

Annual Chapter Dinner Cancelled RSVP for Virtual Annual Meeting Wednesday November 4, 2020, 7 PM Or, Vote by Absentee Ballot

At its August 5, 2020, meeting the Chapter Executive Committee canceled the in-person Fall Annual Dinner. The Chapter will hold their annual meeting on November 4, 2020 at 7 pm using Zoom. Registration is required and space is limited. We will be voting on the slate of officers for the 2021 Executive Committee followed by our regularly scheduled meeting. All members are encouraged to attend. **Please RSVP:** rsvp@adk-gfs.org

Please include the full names of Chapter members in your household who will attend the meeting. The

Chapter's by-laws require that 50 members must vote in order for us to reach a quorum, and space is limited, so **members** who can not attend the **ZOOM** meeting are encouraged to vote ahead of time by absentee ballot. See page 2 for instructions.

## **SLATE OF OFFICERS**

The Nominating Committee has selected the following nominees for the term beginning January 1, 2021:

Chair: Jen Shepherd

1st Vice Chair: Laurie Williams

2nd Vice Chair: Brian Coville

Treasurer: Steve Mackey

Secretary: John Caffry

Director (2021-2023 Term): Emily Kane

#### ADDITIONAL NOMINATIONS

Additional nominations, in writing, may be submitted by any member entitled to vote to the chair of the Nominating Committee not later than **October 21, 2020**. Such nominations must be signed by no fewer than twelve voting members.

Please send correspondence to Brian Coville, Nominating Committee Chair: nominating@adk-gfs.org or to the Glens Falls-Saratoga Chapter PO Box.

# Hiking Hadrian's Wall, England November 18, 2020 Zoom, 7 pm



ADK members Lenore and Jack Reber will share a photo-program of their June 2019 trip to England with the Sierra Club. Built by Roman emperor Hadrian in AD 122, the path extends for 84 miles near the border with Scotland. Ruins of the wall and Roman fortifications highlighted their 120 mile, 13 day walk with excellent weather and accommodations.

**To register:** https://sspl.libcal.com/event/6868886

# Vote for Chapter Officers at the 2020 Annual Meeting

At the annual meeting, chapter members will be invited to vote for the new officers. The positions are listed on page 1 and their biographies are below.

In the event that there is more than one candidate for any given office, at the annual meeting the Secretary shall furnish a ballot containing the names of all nominees, arranged in alphabetical order, as candidates for each office. This ballot shall be the exclusive means of voting for officers and Directors. The successful candidate for each position shall be determined by a simple majority of the votes cast. Please see below for the biographies of these nominees.



Jen Shepherd I grew up in Upstate NY most of my life and never knew there was such a big world of trails and adventures right outside my door. I joined the Glens Falls-Saratoga Chapter of ADK in 2011, began hiking the fire towers and followed them by completing the 46. Hadley was my first fire tower (FT), it was love at first hike and

inspired me to become part of the Hadley FT committee. I've been a Glens Falls-Saratoga outing leader, previously served as Publicity Chair for the executive committee, and resumed that position last year. I've volunteered at ADK headquarters and have organized trail cleanups in my local area. Outside of hiking, I enjoy rock climbing, am pursuing my Bachelors in Cyber Security, and actively pursuing ways to give back to the hiking community and trails that have given me so much in the last ten years.



Laurie Williams I have been an ADK member for several years, going on outings and participating in workdays at the Headquarters. As well as being a Vice Chair, I am also an Alternative Director with the Glens Falls-Saratoga Chapter. My favorite outdoor recreational activities are hiking (46er), pad-

dling, skiing and being stunned by the beauty in our world. I have volunteered for many years with the Friends of Moreau Lake performing trail work, fundraising, and education and I am a new member of the Lower ADK Search and Rescue team (LASAR). As a professional geologist, I have been involved with the environmental and water supply industries for 34 years.



**Brian Coville** I grew up on Long Island and developed an interest in hiking while exploring Bear Mountain State Forest with my friends. After relocating to the Capital Region in 2015, I began working as an internal auditor at Pioneer Bank; I continue to enjoy working and learning in that role. I volunteer with

the Adirondack Mountain Club as a Director, representing the Glens Falls-Saratoga Chapter, and member of the Audit Committee and with the Glens Falls-Saratoga Chapter as the Nominating Committee Chair.



