as organized by Dr. Nicholas L. Clesceri of the RPI FWI.

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Adirondack Forest Pest Summit held Tannery Pond Community C, North Ck; HWA _et al._ (11 Jul) 2016

Assoc. justice, NY App Div, halts DEC tree cutting on Newcomb-Minerva snowmobile trail (15 Jul) 2016

NYTNS rep W. Meier, NASA GSC Arctic ice sheet lowest expanse since 1979 record onset (20 Jul) 2016

Chris Dolce, Weather Channel, rep massive wildfires central/eastern Russia (20 Jul) 2016

NY App Div upholds injunction halting tree cutting on Newcomb-Minerva snowmobile trail (22 Jul) 2016

AFP reports monsoons devastating northern China; 300 dead/missing 100,000’s displaced (25 Jul) 2016

David Carlson, Dir. WMO Climate Research Program, rep. _Reuters_, unexpected temp rise (25 Jul) 2016

Log Bay Day draws some 600 people on 225 vessels for boating, drinking & partying (25 Jul) 2016

Log Bay Day requisites: 50 law officers, 21 boat patrols, many fire & EMS agencies (25 Jul) 2016

Log Bay Day: 26 arrests, >50 tickets & summons, many injuries—two serious, one death (25 Jul) 2016

Boat of Alex. West, 24, strikes 2nd boat killing Charlotte McCue, 8, Cramer Pt., L. George (25 Jul) 2016

D. Carlson, Dir WMO climate research program, _Reuters_, rep “massive temperature hikes” (25 Jul) 2016

_Reuters_ rep floods displacing c. 1.2 million people, submerging 100’s of villages, NE India (26 Jul) 2016

_Reuters_ rep incessant monsoon rains, Assam, causing Brahmaputra to flood many districts (26 Jul) 2016

James Cawley opens _Star Trek: The Original Series_ Set Tours at Ticonderoga (Jul) 2016


DEC/ORDA propose amendment Mt. Van Hoevenberg UMP calling for 1700’ trail relocation (Jul) 2016

DEC plans construction 9-12’ wide, public motorized “multi-use trail” bridge across Boreas R. (Jul) 2016

DEC commissioner announces major concern/action re. impacts of climate change on NYS (Jul) 2016

NASA rep January-June 2016 hottest since 1880 (Jul) 2016

DEC completes APA application Lost Pond Reclamation, Franklin Co., using 5% rotenone (3 Aug) 2016

DEC completes APA application Embody Pond Reclamation, 2a. Franklin Co, 5% rotenone (3 Aug) 2016


SSC Judge Connolly rules DEC can resume work on Newcomb-Minerva snowmobile trail (16 Aug) 2016

NY App Div issues temporary stay on tree cutting on Newcomb-Minerva snowmobile trail (16 Aug) 2016

Hiking challenge, ‘Lake George 12ster Challenge’, is inaugurated (20 Aug) 2016

Tuvan Musical Ensemble & Central Asian Throat Singer’s ALASH, Lake Placid Center (24 Aug) 2016


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Group of 67 is ticketed on top of Algonquin for large group-size and no guide’s-license (27 Aug) 2016
Homestead Farm and Museum facility, Willlsboro, is burned in unsolved arson (27 Aug) 2016
NYSDEC closes Million Dollar Beach due to high levels of E. coli (23-29 Aug) 2016
FAA Part 107 regulating non-hobbyist use of UAS (drones) takes effect (29 Aug) 2016
Plattsburgh receives $10 million NY Downtown Revitalization Initiative grant (Aug) 2016
Finch, Pruyne’s 8-room corporate camp retreat (rebuilt 1996) at First Pond is razed (Aug) 2016
Camp Fowler, Sacandaga L, hosts 3-day gathering of Muslim middle-school/college students (Aug) 2016
B. Scheuchli et al., Geophysical Research Letters, rep. fastest glacial retreat in W Antarctica (Aug) 2016
UC acquires Nathan Farb’s Glasby Pond cibachrome, c. 6’ x 5’ (framed) for KAC collection 2016
DEC reminds users of motorized vehicles to stay more than 330 feet from nesting eagles 2016
Extensive reconstruction of service road to Blue Mtn summit (T. of Indian L.) is completed (Aug) 2016
Pig Rock, Rte 30, near Speculator, is now ‘girlish pink’ colored by Camp Tapawingo girls (1 Sep) 2016
DEC sets Canada goose season for Northeast Hunting Area with bag limit of 15/day (1 – 25 Sep) 2016
2,563 hikers register Mt. Hoevenberg Trail (Marcy, Algonquin) for Labor Day Weekend (3-5 Sep) 2016
1,577 hikers register for Cascade Trail for Labor Day Weekend (3-5 Sep) 2016
Panel 5 NYS Appellate Division judges extends halt on tree cutting for FP snowmobile trails (7 Sep) 2016
AWFFP et al. oppose U. S Senate bill 3205: Bikes in Wilderness allowing all-terrain bikes (8 Sep) 2016
Bicyclists have access 1.3 M a. wild forest/800,000 a. priv. Conservation Easement AP land (8 Sep) 2016
Access the Adirondacks issues MOU advocating plan to create increased access to FP (15 Sep) 2016
Forest Rangers, NYS & ALS medics save man from Eagle Cave, chimney Mtn, Indian L. (21 Sep) 2016
C.R. Vance & NYSDEC reveal largest seizure of illegal elephant ivory in NYS history (22 Sep) 2016
Empire State Development rep. that fall foliage season (leaf peeping) is worth $26.5 billion 2016
Tree of Peace, eastern white pine, planted by Haudenosaunee, Kaho:ions, Cohoes Falls (23 Sep) 2016

Kaho:ions (Cohoes Falls) is one of the most sacred Native-American sites in North America. Peacemaker formed the Mohawk Nation at this glorious site leading to the unification of the Haudenosaunee, the People of the Long House. The less-favored term “Iroquois” is also used as the name for this seminal nation. Mohawk Chief Jake Swamp, Kahnawakronon John Kim Beil and Brookfield Renewable Energy of Canada, were key in return of the site to the Native People. Doug George-Kanentiloto Kanentilo@aol.com provides the information basic to this entry.

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Sasquatch Calling Festival is held at Whitehall, NY (24 Sep) 2016
Tim Burpoe, Molpus Woodlands Group, LLC, 1,650,000 a, $1.5 B, speaks Union College (29 Sep) 2016
AJES, Vol. 21, pub featuring the “Geology of the Adirondack Region” (Sep) 2016
Jeremy Farrell, AAC editor, notes 17,201 dated events for AAC (Sep) 2016
Earth passes, permanently, threshold 400 ppm CO₂ (Sep) 2016
Robert F. Smith, African-American billionaire with environmental interests est Fund II Foundation 2016
AP reports membership of Adirondack Forty-Sixers at 9,425 (Sept/Oct) 2016
NYSDEC pledges to buy Huckleberry Mt., Warrensburg/Gellert prop., L. Geo. WF (Sep/Oct) 2016
N. Burdick pub. (AE) eulogy Maurice F. Kenny, author, editor, teacher, Native American (Sep/Oct) 2016
Richard Booth, Cornell, frmr APA member, rec. AWFFP Paul Schaefer Wilderness Award (1 Oct) 2016
Kent Busman, Exec Dir., Camp Fowler, 30 yrs, receives AWFFP Wild Stewardship Award (1 Oct) 2016
Marilyn Patterson, Grieg Town Supervisor, receives AWFFP Wild Stewardship Award (1 Oct) 2016
James Hansen et al., rep (Guardian, lacking peer review) planet hottest in 115,000 years (4 Oct) 2016
APA rel. 3 Boreas Ponds motor-access plans, Wild Forest class., logging road off Rte. 84 (5 Oct) 2016
DG rep new Asian clam sites L. Geo: Sand Pebble Beach, Cape Cod V, Edmunds Bk delta (10 Oct) 2016
>50 cars park illegally on AMR’s Ausable Rd for trailheads to Noonmark, Dix & elsewhere (10 Oct) 2016
ARC hosts fall roundtable, Forest Health & Carbon Storage, Queensbury Hotel, Glens Falls (12 Oct) 2016
DEC hosts public hearing on Sacandaga Conservation Easement Block Lands, Northville (12 Oct) 2016

Stephen Williams, DG, October 12, 2017, reports on the Sacandaga Conservation Easement Block Lands: 6,400 acres in Fulton and Saratoga Counties; part of the 2007 Adirondack TNC Finch Pruyn effort; snowmobile bridge over West Stony Brook included; the lumber company will continue to log the various tracts; program consists of 813-acre Jackson Summit Road West and 588-acre Dennie Road tracts of Mayfield; 619-acre Benson Road and 789-acre Hohler Road tracts of Bleeker; the 1,206–acre Gordon Creek and 250-acre Johnnycake Lake tracts of Edinburg and the 2,128-acre Lake Desolation Road property of Greenfield and Edinburgh. Snowmobiles are allowed. The region is especially important in the recovery of moose populations.

