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## Uses drones to photograph parcels on Lake George

**By Gordon Woodworth**  
Chronicle News Editor

A childhood hobby has turned into a business for retired trial attorney Fred Pflaum. He uses unmanned aerial vehicles, or drones, to take real estate photos on and around Lake George.

**Builds biz serving real estate listings**

"I'm just getting the business off the ground," Mr. Pflaum told *The Chronicle*. "In Florida, where I used to live, every high-end property for sale has aerial photography used in its marketing."

Mr. Pflaum said that in retirement he took to woodworking, making furniture for himself and friends. "But I developed a severe allergy to wood dust and had to

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Fred Pflaum used a drone to take this photo of Kattskill Bay on Lake George. That's Elizabeth Island to the left.  
Photo by Fred Pflaum, www.whirligigz.com



Fred Pflaum with drone and monitor he uses to see what the mounted camera sees.

## Lake George rattlesnakes

**By David Cederstrom**  
Chronicle Staff Writer

Five to 10 times each summer timber rattlesnakes are found around campsites in The Narrows area of Lake George.

This year, by the end of June, there were four such incidents, says research biologist/herpetologist **Dr. Bill Brown**.

But while this might sound alarming to some, since rattlesnakes are poisonous and their bite is potentially fatal if not treated, Dr. Brown said timber rattlers are not aggressive and will only bite a human in



Chronicle photo/David Cederstrom

**Each summer 5 to 10 encounters; Dr. Brown: Stay back, they're protected, call for help**

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**Bill Woodward**  
Death at 64; major man in Glens Falls ▶ 7, 12  
May 14 photo by Mark Frost

**'Solar collector ruins Lake George view'**

To the Editor,  
When traveling north on Bay Road towards Dunham's Bay, at the location of the Bay Ridge fire station, there used to be a beautiful view of the mountains on the east side of Lake George. Last week that view was destroyed by the erection of four

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