



### **Spring Newsletter (April 2007)**

I hope everyone had a good winter and awaits spring and summer in the beautiful Adirondacks. I look forward to seeing everyone soon with the hope of a fun filled and rewarding summer season. I don't know about you, but I have to continually remind myself what a wonderful place Sekon is. The scenery is breathtaking and the people are grand.

A spring clean up is planned for Memorial Day Weekend, May 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> to prepare camp for the summer. Details are outlined by our President (Steve Cross) as follows:

1. Install docks [except special flotation section which is still in the lake].
2. Evaluate special flotation section for possible implementation on additional docks.
3. Remove broken asphalt at end of boat launch ramp – take to dump
4. Cut up and remove steel pipes from old “Calumet side” sewage system – take to salvage yard
5. Cut dead tree limbs from along Sekon Road r.o.w. – move to fire pit wood pile
6. Plant some trees – anywhere, but mostly along the road where the Hemlocks are dying out and also in the beach area so we have some shade down there when we get old.
7. Sort out and clean up the boat ramp area. Unused pipes can go to the shed at the leach fields. Remove any trash to the dump.

8. Clean out drain ditches along road way and fill excessively large divots.
9. Clean up beach
10. R&R Picnic Tables and replace beach umbrellas with broken hardware or posts. Drive steel pipes under picnic tables to receive umbrella posts.
11. Pot new flowers at the mailbox botanical gardens and clear gutter water feed lines.
12. Anything else you can think of.

All Sekon Association Members and Sekon subdivision owners are invited to join in this work weekend.

Thanks,  
Steve Cross President

Other Issues:

The septic opening date is *May 15<sup>th</sup>* **Note: (Ed please set this up with Chip)**

The Property Committee has gathered legal information about common parcels and the beach area and will share the findings with the membership in July at our annual meeting.

Any person desiring to participate on the Sekon Association Board should submit their name to Jim Marshall (marshall1009@netzero.com) for inclusion as candidates for any all positions. Jim will bring nominees forward at the July meeting to fill the necessary openings.

**Annual Meeting – Saturday July 1<sup>st</sup>.**

Everyone should have received their dues notice in the mail by now. Please send your checks as soon as possible. **By getting the funds early we can plan needed projects for the upcoming season.**

While you have your checkbook out, please consider joining the Upper Saranac Lake Association (if you are not a member). The USLA and the USL foundation work tirelessly to protect our greatest asset "the lake". They deserve our support.