**Steve Mackey** I have been an active member with the Glens Falls-Saratoga Chapter of ADK since the early 80s and I've already served as the Chapter Treasurer for almost 5 years. I also have participated in the Adopt-a-Lean-

To program, with Jim "Jungle" Mosher, taking care of Ward Brook Lean-to, for over 30 years. I lead hikes regularly and am the "Winter Weekend Coordinator". I am retired now, but I spent my career as the owner/operator of the Luzerne Market which has been operating for almost 40 years.

John Caffry I have been an ADK member since 1985 and have served ADK in many capacities, such as member of the Chapter Executive Committee since 1987; former Chapter Publicity Committee Chair and Second Vice Chair; Chapter Secretary from 2006 to 2015 and starting again in 2018; Chapter Chair from 2016 to 2017; former member of ADK Board of Directors and Executive Committee; former chair of ADK Headquarters Committee; current member (since 1988), and former chair, of ADK Conservation Committee; and participated in the Adopt-a-Lean-to program for 10 years. I am a native of Glens Falls, currently living there with my wife, Ellen. I am a member of the Caffry & Flower law firm in Glens Falls. Occasionally, I find time for hiking, paddling and all varieties of skiing.



Emily Kane I have had a family Adirondack Mountain Club membership for many years as my parents have been involved with ADK and got me involved as well. I am currently a Faculty Secretary at SUNY Adirondack, Marketing Coordinator for Ballston Spa Rentals and J.J.'s Snack Bar in

Ballston Spa, and I'm coming up on my 11th season as an Off-Ice Official for the East Coast Hockey League in Glens Falls. I'm an avid hiker, skier, paddler, biker, and I've enjoyed helping my parents as campground hosts for the past 5+ years at the Wilderness Campground at Heart Lake. I've been filling a director position since January 2020 after my dad passed away and I was chosen to replace him. During my time on the board, I've been involved with the Banff Mountain Film Festival fundraiser and created an Instagram account to help promote the mission of the organization and keep everyone updated on our events and news. Follow us @Adkglensfallssaratoga

#### **Absentee Ballots**

If you can not attend the virtual Annual Meeting on November 4, 2020 on Zoom, please vote by absentee ballot. Ballots should be postmarked **by November 2, 2020.** An absentee ballot is attached.



If you received a physical copy of the newsletter through the postal service, a ballot was inserted.

If you have any questions, please contact John Caffry, Chapter Secretary at rsvp@adk-gfs.org

### Chapter Chair Report ~ Kathi Noble



It is hard for me to believe that the nightmare of the pandemic has continued into summer. I was feeling frustrated with having to wear a mask; social distancing and hand washing was getting to me. So my husband, a friend of ours and myself decided to take a canoe trip to get away from it all. We packed up our gear and Hornbecks and ventured north only to find the parking lot nearly full! We set out hoping we'd be able to find a site once we arrived at our destination. Finally arriving we were greeted by a loon family and a beautiful empty campsite. The campsite was a gem so we stayed there two nights enjoying the loons, stars and peacefulness of the pond before setting off for more paddling and a different site. We had another peaceful day pond hopping with loons and only two other paddlers. As we continued on our journey we enjoyed the same peacefulness as the previous days. The next morning we took our time packing up, enjoying the last

bit of solitude before heading to the portage into Little Clear Pond. Getting away for five days was a great way to forget all this craziness that the world is going through. Being on the water, seeing and hearing loons, eating great campfire meals, sleeping under the stars and even using a thunder box all helped to rejuvenate me to be able to tolerate the mask wearing, social distancing and constant hand washing. I may have to head out there again real soon!

#### **ADK Saratoga - Glens Falls Chapter Committee Officers and Chairs**

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## Membership Update ~ by Pat Desbiens

GLENS FALLS - SARATOGA CHAPTER

**NEW MEMBERS - MAY 2020** 

Scott Antolick, Johnsonville Katasha Barry, Gansevoort

Makenzie Bennett, Saratoga Springs

Judy Beck, Andrew & Samuel Brachfeld, Saratoga Springs

Donna Brent, Schuylerville Carol Carlson, Hudson Falls

Andrew, Amy, Katie & Olivia Carroll, Clifton Park

Nick Chakurmanian, Ballston Spa

Hannah Coltrain, Corinth Ryan Connor, Troy

Heather Crawford, Lake Luzerne Kenneth Dagles, Gansevoort Ellen Daigneault, Fort Edward Jared Davis, Gansevoort Ginna Fitzgerald, Fort Ann Emma Gardner, Queensbury

Wendy Gavert, Saratoga Springs Kimberly Gilbert, Comstock

Michael, Lisa, Caleb, Colby & Cameron Huchro

Sean Jaynes, Ballston Lake Ann Lajoie, Queensbury Frederic Lee, Edinburg Bridget Lent, Greenwich

