



Lake Shawnee News

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT MAY/JUNE 2025

Happy Spring!

Thank you to everyone who attended our annual Club meeting. We had more than a quorum without making any phone calls, which hardly ever happens, and the meeting lasted a little over an hour, not my record but still not bad! It was great to see everyone. Our Board members gave their reports; we had no real business except our elections; thank you to our Board and volunteers for all their work for our Club and its members.

In May, we look forward to the official opening of our beaches with guards on duty starting Memorial Day weekend. Our guards will then be on duty each weekend until the end of June, after school ends, they will be on duty seven days a week through Labor Day, primarily at First Beach. As I do each season, I must remind all our beachgoers that our lifeguards are not beach babysitters. Parents or guardians are always responsible for watching their children around the water, especially the younger ones. Children under 12 must be accompanied by someone 14 or older. The outdoor bathroom at the clubhouse is available for use. The lock code can be found on the members-only page of our website, or you can ask our summer security or lifeguards. Please be kind to our outside bathroom.

We always need more lifeguards. Last year, we had a shortage, and some days, we could not cover some shifts. It is an excellent job for our local youth, so if you are 16 or older, please consider completing an application. Starting pay is now \$17.00 to be competitive with other beaches, and we pay for certifications and hold the training at our facility. So far, we intend to offer kids' swim lessons this year; information will be posted on our website and social media shortly for water testing dates, beginning sometime after July 4th.

If you plan on using the Club facilities, please bring your dues current and utilize your 2025 badges and/or wristbands when on Club property. Badges can be picked up outside the office during regular office hours for those who have sent in your payment. The office gets a little crazy this time of year.

This time of year, is probably a good time to review our beach & Club rules on our website and members-only page. We regularly hear members complain that many non-members use our properties, so utilizing your badges lets us know who belongs on our properties. Wristbands are available on request for members only; they are not to be used for guests.

Shawnee is a great place to walk or run, and as spring moves forward, more and more of our residents will take to our streets for exercise. As a courtesy to our residents, please drive carefully. Observe the "Move over, Pass Safely" law. It is recommended that walkers/runners walk opposite traffic, single file, please, for the walking groups, and cyclists must ride with traffic. Some reflective clothing is also recommended for those who like walking at dusk or dawn.

As mentioned at the annual meeting, volunteerism helps keep our costs down, so please consider helping out, especially on workdays. Since this is a May/June issue, I would also like to thank everyone who came out for our annual workday on April 26th.

There are a lot of great events coming up. Attending our many Club events helps with building a better community by getting to know your neighbors.

Enjoy the beautiful weather!

Eric Wilsusen

Club President

ericwilsusen@lakeshawneeclub.org



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HIGHLIGHTS

May 12th, 8:00pm	Full Moon Event
May 15th, 7:00pm	Children's Storytime 3rd Beach
May 17th, 6:30am	Fishing Contest
May 17th & 18th,	Garage Sale 9am-3pm
May 18th, 11am-12pm	Stroke Clinic
June 4th, 4:30pm	Ecology Seminar
June 7th, 7:00pm	Wine Tasting
June 11th, 8:00pm	Full Moon Event
June 13th, 8:00pm	Adult Movie Night
June 20th, 6:30-9:30p	Bonfire, Beach Party
June 21st, 6:30am	Fishing Contest
June 21st, 7:00pm	Trivia Night

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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www.lakeshawneeclub.org/clubhouse.html**



CLUB HOUSE RENTALS

Rates and Terms

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A deposit off \$200 and a signed agreement are required to secure your rental date.

Call 973-663-1307

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



Social Committee Events

Social Committee: Please join us at the clubhouse with any new ideas you might have. Our next meeting dates are **May 6th and June 3rd at 7pm – at the clubhouse.** If you can lend a hand at any of our events, it would be greatly appreciated.

Shawnee Seniors Club: Our Shawnee Seniors Club meets **every other Wednesday at 1pm at the clubhouse.** The club is open to all Seniors Age 55 and older.

Full Moon Celebrations: **Monday, May 12th at 8pm and Wednesday, at 8pm:** See the full ad in the newsletter for more details!

Children's Spring Storytime: **Thursday, May 15th - 7pm at 3rd Beach.** Come join us for a story followed by a craft and snack. Dress in your jammies and bring your imaginations and blankets. Children of all ages are welcome!

Lake Garage Sale: **Saturday and Sunday, May 17th and 18th – 9am-3pm.** This event is rain or shine. Maps will be available for pickup at the clubhouse. See our full ad for more details.

Ecology Seminar: **Wednesday, June 4th – 4:30pm - at First Beach.** Are you interested in finding out what insects, in the process of development, can determine the quality of the water in which we swim? Come join Mr. Jeff Keith who will conduct a "hands on" workshop for kids ages 4-10. We will use seining/dip nets, conduct pH tests, take temperatures at different levels in the water and check for water clarity using a secci disk. You need to bring a bathing suit and something for your feet(water shoes, old sneakers, sandals, but NO FLIPFLOPS!).