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Kigali Ruanda conference of c. 170 cos reaches rigorous agreement on limiting use HFCs (15 Oct) 2016
Justin Todd climbs Whiteface Mt. becoming 10,000th person to climb 46 Adk high peaks (15 Oct) 2016
C. Prickett, TNC, announces close of Michael Carr’s Directorship Adk Chapter of TNC (17 Oct) 2016
Dahr Jamail, Truthout, rep. record October sea-ice low, 3 million km² less same day 1981 (23 Oct) 2016
Eric Sly, ED Fund for L. George rep. tripling of L. George sodium levels over last 30 years (24 Oct) 2016
Paul Smith’s College est Community-based Trails and Lodging System (ACTLS) study (24 Oct) 2016
NYSDEC nets brown trout in Black Pond, a heritage brook trout pond in Town of Brighton (Fall) 2016
DEC sets Canada goose season and bag limit at 3/day for Northeast Hunting Area (24 Oct–13 Dec) 2016
K. Busman reports to C. George BWA infestation of 30 balsam fir trees, Camp Fowler (25 Oct) 2016
Max Weinberg buys vacant 1.84-a. lot on L. Placid from Grimditch family for $2 mill (25 Oct) 2016
A. Khazendar, Nature Communications, rep on fastest glacial retreat ever, West Antarctica (26 Oct) 2016
K. Busman, Camp Fowler, sustain Muslim outreach hosting young Muslim men/women (Oct) 2016
AWFFP leaves AC’s BeWildNY coalition re. Boreas Ponds because it is not ‘wild’ enough (2 Nov) 2016
Donald J. Trump is elected U.S. president, surprising everyone (8 Nov) 2016
Adirondack Wild converts documentary film Of Rivers and Men to DVD (10 Nov) 2016
Adirondack Wild converts film The Adirondack - The Land Nobody Knows to DVD (10 Nov) 2016
“Supermoon” occurs full, in perigee, 10-14% larger, last such event 1948, the next 2034 (14 Nov) 2016
APA hosts hearing on Boreas Pond Tract at Northville Central School (14 Nov) 2016
Alexander West, jailed 26 October, released $200,000 bail on death C. McCue, L. George (14 Nov) 2016
NYSDEC gives ADK its Environmental Excellence Award for High Peaks Stewardship (15 Nov) 2016
Pic Rock, Rte 30, near Speculator, is now restored to its normal grey color (17 Nov) 2016
Alvord’s ‘Lether Guy’ is relocated to Wildlife Sports & Educational Museum, Vail Mills (20 Nov) 2016
DEC inspects Boreas Dam: good condition, and LaBier Flow Dam: relatively good condition (Nov) 2016
Titan Mining Corp. buys St. Law. Zinc Co. (Balmat mines) from Star Mountain Resources (30 Nov) 2016
Adk. Center for Loon Conservation (of BRI) is est. Saranac L.; after several earlier stages (Nov) 2016
APA schedules 8 public hearings on controversial access to 20,543 a Boreas Pond Tract (Nov-Dec) 2016
APA schedules 8 public hearings 7,368 a. McIntyre West, 6,060 a. McIntyre East Tract (Nov-Dec) 2016
APA schedules 8 public hearings 1,451 a. Casey Brook Tract addition to Dix Mt. Wild (Nov-Dec) 2016
APA hosts hearing on Boreas Ponds Tract at DEC headquarters, Albany, c. 80 attending (7 Dec) 2016
NYSDEC closes Wakely Mountain fire tower over safety concerns (Dec) 2016
St. Regis Mohawk Tribe removes Hogansburg Dam on St. Regis River at Akwesasne (11 Dec) 2016
LGA pub Lake George Watershed Data Atlas (13 Dec) 2016
DEC begins successful rescue Madison Popolizio/Blake Alois from Algonquin Peak (13 Dec) 2016
Anthony (Tony) Wilkinson is appointed Director NYS DEC Division of Fish and Wildlife (15 Dec) 2016
World Meteorological Association and NOAA cites Imerys for 5 violations with $50,155 in fines; NYCO site (10,136 Forty-Sixers are registered at the close of this year (Dec) 2016
DEC razes photogenic “Red Barn”, junction Rtes 73 x 9N, Keene, favorite of Carl Heilman II (Dec) 2016
DEC rep 42,000+ sign trailhead register for Cascade Mountain ascent (Dec) 2016
US Census rep population of NYS at 19.75M, up from 18.98M in 2000 (Dec) 2016
Millions of acres of Russia burn in massive wild fires causing widespread respiratory problems (Dec) 2016
CDC rep tick-born illnesses tripling from 2004 to this date, climate change a major factor (Dec) 2016
DEC annual trailhead registration lists 5-year average for Cascade Trail at 34,647 (Dec) 2016
NYS budget includes $50M for traffic ramp construction linking Northway to Albany airport (Dec) 2016
Peté Nelson, Brendan Wiltsie, Bill Ingersoll est Adirondack Wilderness Advocates (AWA) (Dec) 2016
DOH disc tick-born parasite, Babesia microti, infecting RBC causing babesiosis, at Wickham Marsh 2016 (Dec) 2016
AWA est web-page with focus on assigning “Wilderness” classification to Boreas Ponds Tract (Dec) 2016
DEC rep c. 400 moose in Adk region – following 1860s extirpation and 1980s return (Dec) 2016
ORDA pub. new Whiteface Ski Trail Map (Dec) 2016
Paris-based company, Imerys, acquires NYCO lands completing operations Seventy Rd. Mine (Dec) 2016
USFS rep. average annual ADK timber harvest over 5 past years at 78.5 million ft³ (Dec) 2016
Gore Mt. Ski Center installs 14,489 solar panels - connecting with electric-power grid (Dec) 2016
USDJ J. D. Bates finds USFWS violates environmental law in issuance of cormorant control permits (Dec) 2016
DEC pub SOP Biological Monitoring of Surface Waters of New York State, incl. macroinvertebrates (Dec) 2016
Outside Magazine rep death, this year, of more than one-fifth of Great Barrier Reef, Australia (Dec) 2016
Darryl McGrath rep more than 350 bald eagles, 175 nesting sites, NYS, Flight Paths: Field Journal (Dec) 2016
India Spartz and Alexander Stevens (UC), edit Grassroots Activism and the American Wilderness (Dec) 2016
Richard Park wins Lifetime Achievement Award by International Soc. for Ecological Modelling (Dec) 2016
NYCO sells its Adk operation to Imerys, Paris-based industrial-minerals conglomerate (Dec) 2016
US Mine Safety and Health Adm cites Imerys for 5 violations with $50,155 in fines; NYCO site (Dec) 2016
Curt Stager, PSC, pub. The Holocene Journal on algal core analyses related to Adk climate change (Dec) 2016
Lake George Park Commission reports nearly 28,000 boat inspections for Lake entry; 40% over *15 (Dec) 2016
Christine Bourjade edits Adirondack Archangels: Guardians of the High Peaks, ADK (Dec) 2016
NYS pays 19%, 5-year increase in FP property taxes to Essex Co., i.e. $17.8 M to 21.2 M (19 Feb) 2012-16 (Dec) 2016
Mt. Van Hoevenberg Cross-country Ski Center installs ‘Snow Factory’ to host 137-day season (Dec) 2016-17
DEC-APBPC SPB trapping program reports SPB Minnewaska State Park, Ulster Co. (Dec) 2016-17
DEC-APBPC SPB trapping program reports Bear Mt. State Park, Rockland Co. (Dec) 2016-17
DEC-APBPC SPB trapping program reports Schunnemunk State Park, Orange Co. (Dec) 2016-17
DEC-APBPC SPB trapping program reports Roosa Gap State Park, Sullivan Co. (Dec) 2016-17
KAC, UC, hosts exhibit of Adk maps as curated by Cal Welch, the earliest dated to 1556 (winter) 2017
HRA rep. water-flow distance from Lake Tear of the Clouds to the Battery as 315 mi. (15-21 Jan) 2017
KAC hosts Robin Hall Kimmerer speak on Adk indigenous plants, Nott Memorial, UC (16 Jan) 2017
Donald J. Trump is inaugurated as 45th president of the US (20 Jan) 2017
Less than one hour later, all mention of climate change is purged from White House website (20 Jan) 2017
Gov. Cuomo releases master plan for “Gateway to the Adirondacks” at Frontier Town site (23 Jan) 2017
Gov. Cuomo rep. support for $2.8M Paradox Brewery facility/saloon at Frontier Town site (23 Jan) 2017
Abbie Sunde Verner, 79, dies, key participant in many Adk organizations/events (25 Jan) 2017

