

June 2024

Hello, friends and neighbors. Once again this year, I am respectfully soliciting donations to supplement KLCA's fish stocking budget, which I will again match dollar for dollar. Last year, 19 members generously donated \$1765, and with my match, it allowed us to purchase and stock 400 14" - 16" rainbow, golden rainbow and tiger trout, which were stocked in October 2023, and 16,000 fathead minnows to serve as forage for all of the predator species in the lake, which were stocked in April 2024. The trout have provided outstanding fishing from their stocking last October through May of this year. Every year, a few 18" or larger trout are caught, which demonstrate that at least some of the trout survive the warm summer waters by hanging in the cold springs in the lake, or by the cold water feeder stream during summers with enough precipitation to keep the stream flowing into the lake.

If you are inclined to contribute this year, kindly send your donations with checks made out to me at 44 East Shore Trail, Sandyston, NJ 07826-5014, or leave them by my front door. All donations are recorded and shared with the KLCA Board. The fish stocking order is finalized and NJDEP fish stocking permit is applied for in late August. All donations received by August 15 will be utilized for this year's stocking. Thank you for your consideration.

Regards,

Joe Mikulka, Chair, Lake Environmental Management