

Elosta Monthly Membership Meeting

Annual DEC State of the Lake

Thursday March 6, 2008

Minutes

(Also available at www.elosta.org)

Vice President Doug Fuegel called the first monthly meeting of the 2008 summer seas on to order at 7:00 PM on March 6th at the BOCES Education Center on County Rte. 64 in Mexico, NY. Between 50 and 60 guests attended to hear all or selected topics of the DEC's "State of The Lake" presentation. Mac MacKenzie acted in his capacity as Secretary. President Charlie Ames will not be returning from Florida until mid-April.

Doug briefly described ELOSTA and its purpose. He noted that tickets for the Lowrance sonar/gps unit and, various articles of ELOSTA clothing were available for sale. The reading of the October minutes and the current Treasurer's Report were tabled until ELOSTA's April 16th meeting at the Gander Mountain store in Cicero.

At 7:15 PM Doug turned the meeting over to DEC's Dan Bishop and Bill Culligan who introduced the various speakers for the evening. The major topics addressed included: DEC's 2007 lake and tributary fishing census, 2008-2010 regulations, cormorant control, natural reproduction, Lamprey control efforts, prey species studies, invasive species, hatchery issues, fish marking program, and the 2008 stocking program as it will be affected by last fall's adverse spawning conditions. The meeting was informative and well presented with minimal references to complicated and often distracting statistical graphics.

Doug thanked all those who attended and the meeting was adjourned at 9PM.

NOTE:

This will be the last issue mailed to members who have not submitted their renewal applications by April 16, 2008. Second renewal notices have been mailed and, application forms are available at www.elosta.org.