

NEWS RELEASE

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SUBJECT: Upcoming Workshops Hosted By Oneida County AIS Coordinator

The following free workshops are available in Oneida County:

- 1. Lake Management Planning** – Friday, July 23rd, 9 – 12 Noon
Location: Oneida County UW-Extension Office
- 2. Purple Loosestrife Bio-control** – Tuesday, August 3rd, 5:30 – 8:30 p.m.
Location: Oneida County UW-Extension Office
- 3. Residents on Lakes Without a Lake Group** – Thursday, August 12th, 5:30 – 8:30 p.m.
Location: Oneida County UW-Extension Office

The Lake Management Planning workshop will cover such topics as: why lake planning is important, the aspects and partners involved in developing a lake plan, formulating and implementing management recommendations, and available funding opportunities to assist with constructing a successful lake management plan. This workshop will be beneficial for individuals involved with lake groups that are seeking ways to provide increased protection and organization for the lakes they are concerned about. The knowledge gained from this event will also better prepare lake groups should a problem, such as a newly discovered aquatic invasive species, is found.

The Purple Loosestrife Bio-control workshop will cover such topics as: ecology and distribution of purple loosestrife, hands-on identification with a possible trek out to a stand of purple loosestrife, control techniques (including a demonstration of a bio-control method), and information on helping to manage this problematic species. Participants in the workshop will learn how to distinguish

the invasive loosestrife from similar-looking native plant species, along with how to raise bio-control beetles to help control this species from overtaking more of our precious wetlands.

The Residents on Lakes Without a Lake Group workshop will cover such topics as: what a lake association is and how they are formed, how they operate, opportunities available to organized lake groups, and why they are of value towards protecting our waters along with our personal interests. This workshop will be beneficial for individuals interested and concerned about protecting the waterbody they might reside on or near, along with their personal investments (e.g. property value).

If you are interested in attending a workshop, please contact the UW-Extension Office at 365-2750. UW-Extension provides equal opportunities in employment and programming including Title IX and ADA requirements. Please advise us 24 hours in advance of program if you have a disability and desire special accommodations to attend. Requests will be kept confidential.

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