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LGA's Floating Classroom Receives Glens Falls Foundation Grant

March 26, 2010 – Lake George – The Lake George Association has received a \$5,000 grant from the Glens Falls Foundation in support of its 2010 Floating Classroom educational program. The grant will help the LGA continue to offer the program free of charge to area students within the Lake George Watershed, including students from Glens Falls, South Glens Falls, Queensbury, Lake George, Luzerne, Warrensburg, and Bolton.

The Floating Classroom teaches over 1,000 area students, adults and visitors each season, providing hands-on activities about lake ecology, geology and stewardship. In 2009 the LGA purchased a new 40-foot custom-built catamaran boat and outfitted it with water quality measurement tools, including Secchi disks, plankton nets and other lake monitoring equipment. Schools, youth groups, adult groups and tour groups are invited on board for programs customized to their interests. This summer, for the first time, the LGA will offer two-hour floating classroom trips to the general public on Wednesday mornings during July and August, leaving from a dock near Shepard Park in Lake George.

The Glens Falls Foundation is a non-profit community trust that serves the tri-county region comprising Warren, Washington and northern Saratoga Counties. Since 1939, the Foundation's purpose has been to improve the quality of life for the people of the greater Glens Falls area. The Foundation provides grants to non-profit organizations and donor-directed scholarships for area students. It also serves as an endowed investment fund for non-profit organizations. Funding for the Glens Falls Foundation and its sub-funds comes from private donations and bequests. The Foundation funds capital projects, equipment purchases, start-up costs, and special projects of non-profit organizations.

Now in its 125th year of service, the LGA is a non-profit membership organization of people interested in working together to protect, conserve, and improve the beauty and quality of the Lake George Basin. For more information, contact the LGA at (518) 668-3558 or visit the LGA's website at www.lakegeorgeassociation.org.

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