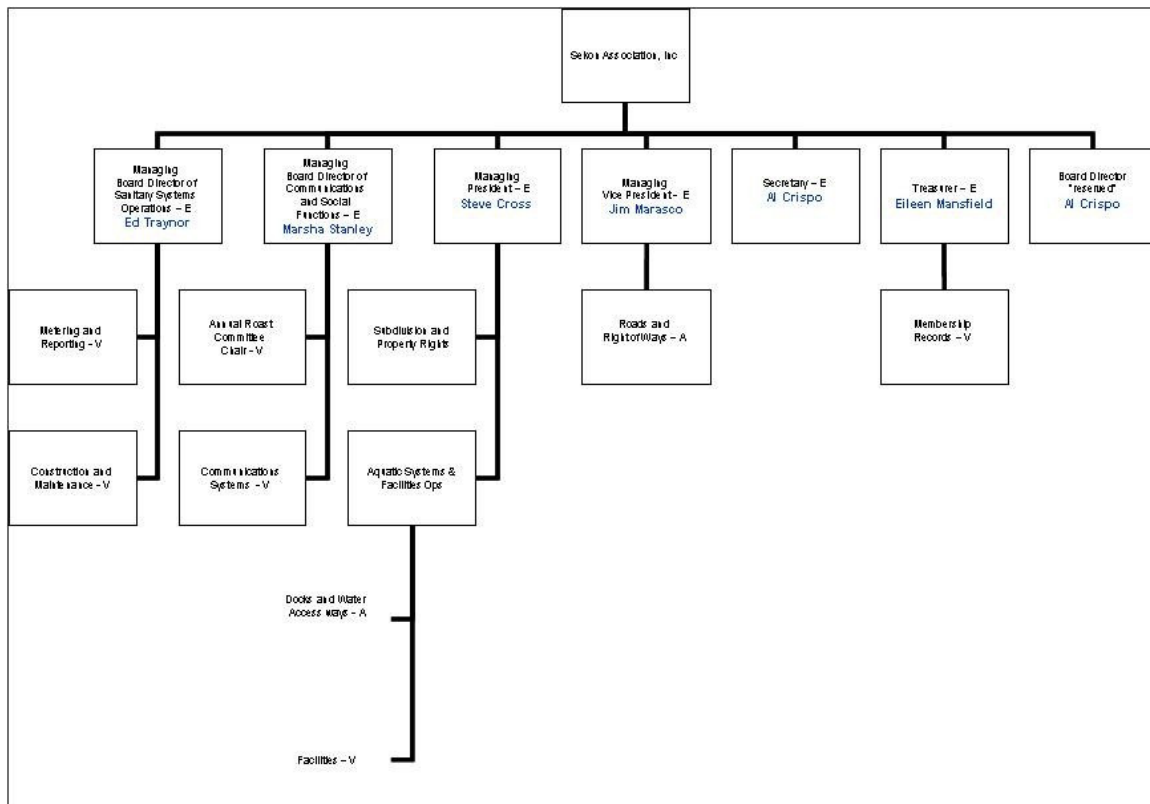
Regards,  
Eileen Treasurer

### Other Important dates:

Date	Sewer/ Sanitary Operations	Social / Communications	Roads /R.O.W. Operations	Aquatic Systems & Facilities Operations	Financial	General Association
Jan 15 <sup>th</sup>	Update projected costs to manage sewer system for next year - send to Treasurer	Update projected communications costs for next year - send to treasurer	Update projected road costs for next year - send to treasurer	Update projected aquatic and facilities costs for next year - send to treasurer		
Jan 31 <sup>st</sup>	Wastewater Treatment Facility report to the DEC.	update web page with new letter			Prepare budget	
Mar. 15 <sup>th</sup>		update web page with corporate financials			Corporate Franchise Tax Due	
Mar. 20 <sup>th</sup>					Send to members: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dues</li> <li>• Notices</li> <li>• Year end financial statement</li> </ul>	Send to members: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Newsletter</li> <li>• Minutes of previous annual meeting</li> <li>• Agenda for next annual meeting</li> </ul>
May 15 <sup>th</sup>	Turn on Septic (Chip Perham) (518) 359-7598 52 Chaney Ave, Tupper Lake, NY 12986			Order beach sand if necessary for delivery before July 1.		
May 26 <sup>th</sup>	Work weekend - see memo	update web page for social function		install boat docks and swim platform		
July (1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday)						Annual Association Meeting @ the beach
Aug. (1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday)		Annual Association Social Function @ the beach				
Aug.			Arrange for road plowing -Dick Rule Tupper Lake, NY			

Aug.			Arrange for spring road maintenance if necessary	Arrange for spring boat ramp maintenance if necessary		
Aug. 29 <sup>th</sup>						Select nominating committee for next years' officers
Sept. - July						nominating committee selects slate for 1 member of the board (staggered 3 yr term) select slate for 5 officers (1 yr term)
Sept 1 <sup>st</sup>	Annual DEC Regulatory Fee					
Sept. 3 <sup>rd</sup> weekend				remove boat docks and swim float		
June to Sept	payment for Septic monitoring					
Oct. 20 <sup>th</sup>	Turn off Septic (Chip Perham) (518) 359-7598 52 Chaney Ave, Tupper Lake, NY 12986					
Oct to Nov	Status Wastewater Treatment Report from system monitor (at end of season.)					
Oct. 1						Prepare application for Sekon Association Liability Insurance
Nov. 1						Effective policy date for Liability Insurance

## Sekon Organizational Chart



## New Sekon Web Site

Last fall, the Sekon board assigned Marsha Stanley to coordinate the annual steak roast this coming summer. In addition, they asked her to develop a web site for the association and its members.

Never having made a web site before, Marsha had to investigate software and web hosting services and teach herself a new skill, one that she found very challenging. So it has taken quite a while to get the new web site on the Internet. But we are pleased to announce that if you go to your URL and type in [www.sekonassociation.com](http://www.sekonassociation.com), you will be able to view the "beta" version of the new, first-ever Sekon web site. The world has come a long way since the Seligman's constructed the camp, which would one day become Sekon. Those tall pines at the waterfront have stood through an age when there were not even any roads to Sekon to a time when you can visit Sekon on the information highway.

Keep in mind that the web site is the work of a rank amateur – and a work in progress. Marsha asks that you contact her with errors, additions, constructive comments and, especially, photos to improve the web site. She would very much like to have scanned and digitized photos from Sekon's past, in particular any photos of the Seligmans (she would love a digitized version of the family on the Powell steps), digital copies of the auction advertisement and brochures, and any contemporary digital photos you would like to suggest for inclusion. Also send her any web links that you would like to see added to the site.

As you will discover, the web site contains pages on Sekon's history, members, board, by-laws, rental rules, etc. Thanks to the generous agreement of Warren Longacker's sons, it also includes for the first time a link to his history of Sekon and surroundings. We hope by creating a digitized version of this valuable document to save it for generations to come. Marsha is seeking professional help to add to the site soon a blog and a password-protected page with the membership directory. You will need an ID and a password to access the membership information in order to maintain privacy. The ID will be fishrock359 (our phone prefix, to make it easier to remember) and the password will be seligman. Jot those down somewhere.

Marsha also will be looking for volunteers to work on the steak roast and is counting on "the usual suspects" to continue the jobs they have done so well in the past, along with help from some newbies like herself.

Submitted by Al Crispo Secretary

PS I hope that future communications can be distributed on our new web site?