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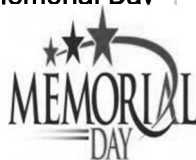
Rocky Horror Picture Show : We are serving up fishnets and fear on **Friday the 13th!** If you are 18 or older, please join us on June 13th on First Beach at 8pm. We are showing The Rocky Horror Picture Show at dusk. Dress to distress, in your creepiest corsets, campiest capes or gharliest garb. Prizes will be awarded. Bring props, chairs and blankets and perhaps an unsuspecting friend. Got Questions? Call Dina 973 663 6737

Bonfire Beach Party: **Friday, June 20th at 6:30pm.** See the ad in the newsletter for more details!


Trivia Night – Saturday, June 21st – 7pm – at the Clubhouse. (Doors open at 6:30pm) Come join us for a free night of brain testing fun! Form a team of 4-6 or join one that night. BYOB and a snack for your table. (See ad in the newsletter for more details!)

Please email social@lakeshawneeclub.org with any questions!

May 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 Board Mtg. 7:00pm	3
4	5	6 Social Comm. Mtg. 7:00PM	7 Seniors 1:00PM	8	9	10
11 Mother's Day 	12 Full Moon Event 8:00pm	13	14	15 Children's Storytime 7pm 3rd beach	16	17 Fishing Con- test 6:30am Garage Sale 9am-3pm
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25	26 Memorial Day 	27	28	29	30	31

June 2025

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1	2	3 Social Comm. Mtg. 7:00PM	4 Seniors 1:00PM Ecology Seminar 4:30pm	5	6 Board Mtg. 7:00pm	7 Wine Tasting 7:00pm
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15 Father's Day 	16	17	18 Seniors 1:00PM	19	20 Bonfire Beach Party 6:30pm	21 Fishing Con- test 6:30am Trivia Night 7:00pm
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

SHAWNEE SENIORS

**Meets at the Clubhouse
every other Wednesday at 1pm**

Are you looking to meet other Seniors in the lake?
We offer different activities, like card games and special celebrations. It's a time to get together and enjoy each other's company. We are always open to new ideas.
Members aged 55 and older are welcome.
Coffee and Snacks will be served.

Please check lakeshawneeclub.org
for all meeting dates.



Questions?
Contact Kristen at
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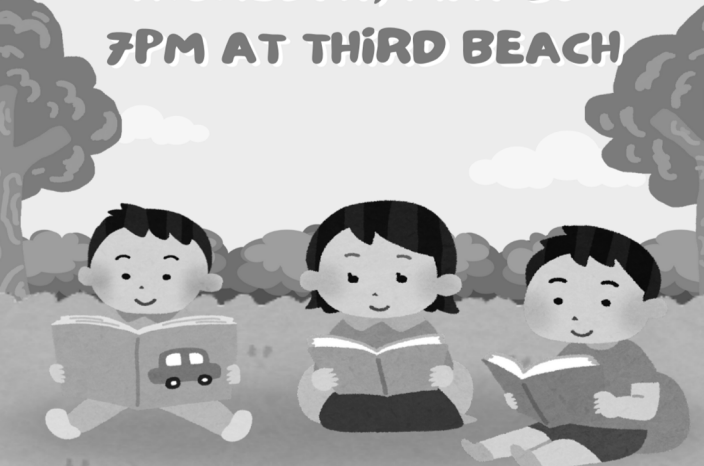
**FULL
MOON
celebration**

Monday, May 12th
8pm at Second Beach

Join us in a gathering of fellowship while we recharge under the light of the moon. Please bring something to sit on. We will have a fire pit burning, but you may want to bring a blanket for comfort. Matt Rosett will close the night with a beautiful Crystal Bowl Meditation.

Text to RSVP
Dina Troha
973 663 6737

**CHILDREN'S
STORYTIME**
THURSDAY, MAY 15TH
7PM AT THIRD BEACH



Come join us for a story followed by a craft and snack. Dress in your jammies and bring your imaginations and blankets. Children of all ages are welcome!



Lake Shawnee Community

GARAGE SALE

Saturday & Sunday

May 17th & 18th

9am-3pm

This event is rain or shine!

Maps will be available for pick up at the clubhouse parking lot:

4 West Shawnee Trail

on the mornings of May 17th and May 18th.

Please register with the office

*****BY MAY 12TH*****

if you would like your address on the map. You can drop a \$10 check off at the office with your name and address listed.



Lifeguards **NEEDED**

STARTING PAY IS \$17.00HR

**WE SUPPLY YOUR UNIFORM - WE PAY FOR YOUR CERTIFICATIONS
MUST BE 16 YEARS OLD - WORKING PAPERS REQUIRED IF UNDER 18
MUST BE AVAILABLE TO ASSIST WITH MORNING SWIM LESSONS**

**JOIN US ON MONDAY, MAY 5TH, 6PM AT THE CLUBHOUSE FOR AN INFORMATIONAL MEETING.
HERE WE WILL OUTLINE ALL OF THE RULES AND ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS.**

YOU DON'T NEED TO LIVE IN LAKE SHAWNEE TO BE HIRED.

**CONTACT LIFEGUARD SUPERVISOR, KRISTEN IANCONETTI AT KRISTEN.IACONETTI@GMAIL.COM
WITH ANY QUESTIONS OR FOR MORE INFORMATION AND AN APPLICATION.**

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Fishing

Well, the start of our summer series fishing didn't go as well as planned! Our event had to be canceled due to horrible weather and has not been rescheduled therefore, everyone has 6 events left to vie for Bass Master or the Angler Of The Year!

