

## Caretaker on Lake George

### Wiwaka Women's Retreat gives its Spirit Award to Joe Wylie, its caretaker for decades

**Editor's note:** Wiwaka, "the oldest and longest continuously operating retreat for women in America," since 1903, conducted its annual Ladies of the Lake luncheon at the Lake George Club on June 18. One highlight of the event is presentation of the Spirit of Wiwaka Award, which this year went to Joe Wylie, who has been the property's caretaker for 20 years and has had a passion for caretaking his whole adult life. What follows is the speech that Mr. Wylie's daughter Amanda Wylie Landwehrle gave in her father's honor.

#### By Amanda Wylie Landwehrle

I am Amanda, Joe's oldest daughter. I am honored to be given the opportunity to speak to all of you about dad and his accomplishments. Thank you to my sister Courtney and my dad's fiancée, Kathy [Porcell] for helping to create this speech.



Joe Wylie, with daughters Amanda (left) and Courtney.  
Photo: Meghan J. Keenan, Wiwaka

Dad has always had a passion for the outdoors and specifically, life on camp property. He grew up in camps, since the age of 5. This life began at Camp Kenetwa-pec Boy Scout camp along the Delaware River where he lived until 1972.

When dad was 17, a junior in high school, his family moved to Fort Ann, N.Y. after our grandfather accepted a camp ranger position at the newly purchased

land where Crossett Lake Boy Scout Reservation was built.

Dad quickly fit in at his new school, as he does in every environment. If you know my dad, you probably know that his claim to fame is that he earned the title of prom king as a junior after only being in the school for 8 months!

After graduating high school, he joined the Air Force, serving

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## Log Bay Day: No way

By Gordon Woodworth  
Chronicle News Editor

"We're hoping people have gotten the memo that Log Bay Day is over," Lake George Park Commission executive director Dave Wick tells *The Chronicle*.

Log Bay Day was the big, informal, increasingly raucous party that for years took place on the last Monday of July in Shelving Rock Bay and nearby Log Bay.

Local law enforcement agencies effectively ended it in 2017, one year after 8-year-old Charlotte McCue was killed in a boat collision on the night of Log Bay Day.

Alexander West, who was piloting the boat that struck the

**No party,  
bays will  
be closed**

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## Urges: Apply stamps upside down to signal U.S. in distress

To the Editor:

Long before there was radio or an internet, U.S. ships flew their flag upside down as an officially recognized signal of distress.

As a WWII merchant marine seaman, a patriot, and ex-Republican, I am appalled at Trump's demeaning of the of-



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## Surge in dead fish; is heat to blame?

Chronicle News Editor Gordon Woodworth writes:

The *Chronicle* on Sunday noticed what seemed to be a surge in dead fish floating on the surface of Lake George.

The Lake George Association noticed it too. Contacted Monday, spokesman Pat Dowd said

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