Jessica Mazurowski, Ballston Spa

Michael, Allison, Maeve, Ella & June McCarthy, Delmar

Jennifer Miller, Greenfield Center

Eric Moses, Schenectady

Amanda Muratorri & Logan Distasio, Queensbury

Kali Nagler, Greenfield Center Jeffrey Nastke, Lake George Bruce Parker, Whitehall Monica Ravreby, Cambridge John Reid, Saratoga Springs Charles Riegel, Lake George Melissa Rivera, Utica

Lindsey Russell, Lillian & Lukas Bliss, Warrensburg

Mark Ryan, Queensbury Timothy Seeley, Lake George Kristina Shafer, Halfmoon William Shelefka, Queensbury Kimberly Shoemaker, Ballston Spa Maria Spagnola, Saratoga Springs Tori Strock, Saratoga Springs

Raymond, Carli & Carter Thatcher, Ticonderoga Martha Banta & David & Henry Turner, New York

Kelly Webb, Queensbury Christina Weihe, Clifton Park Lindsey White, Lake Luzerne

**REJOINED MEMBERS - MAY 2020** 

Thomas, Holly & Henry Cahill, Lake George

Darryl & Mona Caron, Clifton Park Joan, Victor & Jennifer DeVito, Latham

Timothy Farnan, Mechanicville

Bernard Gille, Jr. & Josh & Keith Bushnell, Corinth

Nicole Hinds, Ballston Spa Justin Maggs, Saratoga Springs

Beth, Megan & Laura Schermerhorn, Queensbury

**NEW MEMBERS - June 2020** 

Robin Andre, Glens Falls

Doug Bengtson, Greensboro, North Carolina

Cory Bilinski, Stillwater Doug Bisnette, Glenville Dylan Blumberg, Ballston Spa

Amber Boudreau-Bateholts, Schuylerville

Meagan Brown, Saratoga Springs Taryn, Jacob & Tess Calo, Clifton Park Emily Chester, Saratoga Springs

Tamantha Czajkowski, South Glens Falls

Allison Defibaugh, Ballston Lake

Ian, Angela, Benner, Samuel & Maxwell Demerit, Malta

Quan Dobbs, Clifton Park Hather Drozinski, Amsterdam

Shelley, Jamin, Dawson & Emma Duell, Whitehall

Reginald Durden, Jr., Clifton Park Cara & Olivia Ebert, Saratoga Springs

Eric Engelmyer, Niskayuna Jamie Greene, Ballston Spa Stephen Hall, Ballston Spa

Eddie & Kyris Hernandez, Clifton Park James Holcomb, South Glens Falls Joshua Howarth, Averill Park

Joshua, Kristen, Jonathan & Khloe James, South Glens

Falls

Jennifer Kietzman, Glens Falls Anne Marie Knizek, Rexford Jenna Lesinski, Saratoga Springs

Lee Levine, Fort Edward Celia Lockhart, Corinth

Amanda Lohnas-Greenwalt, Mechanicville

Rachel & Molly Mastare & Dylan Gardner, Granville

Rebecca Mason, Greenfield Center Christine Maxon, Johnsonville Lisa McGinnis, Ballston Spa Lauren McGrath, Gansevoort Brian McNeely, Gloversville

Jessica & Raegan McWain, Queensbury

Antonio Mendoza, Ballston Spa

Joely Miller, Rexford Heather Nickel, Gray, Maine Joseph & Emma Parker, Cambridge

Anna Pollack, Clifton Park Tracey Pommer, Altamont

Daniel, Liam & Zachary Powers, Ballston Lake Erika, Mia Ouinones & Valerie Ascencio, Queensbury

Bethany Reynolds, Ballston Spa Michelle Richards, Hudson Falls

Matthew Riegel, Oak Ridge, New Jersey

Louis Rothschild & Stuart Earhat, Saratoga Springs Tia, EmilyAnn, Dominick & Elias Ruggiero, Lake Luzerne Joshua Sartin & Danielle, Ray, Alexis & Jeremy Harring-

ton, Fort Plain

# Membership Continued

Christine Schlittenhardt, Lake George Matthew Semione, Gloversville Emily Sharpe, Glens Falls Samantha Shattuck, Greenfield Beth Sponzo, Queensbury Tammy Stone, Delanson Rudolph Stutzmann, Glens Falls Mike Thompson, Mechanicville Rose Marie Thrane, Cambridge Erika Walsh, Greenfield Center Stacy Weeks, East Greenbush Brittany, Nevaeh, Lijah & Zyan Williams Tijan Woodard, Argyle