We are sad to lose Abbie Sunde Verner as one of the members of An Adirondack Chronology editorial team. Some of her many contributions are listed here but to this list must be added her leadership in the Schenectady Boys Club, Schenectady Museum and Planetarium, The Olympic and Winter Sports Museum, Schenectady Historic District Commission, Long Lake Public Library, Adirondack Park Institute, Long Lake Archives, Long Lake Historical Society, and more. Her special energy, uplifting good humor and profound historical sense will be missed by AAC and the Adirondack Region.

The Daily Gazette (Schenectady, NY) obituary, 10 Feb 2017

PROTECT rep on Sen. Betty Little proposal to transfer Great Camp Santanoni to OPRHP (26 Jan) 2017
PROTECT rep DEC solicits comments re paved walkway/viewing area junction Rtes 73/9N (26 Jan) 2017
PROTECT rep DEC solicits comments New Moose River Plains WF UMP Amendment (26 Jan) 2017
PROTECT rep new legal action its lawsuit re planned FP network of snowmobile trails (26 Jan) 2017
NASA rep Mauna Loa methane release in ppm incr. from c. 393 (2012) to current c. 405 (27 Jan) 2017
Jonathan Fellows, ARPS, argues in public hearing ASR track removal violates APSLMP (30 Jan) 2017
First-year Ross’s gull, an Arctic species, rare in Adks, sighted Tupper Lake attracting many (30 Jan) 2017
Gov Cuomo rep. plan to buy, using EPF, conservation easement 300 a. at Frontier Town site (Jan) 2017
Scott Pruitt, nominated to head EPA, questions human role in global climate change (Jan) 2017
Scott Pruitt, nominated to head EPA, opposes Pres. Obama’s 2015 Clean Power Plan (Jan) 2017
Francis Bayle biogr; hiker, author, photographer, presented in Annual Guide, Adirondack Life (Jan) 2017
Don Mellor pub Blue Lines 2, defining almost 600 ice-climbing routes throughout Adk Park (Jan) 2017
APA receives c. 11,000 comments re. 20,758 a. Boreas Pond Tract classif. 37% pro wilderness (Jan) 2017
Proj MIDAS, Gr. Brit., rep. 11-mi extension crack Larsen C ice shelf; 2,000 mi2 loss if calved (Jan) 2017
NYPD/Deepwater Wind agree to install 15 turbines c. 35 mi. off-shore Montauk (Jan) 2017
DEC plans bridge projects on Big Otter Trail west from Thendara through Ha-de-ron-Da Wild (Jan) 2017
Oklahoma oil fracking implicated in up to 3 earthquakes per day/increased asthma incidence (Jan) 2017
EANY rep ‘automatic’ NYS November scheduling of constitutional convention (Jan/Feb) 2017
NASA defies Pres D. Trump’s position on GCC accenting influence of Greenland meltwater (2 Feb) 2017
Barile Family 17-lot subdivision, Rte 73 near Adk Loj, North Elba, APA hearing opens (6 Feb) 2017

The Barile Family development proposes break-up of 110 a forest-meadow area into 15 residential lots ranging in size from five to 12 acres including accessory buildings, driveways and permission for extensive tree cutting. The project also includes 475 a to be kept free of development. AWFFP expresses concern re. to application.

David Gibson,
Managing Partner of AWFFP,
8 Feb 2017

Post Star rep passing of Norma Wickersham, vigorous member of ALA; see ALA website (7 Feb) 2017
NY Times rep concern Robert Davies, Dir. Div. Lands Forests, DEC, on invasive species (10 Feb)  2017

NYT reporter Sarah Maslin Mir raises an important issue in Feb 2017, interview with Robert Davies, NYS Director of the DEC Division of of Land and Forests: The air- and sea-ports of NYC stand as one of the major ports of entry for invasive species to North America. The Interstate highway and railroad systems then afford further translocation to the Adirondack and Catskill Parks and other habitats of the Northeast.

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D. Cardwell, NYT, rep American Wind Energy Assoc. surpasses hydroelectric production (10 Feb)  2017

The American Wind Energy Association reports that its members produced 82,183 MW of wind power for 2016 versus hydroelectric power (excl. pumped storage) production of 78,956 MW for 2015. The Adirondack Park, despite the presence of many sites with high wind-power energy potential is yet to see its first commercial wind turbine.

