



## *A Day At The Beach*

### **RAIN GARDEN AND VEGETATIVE BUFFER DEMO FOR STORMWATER RUN-OFF PREVENTION AND PROTECTION OF PROPERTY VALUES**

#### **BIOS ABOUT OUR SPECIAL GUEST PRESENTORS**

##### **Blue Neils, Saratoga County/Cornell University Cooperative Extension Intermunicipal Stormwater Management Coordinator**

Bio- Blue holds an Applied Science in Forestry degree from New York State Ranger School and Bachelor of Science in Natural Resource Management and Environmental Policy from SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry. Blue's work experience of more than 25 years includes construction management, arboriculture, forestry, land-use management and planning, environmental policy, community/grassroots organizing, and legislative lobbying. Currently, Blue is the I-SWM Program Coordinator for Saratoga County overseeing State and Federal Stormwater Phase II regulations. He is the Coordinator of the Eastern NY Stormwater Regional Training Centers, Saratoga County Water Quality Coordinating Committee, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation Water Management Advisory Committee. Blue is a Certified Professional of Erosion & Sediment Control and a Certified Profession of Municipal Stormwater Management. Formerly a member of the Town of Hadley Planning Board, Saratoga PLAN Stewardship Committee, the Friends of the Kayaderosseras Board of Directors, NYS Stormwater Permits Work Group. Current Chair of the Saratoga County Water Quality Coordinating Committee, a sub-committee of the Saratoga County Soil & Water Conservation District.

##### **Dan Buckley, Ph.D.**

Bio- Dan Buckley earned his Ph.D. in biology at Syracuse University and taught at the University of Maine at Farmington for 30 years. He spent the 27 years studying various aspects of the ecology of Maine's lakes and ponds. Dan has worked with many lake associations and water utilities helping them increase their knowledge of lake ecology and issues with their lake. UMF was among the first institutions in the state to do high-definition GPS bathymetric mapping of Maine lakes. Dan is a certified plant patroller and volunteer lake monitor and he served on the board of the Maine Congress of Lake Associations for 13 years including six years as president. He also served as their representative to the state taskforce on invasive aquatic plants. During his last 10 years in Maine, he was monitoring water temperatures in 30 lakes to look at seasonal temperature variation and the dynamics of short-term temperature fluctuations in addition to the impact of climate change on these water bodies.

##### **Paul Guillet, Senior Civil Engineer with LaBella Associates**

Bio- Mr. Guillet has nearly 25 years of experience in consulting engineering in both the private and public sector markets. He is a licensed engineer in New York and Connecticut and a Certified Floodplain Manager. He currently serves as the Region 5 Director of the New York State Floodplain and Stormwater Managers Association.

##### **Norabelle Greenberger, AICP, Planner with Labela Associates**

Bio- Norabelle has dual bachelor's degrees in Architecture/Urbanism and French from Smith College and a Master of Science in Urban Planning from Columbia University. In 2015, she became certified by the American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP)/ American Planning Association.

Following six years as a project manager/planner in New York City, where she worked on environmental and transportation planning projects, Norabelle returned to Glens Falls where she joined Chazen (now LaBella). As a Senior Planner, she works with communities and organizations across New York State on planning and economic development projects that are breathing new life into the region, such as the "Forward Together Initiative" for the Lake Champlain/Lake George Regional Planning Board, an economic recovery and resiliency plan for five counties (Warren, Washington, Clinton, Essex, Hamilton). Her work also includes preparing housing studies to help improve the quality of and access to affordable housing, corridor and neighborhood streetscape and transportation studies, and environmental studies of the impacts of public and private development projects. Norabelle also has extensive grant writing and administration experience, securing several millions of dollars in funding for municipal projects across the Capital District and North Country.

From 2020-2022 she worked with the Town of Stillwater as lead planner on their Comprehensive Plan Update and GEIS. Norabelle is currently serving as the project planner and grant administrator for the DOS- and DEC-funded Saratoga Lake water quality study. Outside of LaBella, Greenberger recently kicked off "Bike Glens Falls," a grassroots effort with two colleagues to make Glens Falls more bikeable. She also volunteers on the City's Crandall Park Beautification Committee.