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Lake Shawnee News

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2019

On behalf of our Board of Governors, a Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas, and Happy Hanukkah to all our Members and their families.

I sent out an email blast a few weeks ago updating our members on the status of our Clubhouse renovations. The clubhouse was cleaned out and we are ready for demo, which should have started as you read this. The project will take a few months, depending on what kind of winter we get we could be back in by mid-spring. We scaled back the project to fit our budget and this will be more of a renovation than an expansion. The entire second story will come off to improve the roof line both inside and out, and it will be handicap accessible with a bathroom upstairs now. A new deck will be covered, and a beach bathroom will be downstairs. We think our members will be happy with the results. Right now, the office is being housed at our Treasurer Marc Sanderson's accounting office on Route 15. If you need the office manager for anything, the best thing is to email during the construction.

Our friends at Lake Forest have offered their facilities during our construction and have opened some of their events to our Lake Shawnee members. We have been sending out email blasts on any joint events or check our Facebook group or webpage.

A reminder - we have our fall clean-up scheduled for Saturday, November 9th. We start work at 9 am. If you have some time to lend a hand, our fall clean up goes quickly as there isn't as much work to do compared to our spring clean up. Your volunteerism helps to reduce our expenses. We will have tickets available for anyone who volunteers to enter our free membership raffle, which is drawn after our spring workday.

Are you getting your home ready for the East vs. West "Great Light Fight" Holiday Decorating contest in December? I can't wait to see all the creativity our Lake has to offer!

During the month of December, we start the nomination process for our Board of Governors. All five officers' positions and four Board positions are up for election. If anyone is interested in running for any Club Officer or Board position, they should contact the Club Office no later than December 31st. If there are any challengers to any position, interviews will be scheduled by our nominating committee chair.

As our lake starts to freeze and ices over this winter, we ask that all who venture out to please use good common sense. We post ice safety rules on our website to reference, but it is up to each person to be responsible for their own safety. All who use the ice and lake for recreational activities do so at their own risk. Please educate your children as well not to venture out without adult supervision.

Enjoy your holidays!

Eric Wilsusen

Club President

ericwilsusen@lakeshawneeclub.org

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HIGHLIGHTS:

Christmas Light Fight:

Dec. 12th Decorate by this date

Dec. 13th and 14th Judging dates

Dec. 15th Winner announced

The Lake Shawnee Clubhouse is located at 4 West Shawnee Trail Wharton NJ 07885

For Club Business and Rentals please contact our Office Manager,

Lisa Peter at 973-663-1307 or officemanager@lakeshawneeclub.org

The Office is open during the hours of 8:30am-12pm on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday

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First Beach	Eric Wilsusen	663-0596
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Second Beach	Bill Carroll	234-5413
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Beaver Cove	Milt Felter	663-1565
North End	Milt Felter	663-1565
South End/Dam	Eric and Vince	

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	Ruth Kuhl	222-2357
Fishing Committee	Peter Lyden	557-3845
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Board Meetings are held on the first Friday of every month.
All members welcome!!
Visit our website frequently for the most up to date information:
www.lakeshawneeclub.org
www.facebook.com/groups/lakeshawneeclub

SURF & TURF 2019

We had a beautiful day and made lasting memories.

We tie dyed t-shirts...

raced our kayaks and rafts...

& Helped Sam Heal

Thank you to everyone who came out for all of our summer festivities.
The Surf and Turf was a great way to bring the summer to a close.

November 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Baby & Me 10:30 Board Mtg. 7pm	2
3	4	5 Social Comm. Mtg. 7:00pm	6 Seniors 1pm	7 Yoga 7pm	8 Baby & Me 10:30am	9 **Fall Clean Up** **9:00am**
10	11	12	13	14 Yoga 7pm	15 Baby & Me 10:30am	16
17	18	19	20 Seniors 1pm	21	22 Baby & Me 10:30am	23
24	25	26	27	28 Thanksgiving	29 Baby & Me 10:30am	30

**Please check for Alternate locations during Renovations!

December 2019

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8	9	10	11	12	13 Baby & Me 10:30am	14
15	16	17	18 Seniors 1pm	19	20 Baby & Me 10:30am	21
22 Hanukkah	23	24	25 Christmas	26	27 Baby & Me 10:30am	28
29	30	31				

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Social Committee Events

Social Committee: Please join us at the clubhouse with any new ideas you might have. Our next meeting dates are **November 5th and December 3rd at 7pm – at Ruth's house**. **The November meeting will be our planning meeting for 2020 events!** If you can lend a hand at any of our events it would be greatly appreciated. Please email Kristen White or Ruth Kuhl at social@lakeshawneeclub.org if you plan on attending or if you have any questions.

Lake Shawnee Book Club: A book club can be an excellent setting for sharing your thoughts on books while making friends, having fun, and challenging your thinking. If you'd like information or to join the Lake Shawnee Book Club, contact Pat Reis. Call 973-449-8606 or email patreis@optonline.net.