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Rivers Casino & Resort, Schenectady, opens w/ taxes to Saratoga, Washington, Fulton Cos (8 Feb)  2017
Robert (Bob) S. Sleicker, Potsdam, NY, wildlife artist for NYS Conservationist dies (10 Feb)  2017
Andrea Thompson, Climate Central, rep record low sea ice for both north and south poles (13 Feb)  2017
J. Stroeve, National Snow and Ice Data Center, rep +80° N lat, 30° F, versus normal -22° F (13 Feb)  2017
Norma McCarvey (Jane Roe) as featured in USSC Roe v. Wade leaves her troubled life (18 Feb)  2017
>1,000 hikers sign logbooks for Cascade and Adirondak Loj trailheads, Presidents Day (20 Feb)  2017
WSSF World Snowshoe Championship races are held at Saranac Lake (24-25 Feb)  2017
Eleanor Ann Fair Brown, prominent worker on Adk conservation dies, Shelburne, Vt. (24 Feb)  2017
Heavy wet snow, high winds cause 19-hr power outage L. Placid & T. of N. Elba (25-26 Feb)  2017
APA approves (8-1), four-story, 93-room Lake Flower Resort and Spa, Saranac Lake (Feb)  2017
Winter Storm Stella, a major nor’easter, drops 2-5 ft. snow on higher ground of Adks (14-15 Mar)  2017
Gov. Cuomo issues statewide state of emergency, closes Adk Northway to tractor-trailers (14 Mar)  2017
At 30 in., ‘Stella’ is 2nd heaviest snowstorm in 117 yrs of records in Burlington, VT (14-15 Mar)  2017
At 31 in. ‘Stella’ sets all-time 24-hr snowfall record at Binghamton, NY (14-15 Mar)  2017
Franklin & Essex Counties declare states of emergency; Adk Regional Airport is closed (14-15 Mar)  2017
John W. Caffery speaks at KAC on “The Debate Over Navigability,” re. AP streams (16 Mar)  2017
Moriah Vikings of Section VII win NYSPHSAA Class D state basketball championship (18 Mar)  2017
NYS Mesonet weather station Piseco (PISE), last of 21 in Adk region, goes online ‘live’ (25 Mar)  2017
Village of Port Henry dissolves, its operation absorbed by the Town of Moriah (31 Mar)  2017
Bill Killon produces DVD, Colvin: Hero to the North Woods, The Mountaineer, Keene V. (Mar)  2017
Pres. Donald J. Trump proposes cut of EPA staff by 20% and EPA operating costs by 31% (Mar)  2017
Town of Jay votes to remove dam, in long-term disrepair, on W. Branch, AuSable R. (Mar)  2017
Phil Terrie, AE, reviews implications of a new NYS constitutional convention (Mar/Apr)  2017
DEC closes all fishing in popular walleye spawning grounds of St. Lawrence Co. (16 Mar-5 May)  2017
ARPS, AE, sues NYS resisting conversion plan 34-mile Tupper L - L Placid RR ROW (Mar/Apr)  2017
Hallie Bond, Long Lake, retires as KAC director ending her development contract with UC (31 Mar)  2017
NYS Bureau of Fisheries, DEC, pub New York State Freshwater Fishing Regulations Guide (1 Apr)  2017
Except for NYC, NYS Mesonet weather system is now operational with 120 stations (Apr)  2017
NYSDEC reports no chronic wasting disease (CWD) in 2,447 WTD during 2016-17 season (6 Apr)  2017
ATU reports on salinization of NY lakes and reservoirs (11 Apr)  2017
KAC, Union College, hosts Bill McKibben for GCC lecture, Nott Memorial, 350 attending (17 Apr)  2017
Canada announces import tariff on ultra-filtered milk from impacting NY dairy farmers (25 Apr)  2017
US announces import tariff on lumber having special impact on Canada / NY wood trade (25 Apr)  2017
90+ scientists NASA, rep warmer Arctic temp 2011-2015 since 1900, Nature (28 Apr)  2017
Hilary Dugan et al., CIES, Proc. Nat. Acad Sci., rep. on salinization of 370 regional lakes (Apr)  2017
Hilary Dugan et al., CIES, PNAS, predict lethal salinities for NE lakes/reservoirs by 2070 (Apr)  2017
Eric Sly, Fund for Lake George, rep 30,000 MT/y road salt applied to L. George basin roads (Apr)  2017
Hilary Dugan et al., CIES, Proc. Nat. Acad Sci., rep. on salinization of 370 regional lakes (Apr)  2017
KAC hosts showing of Sandra Hildreth’s Adk landscapes and mandala paintings (Apr)  2017
Paul Smith’s College hosts seventy-first Annual Spring Meet Woodsmen’s Conclave (Apr)  2017
Gov. Andrew Cuomo budgets $300M for NYS EPF (Apr)  2017
Gov. Andrew Cuomo budget incl. $22M for upgrades at Whiteface and Gore Ski Mts. (Apr)  2017
Gov. Andrew Cuomo budgets research funding for Cornell Univ. on hemlock woolly adelgid (Apr)  2017
Gov. Andrew Cuomo budgets $1.5M in support of 2016 Community Risk and Resiliency Act (Apr)  2017
Tamlin Pavelsy et al. UNC, Geophysical Research, rep earlier melting of Arctic river ice (Apr)  2017
NYS purchases 6,200 a McIntyre East Tract, former Finch, Pruyn lands, from Adk TNC (Apr)  2017
Rivers Casino & Resort assigns quarterly tax revenue of $289,281 to Saratoga County (Apr)  2017
Rivers Casino & Resort assigns quarterly tax revenue of $93,2762 to Washington County (Apr)  2017
Rivers Casino & Resort assigns quarterly tax revenue of $73,149 to Fulton County (Apr)  2017
Salinity of Lake George triples during last three decades (Apr)  2017
Mike Lynch, AA, rep mid-April capture brown trout, Black Pond, Paul Smith’s College (15 Apr)  2017
NYSDOT issues operating permit for Adirondack Scenic RR only as far north as Big Moose (Apr)  2017
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Hadlock Pond property owners settle 2005 lawsuit with Fort Ann, contractors, engineers (early Apr)  2017

The failure of the Hadlock Pond Dam is now used in engineer training as an example of “how not to build a dam.” The case study benefits the Association of State Dam Safety Officials.


AHA rebrands AM as Adirondack Experience, The Museum on Blue Mountain Lake (18 Apr)  2017
Jake Kuryla catches brown trout in Black Pond, heritage brook trout pond, T. of Brighton (mid-Apr)  2017
PSC sweeps Spring Meet Conclave, collegiate timbersports competition at Paul Smiths (21-22 Apr)  2017
DEC downplays brown trout in Black Pond; posts signs urging anglers to remove all caught (Apr)  2017
AWFFP urges NYS voters to vote “no” on NYS Constitutional Convention (9 May)  2017
NCC partners with PSC allowing graduates to obtain PSC baccalaureate at NCCC prices (11 May)  2017
KAC hosts exhibit “Parts but Little Known” Maps of the Adirondacks from 1556 (11 May-31 Oct)  2017
Mike Kelly, Jeremy Farrell, DFWI, present KAC-hosted up-date on L. George limnology (15 May)  2017
Ellen Apperson Brown, Arcadia Pub., John Apperson’s Lake George (Images of America) (15 May)  2017
D. Olbert, D. Gibson, J. Sheehan, S. Rice hold KAC panel on classification Boreas Ponds (16 May)  2017
J. Sheehan, AC, rep (KAC panel) on “hut-to-hut” concept as applied to Boreas Ponds tract (16 May)  2017
NOAA (GCC) rep Antarctic sea-ice cover 520,000 mi² less,18.2% 1981-2010 average (18 May)  2017
Scott Waldman, ClimateWire, (GCC) reports increased greening of Antarctica by moss (19 May)  2017
HMBC Century Run rep clay-colored sparrow, Spizella pallida, Washington Co. (20 May)  2017
Bob Boyle dies (88 y.o.), author The Hudson etc., major worker on Hudson River ecology (23 May)  2017
Adirondack Experience, frmly AM, opens permanent exhibit ‘Life in the Adirondacks’ (26 May)  2017
M.W. Klemens, AWFFP, pub Pathways to a Connected Adirondack – Practical Steps. . . (May)  2017
R. Donovan buys Tail O’ the Pup, roadside stand w/ BBQ chicken/ribs, lobster clambake (May)  2017
Empire State Dev. calls for proposals from developers for 300 a Frontier Town site (May)  2017
ACLC becomes independent nonprofit organization quartered in Saranac L. (May)  2017
Dan Kerwood, pres Sothern Adirondack Bee Keepers Assoc, rep CCD absence Rensselaer Co (May) 2017
Justin Gonyon, Saratoga and North Creek RR, announces reduction of service to weekends (May) 2017
NYSDEC closes hiking trail to Wakely Mountain over safety concerns rise on fire tower (May) 2017
AE announces Tracy Ormsbee, succeeding Tom Woodman, as its new publisher (May/Jun) 2017
Mike Lynch, AE, rep alewife thiaminase destructive to salmon population, L. Champlain (May-Jun) 2017
DOH rep (DG) Saratoga Co. resident death by Powassan virus prob transmitted by deer tick (Jun) 2017
Mike Carr, former executive director Adk TNC, become leader of spin-off Adk Land Trust (Jun) 2017
Discover (magazine) pub detailed and graphic review on GCC (Jun) 2017
After 15-ys in prep, DEC releases Draft Saranac Lake Wild Forest UMP for comment (Jun) 2017
81 page EPA report concludes that further PCB clan-up of Hudson River is not needed (1 Jun) 2017
NYS, NOAA, USFWS, et al. deny satisfactory results for 15-yr, GE $1.7B PCB clean-up (1 Jun) 2017
Gov. Cuomo announces formation U.S. Climate Alliance with California and Washington (1 Jun) 2017
Elon Musk, CEO Tesla and SpaceX, resigns from two White House advisory councils (1 Jun) 2017
Wayne Trimm dies, 94 y.o., nature illustrator/artist/naturalist, Art Dir. The Conservationist (2 Jun) 2017
Albany Times Union pub Wayne Trimm obituary, his death in Hoosick Falls at age of 94 (3-13 Jun) 2017
GE CEO Jeff Immelt/Tesla CEO Elon Musk decry PCA withdraw (2 Jun) 2017
Pres. D.J. Trump announces withdrawal of US from Paris Climate Accord (2 Jun) 2017
Judge J. Hall sentences Alex. West, 5 to 15 yrs in Log Bay Day death of Charlotte McCue (5 Jun) 2017
Annie Sneed, Scientific American, review: sea levels now rise c. 3.2 mm/y globally (5 Jun) 2017
Associated Press issue of low bridge height in Des Moines, Iowa; also, Adk problem? (6 Jun) 2017
DEC announces Owls Head (summit) Trail closure, Town of Keene, by land owner (9 Jun) 2017
Black Fly Challenge attracts 810 bicyclists to race dirt roads through Moose River Plains (10 Jun) 2017
Bryon Backenson, NYSDOH, rep some 8,000 NY cases annually of Lyme disease (13 Jun) 2017
Million Dollar Beach, Lake George Village, opens after passing E. coli standards (24 Jun) 2017
Conservationist rep on Adk biota: 70 native trees, 55 mammals, 218 birds, 86 fish (Jun) 2017
Janet A. Null pub Adirondack Architecture Guide: Southern-Central Region (1 Jul) 2017
Jeff Wilkin, The Daily Gazette, presents major article on Adk Northway, celebrating 50 years (2 Jul) 2017
ADK Forty-Sixer trail stewards count 565 hikers using Cascade trailhead – marking over-use (2 Jul) 2017
L. George Village work crew finds sewer line break near Garrison Rest., Beach Road (5 July) 2017
Claire K. Schmitt dies, one of the region’s most influential naturalists (11 Jul) 2017

