



## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **Lake Appreciation Day to Feature Food, Outdoor Activities, Live Music**

The Otsego County Conservation Association, Friends of Glimmerglass State Park and the Otsego Lake Association will host a Lake Appreciation Day on Saturday, July 13 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Glimmerglass State Park. This event is intended to bring members of area environmental groups and lake organizations, lake residents, families, and friends together for a day of fellowship and recreation on the shores of Otsego Lake.

A free picnic lunch, swimming, and kids' activities will be among the highlights, and lake-focused groups are welcome to exhibit in the enclosed pavilion.

The schedule to date includes:

- 8 a.m. bird walk led by Delaware-Otsego Audubon Society Board members Becky Gretton and Eleanor Moriarty (meet at the Beaver Pond Trail)
  
- Pancake breakfast on the beach, sold and served at the park concession stand
- Glimmerglass Marketplace featuring vendors selling produce, prepared foods and crafts "Made in New York"
  
- Live music by the Stoddard Hollow String Band from 1-3 p.m.
- OCCA EcoTeam presentation, face painting and other children's activities
- "Show and tell" session on aquatic life in Otsego Lake and the park's Beaver Pond with biologist Tom Hughes
- Educational exhibits by lake-focused organizations in the Lake View enclosed pavilion
  
- Kayak rentals

Lunch will be provided at no charge from 12:30-2 p.m. (pre-registration required), including hamburgers, hot dogs, and veggie burgers, salads, watermelon, cookies, and assorted beverages.

Those planning to attend Lake Appreciation Day, or wishing to exhibit, are asked to call OCCA at [\(607\) 547-4488](tel:6075474488) by Tuesday, July 9 to register. There is no charge to take part in this event, but regular park admission fees will apply. Boaters are encouraged to paddle in for the day.

“Made in New York” vendors interested in participating must register by July 6. There will be a \$10 set-up fee for the day and vendors are required to provide their own tent, table and chairs. Call Friends of Glimmerglass at [\(607\) 547-8662](tel:6075478662) for details.