Shawnee Seniors Club: Our Shawnee Seniors Club meets **every other Wednesday at 1pm. During the renovations, we will be meeting at Camp Jefferson.** The club is open to all Seniors Age 55 and older. Coffee and snacks will be served.

Baby and Me Playgroup: Bring the kids down to the Clubhouse to meet Moms and children of similar ages. Playgroup meets **every Friday at 10:30am**. Pre-K and under. Please contact Chris White at 973-255-9326 if you plan to attend. ***– ALTERNATE HOMES/LOCATIONS DURING RENOVATIONS!***

New!!The TLC Club: Neighbors Connecting with Neighbors. The mission of the Lake Shawnee TLC (tender, loving care) Club is to bring companionship and friendship to our Lake Shawnee neighbors. There is no better place to do this than right here in Lake Shawnee. If you are interested in being a part of this club email Adrienne Najjar-Keith and Kristine Wilsusen at lakeshawneetlc@gmail.com. If you, yourself or if you know anyone in our Lake Shawnee family who would benefit from a TLC visitor bringing friendship and companionship, please email lakeshawneetlc@gmail.com.

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Annual Christmas Light Fight Competition: It's our Annual Great Light Fight…EAST vs. WEST. **Displays must be completed by December 12th.** See the ad in the newsletter for more details!

Coming Soon…

Keep an eye out for emails/Facebook for upcoming dates for:

Texas Hold'em

Annual Christmas Light Fight Competition

Dust Off Your Ladders….Get Out Those Extension Cords….Start Planning Your Display….
We are doing it again! It's our Annual Great Light Fight…
EAST vs. WEST
East Side - Starts at the dam and continues toward Stanlick ending at Shenandoah Crescent/West Lakeview
West Side- Starts at the dam and continues toward 2nd Beach up to and including Shenandoah Crescent, West Lakeview and Shawnee Parkway

Displays must be completed by December 12th.
Judging will take place Friday, December 13th & Saturday, December 14th

We will see which side of the Lake shows the most holiday spirit!! Who will win?!? East or West!!

Our Judges will also choose one Overall Winner from each side of the Lake.
Prizes will be awarded.

The winners will be announced on Sunday, December 15th on Facebook.

Judging is done by anonymous families who do not live in the lake

Ice Safety
Outdoor ice sports and activities can be safe and enjoyable, but there is no such thing as 100 percent safe ice. Anyone who spends time near the ice should first determine the ice conditions, and then take precautions to stay safe.

Preventing Ice Accidents

- Follow these guidelines to avoid accidents when on or near ice:
- Check the ice thickness before going out. To be safe, ice should be solid and at least 4 inches thick. Remember, the ice may not be the same thickness over the entire area of a lake or pond. Test ice thickness by using a chisel, cordless drill or ice auger.
- Be safe—the more people on the ice, the thicker it should be.
- Use ice on smaller, shallower and slower-moving bodies of water for ice activities, it is usually more solid.
- Look for objects sticking up through the ice and mark them as hazards.
- Do not go out on ice that has recently frozen, thawed and then frozen again. This happens in the spring and early winter as temperatures change often. Wait until the outside temperature has been below freezing long enough that at least 4 inches of solid ice forms over the entire area.
- Always stay with at least one other person.

Source: American Red Cross

Summary of the Lake Shawnee Club Board Meetings

September 6, 2019

It was noted some areas of Lake Hopatcong had opened for swimming, including CAPP Beach, but other areas remained closed due to the Algal Bloom. Mr. Wilsusen also noted that he received a note of thanks from the people of CAPP Beach for letting them use our beach while theirs was closed.

There was a short discussion on the cost of the clubhouse renovation and where the funds would come from. Mr. Sanderson noted that we had roughly $200K in liquid reserves, and the rest of the funds would have to come from a loan which is being coordinating with the bank.

It was reported that the end of summer Surf and Turf event went very well with a large attendance. The first Trivia Night went very well; thanks to the Herberger's for organizing and running it. Upcoming events include the Dog Walk Parade on Sept. 21st and the Trunk or Treat at Stanlick School on Oct 20th.

There was some filamentous algae and milfoil found and treated on the western shore and north end, but otherwise the Lake looks good. Solitude will do one more survey of the lake, with particular attention to filamentous at Second Beach. In addition, Agra sampled water by the intake at Stanlick School and Weldon Brook; they will be back to take another sample in a few weeks for comparison. They are checking for nitrogen, ortho-phosphorus, and suspended solids. Finally, it was also noted that some fishermen were complaining about the lack of lily pads for the fish; Solitude has been instructed to not treat certain areas in the lake to keep the pads.

The Summer Security season ended without any issues, and Lifeguards and Beach Security had ended for the season.

The Swim Team was co-champion of the Small Lakes Division and also won the Sportsmanship Award.

The buoys and swim lanes at First Beach were removed for the season, chains for the big swings at Second Beach will be ordered and installed, several boat tie cleats on the dock at Third Beach were replaced, and the Port-a-John company was contacted to resolve the cleaning schedule issues.

The Snack Shack is now closed for the season and ended the season with a $750 profit.