Here is the list of remaining events planned:

May 17	6:30am-12:30pm
June 21	6:30am-12:30pm
July 19	4:00pm-9:00pm
Aug 23	6:30am-12:30pm
Sep 20	6:30am-12:30pm
Oct 11	7:30am-1:30pm

We are still in the planning stage of the kids' clinic. When we have confirmed a date, it will be posted in the multiple communication outlets we use here in Lake Shawnee. Keep an eye out because last year's kids' event was a huge success!

We hope that in the next monthly (Jul/Aug) edition, you will hear all about the great catches and the camaraderie we share during these contests. LS coordinated events help us become a strong and proud community, so until we meet again we wish you blessings, happiness and brighter days ahead!

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Easter Egg Hunt and Bunny Brunch

Thanks to all who joined us for the Easter Egg Hunt and Bunny Brunch on April 13th!

It was a Chilly day, but a good time was a had by all!!

Thanks to everyone who donated time, Candy and other items for the brunch!

And, as always, an extra special thank you to the Easter Bunny for hopping by!!



**VOLUNTEERS DO NOT
NECESSARILY HAVE THE TIME;
THEY JUST HAVE THE HEART.**

ELIZABETH ANDREW

The Social Committee is Seeking Volunteers

In order to ensure the success and continuation of this year's events, we need more volunteers to come out and lend a hand. Without increased involvement, we will be forced to cancel events that we have all come to love. A large commitment isn't necessary. We are asking members to sign up to chair an event(s). New ideas are always welcome. We will share experiences and help you every step of the way. Grab some friends, pick an event and let's work together!! If you are interested, please email social@lakeshawneeclub.org.



Shawnee Spotlight

By Ed Crinnian

I don't know about anyone else, but it's May and I'm ready to kick off Summer... And what better way to kick off a new year at the beach than with one of the newest additions to our lake community!



On February 7, Curtis and Tara Dalton welcomed Lynx Indigo Dalton to the world. For those of you who have read Shawnee Spotlights in the past, you are well aware that Lynx has some mighty large shoes to fill, and I for one, cannot wait to see what he and the rest of the Castle-Dalton family go on to accomplish!



Speaking of Lynx and his siblings... remember a few Summers ago when London Criss Castle-Dalton was chosen to participate in an academic session at Princeton? Well, this Summer she's chosen to return to the Ivy League, having been selected to the Harvard University Secondary

School Summer Program. This is a college program for high school students who will live, study and socialize on campus for a month, earning college credits along the way.



Next up we have a pair of actors showing off "How Far They'll Go" as Hannah Mignanelli and Kam Knudsen joined the cast of the JTMS production of Moana Jr. Both performers were impeccable as dancers, singers and actors.

Of course, we can't forget our community members and their athletic pursuits. This winter the Lake sent out an all-star team of ballers as Owen Grisi, Atlas Kockonuk and Lila Walloga dominated in the boards and the baselines for coaches (and community mainstays) Megan Grisi and Matt Walloga. Coach Matt took on double duty as he also coached Shawnee's one-two punch of Madalyn Schweizer and Fiona Walloga to a superb season. Be on the lookout for this fearsome fivesome running the courts at 2ND Beach for years to come.



Finally, to follow-up on last month's champions, Liam Carroll and Gavin Goldsberry put out strong performances at the NJ State Championships and continue to impress at tournaments across the country. An extra-large round of applause to Gabe Goldsberry, NJ state championship runner-up!

Warming up your winter with some sunny news!
It's Time To Kickoff The 2025 Lake Shawnee Swim Team Pre-Season Activities!



2024 Tribe - LSC Swim team

2025 REGISTRATION ONGOING

It's time to register for the 2025 swim season and the Tribe is excited for new and returning faces! Registration can still be done by emailing the team at LSSTRIBE@GMAIL.COM.

The Lake Shawnee Club Swim Team (LSST) is a summer recreational swim team and participates in the North Jersey Regional Lakes League (NJRL). Our many members range in age from 5 – 18 years old and swimmer's abilities range from beginner to elite. The primary goal of LSST as a recreational swim team is for all swimmers to have fun. In addition to this goal, the coaches and swim team board will work to foster participation, develop good sportsmanship, build team spirit, a good self-image, and above all, to help all swimmers improve both their skills and their times throughout the season in a friendly recreational swimming environment. LSST also promotes a sense of community that will endure beyond the swim season.

Please visit our website for more information about our team, its history and our calendar by using this QR code below. *(hover over this QR code with your mobile camera and it will bring you directly to our webpage)*

LSST Website QR code:





Lake Shawnee Swim Team Sponsorship Form 2025

Thank you for considering sponsorship of the Lake Shawnee Swim Team Summer League. We are a local swim team organization catering to kids ages 5 -18 from Lake Shawnee, Jefferson Twp., NJ. Our team is dedicated to providing a positive and enriching experience for young swimmers in our community. With your support, we can continue to foster a love for swimming, promote teamwork and sportsmanship, and help our athletes reach their full potential.

