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**Mother's Day is
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Lake George: Wind-blown ice sheets do big damage

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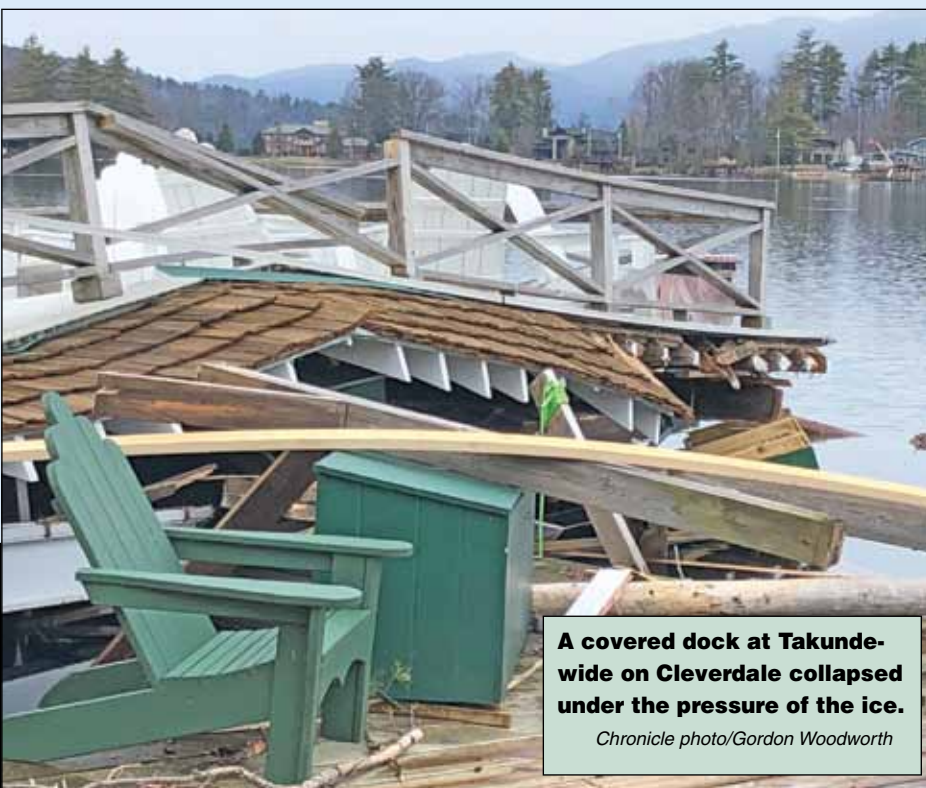
High winds from all directions blew thick sheets of ice on Lake George this spring, causing widespread dock damage in the southern basin and elsewhere.

"There is millions of dollars worth of dock damage on the lake," said life-long lake resident Dan Davies, who owns Davies-Davies & Associates Real Estate.

"It's going to take years to repair all of the damage because there just aren't enough dock builders up here."

To make matters worse, Mike Grasso, a principal at Cool Insuring who has a home on Harris Bay, said, "No homeowners

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around the
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take 'years
to repair'**



A covered dock at Takundewide on Cleverdale collapsed under the pressure of the ice.

Chronicle photo/Gordon Woodworth

insurer that I am aware of will cover docks. Homeowners insurance excludes damage to piers."

Lake George Park Commission executive director Dave Wick said, "We track dock damage anecdotally, and this seems to be a heavy year because there's so much ice. The ice thaws from the shore out, and the wind picks up and moves the ice sheets around."

Mr. Wick said the Commission

has received "40 applications for dock damage where people want to make changes to what was there." He said that's not unusual for this time of year given that there are 3,800 docks on Lake George.

Dock builder Frank DiNardo, owner of Elite Dock Company on Cleverdale, said the ice was "up to 10 inches thick vs. the 1-to-4 inches it normally is. And then

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Prom pix: Section 2 Glens Falls, Hudson Falls



Hudson Falls prom-goers Jada Eisenhardt, Kameron Mattison, Ashlee Kelly

Chronicle photo/Gordon Woodworth

5-year-old's day at Warren Co. Sheriff's Office

Chronicle News Editor Gordon Woodworth writes: Mason Richards, a 5-year-old kindergartner at Queensbury Elementary School, already knows what he wants to do when he grows up.

"Be a police officer," he says. "To help people."

So when *The Chronicle's* School Views feature asked area students what their perfect day would be, Mason replied:

"I would wake up and go visit the police station, and also check



Queensbury kindergarten student Mason Richards was sworn in by Warren County Deputy Josh Fish.

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out the cop cars, talk to the police officers and eat lunch with them. Then go home and tell my mom and dad all about it."

When Mason's letter was pub-

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'Horried' by gun photo in Chronicle

To the Editor:

I was horrified when I opened last week's (4/19/18) *Chronicle* to page 25 and saw the picture with Managing Editor Cathy DeDe's article about the Steamposium.

The picture very clearly shows Tina DeMarsh holding a revolver (closely resembling a

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**Letters
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The Lake George Land Conservancy is checking hemlock trees in the 8,000 acres of watershed forest it manages, looking for signs of the tiny, lethal invasive hemlock woolly adelgid (HWA).

Adelgids can kill a hemlock tree in less than four years, and have wiped out large swaths of hemlock forests along the East Coast. They were first discovered in Virginia in 1950, and spread through the wind or on birds.

"If HWA gets a foothold here, it would be catastrophic in terms

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