Formerly with the General Electric Research and Development Center and wife of Roland Schmitt its director she was Curator of Lichens at the NYSM; one of the founders of The Thursday Naturalists; author of four books on hiking the Capitol Region; donor with her husband of scholarships at Union College and RPI; board member or chair of many local conservation organizations including the Lake George Land Conservancy and the Environmental Clearing House of Schenectady. Claire’s dedicated leadership in the Adirondacks and the larger region will be missed.

“Claire K. Schmitt,” The Daily Gazette (Schenectady, NY), 20 Jul 2017

DEC et al., rep. probable link E. coli at Million Dollar beach and sewer line breach (12 Jul) 2017
L. George Vil mayor R. Blais links E. coli at Million Dollar Beach to sewer clogging (12 Jul) 2017
DG rep 24 recorded cases of illness due to Powassan virus in NYS since 2000 (13 Jul) 2017
Adirondack Experience sues Lake Placid village to halt eminent domain use for 2 AHA lots (13 Jul) 2017
Revolution Rail Co. begins rail bike tours on SNCR’s tracks from North Creek to Tahawus (20 Jul) 2017
PROTECT honors Steve Englebright, Chair of NYS ACC, ‘Legislator of the Year’ (16 Jul) 2017
PROTECT honors Dick Booth, former APA board: Howard Zahnizer Wilderness Award (15 Jul) 2017
LGPC unanimously prohibits Log Bay Day, Lake George; to be enforced as of July 31 (25 Jul) 2017
The discovery of hemlock woolly adelgid could be an event of great ecological importance for the Adirondack region, the eastern hemlock being one of the cornerstone tree species of the Adirondacks. Professor Mark Whitmore, Cornell Forest Ecologist, has produced a film dealing with the HWA. Loss of the hemlock reduces shading and wildlife cover, raises surficial water temperature and thus trout water temperature, fosters soil loss and thus stream bed-load alteration, and so on. HWA reproduces asexually with two generations each season generating numbers that can overwhelm hemlock in two to four years. A beetle, *Laricobius nigrinis*, and a fly, *Leucopis* sp., are being studied as natural controls and several insecticides such as Imidacloprid *et al.*, as applied to the bark of the hemlock, are proving effective. As of 1999, a Bayer Cropscience product, Imidacloprid was globally the most widely used insecticide. It is a neurotoxin of the neonicotinoid family.

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E. Apperson Brown opens Fund for Lake George/Waterkeepers J. Apperson lecture series (19 Jul) 2017

*TU* rep to-date HWM has been found in 30 SE counties of NYS and 17 other states (27 Jul) 2017

Alexander West is given 5-15 years sentence in L. Geo. boating death of Charlotte McCue (Jul) 2017

NYS legislature proposes constitutional amendment for 250-acre land bank for Adk-Catskill FP (Jul) 2017

Neal Burdick, *AE*, pub. review of Ellen A. Brown’s *John Apperson’s Lake George* (Jul/Aug) 2017

Mike Lynch, *AE*, reports on crowds, trail erosion, parking problems for High Peaks (Jul/Aug) 2017

Randy Preston/Peter Bauer debate merits of Gov. Cuomo’s $32M 29 Gateway project (Jul/Aug) 2017

Bridget Simpson, Ticonderoga, swims 32-mi. length of L. George south to north, 28 hrs (8-10 Aug) 2017

Landscapes/sculpture, Kathryn Field, exhibited Opalka Gallery, Russell Sage Coll (15 Aug -10 Sep) 2017

‘Cycle Adirondacks’, one of largest biking events of the year convenes at Saranac Lake (25 Aug) 2017

Peg Olsen appointed new director of Adirondack chapter, Keene Valley, of TNC (29 Aug) 2017

158 parties of UNFCCC have signed Paris Climate Agreement/Accord effective this date (Aug) 2017

Watertown receives $10 million NY Downtown Revitalization Initiative grant (Aug) 2016


NYS DOH find 22 deer ticks testing positive for Powassan virus in Saratoga Spa State Pk. (Aug) 2017

ADK reports, *Conservationist*, that there are now 196 lean-los in the Adirondack Park (Aug) 2017

On basis of some 1,600 sediment samples DEC finds PCB dredging of Hudson R. incomplete (Aug) 2017

Highly destructive Hurricanes Harvey/Irma strike US Gulf Coast/Florida; 27 trillion gal Tex (Aug) 2017

EPA studies indicate fish of Hudson R. will be inedible by humans for some 55 y. (Aug) 2017

NYS DOH rep 26 confirmed cases of Powassan (disease) since 2000, 3 in Saratoga Co. (Aug) 2017

NYS continues $50M annual marketing campaign featuring Adks but no increased $ for DEC (Aug) 2017

Adirondack Mycology Club hosts 2nd ADK Fungi Fest at Paul Smith’s College VIC (23 Sep) 2017

NYSDEC announces deployment of its 22 UAVs (drones) across NYS (25 Sep) 2017

ASSCJ R. Main Jr. annuls state UMP to replace L. Placid to Tupper L. RR tracks with trail (27 Sep) 2017

Telephone area code 518 is to be complemented by new area code 838 as 518 numbers run out (Sep) 2017

Doug Klein, Kenneth B. Sharpe Professor of Economics, appointed Faculty Director of KAC (Sep) 2017

World Canals Conference is scheduled to be held in Syracuse (Sep) 2017

BSA Camp Boyhaven closes anticipating sale to T. of Milton for $1M (Sep) 2017

Alan Wechsler, *AE*, rep on $70,000 rebuilding Homestead Farm and Museum, Willsboro (Sep-Oct) 2017

*Leader-Herald* (Gloversville) runs 3-part series on Ku Klux Klan in Fulton County (8-10 Oct) 2017

DOT, DEC, NYS Pol. close direct trail off-road access parking for Cascade Pass Trail (11 Oct) 2017

DOT, DEC, NYS Pol relocate parking Cascade, Porter, Pitchoff Mtts. trails to ORDA HSC (11 Oct) 2017

SNCR, Iowa Pacific Holdings, stores 28 out-of-service tanker cars on siding, T. Minerva (17 Oct) 2017

Hudson River Almanac rep distance Lake Tear of the Clouds to Battery at 315 miles (22 Oct) 2017

SNCR, Iowa Pacific Holdings, stores 25 out-of-service tanker cars on siding, T. Minerva (31 Oct) 2017

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Following AG Schneiderman et al. EPA begins ID states impacted by coal-fired power plants (Oct) 2017

Voters overwhelmingly reject referendum for constitutional convention, 77.7 vs. 15.6% (7 Nov) 2017

Voters approve 250 a. Health and Safety Land Account for Adks and Catskills (7 Nov) 2017

AuSable River Assoc. raises concern on salinization of Adirondack waters by road salt (10 Nov) 2017