**REJOINED MEMBERS - JUNE 2020** 

Kevin Crifo, Roslyn Heights, New York
Hih Song Kim & James, Breyten & Anacapri Neill,
Brooklyn, New York
Paul Kraus, Oakland, California
Kathryn Quoi, Albany
Katlin Rhodes, Middle Grove
Ryan Romano, Cohoes
David Smith, Amy Brown, Coleman & Violet Smith, Saratoga Springs
Sherry & Richard Straub, Queensbury
Gregory, Nicolas & Matthew Vigilante, Waterford

ADK Fire Tower Challenge by Kathi Noble

Congratulations to the Adirondack Mountain Club Fire Tower Challenge Finishers!

Dustin Wright, Schenectady, NY
Dillon Creen, Albany, NY
Roy Tario, West Sand Lake, NY
Taylor Caviness, North Syracuse, NY
Sarah LeBarron, Broadalbin, NY
James Thomas Bassett, Manlius, NY
Jim Higgins Jr., Broadalbin, NY
Jim Higgins Sr., Broadalbin, NY
Jimmer Higgins, Broadalbin, NY age 7
Cole Higgins, Broadalbin, NY age 4
Dawn Martin, Rochester, NY
Melanie Robinson, Rochester, NY

Jacob Mutton, Fairport, NY age 15 Katie Mutton, Fairport, NY age 13 Chris Mutton, Fairport, NY Amy Mutton, Fairport, NY Jessica Stevener, Utica, NY Samson Minnich, Westborough, MA Cecilia Minnich, Westborough, MA Jonathan Tario, Clifton Park, NY

Amy Mutton wrote: "Hopefully my kids have developed a great love and respect for the wilderness and outdoors. I know I have. It has made us mentally and physically stronger and yet humbled us."



Snowy Mountain, photo by Jen Ferriss

Jon Tario wrote, "Azure was a gorgeous mountain and an excellent way to hike the last mountain on the list. It was a perfect blue-sky day and much needed break from the craziness of the past few months."

# JACKI BAVE: A CONSERVATIONIST WITH A SENSE OF ADVENTURE by Maureen Roberts



Everything I ever learned about hiking I learned from Jacki Bave. My first hike with Jacki was in 1998, when we did a mid-October hike up Noonmark Mt. with her niece and nephew, and my daughter and niece, all about 10 years old. I was totally unprepared for the several inches of snow that greeted us at the summit, and had no hats or gloves for my kids! Jacki calmly pulled out extras from her pack and saved the day. That was the beginning of 22 years of hiking with, and learning from, Jacki. She passed away at home early on a Saturday morning, in a bed facing her lovely garden, after a courageous seven year battle with ovarian cancer. Anybody who's been a member of the Glens Falls-Saratoga Chapter of the Adirondack Mountain Club for a while knows Jacki, as she is literally "club royalty", having

served on the Chapter Executive Committee for 31 years, and serving as the Conservation Committee Chair from 1991-2015.

Her sister and favorite hiking partner, Barb, tells a funny story about when Jacki started to hike with a different ADK chapter in the early '80's. Jacki felt the Chapter had too many rigid rules and regimentation. One day the Chapter did a combined hike with the Glens Falls-Saratoga Chapter and they seemed super friendly and laid back, so she asked, "Can I join your chapter?" Jim Cooper, Tom Ellis, and Todd Earl remained friends with Jacki and she had found her club. With many willing and able hiking partners, who joined her on these adventures including Dan D'Angelico, John Schneider, Ron Lester, Melody Hoffman, Maureen Laskey, Pat McCullough, Neal Andrews, Cara Benson, Jim Schneider, Dickie Moore to name a few, she proceeded to complete both her Summer and Winter 46.

Jacki met her love and life parter, Dan Dolan at an ADK party on the Goodnow Flow. As they slid down a steep hill on their Flexible Flyers onto the frozen lake, they felt a connection that led to their relationship shortly thereafter. They hiked, snowshoed, cross country skied, canoe camped, and enjoyed an outdoor lifestyle for many years. They took Luna (their yellow lab) on several canoe camping trips to both Algonquin Park and Killarney, two destinations in Ontario with splendid lakes to paddle.

