

The Kahshe Krier



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Stay away from those

ROCKS,

now that you can see them!

It may be the most popular fundraising campaign in Kahshe's history.



Probably because it's about fighting rocks -- the kind that pulverize propellers, bash bows, strip stern drives; the kind that lurk just below the surface, or even above it, in every nook and cranny of Kahshe.

Or so it seems.

After cottager John Mertl had to fork out \$13,000 for a new motor when he ran into a rock at a neighbour's that even the neighbour didn't know about, he started thinking. Why not new and better rock markers for the lake? Heck, why not commercial grade markers?

This past winter he did his research to figure out what would work on the lake. The answer? Commercial markers -- the same type that government agencies all over Europe and North America use to mark dangerous rocks.



Three types caught his eye: the regulatory buoys, white with orange stripe that stand about 4 1/2 feet out of the water; the red and white lighthouse style (both of these with lights); and the fender style white buoys. Altogether he ordered 33 of them. The bill? About \$12,000 will buy them, but maintaining them for the next few years will add considerably to that amount. (--> page 2)

KLRA Secretary, John Mertl showing off one of the new Rock Markers at the AGM. John is also Chair of the Rock Marker Committee which is spearheading the Kahshe Rock Marker Fundraising Drive



Kahshe cottager, Randy Craig, showing the two posters being offered as part of the Rock Marker Fund-raising Project. Both photographs were taken by Randy on Kahshe and used by National Geographic to extol the beauty of Muskoka as a top world vacation destination.

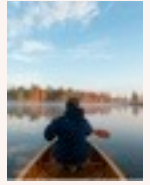
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It was his cottage neighbour, Randy Craig, who came up with a way to pay for them. Craig's photo of Kahshe Lake (on the left) made the cover of National Geographic when Muskoka was named the top vacation destination in the world last summer. This year, when Muskoka made the top 10, another of Craig's photos of Kahshe Lake (on the right) was used.

Craig has donated the rights to both these beautiful pictures to the Kahshe Rock Marker Fundraising Drive and they have been made into stunning 14" x 20" inch posters. One can be yours for \$25, both for only \$45. One mounted poster is \$100; two are \$150. And one limited edition signed print is \$500; two are \$800.



They will be on sale at the **Kahshe Country Craft Show and Sale, Sunday Aug 5, at Rockhaven Inn**. Or order them through the KLRA website <http://www.kahshelake.ca/>. Look for the **KLRA Rock Marker Initiative** -- john.mertl@gmail.com.

Mertl is also giving Kahshe cottagers a chance to take back the rock. A donation of \$1,000 buys naming rights to the rock of your choice, one with which you have a "special affinity"! The name of your rock will be indicated by a stone plaque and the name will also appear on the Google Earth map of Kahshe Lake.

"Many of us don't feel confident boating on the lake," Mertl says. "We hope this will change that."

Proceeds will be used for the purchase and ongoing maintenance of Kahshe's rock markers.

At the time of going to print, John Mertl and his crew of volunteers, Gary Baskerville, Greig Holder, Ron Pearson, Steve Wild and his friend Steve, and Barry Elder, have assembled "x" markers in Tim Ottaway's boathouse and placed "y" of them. Our thanks to Tim for the use of the boathouse and for his involvement in the early planning and sourcing.



President's Message -- Summer 2012

Isn't this an awesome summer on Kahshe Lake? I know I'm enjoying it. On the other hand, as I write this, there is, sensibly, a total fire ban in place since the forests around the lake are tinder dry. Please take all necessary precautions.

I want to thank Howard Mandel, who served ably as Lake Steward over the past several years. Howard resigned that responsibility in the spring. Fortunately, one of our Board members, Ron Pearson, has stepped into the breach. Ron's career has been in environmental management, so he is a great fit for the role. (See the *Lake Steward Report on page 4*).

Our thanks are also due to Tim Ottaway, who resigned from the Board earlier this year for personal reasons. Tim was chair of the Rock Marker Committee where he initiated the current program to renew our rock markers. Thanks very much Tim. John Mertl, one of the executive members of the Board, is now leading the Rock Marker Committee.

