

## **Your Shore--Your Lake**

***Apply Today!***

### ***Shoreland Restoration Contest Available to Three Lakes Chain Lakeshore Owners***

Imagine this: a more natural and inviting shoreline that offers a habitat for birds and butterflies, and helps protect the water quality of our lakes.

Join us in working toward that goal by applying for “Your Shore--Your Lake,” a Shoreland Restoration contest, sponsored by The Three Lakes Waterfront Association.

Lakeshore owners on the Three Lakes Chain are eligible to apply for the contest. Three winners will receive a professional consultation and recommendations for restoration, plus funding in amounts from \$1000-\$5000 to be used toward restoring the natural habitat or adding erosion control practices to benefit the shoreline. Recommendations may include native plantings, rain gardens or other water diversion practices, fish sticks, and more.

Find out more at our contest kickoff event, Your Shore--Your Lake on February 27 from 9-11AM. The virtual event hosted by TLWA with Oneida County Land & Water Conservation Department will cover the issues confronting the lakes and shorelines and provide solutions for some of the most pressing concerns. In addition to the contest, other potential sources of funding will be discussed. See the attached flyer for more details. Copy and paste the link below to register for the virtual workshop:

[https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJAtf-6srj4oG9eb-RYY73W\\_da7cQWOJD8FK](https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJAtf-6srj4oG9eb-RYY73W_da7cQWOJD8FK)

**Apply by July 12th, 2021.** Winners will be announced in the Fall, and the installation is planned for 2022. Applications are available at [www.TLWA.org](http://www.TLWA.org), the Three Lakes Library, Chamber of Commerce or by contacting Ceci Kiefer at [cckiefer@gmail.com](mailto:cckiefer@gmail.com) or 920-621-7688.

#### **Who is Eligible?**

Shoreland Property owners on the Three Lakes Chain (connected by navigable channels)

The area to be restored must be impacted by traditional lawn, removal of natural vegetation or by construction OR The property must have runoff or erosion issues along the shore.

The property should have a minimum of 50 feet of shoreline to consider for restoration.

Property owners will be asked to commit to maintain the area over a period of 5-10 years to allow for the plantings to mature and provide maximum benefit. Property owners may be asked to assist with installation if able along with TLWA volunteers and paid contractors.

TLWA would like to promote the improved shoreline as an example for others interested in similar projects in the future.