Please consider becoming a sponsor for our team with any of the options below.

- ☐ **Sponsorship** - Sponsor the team with a **\$75 donation or goods of equal value** to have my business name advertised at our snack shack and announced during home swim meets, included on the back of our team T-shirts, LSC website/Social Media and recognized in one of our LSC newsletter.

☐ Goods of equal value description: _____

- ☐ **Monetary Donation** - If you would like to make a monetary donation: _____

- ☐ **Goods Donation** - If you would like to make a donation of goods for our snack shack, please contact us by emailing LSSTribe@gmail.com to make arrangements.

Contact Name _____ Phone Number _____

Business Name & address: _____

Email Address _____

SPONSORSHIPS and PAYMENTS of \$75 or more **MUST** be received by **June 10th** in order to print your business on the team shirts. Monetary and goods donations will be received at any time.

Mail your sponsorship form & payment to: LSC Swim Team, 4 W. Shawnee Trail, Wharton, NJ 07885 or contact us to pick it up. Please make checks out to: Lake Shawnee Club (LSC) or reach out for VENMO payment options. For any and all additional questions or information Please contact Kira Crinnian at

kiracrinnian@yahoo.com or lsstribegmail.com

Thank you for all your support in advance!

For office use only

Form of payment: _____

Date received: _____

Join Kessler for a
Stroke Education and Awareness Event
at the Lake Shawnee Club



May 18th
11-12pm

***Learn how to recognize the signs of a stroke,
understand risk factors, and discover life-saving
prevention tips. Free resources, expert speakers,
and interactive demonstrations!***

For more information,

Kelly Walloga 201-725-8675 or Jen 973-558-2119

Location: 4 West Shawnee Trail, Wharton, NJ 07885

Attention Young Biologists!!

Wednesday, June 4th at 4:30pm

Social Committee

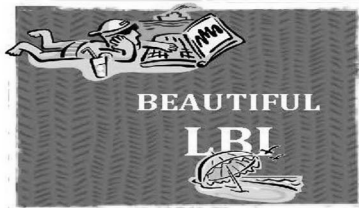
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LAKE SHAWNEE CLUB PRESENTS

The Rocky Horror Picture Show

Fishnets & Fear on Friday the 13th!

**FRIDAY, JUNE 13TH
8PM @ FIRST-BEACH**



Interactive madness & eerie audience antics.
Dress to distress - in your creepiest corsets, campiest
capas, or ghastliest garb. Prizes will be awarded.
Bring props, chairs & blankets. Maybe, an unsuspecting
friend. But please be sure they are 18 or older.

LAKE SHAWNEE CLUB PRESENTS

BONFIRE *Beach Party*

Friday, June 20th 2025
6:30 - 9:30PM
Lake Shawnee's First Beach

S'MORES - MUSIC - FUN FOR ALL AGES



Swim Team's Snack Shack will be open with light refreshments
for purchase. Members and their guests are always welcome.
Anyone under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.



Spring Reminder- As the days get longer and temperatures rise, we start to turn our attention to those spring activities which include getting lawns healthier and removing the salt and grit from our cars once the hose is turned on. We have many new residents in Lake Shawnee, so much of this "Ask Jeff" is directed to them since I say this every year at this time. Please indulge me as I give new members tips on helping to keep Lake Shawnee as clean as we possibly can. Thank you! What we do in our yards and in our driveways can affect the health of this lake. Why? Because every catch basin (no matter where you live in our community) drains into our lake. Material from your yard or driveway with the help of a heavy rain can wind up in the road and into a nearby catch basin. We just have to be vigilant on how we do things on our properties. Living in a lake community has certain responsibilities that we all have to be aware of. I thank you all in advance for doing the right thing to protect our beautiful lake.

Lawns - If there are remaining leaves on your lawn, please bag them and put them out on Wednesday for pickup or take to the town which has a compost pile. Please do not blow them into the street. If you have a landscaper who takes care of your lawn, make sure they know what to do. Most companies blow them into their trucks and take them with them. When leaves get into our lake, they decompose and eventually become sediment and our lake gets shallower. Thank you!

Fertilizers - Many residents use fertilizers to make the lawns greener and healthier. All I ask is that you make sure there is no phosphorus in the product you are using. Most companies have eliminated that material but some still have it in there. Phosphorus can add to weed growth in our lake which is not good. If you are not sure what to use, ask Eric at our local True Value hardware store for help.

Car Washing - Biggest tip here, go to a car wash! The chance of washing your car in your driveway and it getting into a catch basin is very likely. Many would say it's a small amount but remember we have 540 homes in this lake. Even if 25 percent of those homes wash their cars, it can result in five to six hundred gallons of filthy, soapy water getting into our lake. Like many of your children, I swim in this lake every day during the summer so we all want the cleanest water possible.

Thank you for letting me share these few small things to help protect our lake. Remember it takes a village and our community does a great job of being aware and doing the right thing.

Monarch Butterflies- I recently read that Monarch Butterflies were placed on the Threatened Species list because their numbers have dropped dramatically. This is due to loss of habitat and climate change. Besides their beauty, they are prolific pollinators for many plants.