Additional thanks and congratulations to everyone who voted for Kahshe Lake in the FOCA/Cottage Life "Make Your Lake Great" contest. Check out the results below.

There have been a number of incidents with nuisance bears this summer. I don't like that term as it implies the bears are the problem. I'm put in mind of the great quote by Walt Kelly in his Pogo comic strip, where he said, "We have the met the enemy and he is us"! Where there are problems with bears, we are the cause. An Ontario MNR bulletin says, "the first priority in any human/bear interaction is human safety". The best way to prevent or, at least, minimise such meetings is to

"eliminate attractants (food sources), and to use use bear-proof garbage containers". But be aware that even a modest-sized bear can turn over any of the commercial bear bins. They need to be secured to something substantial, such as a concrete pad or several concrete blocks. I've also observed, on finding strewn garbage, that many of us are not washing out recyclables, thereby attracting the bears to the bin. Please consider taking your garbage home if garbage day is several days after you leave the lake. This picture was taken very close to the bear bin belonging to my brother-in-law, James Sutherland, just off Bell Road.

It appears that 2012 may end up a record year for drowning deaths. No doubt our fine summer weather is a contributor. We published Cottage Safety Tips from the Royal Lifesaving Society of Canada in last summer's edition of the Krier. Please take these tips to heart, especially the ones about keeping children at no more than arm's length when in the water.

Have a safe summer; see you on the lake!

Bob Reyburn

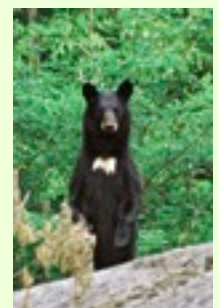


Photo by Tim Antonio

Kahshe Lake wins the Make your Lake Great Contest 2012!

Thank you to all those among you who voted once, twice, ten times or even more in the **FOCA/Cottage Life Make Your Lake Great Contest**. For this contest one entry was drawn from among the thousands submitted by cottagers from all over Ontario, and that person's association won \$5000 to be used to make "any physical lake improvement". We would especially like to thank **Wolfgang Schulz**, a cottager on Boyd Island, for submitting the entry that was drawn.

The prize money will be added to the Rock Marker Fund and will help us to achieve our target of purchasing and maintaining all needed rock markers for the next 10 years. We are well on the way, but we are not there yet. If you have not already contributed, please go to www.kahshelake.ca, click on **2012 Rock Marker Initiative** and follow the instructions.

Meat your neighbours

David Purdon is passionate about the food that he eats and about the food that we eat. He is so passionate about the food that we, the cottagers of Kahshe, eat that he donates all the meats that are served at the Housey's Rapids Picnic, at the Kahshe Country Craft Show and Sale, and at the Kahshe Regatta. Wow!



Housey's Rapids Picnic



Tracy Lippert, Guy Stroop and David Purdon

He is so passionate about the food that, try as I might, I gleaned very few nuggets of information about his background. I know that he grew up in Gravenhurst, travelled extensively in North America and in Europe, spent 5 years in the UK, often working in theatre production behind the scenes, returned to Muskoka and worked as an *almost chef* (his words) at Muskoka Sands (remember that place? or is it Taboo to mention it?), owned 2 leather shops in Orillia and Bracebridge, and finally became interested in butchering after meeting and working for Guy Stroop who, wouldn't you know it, now works for Dave at **Muskoka Meats and 100-Mile Store** on Highway 11 just north of **The Muskoka Store**.

Muskoka Meats opened 20 years ago on Highway 118, moved to the location now occupied by **Somewhere in Muskoka** in 2006 and has been in its present location since 2010. The **100-Mile Store** designation refers to the fact that **all** of the products sold at **Muskoka Meats** come from within a 100

mile radius of the store; all the meat, all the cheese, all the condiments, everything.