C. Laxson, E. Yerger, AWI, rep. 96-117 times increase chloride Lake Placid passage (13 Nov) 2107

Media and 4,000 signers petition oppose oil tanker trashing, Boreas and Opalescent shores (14 Nov) 2017

AWFFP, Earthjustice say DEC skirted law in proposal for new road in Raquette-Boreal PA (21 Nov) 2017


Acting SCJ G.W. Connelly dismisses PROTECT’s tree cutting suit against DEC and APA (1 Dec) 2017

Phil Terrie, Adirondack Explorer, pub Seeing the Forest: Reviews, Musings and Opinions (1 Dec) 2017

A. Dagley & W. Dickinson, d.b.a. NBZ, LLC, buy WNBZ 106.3 FM radio station in tax sale (Dec) 2017

Andrea Kilbourne-Hill is hired as program director of new PSC women’s hockey team (Dec) 2017

33 conserv. groups petition Congress to reject mt bike access to 110-mill acre fed wilderness (7 Dec) 2017

Adk Public Observatory receives $200K REDC funding for Astro-Science Center design (15 Dec) 2017

NYS farmers now grow 400 acres of hops 2017

OSI announces purchase of 1,285-acre Huckleberry Mtn parcel in Town of Johnsburg (18 Dec) 2017

NYS DEC seeks “adverse abandonment” of Tahawus Branch w/o consulting Essex Co. (19 Dec) 2017

Deputy Solicitor, DOI, reinterprets MBTA allowing incidental bird take (22 Dec) 2017

NYS Comptroller DiNapoli reports many serious record-keeping problems at FCSWA (29 Dec) 2017

Adirondack Diversity Initiative (ADI) hosts forum Envisioning our Future, Whallonsburg (Dec) 2017

DOH reports 41 testing positive for Lyme disease Franklin Co., 121 Essex Co., 55 Clinton Co. (Dec) 2017

Leann Sporn, PSC, DOH, re. collection babeosis positive ticks Essex, Clinton, Franklin Cos. (Dec) 2017

GE ends $500 million partnership with SUNY Polytechnic, Albany 2017

US Mine Safety and Health Adm cites Imerys for 53 violations with $20,033 in fines; NYCO site 2017

Sally E. Svenson pub. Blacks in the Adirondacks—A History 2017

Bee Informed Partnership rep loss c 40% managed US honeybee colonies: pesticides, pathogens 2017

Olympic Regional Development Authority pub guide, map, chronology, Gore Mt., North Creek 2017

Milk prices for Adk dairymen fall below $14/cwt due to high production and market saturation 2017

J.J. Kirchman, A.E. Van Keuren pub, Wilson Jour. Ornithology, on 40 years Adk avian change 2017

Alvin R. Breisch pub The Snake and the Salamander: Reptiles and Amphibians from Maine to . . . 2017

Grant Cottage State Historic Site designated NYS Literary Landmark by United for Libraries et al. 2017

NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation rep 6,568 visitors at Grant Cottage 2017

Philip Terrie pub Reviews, Musings and Opinions from an Adirondack Historian 2017

NYS hunters harvest some 203,427 deer, 95,623 antlerless, 107,804 antlered; 25,351 in N. Zone 2017-18

National Audubon Society et al. celebrate this year as ‘The Year of the Bird’ (1 Jan) 2018

Salmon River freshet floods Fort Covington; 17 homes (36 residents) evacuated (12 Jan) 2018

Hotel Saranac reopens with major gala after massive 4-year $35 million renovation (18 Jan) 2018

Earthjustice rep denial Cuomo-NYS-DEC plan to open Raquette Boreal Prim Area to MV (22 Jan) 2018

Wild Center showcases local farmers at weekly Featured Farmer events (Jan) 2018

KAC hosts showing of Manny Palacios photography of High peaks (23 Jan – 31 Mar) 2018

US FWS declares eastern cougar (P. concolor) extinct, takes it off endangered species list (25 Jan) 2018

UC receives $250,000 Andrew W. Mellon Foundation grant for Adirondack Studies (Jan) 2018

Edith Pilcher, Adk author, co-founder of the Adirondack Research Library, dies (4 Feb) 2018

Chris Mazderz, Saranac Lake, wins Olympic silver medal men’s singles luge, S. Korea (11 Feb) 2018

Mitchell Stone Products, Tupper Lake, buys 1200 a. Tahawus mine for sand and gravel (Feb) 2018

Salmon River freshet floods Fort Covington; 15 homes, 20 residences evacuated (21 Feb) 2018

AWFFP et al. appeal App Div. 3d Dept. re. DEC viol. Rivers Act and SLMP, Essex Ch. L. (22 Feb) 2018

Sierra Club presents Colvin: Hero to the North at WAMC Linda Performing Arts Studio (22 Feb) 2018

Forever Taxable Coalition forms to oppose Cuomo changes to state tax payment on FP land (25 Feb) 2018

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Robert Yunick, Schenectady, HMBC, has banded 217,045 birds of NE US as of this date (27 Feb) 2018
STB waives and exempts certain abandonment requirements on SNCR’s Tahawus Branch (27 Feb) 2018
RL Parinno Sr., NYS DHSES, tells Fort Covington: annual flooding is their “new normal” (27 Feb) 2018
NY App Div rules DEC Comm. J. Martens exceeded his power when closing OMR in 2009 (1 Mar) 2018
AE and TNC rep ‘Finch Deal’ expanding High Peaks Wilderness from 204,000 to 272,000 a. (Mar) 2018
Peg R. Olson, TNC, AE, rep 75% of NY’s 19 million a. of forestland is privately owned (Mar) 2018
Nor’easter hits NE US & south Adks with heavy rain & snow, high winds, floods; 6 dead (2-3 Mar) 2018
Village of Corinth, without a major industry, struggles economically as it celebrates its bicentennial (Mar) 2018
ADE, Post Star, WDT and Press Republican partner to share news and editorial content (16 Mar) 2018
J. Garver, J.M.H. Cockburn convene 10th Mohawk Watershed Symposium, Union College (23 Mar) 2018
DEC rep. trapping single SPB on Rapp Rd., Albany Pine Bush; most northerly US capture (27 Mar) 2018
AE and TNC rep ‘Finch Deal’ creating 22,877 new Hudson Gorge Wilderness (Mar) 2018
NYSDEC started preparing the Hudson Gorge Wilderness UMP in 2002; it is still not done (Mar) 2018
Ed Ellis, IPH, offers to sell his trackage to Warren County and Essex County for $5M (29 Mar) 2018
Gooley Club buildings, Essex Chan lakes, are added to NYS Register of Historic Places (Mar) 2018
Phil Brown rep AE new rules High Peaks UMP: snowshoes req. with 12/12+” of snow (Mar-Apr) 2018
Phil Brown rep AE new rules High Peaks UMP: no glass containers for entire region (Mar-Apr) 2018
Phil Brown rep AE new rules High Peaks UMP: dogs to be variously leashed diff zones (Mar-Apr) 2018
Phil Brown rep AE Saranac L receipt $10 million NY Downtown Revitalization Initiative (Mar) 2018
NYS legislature approves annual budget incl $300M for EPF, $700,000 for LGPC Visitor C. (1 Apr) 2018
SNCR makes last scenic passenger run from Saratoga to North Creek (7 Apr) 2018
10th Combat Aviation Brigade conducts Falcon’s Peak Exercise over Adks (10-18 Apr) 2018
US Army, Fort Drum conducts largest training ‘go home’ exercise ever held in Adk Pk (10-18 Apr) 2018
Adirondack Northway, I-87, rest stop Glens Falls northbound, is closed for reconstruction (Apr) 2018
DFWI updates Jefferson (limnology) Project, involving RPI, IBM, Fund for Lake George (17 Apr) 2018
Warren Co. halts annual funding of LCLGRPB over loan practices (20 Apr) 2018
AC, Klipper and Lookout Funds give Earth Day grants to ecosmart farms/small businesses (22 Apr) 2018
Ambassador Lance Clark speaks on Climate Change and National Security at Saranac Lake (22 Apr) 2018
The Week rep. 19 billion lbs of plastic now entering the global oceans each year (27 Apr) 2018

What are the consequences of our use of plastics on the Adirondacks? Do we save forest production to reduce global climate change? How many organisms ingest plastic in its many forms to their detriment? How is the plastic used in the ‘marshmallows’, silage bunkers and ‘ag-bags’ on Adirondack hay and dairy farms recycled – if at all? Is there any possible use of recycled plastic in the Adirondacks? Plastic is becoming a major environmental problem and our wilderness areas and advocates must not remain aloof on the matter.