Monarchs go through four life cycles (egg, caterpillar, cocoon, and eventually a beautiful orange and black butterfly) several times a year. They are found all over the country and into Canada, but are most abundant east of the Rockies especially in NJ with the many plants we grow here. In the fall, they migrate to an area in Mexico for the winter. Excessive logging in that area has reduced this winter habitat. Also, because of climate change and warmer weather in the Fall, they get tricked and leave too late and succumb to the cold on their trip south. In the Spring, they return to lay their eggs on the leaves of a specific plant called milkweed, which many of us are familiar with. Unfortunately there is much less milkweed in NJ the past few years, which has also led to the monarch's decline. Here is where we help.

Please check your property to see if you have it growing there already (not sure what it looks like, just Google it). The seeds are in large pods on the plant. Many have at least 100 seeds or more in the pod. If you have seeds, please announce it on the Lake Shawnee Facebook page so you can share them with your neighbors. Farmstead Golf Course has about 100 plants on their lake course. I always grab at least 10 pods when I play. I always share the pods (Contact me if you are interested) so others can help save this amazing butterfly. So, please look for those plants at home or on your travels. Any way we can help the monarch numbers increase would be great. Thank you!

Summary of the Lake Shawnee Club Board Meetings

February 7, 2025

The Social Committee held a successful Winter Carnival, which included ice skating, firepits with smores, kids' activities/crafts, and a chili contest with 9 entries. Upcoming social events include Texas Hold 'em on Sat., Feb. 8th, a Full Moon Celebration on Wed., Feb. 12th and a Latin Dance Party on Friday, Feb. 14th. Planning has begun for the annual Easter Egg Hunt and Bunny Brunch in April. Due to the large turnout last year, they are working will require RSVPs and wristbands will be provided.

Mr. Keith reported that he will be installing a temporary net to keep geese from coming into the lake under Route 15; he will update the membership in his next Ask Jeff article.

The Board discussed the ongoing lot line adjustments and issues that have arisen with several parties involved.

March 7, 2025

It was noted that the Club recently collected \$7500 in lien revenue and membership is at 508 members out of a possible 542.

Poker was held on Feb. 8th and will be held again on March 16th and April 19th. The Full Moon Celebration was held on Feb. 12th and will be held again on March 14th and April 12th. A Latin Dance Night was held on Feb. 14th with 4 couples in attendance; another event will be held in the future. Plans are underway for the Annual Easter Egg Hunt and Bunny Brunch. Upcoming events include a Kid's Cooking class on April 14th, and a Kids' Painting Class on April 18th.

It was reported that a survey of the lake has been scheduled with Tigris for the beginning of April, and the Board was updated on the projected hydro raking project. It was reported that a representative from NJ Fish and Game will be assisting in addling eggs this year; a permit has been filed with the Township.

There was an Ice Fishing contest in January with 4 1/2 inches ice; all winners were nonmembers, and they were lucky to have another contest in February with 9 1/2 inches of ice. NJ Fish and Game was out during the contests and all fishermen were very cooperative.

The Swim Team Board met recently and also held the first parent meeting of the season. Registration will be held on Friday, April 25th; registration fees were increased to \$85 per swimmer, as well as sponsorship fee (to \$75). They have a car wash scheduled for June 14th at the JTFD on Route 15.

One of the legs on the new dock at White's Cove snapped off, which may be covered under warranty. The dock will be removed and repaired.

The Board discussed the upcoming Annual Meeting on Sat. March 22nd (11am).

There was a brief discussion on the current rental agreement that prohibits wedding receptions. It was noted that weddings are allowed, but not receptions; the rental agreements will be updated.

There was another brief discussion on the rental agreement regarding the hold harmless clause, which is the standard for rental agreements. No changes will be needed.

The Board discussed and voted to approve the proposed budget for the 2025-2026 season, which included an additional \$10 increase of dues to cover the new regulations requiring Lake associations to have an assessment on Club properties and to create reserves to cover the cost of losses on the properties. Dues will increase from \$505 to \$530 for regular members and \$395 for Senior members.

April 4th

The Easter Egg Hunt and Bunny Brunch will be held on April 13th at 12:30pm. They will be filling eggs on April 10th. Other upcoming events are April 12th – Full Moon Celebration, April 14th – Kid's Cooking Class, April 18th – Kid's Painting Class April 19 – Texas Hold'em

Mr. Keith updated the Board on the progress of the hydroraking project as well as his project to install a 32' x 32' net to deter geese from entering the lake; there is currently one nest at North End.

The Board will submit all projects for the upcoming spring Work Day on April 26th. All projects will be added to a SignUp genius and sent to the membership; a light breakfast will be provided.

The process of hiring lifeguards for the upcoming year has begun; swim lessons will be a mandatory requirement for employment this year.

The start of the fishing season is Saturday, April 12th with the first fishing contest.

The Swim Team registration is on April 25th – 6-8pm – at the Clubhouse, and the team car wash is June 14th. The team is currently looking for a junior assistant coach.

Mr. David Downs donated 2 flags for the inside of the Clubhouse – one American and one NJ. He is also donating a flag and pole for outside, which needs to be installed.

Get to Know Your Board...



