



CAPITAL DISTRICT CHAPTER

Notes from the Chapter Chair

It feels good to be preparing what, prior to a little over two years ago, I would consider a traditional newsletter detailing a variety of activities for our chapter members...and guests (aka prospective members). For many members who didn't attend our Post-Holiday Party in February, it may seem like an eternity since January 2020 when the Chapter last got together.

The Steering Committee recognizes that it has a diversified membership and that some members may still have pandemic related concerns about getting together in large groups, especially indoors. We therefore decided to offer a variety of events that would be appealing to those members who have such concerns, as well as, to those members who just want to get out and do something with fellow chapter members.

To that end, we have researched some different possibilities. Because many potential venues still haven't firmed up their offerings and because of the lead time necessary to prepare, print and mail chapter newsletters, we encourage all members to sign up for email blasts if they have not already done so. It's easy. Those who want to sign up can call RPEA headquarters at (518) 869-2542 or toll-free (800) 726-7732, email HQ at mail@rpea.org or write them at 165 Jordan Road Troy, NY 12180. It's that simple. Other benefits of receiving email blasts are that they are timelier, don't require envelopes and postage and are more environmentally friendly.

Back to some of the events and activities that we have scheduled or are working on. Later in this newsletter is the announcement and registration form for a Chapter Picnic scheduled for Wednesday, August 10 at Lanthier's Grove in Latham. It's been several years since the Chapter held a picnic and Lanthier's offers not only a great menu but also a variety of outdoor activities. Attendees will also receive updates on issues important to our members and events/activity details that were not available as of this writing.

Also in August, the Capital District Chapter will have a booth at the Altamont Fair on Senior Day, Wednesday, August 17. Admission to the Fairgrounds is free on Senior Day for those 65 and older. And no, riding on one of the amusement rides on the midway isn't mandatory. There are a wide variety of exhibits that are very interesting and entertaining. Join Us!

There is also an abbreviated calendar of Chapter events that the Steering Committee hopes to expand upon at our next monthly meeting. For example, The Capt. JP Cruise Line traditionally offered weekday cruises but has not yet scheduled any for this summer. We are also checking out what the Lake George Steamboat Co. offers. We are also reviewing the recently announced shows at Proctors to see what show may be appealing and available to members at a discounted cost. Stay tuned.

We are also in the works of scheduling two paddling, two bicycling outings and a group hike along the Thatcher Park Indian Ladder Trail. One doesn't have to be a world-class paddler, bicyclist or hiker to join us. The cycling outings will be less than 10 miles in length and can be done at a leisurely pace (or as fast as you want to pedal). Almost the same with our paddling excursions, but they won't be 10 miles long and will be a great opportunity to enjoy the water.

Finally, we are checking out a bus trip to the Intrepid Sea, Air and Space Museum, possibly in September. Following that we will hold an Annual Meeting (and elections for all Chapter positions) early this fall.

Stay tuned and watch for further email blasts with more details and more events/activities, and spread the word to your family members, neighbors, and former co-workers about the benefits of joining RPEA. If you need any brochures and other handouts (it's also good to keep a few in one's glove compartment so they're readily available), just contact me- jgulison@yahoo.com or call me at (518) 399-6112 and I'll get them to you. "Word of mouth" is one of our best recruitment tools; don't be afraid to use it.

Jim Rulison
Chapter Chair

REGISTRATION FORM: Capital District Chapter: Chapter Picnic
Wednesday, August 10, 2022

Number Attending _____ @ \$34.00/member or \$39.00/non-member

Total Enclosed \$_____

Please List All Attendees By Name:

NAME(S) _____

ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE _____ E-MAIL _____

Make Checks Payable To: RPEA CDC
Mail Checks To:
Jim Rulison
36 Harmon Road
Glenville, NY 12302
RESERVATIONS DUE BY: July 30, 2022

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Chapter Picnic

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10, 2022

LATHIER'S GROVE

LATHAM, NY

(ON DUNSBACK FERRY ROAD ACROSS FROM THE CENTURY HOUSE ON ROUTE 9)

Noon-5:00pm: Kitchen Open
Noon-8:00pm: Beverages Served

Price Includes

Hot Dogs, Burgers, Veggie Burgers,
Sausage & Pepper Sandwiches, Raw
Clam Bar, Chicken Wings, Spare Ribs,
Clam Chowder, Corn on the Cob, Baked
Beans, Potato and Pasta Salads, Chips,
Watermelon, and Cookies.

All draft beer and soda included.

Activities

Softball, Volleyball, Bocce Ball,
Horseshoes, Cornhole, Basketball,
Bingo, Game Room. All equipment
provided.

Price: \$34.00/member
\$39.00/non-member
(\$5 rebate if non-member
joins at picnic)

RESERVATION DEADLINE:

July 30, 2022.

Reservations Are Required!

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Chapter Events

- June 22: 5:30pm:** Gateway Landing Towpath Regatta (4.5 mile paddle)
- August 10: 12-5pm:** Chapter Picnic, Lanthier's Grove
- August 17: 9am-5pm:** Senior Day, Altamont Fair (RPEA Booth)
- September:** Hike along Indian Ladder Trail: Thatcher Park (Date TBA)
- September:** Trip to Intrepid Sea, Air & Space Museum in NYC (Date TBA)
- October:** Chapter Annual Meeting and Elections (Date & Venue TBA)