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Islands of Lake George: Fork

Editor's note: This is the 25th anniversary of when the late Frank Leonbruno began writing — and The Chronicle began publishing — the chapters that would become his classic book Lake George Reflections: Island History and Lore. This summer we are reprinting weekly chapters with the permission of Frank's daughters Gail and Jane.

By Frank Leonbruno

Special to The Chronicle, from 1996

Fork Island is a state-owned island located at the northeastern end of the Narrows. With its 12 campsites, this island is very popular with campers.

One could say, with a little bit of imagination, that the island's shape resembles a fork, with two *Please turn to page 11*

Opposes new docks okayed at Basin Bay

Dear Mr. Frost:

I don't often think about my 30 some odd years of living in Upstate New York. I believe reminiscing will likely come when I'm a bit older and have a lot more time on my hands.

Recently, however, I've had occasion to think back to those days, as a consequence of newspaper reports about the proposed construction of docks, on Basin Bay, along Cotton Point Road.

My earliest of recollections are of Diamond Point, Cotton Please turn to page 26



An explosion of events, now & all summer long!

Summer is suddenly, instantly at

full throttle. With most Covid restrictions removed, everyone is making up for lost time. Concerts, camps, movies, museums, tournaments, theatre, barbecues, festivals, readings — far & wide the floodgates have opened. Make sense of it! The Chronicle calendar — the region's best — is your go-to-guide. ▶ 17



Fireworks.

Fireworks were few last 4th of July, due to Covid. This year, fireworks and other celebrations are back in abundance. Here's a quick rundown. See elsewhere in this issue for all that's happening Independence Day weekend.

THURSDAY, JULY 1

Granville: 9 p.m. at Veterans Field, following free outdoor concert by Whiskey River.

SATURDAY, JULY 3

The Great Escape: "Coca-Cola July 4th Fest." Fireworks, rides and more included with park admission. Info: 792-3500

Lake George: Fireworks cruises by Lake George Steamboat Company and by Shoreline Cruises. (Tix required.)

Corinth: Dusk from Town Beach bridge Hague: 9:30 p.m. at Town Beach and Park Johnsburg: Dusk at Ski Bowl Park in

North Creek.

Minerva: At dusk from The Point, follow-

ing Minerva Day festivities.

Newcomb: 8 p.m. at Overlook Park.

Indian Lake: following 7 p.m. parade, dusk at Bryon Park

Saratoga Lake: 9:15-9:30 at Brown's Beach. Limited parking, carpooling urged.

SUNDAY, JULY 4

Lake George Village: 9:30 p.m. View from Shepard Park or Beach Road.

Lake George, also: Fireworks cruises

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Gansevoort farmer: Solar can save future farm use; residential ends farming forever

To the Editor:

As a lifetime resident of the Town of Moreau I am concerned that our town officials are drafting an anti-farming law that prevents farmers and landowners from siting solar arrays on their lands. If our town is really trying to preserve our Ag lands, they would be supporting these farmers' solar projects. Farmers and property owners need addition-

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