President - Eric Wilsusen

Eric Wilsusen is our current Club President and has been happily married to his wife, Kristine, since 1995. They have two beautiful children, Karly and Katelyn, who were raised here in beautiful Lake Shawnee and served as lifeguards. Eric enjoys service to his community and church. Eric served as the Deputy Chief of Police and retired in 2016 from the Jefferson Township Police Department after 30 years, and has since been employed as the Director of Child & Youth Protection for RC Diocese of Paterson. In 2019, Eric became the Mayor of Jefferson Township and has been very involved at Our Lady Star of the Sea RC Church and many other organizations throughout the community over his lifetime. And if community involvement isn't enough, he also instructs a spin/cycle class at Black Bear

Fitness. Eric is a 3rd generation Lake Shawnee resident. His grandfather built one of the first Lake Shawnee homes on West Shawnee Trail in 1949. Eric is essentially a lifelong resident of Lake Shawnee. He was born on West Shawnee Trail in 1964, and in 1970, his parents built a house on Island Trail, the house he lives in now after his parents retired to North Carolina. Eric and his wife lived for a short period in the Prospect Point section of the Township from 1995 to 2000, moving back to the lake right after the Great Flood of 2000! Eric has served on the Lake Shawnee Board since 2002 and has been President since 2007. His experiences growing up here and his community activities bring a wealth of knowledge to the board. Besides being the Club President, Eric's responsibilities as a Board Member include managing the property on First Beach and serving on many different Board Committees. Eric loves his daily walks around Lake Shawnee with Kristine and mentioned that he could not think of a better place to grow up and raise his own children!



Executive Vice President - Vince Matrisciano

Vince has been on the Board of Governors since 2006 and is currently the Executive Vice President. He and his wife Gina moved to Lake Shawnee in 1993 and subsequently had two children, Amanda and Matt. Vince is semi-retired from a career as a Project Management Engineer at Picatinny Arsenal, where he now consults part time. During his career, he managed many advanced technology product development projects and portfolios, including development of product portfolio strategies that influenced the direction of investment in certain technologies. In the execution of his job, he became proficient in project management and product development processes, Lean Six Sigma efficiencies, contracting and legal matters. He was and remains a teacher/trainer in project management, Lean Six Sigma, and leadership courses. For fun, he likes to play golf in the summer and ski in the winter. He also has a knack for pairing food with wine, beer and spirits, and hosts these types of events for the

Lake Shawnee community. Vince brings all of his experience and expertise to the Lake Shawnee Board and Community, as he manages large and small projects (he managed the renovation of the Clubhouse and the rebuilding of the dam). He reviews contracts and other legal documents on behalf of the Club and recommends and documents specific policies to the Board when needed. He also helps as needed around all Club properties, whether it means fixing something, landscaping, or other upgrades. He feels very fortunate to live in such a great community and looks forward to serving on the Board now and in the future.

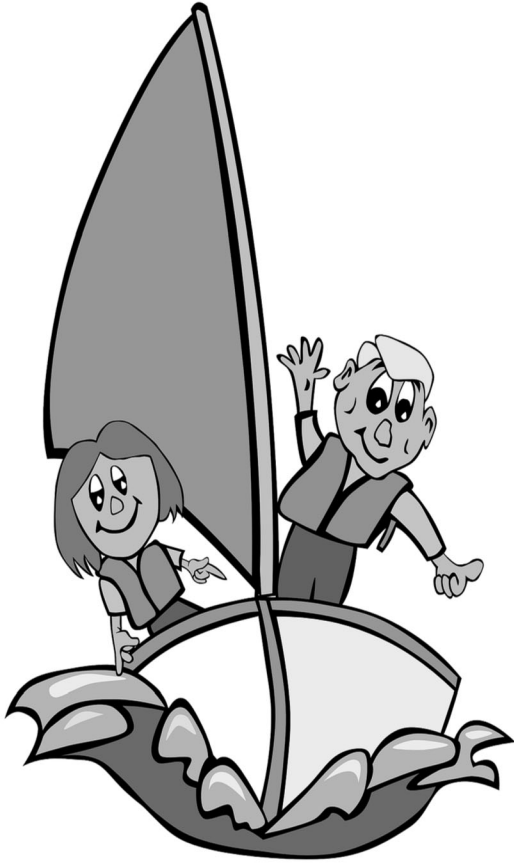


Secretary - Kristeen McConnon

Kristeen McConnon has served as Secretary on the Lake Shawnee Board of Governors since 2012. She has been living in Lake Shawnee on Mountain View Trail since 1996 (almost 30 years, wow!) with her husband, Troy. Here they raised their girls, Madelyn and Jaclyn, in this amazing community and they are forever grateful for such wonderful childhoods filled with great friends and neighbors and so many fond memories. The girls both swam on the LS Swim Team, worked as lifeguards and taught swim lessons to so many young swimmers throughout the lake, and Jaclyn even worked as Summer Security before both girls moved to Florida in 2020. Kristeen has always been actively involved and given back to the community by volunteering at various Social Committee events, swim meets or other Lake activities even before serving on the Board for the past 13 years. As Board Secretary, she is responsible for keeping records for the monthly Board meetings and the Annual meetings, is editor of

the Lake Shawnee News, and serves on several Board committees such as the Budget committee and the newly formed Lake Shawnee Foundation. Kristeen, along with fellow Board member, Dina Troha, helped to create the Lake Shawnee Scholarship Committee to provide annual scholarships to youth in our community each year and have awarded over \$8000 in scholarships since 2019. She also served on the 75th Anniversary Committee and was able to research and compile Lake Shawnee history including all of the past Board minutes from our inception in 1946, which she hopes to archive for future generations. In her spare time, Kristeen has been a one-on-one aide for students on the Autism spectrum in Jefferson Twp. schools for the past 16 years and she continues to teach dance at a local studio, which she has done for over 30 years. She truly feels blessed to live in such an amazing community and loves to continue to serve as your Board Secretary.