What is so special about **Muskoka Meats** products? They are all local, but more importantly, they are all **natural**. All the beef, lamb and pork comes from pasture-raised animals that have not been fed growth hormones, or antibiotics, or high-protein feed. Poultry is free range. All products come from farms that practice sustainable farming, i.e. crop rotation, no fertilising, no herbicides. David himself uses dry-hanging and dry aging techniques and air-chilled poultry. And he or Guy Stroop will cut your meat to order at any time.

Drop in on your way up to the cottage, or, if you are an easterner like me, take the 2 kilometer drive down from Gravenhurst (off at Sedore, over the bridge, hang a left and take the back road parallel to Hwy 11, but be careful not to overshoot).

Tracy will be glad to see you and if you mention that Keith sent you,..... it won't make too much difference!

Right next door to **Muskoka Meats** is the [Blue Marlin Seafood Market](#), operated by **Chris Rooney** with help from his wife, Maggie, and sons, Austin, 15, and Brendan, 12. Chris offers custom cutting of a wide range of wild fish including mahi, tuna, swordfish, Chilean sea bass, coho salmon, Alaskan halibut, and fresh Ontario perch and pickerel. He also has seafood (shrimp, King Crab, lobster [in a 150 gallon salt water tank], scallops, mussels, oysters and calamari) and smoked salmon, smoked tuna, smoked kippers and smoked Milford Bay trout.

Chris will even tell you how to prepare your fish and how to use the many dips, marinades and rubs that he carries. Chris, too, believes in sustainable food production.



Chris and Brendan Rooney

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LAKE STEWARD REPORT, *Ron Pearson*

Hello. As of May 2012, I've assumed the role of Kahshe Lake Steward. Although I've worked as a terrestrial biologist and ecological risk assessor for the Ontario Ministry of the Environment (MOE) and as a senior scientist for a couple of environmental consulting companies over the past 42 years, I've had only limited experience in the aquatic science area. As such, I have a lot of learning to do, as most of the lake steward work to date has been focused on water quality issues. But since aquatic issues are underpinned by the same type of scientific process that is used for terrestrial components of the natural environment, I'm confident I can get up to speed fairly quickly.

First, I want to thank Howard Mandel for his solid efforts over the past two years in maintaining the water sampling programs that have been ongoing on Kahshe Lake for several years and also for his timely and appropriate messages regarding the things we need to do and not do, to enhance and preserve our enjoyment on Kahshe Lake. As this is my first report, I wanted to start with some overview material to give you a better perspective on the Lake Stewardship Committee which was created in 2002 and officially assumed by the KLRA in August 2004.

Lake Stewardship - What is it?

A committee funded by and reporting to the KLRA with the goals of:

- Educating the residents and other users of the lake on how to **preserve** and **improve** the quality of the lake and its shoreline.
- Monitoring the environmental quality of the lake and keeping the association members up to date on the results of the testing programs.

What kind of monitoring do we do?

As it currently stands, Kahshe Lake is being monitored for water quality parameters under two main initiatives as outlined opposite.

Lake Partner Program (MOE & FOCA – sampling by Kahshe Lake Steward)

- Water clarity measurements
 - Clarity of the water is measured twice a month at three locations using a Secchi disc, and these findings are forwarded to the MOE in the fall for compilation and comparison with other lakes in Ontario. This is a picture of the Secchi disc being lowered into the water on the end of a tape measure until it is no longer visible.
- Water quality testing
 - Water is sampled from two locations



in May each year and sent to Dorset where the MOE carries out an analysis for total phosphorous, an indicator of the potential for algal blooms and water quality deterioration which is termed eutrophication.

Lake System Health Program (District Municipality of Muskoka – Muskoka Watershed Council)

- Monitoring bottom-dwelling aquatic invertebrates
 - With assistance from the MWC staff, benthic organisms in near-shore sediments are counted and identified annually in August. This provides a biological measure of lake water quality, as the number and diversity of these small organisms provides a type of biological signature which is related to water quality.
- Water quality testing by DMM-MWC staff
 - Water at two locations on Kahshe Lake is sampled and tested for a variety of chemical and physical parameters every two years. This information is then used by the MWC to generate a sub-watershed report card on indicators of the health of both terrestrial and aquatic resources.