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YENN, AWFFP, DEC plant 100 northern cedar at former cabin site on Thomas Mtn (28 Apr) 2018
SNCR (Iowa Pacific Holdings) removes all tanker cars stored in Essex and Warren Counties (Apr) 2018
APA approves ORDA amendments for new Whiteface Mt. Ski Center UMP (Apr) 2018
NYS purchases ($676,000) 618-a Trembleau Mt tract, L. Champlain, 1 mile shoreline, for FP (Apr) 2018
DEC rep on Adirondack Hatchery: collect and incubate c. 1.2 million landlocked salmon eggs (Apr) 2018
DEC rep on Adirondack Hatchery: round whitefish eggs collected Little Green Pond incubated (Apr) 2018
NYS is now home to some 400 breweries, the most since 1876 (May) 2018
NY App Div. ruling clears way for snowmobile connector trail thru Essex Chain of Lakes (3 May) 2018
NY App Div. denies village use of eminent domain for two AHA lots in Lake Placid (3 May) 2018
High winds cause widespread power outages and property damage across Adirondacks (4-5 May) 2018
Preservation League of NYS awards Hotel Saranac its Excellence in Historic Preservation (9 May) 2018
Is a fire in Yosemite NP relevant to the Adirondack Park? Will global climate change ever create severe drought for the ‘asbestos forests’ of the Adirondack Park? If so are the APA and DEC working toward a rational and salvational response for the protection of the Adirondack wilderness - closely hosting many hamlets built of structures as flammable as tinder. Are the fires of the western US a message calling for regional concern?

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Responding to reports of NWS Weather Preidiction Center, College Park, Maryland

Bayer Co., German, faces some 8,000 law suits on problems allegedly caused by glyphosate (29 Jul) 2018
LGPCC continues enforced closure of Log Bay Day held by lake George hospitality wokers (30 Jul) 2018
Sherman Craig, Wanakena, St. Lawrence Co. retires as APA chair (Jul) 2018
AE pub selected chronology of its coverage of Adk events –starting with 1998 (Jul-Aug) 2018
S. Williams, DG, rep on local leaders’ move to save Gooley Club buildings, Essex Chain L. (1 Aug) 2018
AMA puts its 66 a. Saranac Lake campus, excepting only three buildings, up for sale again (3 Aug) 2018
ALSC rep acidification recovery of Bear Pond, St Regis Canoe Area, pH now 6.3 (8 Aug) 2018
Essex Co. Bd of Supervisors passes resolution opposing abandonment of Tahawus Branch (27 Aug) 2018
LGPCC Asian clam survey for L. George rep finding c. 20 a infestation Hague Brook Delta (29 Aug) 2018
LGPCC rep. Asian clams now infest c. 120 acres of sandy shallows at 24 sites of L. George (29 Aug) 2018
The Adirondack Council’s publication of *State of the Park: 2018-2019; A National Treasure* (fall 2018) is as superb resource updating the basic aspects of the Adirondack Park and providing concise reports on the various and many legal, political and legislative issues at hand for the 9,300 square miles of the Park, its 130,000 permanent residents, 200,000 seasonal residents, 12 million annual visitors, 120 hamlets, 9 villages, who share the park’s five major water-sheds of Lake Champlain and the Hudson, Black, St. Lawrence and Mohawk Rivers, with more than 2,800 lakes and ponds, more than 1,500 miles of rivers fed by some 30,000 miles of brooks and streams. Sadly the supervision of this Park, nearly three times the area of Yellowstone National Park suffers, the DEC losing nearly 25% of its staff and the APA nearly 30% due to recent budget cuts even as the public lands of the Park have grown by hundreds of thousands of acres and management complexity.

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M. Virtanen, *AE*, provides quantitative report on ‘Mysteries of the (Adk) Forest’ (Sep-Oct) 2018
M. Virtanen, *AE*, rep on 72,000 a. Santa Clara Tract, Jackson Timberlands Opportunities (Sep/Oct) 2018
M. Virtanen *AE*, rep 781,000 a, c. 13% of Pk, acq by NYS easements over last 25 years (Sep-Oct) 2018
M. Virtanen, *AE*, rep c. 3,000 a harvest on 113,000 a. former Champion lands by Molpus (Sep-Oct) 2018
Tim Rowland, *AE*, rep on Star Lake ‘A legacy of pollution’ (Sep-Oct) 2018

The preceeding a detailed, graphic and well researched report on one of the most complex and damaging chapters in Adirondack history.

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State/local officials/TNC agree on razing of builings on Essex Chain L Primitive Area (1 Oct) 2018
*Daily Gazette* rep that 23 billion plastic bags are used each year in New York alone 5 Oct) 2018
IPCC, UN, releases GCC report, Seoul, S. Korea, accenting reforestation, renewable energy (9 Oct) 2018
S. Williams, *DG*, rep purchase of Boyhaven by John Munter Sr., Middle Grove for $1M (16 Oct) 2018
LGPC buys 317 a. French Mt., East Brook watershed, for $525,000 from McPhillips family (24 Oct) 2018
Hannafor (grocery store), Lake Placid, begins charging 5 cents/plastic bag (Oct) 2018
R. Cho, *Conservationist*, rep 2.4°F ave temp rise NY since 1970, winters more than 4.4°F (Oct) 2018
R. Cho, *Conservationist*, rep NHP studies show 70/119 bird species climate-change vulnerable (Oct) 2018
Both NYS houses agree to continue EPF support at $300 million (parks, recycling, invasives, water) 2018
Sen Betty Little, Queensbury, secures $250,000 grant to support acid-rain research by ALSC 2018

Average pH of cloud water passing over Whiteface Mtn is now 5.0 versus pre-1995 pH 4.0 2018

Unpolluted rain passing over Whiteface Mountain now has a pH of 5.5.

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Pres. Trump administration proposes 31% cut in EPA budget – this proposal is rejected by Congress 2018
Scott Pruitt, EPA administrator, refuses to enforce Clean Air Act 2018
Scott Pruitt, EPA administrator resigns under national criticism; Andrew Wheeler appointed acting 2018
NYS senate passes E. Little bill shifting management Great Camp Sanatoni from DEC to OPRHP 2018
NYS currently pays more than $75 million in property taxes for Adk part of the Forest Preserve 2018
Incas, a male Carolina parakeet, last survivor of the species, dies Cincinnati Zoo, 100 years ago 2018
WTD overstocking and road fatality increases following AP forest recovery 2018
Keene and Queensbury, designated Clean Energy Communities by NYSERDA in Solarize Project 2018
APA amends permit application process to foster clustered building construction 2018
DEC clear cuts 40’ x 40’ helicopter drop zones Ha-De-Ron-Dah Wilderness Area for bridging 2018
Fran Yardley pub Finding True North detailing history of Bartlett Carry Club, Saranac Lakes area 2018
Scott Pruitt, EPA, delays enforcement of clean air laws esp re emissions of coal-fired power plants 2018
Number of coal-powered US electrical generating units falls to c. 350 providing c. 30% of supply 2018
American Lung Association estimatates c. 7,500 US deaths/year due to coal burning pollution. 2018
NYS bipartisan congresional delegation helps thwart planned cuts to EPA for climate research 2018
Federal/state agencies rep WNS of bats now found in 33 states/Canada causing major mortalities 2018
DEC updates Cranberry L Wild Forest, Conifer Emporium managent plans fostering boreal birds 2018
Low milk prices devastate small NYS dairy farms with NYS 3rd largest milk producer in US 2018
Prolonged rains on NY pastoral lands cause major losses of square-baled hay production 2018
USFWS, AuSable River Association, Adk TNC promote improved stream-bridge underpassing 2018
APIPP, TNC, Keene Valley, pub Invasive Animals of the Adirondack: www.adkinvasives.com 2018

The above APIPP listing of invasive species, exclusive of plants, for the Adirondacks is, to date, the most concise and graphic coverage of our Adirondack boyleinvasive species challenge. It includes emerald ash borer, Asian longhorned beetle, Sirex (European) woodwasp, brown spruce longhorned beetle, balsam woolly adelgid, hemlock woolly adelgid, viburnum leaf beetle, alfalfa snout beetle, several earth worms, feral hogs, sudden oak death fungus, white-nose syndrome fungus, zebra mussel, quagga mussel, spiny water flea, fish-hook water flea, Asian clam, Chinese mystery snail, rusty crayfish, New Zealand mud snail, northern snakehead fish, alewife, round goby, and hemorrhagic septicemia virus.