Sailing News



The sailing program will be returning to Lake Shawnee for the summer of 2025 with FREE sailing instructions and FREE “Sailing Camp.” These opportunities are being offered to all interested members and invited guests — for adults and kids.

No prior sailing experience is required. So, if you have ever thought about trying it, come on out. Lake Shawnee is a great place to learn to sail. In the past, Lake Shawnee had an active adult sailing fleet and a large junior sailing program, which introduced hundreds of children to sailing and sailboat racing. For the last two summers, we have been introducing new sailors to the sport, as well as helping sailors with previous experience get back on a boat.

We plan to meet for sailing on Sundays at Third Beach starting on June 29th. If you have a sailboat, please bring it. But if you don’t, no problem. We have a small fleet of sailboats available.

Safety while sailing will be first priority (followed closely by having fun!). New sailors who plan to sail solo on loaned boats (and anyone who wants to learn the basic ‘nuts and bolts’ of sailing) will be expected to attend a pre-season classroom instruction session:

- 1) Thursday, June 26th from 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm at the clubhouse; or,
- 2) Saturday, June 28th from 1:00 pm to 3:30 pm at Second Beach (outside).

These sessions will provide each new sailor with an introductory foundation of sailboat terminology, seamanship skills, and safe sailboat handling concepts which will prepare them for continuing instruction on Sundays at Third Beach and safe boat operation on the lake.

Last year, eight youth sailors and a handful of youthful adult sailors took part in our first “Sailing Camp.” This year’s week of daily sailing instruction and sailing will be held the week of June 23rd through June 27th (Monday through Friday), from 12:30 pm to 4:30 pm at Third Beach each day. (Spots are limited. Contact me by email below to reserve a space.)

As in the past, we will be communicating and providing additional details on upcoming events via the Lake Shawnee Facebook page and with email blasts, as well as articles like this in the Lake Shawnee News. Also remember to look for the “Sundays are for Sailing” signs posted around the lake!

We hope many of you can participate, and we look forward to sailing with you this summer!

Tom Preston
tp5392@yahoo.com



? Trivia Night ?

SAVE THE DATE

Lake Shawnee Clubhouse

June 21, 2025

Join us for a night of brain testing fun.

Form a team of 6 - 8

BYOB & a snack for your table.

Door prizes & Grand prizes provided
by local businesses.

LSC Scholarship Fundraiser

RSVP REQUESTED AT A LATER DATE



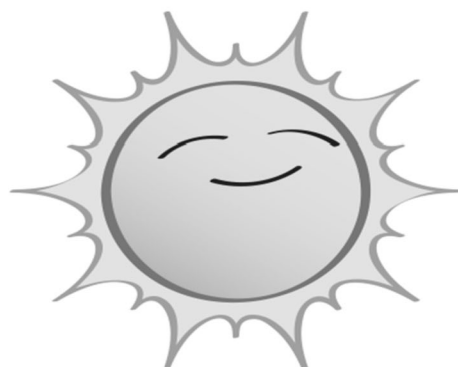
Lake Shawnee Boat Usage and Storage Policy

1. Boats are defined as any vessel including but not limited to any row boat, patio/deck boat, sailboat, canoe, paddle boat, kayak, paddle board or other watercraft.
2. All boats utilized on the lake or stored on any Club property are required to obtain a Club issued boat decal. Boat decals are valid through April 1st following a Presidential election year. The decal shall be valid for a period that does not exceed 4 years.
 - a. All Boat decals shall be affixed outside the vessel closest to the bow on either the port or starboard side.
 - b. Boats & watercraft cannot exceed 25 feet in length and cannot be capable of exceeding 15mph.
 - c. Motorized boats must be electric powered only.
 - d. Member Guests launching boats on the lake shall have a guest badge in possession and present upon request.
 - e. Any boat & trailer launched into the lake must be clean and free of weeds.
3. Boats stored on Club Property:
 - a. Any member wishing to store a boat on Club property shall complete a boat storage permit at the Club Office. Storage permits will be issued on a first come first serve basis; assigned by property stored and valid for the requested property only. Before moving a boat to another club property, members must first obtain a new boat permit at the club office, if one is available for the new property. The old permit will then become invalid. If permits are not available for the desired property, the boat may not be moved. There is no additional charge for a boat storage permit. The Board may limit the number of boat storage permits available to a single household to ensure availability to the overall club membership. Limits will be posted in the Club Office. The Board may also rescind any permits that are unused by July 1st of any year in which the permit is valid, and re-allocate to a member in need of a permit.
 - b. Boats stored on Club property are to be stored on designated boat racks and in designated areas only. Boats stored outside the designated racks (e.g. on the ground) will be subject to removal from the property.
 - d. Boat owners storing boats on Club property are responsible to remove any water from boats within 48 hours of any rain event.
 - e. Sailboats may be moored not more than 25 feet off club property at White's Cove and Third Beach within designated areas.
 - f. Excluding sailboats, no boats are to be stored or left in the water off club property for more than 24 hours.
 - g. At White's Cove only and with permission of the Club, handicapped members as determined through a State Handicap Parking Permit, may leave their boat in water and/or request a closer/lower storage rack location. Provision 3c still applies.
4. Policy Compliance.
 - a. Failure to comply with any section of this policy can result in loss of Club privileges as determined by the board.
 - B. All Boats utilized on the lake are required to comply with existing NJ State laws and regulations regarding boats and vessels.