With her sister Barb, she finished her Summer 46 in 1999, and her Winter 46 atop Cascade on a snowy, 20-below day in January in 2004. Barb and Jacki are the first twin sisters to have completed the Winter 46, leading to their mention in two books, "Women With Altitude: Challenging the Adirondack High Peaks in Winter" by Carol Stone White and "Heaven Up-h'istedness!:The History of the Adirondack Forty-Sixers and the High Peaks fo the Adirondacks." She then went on with Barb, Dan, and others to complete her NE 115 in June 2010 and her summer Catskill 35.

Jacki was an outings leader for many years, often with Barb, and they were famous for their yearly Halloween hikes which often included one of them dressed up at the summit (like a gorilla, for instance), ready to jump out and scare the group at the top! Crazy sign-in names for the trail register (E. Normous) were also part of the fun. They loved to tell jokes and make up fun limericks or poems for people at celebrations.

During the last few months of her life, she hiked Cat Mt. on New Year's Day and continued to take long walks in the woods with Luna, Barb, Dan, and friends until a week before her death. She faced cancer and chemo with a matter-of-fact determination and courageousness that was inspiring to witness.

# REMEMBERING FRED CADY by Steve Mackey and Pat Desbien



I'm not sure how many of you knew him, but long time member Fred Cady recently passed away. He was very active leading hikes with the Chapter through the 80's. When I was working on the 46, the trailless peaks were pretty sketchy. There would be one sentence in the ADK High Peaks guide book, and nothing on any of the maps. You usually went with someone who had been there before, on your first ascent of the mountain. It often involved lots of herd paths, route finding, and bushwhacking (also lots of scratches, and usually getting poked in the eye). Fred was my main man for being my guide on the trail less peaks. Usually after one trip on these herd paths, you would end up guiding someone else up the peak, to help them with their 46. So it was an endless chain of helping one another.

One time Jungle Jim, Fred, and I climbed Marshall in late March. It was after winter officially had ended, so it didn't count as a winter peak. Although, obviously it was full blown winter conditions and involved breaking trail. As we were heading back out, Fred didn't feel well, and had slowed down considerably. We crossed Flowed Lands, and as we waited for him, off in the distance was a lonely figure, looking like he was crossing Antarctica. When we finally got to civilization, we stopped at the Black Bear in Pottersville, for

dinner. Fred didn't feel well enough to eat, and he elected to stay in the car and sleep. This was in March, so obviously the car was going to get pretty cold. After dinner, as we left the diner, Jungle joked that he hoped Fred was still alive. As I remember Fred didn't move, until we dropped him off at home.

Another time there was four of us that wanted to climb the slide up Cliff. We decided to go up the old abandoned trail between Cliff and Redfield and if we got a glimpse of the slide, we would head towards it. Well, you couldn't necessarily see the mountain all the time. We could definitely see cliffs, and they were starting to run out, so well elected to go for it, and hope we found the slide en-route. It was steep and I remember pulling ourselves up with our arms holding onto the vegetation. When we finally got to the top, we searched for the canister. We couldn't find it, but there was another high point off in the distance that might be a little bit higher. We headed towards it, crossing downed trees and fighting through the cripple brush. When we finally got there, we searched again for the canister, and again couldn't find it. Off in the distance was another high point, that might be higher. Somewhere on the way over we all took a break to check our maps and have something to eat. I remember everyone studying their maps and us all being in the absolute middle of nowhere. I remember thinking that no human has probably ever been to this spot before, in the history of the world. Finally, on the fourth high point, we found the canister. We also found the slide that we were supposed to go up, and a couple of months later actually climbed Cliff again and used the correct route.

Fred was tough, never complained, and could safely be called an experienced woodsman. Jungle came up with the nickname "Fearless Fred", so from then on we shortened it to just "Fearless". Fred did at least 5 rounds of the 46. Hats off to Fred and all the good times and adventures, we had together. Steve Mackey

I think perhaps the final contribution Fred made to our Chapter was helping with the Chepontuc labeling group. He would help with the labeling process and then take the newsletters to the Post Office in Saratoga for mailing. He had developed a special rapport with the staff there and they only wanted to deal with him. On one occasion, a mistake was made in calculating the amount of postage we needed to pay and since my phone number was on the form, they called me to let me know that we owed them more money. When I showed up at the post office to pay them, the first thing the clerk said to me was "where's Fred"? I could tell that she had no confidence that I knew anything about what I was doing and really preferred to deal with Fred.

Pat Desbien



#### **Chepontuc Footnotes**

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Therefore, any change of address need NOT be sent to the Chapter . One call to the Club is all you need!

**Reminder:** Please include your e-mail address when renewing membership!