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APA approves ORDA plans to install zip line, mountain coaster and other modernizations 2018
AC raises concern on increased timber harvest of commercial forest lands of Pk 2018
Adirondack Explorer celebrates its 20th anniversary pub special-edition 100-page Outings Guide 2018
NYSDEC opts not to appeal March NY App Div decision on OMR; it is a legal town road (Nov) 2018
Basil Seggos resigns as Commissioner of NYSDEC (7 Nov) 2018
Bishop Terry LaValley, RCDO, identifies 28 parish priests as serial child abusers (14 Nov) 2018
Illinois ban on manufacture of plastic microbeads in consumer products goes into effect (31 Dec) 2018
Illinois ban on sale of plastic microbeads in consumer products goes into effect (31 Dec) 2019
**Needed Dates:**

- Who or what organization is behind the Adirondack 29er hiking challenge? Supposedly it was started on 28 Apr 2011. See [https://www.facebook.com/pg/ADK29er/about/?ref=page_internal](https://www.facebook.com/pg/ADK29er/about/?ref=page_internal)
- When did Adirondack Ski Touring Council (ASTC) change its name to Barkeater Trails Alliance?
- When did T. of North Elba/Village of Lake Placid renegotiate the management fee it pays ORDA to run the Olympic ski jump and ice rink facilities? Lowered from $920,000 to $750,000. These are owned by the municipality.
- When did Gov. Cuomo promise $5M to build a new luge start ramp facility for ORDA and $1M to market USA LUGE over 5 years?
- When did ORDA build and open a convention center in Lake Placid?
- Add a series of entries documenting ‘Adirondack ‘wild men’’ living in the woods for long periods of time without electricity, running water, proper shelter, jobs, or any other apparent means of subsistence. See Farnsworth.
- When did Adirondack Council initiate the Be Wild NY campaign to lobby for classification of Boreas Ponds as wilderness?
- Closure or shut down of paper mills during Depression
- Contemporary reasons for decline of moose in almost all states that have moose
- Slavery in the Adirondacks: The Dutch years, Philip Schuyler, Philip Skene, Edward and Ebenezer Jessup, William Gilliland, others?? What are we (the AAC) lacking in this regard?
- NYCO and Adk Wild: What are the salient timeline entries in this regard?
- Patrick Cunningham (HRRC) and his legal troubles?
- Elise Stefanik: What does AAC need to say about her?
- David Wicks and Andrew Cuomo, re. boat inspections for invasives on Lake George
- SLMP is opened to public review for comments and potential revision. What does the AAC need to say about this?
- NY SAFEACT
- Fishers and DEC
- Decline of Roman Catholic parishes and priests in the Ogdensburg Diocese; closure of Roman Catholic parish churches within the Blue Line
- When did the NYS Commerce Department’s Travel Bureau become Empire State Development (ESD)?
- When did Peter Comstock begin running passenger ferry on Champlain Canal between L. George and L. Champlain?
- When was Fort Gage site dating from 1758 bulldozed so a Ramada Inn and Lakeview Motel could be built on its site at Lake George? Circa 1969?
- When was Plattsburgh Brewing Company established?
- Significant airplane crashes in the Adirondacks, esp. exact dates for crashes already listed
- Major Adirondack manhunts prior to the Maj. James A. Call manhunt of 1954.
- Abandonment of small bobsled run at Intervales, T. of North Elba
- Baillie Lumber Co., Boonville, SmartWood™ certifications, dates of
- Cabin of John Dunham, native-American squatter, is burned at Amphitheater Bay, L. George, JS Apperson
- Squatters at Lake George – D&H RR, JS Apperson and WS Carpenter’s roles in removal
- Est. of SUNY summer school at Cranberry Lake
- First black-top road/paving in the Adks
- First use of feller-buncher in Adks
• Franklin Co. Municipal Landfill opens
• Fort Drum expansion from 107,000 a. to 109,000 a.
• Landfills – construction and demolition – at North Elba, Towns of Thurman and Lake George
• Lake George entry to the FP with expansion of Blue Line
• Lake George Waterkeeper and mission
• McIntyre Iron Co. land taking by NYS of Flowed Lands and date of Finch, Pruyn & Co. winning of suit pertaining to above mentioned lands and timber (c. 1920???) (Apperson involvement with C.R. Pettis)
• Mercury detection in Adk fisheries
• NYSDOT reopening Route 9N at Crown Point after Jun 2005, storm (12 to 30 July)
• New York State Conservation Council, est. and funding
• Mohawk developments at Altona, i.e. Ganienkeh (sawmill, bingo hall, community health center, long house)
• Port Kent-Hopkinton Turnpike date of construction
• Power-line ROWs, dates of construction
• Saratoga Co Municipal Landfill construction begins (but yet to be opened)
• Solid waste facilities at Schuyler Falls, Plattsburgh; Constable, Franklin Co.; Johnstown, Fulton Co.,
• Adk Resource Recovery Plant at Hudson Falls (a burn plat)
• Spray irrigation at the Lake Placid Golf Course – using 2nd. Treated waste water
• US Army takes over Lake Placid Club as redistribution center (c. 1945-46?)
• Where/When was the first municipal water distribution system in Adks
• Waste-water collection systems for Warrensburg, etc.
• When did Fiddlers’ Roundup at Toad Hill Farm begin?
• White-water rafting in the Hudson River
• When? John Winkler completes his bushwhack of the 46 peaks
• Women guides in the Adks
• When and where was Eastern Vintage Snowmobile Racing, LLC formed?
• When did wood and corn pellets and pellet stoves come onto the market?
• When did wood gasification boilers come onto the market for home use?
• US post office established at Lake Placid and Fulton Chain Lakes, Saranac Lake
• When? Change of name from National Lead Co. to NL Industries
• When/Where was the “Right to Dry Movement” founded to counter prohibitions against clotheslines and line drying of laundry, especially in ‘closed communities’ and other highly regulated residential areas?
• When was the hotel, Adirondack House, built in Keene Valley?
• Did Pres. U.S. Grant visit the Adirondacks during summer of 1873? If so, where did he go?
• When was the Veterans’ Mountain Camp for WW1 veterans established at Tupper Lake? 1922??
• When did Warren G. Harding stay at the Second Champlain Hotel, Bluff Point, Plattsburgh?
• When did Theodore Roosevelt stay at the Second Champlain Hotel, Bluff Point, Plattsburgh?
• When did Franklin Roosevelt stay at the Second Champlain Hotel, Bluff Point, Plattsburgh?
• When did Theodore Roosevelt visit Old Forge?
• When did Calvin Coolidge visit Old Forge?
• When did Warren G. Harding visit Old Forge?
• When and where did A.A. Low introduce moose in Sabattis area?
• When was WCS moose study: DNA in scat sampling?
• What is the current status of ‘next-generation 911’ (NG911) in the Adirondacks?
Needed Dates for the Native Peoples

Date of est. for Native American Program of the NYS Education Department
SUNY Potsdam course in Mohawk language?
Dates and names of two large industrial plants est. near Akwesasne
Inaugural annual Indian pageant at Fort Ticonderoga? William Taft, 1909?
Date for Creation of Mohawk Council of Chiefs
NYS passes law for compulsory education of native peoples living on reservations
Seizure of wampum belts by Ottawa officials
Preservation of Mohawk language
Return of wampum belts to native people by state of NY
Iroquois wampum relocation to Woodland Indian Cultural Educational Center, Brantford, Ontario