Lake Shawnee Club Policy Policy for use of Club Properties for Parties/Events

- 1) Beginning the first Friday of Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day, any member utilizing Club properties for any private party/event on weekends or holidays where non-member guests will exceed 7 or more guests, the hosting member is required to notify the Club office at least one week prior to the party/event to detail the type of party/event to be held which can be subject to Club approval.
 - a. All approved private parties/events will be issued a permit for the day. Failure to obtain a permit in a timely manner will result in denial and/or cancellation of the party.
 - b. This section does not apply to any clubhouse rentals and or member only parties/events.
- 2) Picnic tables are limited to one per member family, this applies at all times.
- 3) Any private parties/events, non-member guests cannot exceed 20 guests.
- 4) The Club reserves the right to deny any private parties/events based on scheduled Club events, clubhouse rentals and other reserved parties the same day. Private party/event permits will be issued on first come first serve basis and at no time will exceed three private parties per day per property.
- 5) Members are responsible for all their non-member guests and their adherence to Club rules at any private party/event.
- 6) Pop up(EZ up) tents are limited to one per party not to exceed 10x10 within the beach/picnic areas and 20x20 within the dock/grass area at first beach. This applies to member only, club events and private parties.
- 7) Set up of private and/or member only parties/events should not occur before 6am the day of the party/event. This includes the reserving of picnic tables for any purpose.
- 8) The Club requires wrist bands be worn by all non-member guests at any private parties/events which will be provided by the Club.
- 9) Any member who wishes to enter into any rental agreement for party rental equipment, inflatable's or any other equipment to be used on Club property that may require an insurance liability waiver must contact the Club for approval prior to signing of any contracts.
- 10) The rights of Club members and common courtesy, including but not limited to the use of any music, should be paramount when hosting private parties and events on Club property.

HELLO SUMMER



SNEAK PEEK AT EVENTS TO COME

JULY

4th – Fourth of July Bike Parade – 9am

4th – Kick off to Summer – until 8pm (Raindate: 5th)

8th and 22nd – Ice Cream and Bingo – 7pm

10th – Full Moon Celebration – 8pm

11th – Kid's Biathlon & Color War – 4pm

18th – Movie Night – 8:30pm (Raindate: 25th)

31st – Storytime at 3rd Beach – 7pm

AUGUST

1st – Kid's Pirate Day – 1pm (Raindate: 8th)

9th – Bonfire Party – 6:30pm

9th - Full Moon Celebration – 8pm

12th - Ice Cream and Bingo – 7pm

22nd – Movie Night – 8:30pm

30th – Goodbye Summer – 12pm (Raindate: 31st)

BEACH RULES

Current I.D. badges must be displayed while on all Club properties.

There is a 10 PM curfew on all Club properties.

Swim at your own risk when lifeguards are not on duty or not present.

Pets are not allowed on first or third beach properties from Memorial Day to Labor Day while other members are present. Owners are responsible for cleanup of their pets at all times. ***Dog owners are responsible to control their dogs at all times when utilizing all Club properties.***

Children on Club properties under the age of 12, must be directly supervised by a parent or other responsible person who is at least 14 years old.

Unprotected glass containers are prohibited on beach properties. Glass containers when utilized must be in a protective or insulating container to prevent breakage.

Bicycles or motorized vehicles are not permitted on the beaches.

All trash and personal possessions must be removed from Club properties daily.

No sitting or hanging on the swim ropes or swim lanes.

When guards are on duty, swimmers are not permitted to go outside the designated swim area. The swim area shall be determined by the lifeguards.

No rough play, pushing or shoving.

No swimming under the rafts or docks.

One person at a time on any ladders.

Smoking of tobacco products including e-cigarettes is prohibited on Club properties as follows:

- 1) First Beach property inclusive of the beach, playground, picnic, and swim dock area,
- 2) Second Beach inclusive of the entire upper level playground/basketball area.



The authority of the lifeguards and security persons shall be respected. The lifeguards have the right to remove anyone from the property for not following the rules or acting in an unsafe or disrespectful manner.



Now that the weather is getting warmer and folks will be using club properties more, it is a good time to check out the Club's standing rules and policies in the members only section of our website – lakeshawneeclub.com. Good information about use of the beaches, parties at the beach, dogs on the beach, conducting business on club property, and much more. If you don't know the password for the members only section, contact the Club Office.

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