What's happening to our Lake?

Based on information we've received from the Muskoka Watershed Council and on the data generated via the MOE's Lake Partner Program, the results of Kahshe Lake sampling in 2011 have not revealed any detectable deterioration in either water quality or in the health of the benthic community located in near-shore sediments.

While it's certainly comforting to get this kind of feed-back from the scientists who have set up and maintained these water quality testing programs, I'm reluctant to rely totally on this feed-back without a closer look at the testing results. I'm currently in the process of acquiring all of the monitoring data from the MOE and the DMM-MWC to examine it for quality trends and to determine if there are any other characteristics that warrant concern and the need for monitoring.

This leads me to the goals of the Lake Steward Committee for 2012.

Goals for 2012

- Continue Lake Partner Program water clarity measurements and water testing with reporting of results to MOE.
- Analyze the historical data collected on Kahshe Lake to see if any statistically significant trends are emerging.
- Assist MWC staff in sampling Site No. 3 for benthic organisms in August 2012.
- Analyze the 15 years of historical data from DMM-MWC to determine if any water quality trends are emerging and to ensure that we are up-to-date on the potential impacts of climate change and increasing recreational use of Kahshe Lake. (cont. opposite)

The Rest of the Summer at the Lake

The complete guide for cottagers and their friends to the remaining events in, on and around Kahshe Lake in 2012

Brought to you by the Kahshe Lake Ratepayers' Association (KLRA)



Sunday August 5th

10.00 am – 4.00 pm

30th Annual Kahshe Country Craft Show & Sale

Rockhaven Cathy Dunphy catherinedunphy@rogers.com

ALL WELCOME Free admission -- **BRING YOUR WALLET**

Live Music from Dave Robinson and Alfe Uhde

Beer Tent



Saturday August 18th

10.00 am – 2.00 pm

(rain date – Sunday 19th)

The Regatta

Nagaya Beach Colleen Powell colleenpowell@rogers.com

ALL WELCOME Free admission

Interdenominational church services will be held at 10 am every Sunday in July and August (except Aug 5th) in Denne's Barn -- subject to the approval of the new owners.

These events happen because **volunteers** make them happen. If you would like to help out at either of these events, please contact the organizer sooner rather than later.

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- Attend conferences and keep abreast of scientific literature pertaining to biological issues – both aquatic, terrestrial as well as air quality - and ensure that Kahshe Lake has input to and is appropriately represented in any future monitoring programs.
- Report the findings from all testing programs in the Kahshe Lake Krier and on the KLRA Web Site.

How can you help?

The Lake Steward Committee needs 8-10 student volunteers (at least 12-13 years old) and a 4-5 adults to assist with this year's benthic sampling and organism counting program which is slated to take place on **Friday, August 17th**. Please send me an e-mail to get additional details and confirm your participation at rpearson1203@rogers.com

Regards,

Ron Pearson

Students in high school or about to enter Grade 9 in September can qualify for volunteer community service hours.

EDITORIAL



If you are reading this before the Craft Show, please make a special effort to attend this, the **30th Kahshe Country Craft Show and Sale**. Cathy Dunphy and her army of volunteers have spent hundreds of hours working to make this the best ever. In addition to the many vendors that justify the Craft Show and Sale name, the incredible food booth (Keith's Kahshe Kountry Kitchen - please note 4 K's not 3!), the outstanding Bake Sale, the increasingly popular Photo Contest and the amazing Prize Draw, we are proud to bring you not one, but two, yes **two**, firsts. **Live music** will be provided by **Dave Robinson** direct from Nashville, and by **Alfe Uhde** who played last year as things were winding down. Adjacent to the KKKK there will be a **Beer Tent** provided by the **Sawdust City Brewery**. Sawdust City was, of course, the nickname of Gravenhurst back when it was a town full of sawmills and lumberyards. The Brewery will be opening a brewhouse/restaurant/bar down by the wharf near the Grace and Speed Museum.