The Board voted and approved to change the Club's bank from Fulton Bank to PNC Bank due to Fulton's change in management recently and a decline in service quality provided.

The Board discussed the bids received for the upcoming Clubhouse renovation project. The Board voted to approve moving forward with the project and selected the lowest bidder, pending a decision on the siding. NOTE: The following day, the bidder agreed to include siding that would be approved by the property committee at the same bid price.

There was a discussion on how the Board would conduct business when the Clubhouse is unavailable. The Board discussed cleaning out the clubhouse to prepare for the renovation, and scheduled Sept. 21st as a clean-up day.

Summary of the Lake Shawnee Club Board Meetings

October 4, 2019

Ms. Joanne Ridner presented the Board money from the recently held Lake Shawnee Reunion; $200 was donated to the Swim Team and $309.28 to club to use at their discretion. Money was raised from the sale of 50/50 tickets and Swim Team first aid kits. She thanked the Board with their assistance with the reunion.

It was repoted that the Clubhouse was cleaned out, with special thanks to Ms. Peter and Ms. Sior; the internet equipment will need to be removed prior to the demo.

Repairs were completed on the dam where concrete was crumbling for a total cost of $2600.

It was reported that the Club's bank account was moved from Fulton Bank to PNC Bank; PNC Bank is currently working on our line of credit application for the Clubhouse renovation project.

The Social Committee's Dog Walk was held recently with 10 dogs in attendance; $94 in donations were given to Jefferson Township Animal shelter. The Social Committee closet was cleaned out and moved into the Snack Shack. The Annual Trunk or Treat will be held on October 20th at Stanlick School, a Pumpkin Carving Party at Anthony Sabona's house on Saturday, October 26th, and Texas Hold 'em on November 8th at Lake Forest Yacht Club.

It was mentioned at a recent COLA meeting that the herbicide Procelacor that we began using to treat weeds this year cannot be used for more than 2 years because the weeds become resistant. The abundant milfoil at North End may be naturally eliminated at the next draw down if we allow them to freeze. The next COLA meeting is scheduled for November 16th.

Work Day is scheduled for November 9th

There was a great turn out for Sammy Iversen "Help Sam Heal" at Gatwyn's on Wednesday, October 2nd .

It was reported that the swim ropes and the flag will be removed at First Beach, chains and seats were ordered and installed at Second Beach; two high swings and two low swings with safety sides came in under budget.

The owners of two unstickered boats at White's Cove were located; one put a sticker on their boat. The other owner will be notified to permit and sticker the boat or it will be removed.

There was a report from the Property Improvement Committee on the decisions made in the choice of siding, colors, roofing tiles (tentative), etc. We are awaiting the approval of the permits.

The Board discussed and approved the purchase of two new trees for First Beach, since we will most likely will be losing at least one of the large trees this year due to age.

The Board discussed and approved removing the large tree on the north side of the Clubhouse and trimming the front tree prior to start of construction.

Agra has completed their Lake water testing and be sending results.

Lake Shawnee e-Trading Post

You can now post your items for sale on the Lake Shawnee web site. We will have a dedicated page for items under the "News" Tab. Posts will be displayed for 30 days. Just email the webmaster with a picture, brief description, price, and contact info.

Lake Shawnee Rentals and Real Estate

If you are planning on renting or selling your house, we will now have a dedicated page under the "News" Tab. A go-to place where you can get information on lake rentals or houses for sale in our lake. Just email the webmaster with pictures, specs, price, and contact info.

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If you, yourself or if you know anyone in our Lake Shawnee family who would benefit from a TLC visitor bringing friendship and companionship, please email lakeshawneetlc@gmail.com

Next meeting Mon.Jan.6th at 7pm at Adrienne's home — 29 Mountain View Trail 973/476-9419

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LAKELAND SENIORS.

The Lakeland Senior meeting dates for November are Tuesdays November 12 and 26th. Just one December meeting on Tuesday 10th due to holiday festivities We wish all our members and friends a very happy holiday season and a blessed new year!

Lake Shawnee Book Club

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Lake Shawnee Dog Walk and Pet Parade – Update!

Thanks to all who attended our Annual Dog Walk and Pet Parade on Saturday, September 21st. It was a beautiful day! We were able to raise $94, a new record! The Jefferson Dog Park is fully functional now and does not need any further funds at this time. For this year, and the coming years, all proceeds will now go directly to the Jefferson Animal Shelter. Thanks so much to all who came out and to the Dawg House for sponsoring this event! Hope to see you next year!

3rd Beach Horror?

TLC recently heard an interesting **T**ale of our **L**ake **C**ommunity.
Back in the day, was a horror movie really filmed at 3rd Beach?
If so, sounds like a fascinating story that we'd like to feature in a new LSC Newsletter series called **T**ales of our **L**ake **C**ommunity.
If you are a long-time Lake Shawnee resident and can help us write this interesting story, please contact a **TLC** member listed below.

And, if you have an interesting **T**ale of our **L**ake **C**ommunity to tell from back in the day, we'd love to hear from you! Help us get this new series off the ground.

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