If you are reading this after the fact, please forgive me for not getting it to you all sooner. However, you still have one more KLRA event to enjoy, especially those of you with kids or grandkids. Colleen Powell is again spearheading the organising of the **Annual Kahshe Regatta** (the 8th of the modern era) to be held at **Nagaya Beach** from **10am to 2pm** on **Saturday August the 18th** (rain date - Sunday the 19th).

And if you did not already make your contribution to the **Kahshe Lake Rock Marker Project**, please think about doing so before you forget. I for one am grateful that this initiative will enable me to venture into Grants Bay and South Kahshe without fear of making the too close acquaintance of a lurking rock as has been my fate on past forays into these uncharted (for me) regions. My propellor will also be grateful.

Enjoy the rest of the summer.

Keith Price Editor

WHAT'S ON IN GRAVENHURST?

Music on the Barge

The last two Concerts of the 2012 Season are fast approaching.
Don't miss ...

Sunday, August 5 – The Fabulous Knockouts An amazing 60's band with four great musicians who are wowing their audiences with their intense energy mixed with a sense of fun to everything they play.

Sunday, August 12 – The Endless Summer Beach band A new show with a California Look and Sound

Sunday, August 19 – The Good Brothers Celebrating their 40th Anniversary in the Music Business, The Good Brothers continue their annual performance at the "Barge" .

Concerts start at 7:30 p.m. unless otherwise stated.

Collections are taken during concerts.

Please note: in the event of inclement weather, concerts will be **CANCELLED**.

Decision will be made at 5 pm and announced on local radio station

Gravenhurst Opera House

August 9	Chad Brownlee	\$35
August 10	Going Overboard Comedy Gala	\$35
August 12	The Larry Mercey Trio	\$35
August 16	The Stampeders	\$35

Cinema Under The Stars

Beside the Opera House

August 9th	Zorro- Silent Film
August 16th	Dirty Dancing
August 23rd	Grease



Free for the whole family -- Popcorn and drinks! Bring your own lawn

The Gravenhurst Recreation and Community Centre

will again be offering a myriad of activities for all age groups.

As well as multiple hockey programs (boys, girls, goalies, drills, etc) and swimming classes, you can choose from sports programs or hobby programs.

*For full details of all the programs being offered check out the **Gravenhurst Recreation and Community Centre Activity Guide** on the Gravenhurst website: www.gravenhurst.ca, click on Residents, then Recreation & Community Services, then Rec & Leisure Guide.*

Free Water-Ski Shows

Wednesday: Boston Pizza, Muskoka Wharf, Gravenhurst

Thursday: Bayview Wildwoods Resort, Sparrow Lake

7:30-8:30pm.

For more Information call 1-888-I-SKI-SWS



The new face of Denne's Marina, by Keith Price

The news last year that Bob Ollman was retiring and would be selling Denne's Marina left many cottagers uncertain and apprehensive, especially those with slips there or who store their boats there over the winter. The news that new owners, Paul and Ashley Caswell, have taken over has laid much of that uncertainty and apprehension to rest.



Paul, Ashley and Finn

Paul was born, raised and educated in the Huntsville area, and completed the Funeral Services programme at Humber College in Toronto in 2006. After graduating he and then girl-friend, Ashley Bell, moved to Western Australia where Paul worked at a Funeral Home while Ashley got her teaching degree. They moved back to Huntsville after 18 months and were married in September 2008. After Paul had worked at various jobs, both in funeral services and in other fields, they decided that the time was right for them go into business for themselves. Denne's was on the market and here they are.

Although Paul does not have any formal training as a mechanic or in marina operation, he has been around boats, marinas and the water since he first drove a 6hp Evinrude as a 5-year old. He is an accomplished water-skier and ran a Waterski School at Grandview in Huntsville for 4 years.

Paul has used his business savvy (his family owns an Insurance Agency in Huntsville) to surround himself with a staff of highly qualified and hard-working staff: Head mechanic, Larry Stothers, mechanics, Mike Urquart and Adam Kilpatrick, General Help, Ben Schouster, Office Manager, Amanda Cleavelly, and Pump Attendants/Hut Operators, Nate Schell and Nicole. Paul's enthusiasm and work ethic are a model for the staff, his attention to the needs of the customer are very noticeable and he makes a point of listening to peoples' concerns and acting on them.

His 5-year plan for Denne's includes:

- renovating the living quarters above the office so that he, Ashley and 13-month old Finn, can live together again; [this was completed at the end of July when Ashley and Finn moved down from Huntsville]
- replacing the 4500 litre gas tank at the launch area with a 9000 litre tank;
- moving and improving the Hut which currently sells/rents kayaks, paddle-boards, tubes, skis and trampolines, and sells ice cream, candy, pop and water;
- beautifying the launch area generally;
- renovating the present workshop and lower parking area, so that the lower part becomes a fully-equipped 2-bay workshop with work benches and parts storage on the upper level;
- providing more covered boat storage and more parking in the back;
- the possibility (far from certain) of starting a Kahshe Ski School.

Paul is also consulting with the town about the possibility of expanding the government dock to allow up to 30 more rentable boat slips. This would increase the number of slips at Denne's to 77 from the present 47.

It is clear that Paul has thought long and hard about how to make Denne's a success. If we want him to succeed (and for our own peace of mind we do), we must do our part by supporting him and by letting him know our concerns.



(l - r) Mike, Ben, Larry, Adam, Ashley, Finn, Paul, Nate, Nicole, Amanda

Events Picture Gallery



The Pillow Case Race..... and the smallest shall be first!



Our 2 youngest Picnickers, 8 mth old Liam and Ava MacDonald.



The Water Race



This one didn't get away!

[Unfortunately lack of space prevents a full report of the Picnic and the Fishing Derby in this issue.

All 4 major Kahshe events will be reported with pictures in the Fall issue. Ed.]

IN MEMORIAM

Patricia Kathleen Heaps 1935-2012



It is with wonderful memories that we announce the passing of Pat Heaps in February of this year. Pat married Bernie Heaps in 1960 and spent many happy, industrious summers on the lake with him. She loved her time at the cottage fishing, building, and observing the wildlife (children and animals) at Kakshe. Pat and Bernie built their first cottage in 1960 in the bay on the north side of Hen's and Chicks where the Francis' and the daughters of Josies are now. It is the one of the west side of the bay with the red roof. After selling that they stayed with Bernie's parents Mary and Alf Heaps and then rented Agnew's small cottage near Nagaya Beach before purchasing Bernie's father's cottage in the bay to Little Sunny Lake where they spent 36 years of fun in the sun. Pat was involved in the Craft Show at Rockhaven for many years and was well known for her quilting and crafts. Pat will be greatly missed by her family and her friends on Kakshe, but she would be glad that all of us are still enjoying this beautiful lake.

Robyn Scott (nee Klinck) - 2012



Robyn Scott passed away on May 13 (Mothers Day) after an exceptionally courageous 2 year battle with cancer.

She was a true Kakshe lover having spent her whole life enjoying her times on Kakshe Lake and owning a property of her own on Grant's Bay.

Predeceased by her mother Ruth Klinck(nee Lane), she is survived by her father Cliff Klinck, and her brothers John, Tom and Paul.

"Aunty Treats" as she was known, will be dearly missed by her neice Sara and nephews Matthew, Ryan, Steven, Sean, Christopher and Cameron.

Gail Agnes Dykstra (nee Thomas) 1944 - 2012

An exceptional *Mother With A Gift*

Gail passed away on February 26th at age 68 at Credit Valley Hospital after a short struggle with cancer. Gail had a way of turning every encounter into a golden moment. She loved a glass of chardonnay, a fun crowd and good times. This exceptional mother we all came to love was not only an exceptional mother to Kathleen to whom she has passed on that rare gift, but also to five special boys on the lake, her son Peter Dykstra, Brian and Mark McCauley, Brian Long and Ryan Swirla. She literally laid the foundation of what those boys have become over the 24 years since Gail and Pete came to Kakshe, successful husbands and fathers who now define the very fabric of Kakshe Lake. Known to dozens of kids on the lake because of her involvement in the Kids' Fishing Derby, she truly was an exceptional "mother". Gail was proud of her family and of her neighbors on the lake. We thank her for sharing her exceptional gift. She certainly made this world a better place!

Robert (Bob) King 1927 - 2012



Sadly we report that Bob passed away on January 12, 2012 in Toronto. Bob was married to Robbie for 57 years and had 3 children, John, Cathie & David. Bob and Robbie purchased the property on Kahshe Lake in 1961 and built the cottage in 1962. He loved the cottage and greatly enjoyed being the president of the Kahshe Lake Association for several years. Some of his many interests on the lake included attending church services and visiting his many friends in the area among them his brother and sister in law. Bob greatly enjoying socializing with those on the lake and will be remembered for his fervent generosity, kindness, and caring personality. Bob always enjoyed raising the Canadian Flag which still flies strongly today along with the Martin house which stands close beside it. Although we rarely get Martins now, he enjoyed watching the many birds that utilized the home. The flying squirrel visiting the bird feeder in the evening was a special treat to my dad and attracted many neighbouring cottagers to enjoy the sight. The King family will continue to enjoy Kahshe Lake and Robbie still comes up with the children and grandchildren occasionally. As a favourite family place our good memories will always include Dad as he was a big part of our lives.

George Larmour Kehl August 29, 1919 - August 26, 2011

George died in Florida 3 days before his 92nd birthday. He is survived by his daughter, Gigi Robinson(Brad), son George (Christine), his 7 grandchildren, Ashleigh, Dave, Jen, Shannon, Connor, Hunter, Tanner, his sister Margaret Mills(George), brother Jack and 18 nieces, nephews and their children.

George started coming up to Kahshe Lake from Toronto in the late 1920's when his family rented a cottage here and later purchased a cottage near Denne's Store. His love of Kahshe Lake has been passed down to both of his kids and grandchildren.

He will be greatly missed by all. May his spirit continue to live in all of us here at Kahshe

Let us also remember

Bruce Wood

Randi LeBlanc

If any family member would like to submit a short tribute to either of these cottagers for inclusion in the next Krier, please contact me, Keith Price, before October 20th, at 416 233 7688, 705 687 7108 or keithonkahshe@rogers.com.

Name change

The former **Fire Road 15** leading into **Bass Lake Park** at Housey's Rapids is now known as **Loft Lane**

Meet another neighbour "SOMEWHERE IN MUSKOKA"

The two families of Ross Edwards and Jane Edwards (nee Kehl) have owned cottages on Kakshe for a total of over 200 years. Ross grew up in Burlington but moved up to the Gravenhurst area at age 18 to establish his independence. Jane grew up in Toronto and moved to the lake with her family when she was 16. They are both Kaksheites through and through. They met in their late teens when Jane, stranded on one of those nasty Kakshe rocks that we are so busy marking, was rescued by a knight in shining armour (actually a not-so-shiny tinnie). The hero was, of course, Ross and the rest is history.

After working for Bauhaus Docks and Fleming Lumber as a teenager, Ross went into the construction business as **R.E.Construction**. 20 years later in 2001 he and Jane started **RJLiquidation** and later bought their present



location, the old Fleming Lumber property. When **Muskoka Meats** moved from the little store behind RJ's to its present location near the Muskoka Store, they decided to open **SOMEWHERE IN MUSKOKA**.

The store sells fresh meat and vegetables, home-made pies and preserves, Kawartha Dairies ice-cream and dairy products, and an enticing selection of "grab-and-go" foods - pre-cooked meals ready to serve. Call ahead and you can pick up your meal on the way past the store or at the government

dock. On your first visit, enjoy a 15% discount!

In addition to Jane, the staff consists of Darwin Battaglia and, just recently, butcher, Bill Drake.

Why the unusual name? **Somewhere** is the name of a restaurant in the Turks and Caicos Islands that Ross and Jane really enjoyed.

REMEMBER You haven't been anywhere until you've been **SOMEWHERE.....in Muskoka**.



Ross, Jane and the bear.
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