

# Lake Shawnee News

# President's Message

## **March 2017**

Mark your calendar!!!! If you have never attended one of our annual meetings before, PLEASE try and make an effort to attend this year's meeting scheduled for Saturday, March 11th at 11 am at the Clubhouse. I finished last year's meeting in record time, under an hour! We need a quorum (10%) of the total membership in good standing which is currently about 50 members to conduct Club business. And just to be clear, if two members of the same household show up, it only counts as one Club member for quorum purposes. The annual meeting is an opportunity for our Board of Governors and its' committees to report to the membership all the activities of the Club. This year is a pretty typical year, as we have our annual elections but no major business to vote on. We will be presenting updates on this year's planned dam improvement and the status of our possible clubhouse renovations.

The meeting is purposely scheduled for a Saturday morning in March because not much is going on yet, so come out of hibernation and say hello and meet some of your neighbors! Trust me, there is nothing to be scared of, we don't bite! Just a reminder, should you have a specific grievance this is not the time to address it. We have a Board meeting each month and that is the time to address specific issues you may have with the Club. As always, we will have light refreshments after the meeting.

Unfortunately, we were not able to get our Winter Carnival in again this year. The weather and ice would just not cooperate. Same thing with our Fishing Committee; we had to cancel our ice fishing contests this season. Our Swim Team Committee begins its' meetings this month, so if you have a potential swimmer please try and attend. Our Social Committee is finally seeing some new faces, which is very encouraging and we hope the enthusiasm continues.

Club dues invoices will be going out shortly. The Board works hard to control our costs and to be fiscally conservative. Please remember that it is important for ALL members, not just a few, to donate some of your time to the Club from time to time, especially at our work days and through our committees to help control those costs. Our dues would be significantly higher if we had to pay for all the labor to complete many of the projects and run events throughout the year. If every household volunteered two hours a year, that is potentially 1088 man hours! Imagine what could be accomplished!

While paying your dues this year, we ask our members to please update their contact information with the Club. It would be VERY helpful to include your current phone numbers and email addresses when returning your dues invoice even if you have done so in the past.

Finally, it is that time of year when we will start to see more activity around the lake such as walkers/runners and bikers out and around the lake. Just a reminder to be alert and to please obey the posted speed limits throughout the lake to help ensure the safety of all our residents.

Think Spring!

Eric Wilsusen

Club President <u>ericwilsusen@lakeshawneeclub.org</u>



#### **INSIDE STORY:**

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### Highlights:

March 4th 7:00pm Texas Hold'em

March 25th 7:00pm Wine Tasting



# 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

### **Board of Governors**

### **Officers**

President	Eric Wilsusen	663-0596
Executive VP	Vince Matrisciano	663-5964
Membership VP	Milt Felter	663-1565
Treasurer	Marc Sanderson	663-2821
Secretary	Kristeen McConnon	663-5937

## **Members At Large**

Jeff Keith	663-4230
Al Gebhardt	663-0014
Jim Beyel	663-5131
Dina Troha	663-6737
Al Gazdalski	663-4698
Bob DenBleyker	663-3970
Lise Meisner	663-4553
Bill Carroll	945-9310

### **Property Maintenance Chairs:**

First Beach	Eric Wilsusen	663-0596
Club House	Lise Meisner	663-4553
Second Beach	Bill Carroll	234-5413
Third Beach	Al Gazdalski	663-4698
White's Cove	Al Gebhardt	663-0014
Beaver Cove	Milt Felter	663-1565
North End	Milt Felter	663-1565
South End/Dam	Eric and Vince	

### **Committee Chairs:**

Swim Team	Debbie Gamble	663-4430
Social Committee	Dina Troha	663-6737
Fishing Committee	Mark McCormack	663-1639
Recreation Committee	Bob DenBleyker	663-3970
Membership	Milt Felter	663-1565
Summer Night Patrol	Eric Wilsusen	663-0596
Lake Ecology	Jeff Keith	663-4230
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Website	Robert Troha	663-6737
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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

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
#	#		1	2	3 Board Mtg 7:00pm	Texas Hold'em 7:00pm
5	6	7 Baby & Me 10:30am Social Comm Mtg. 7:00pm	Seniors 1pm	9	10	Annual Meeting 11:00am
12	13	14 Baby & Me 10:30am	15	16	17	18
19	20	21 Baby & Me 10:30am	Seniors 1pm	23	24	Wine Tasting 7:00pm
26	27	28 Baby & Me 10:30am Swim Team Parent's Mtg. 7pm	29	30	31	



# SAVE THE DATE

April 9th Easter Egg Hunt and Bunny Brunch 12:30pm

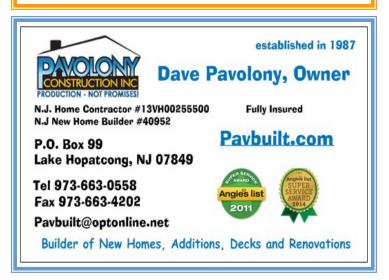


# REMEMBER MARCH 11th ANNUAL MEETING 11:00am



**FOR SALE:** NordicTrack (C2255) treadmill, folding \$250.00 call Club office: 973-663-1307

**FOR SALE:** Shed 12'3" long by 7'3" wide by 7'2" high. Color Blue. \$400.00. Buyer responsible for transport. m.volkmann@hotmail.com







### **Lakeland Seniors**

Lakeland Seniors meet every other Tuesday at Camp Jefferson on Weldon Rd., Lake Hopatcong. This month meetings are March 14 and 28. They have a membership of approximately 135. Residents of Jefferson Township 55 and older are welcome to join. They meet at 1:00pm and prior to meeting Some people play bingo. Coffee and donuts are served after the meeting.

Events planned for this year are a "Spring Fling" in March at Casa Bianca, in April an Anniversary Party at Camp Jefferson. A trip to Penn's Peak in May and Stony Hill in June.

A cruise to Bermuda on May 30th to June 7th is open to all not just members and a bus trip to New Orleans Oct. 14-22, 2017 is also open to everyone. For information contact Emily at 973-663-1294.







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# Monthly Card Night!

Tuesday, March 14th at 6:30 p.m.

Easy Game of Hand & Foot!

Beginners are welcome!

Please contact Karen at (973) 663-3562 to sign up.

Tables of four are preferred,
so please call ahead of time.



## Texas Hold 'em

Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup> Registration begins at 7pm Play starts at 7:30pm

The cost is \$15 per person and includes refreshments. Even if you've never played before, come on out and learn. We have beginners each time - we'll even show you how to play!

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# Social Committee Calendar



**Social Committee:** Please join us at the clubhouse with any new ideas you might have. This is a great time to come with ideas and join our team! Our next meeting date is Tuesday, March 7<sup>th</sup>. Meeting Dates are usually the **1st Tuesday of each month.** Keep in mind that all events are volunteer driven. If you can lend a hand at any of our events it would be greatly appreciated. Please call Dina Troha at 973-663-6737 if you plan on attending or if you have any questions.

<u>Shawnee Seniors Club:</u> Our Shawnee Seniors Club meets **every other Wednesday at 1pm** at the clubhouse. The club is open to all Seniors Age 55 and older. Coffee and snacks will be served.

**Book Swap Night:** This event has been cancelled due to lack of interest.

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

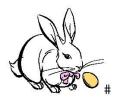
<u>Texas Hold 'em:</u> The next Tourney will be on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>March 4<sup>th</sup></u>. Doors open for registration at 7pm and play starts at 7:30pm. The cost is \$15 per person and includes refreshments. Even if you've never played before, come on out and learn, we have beginners each time - we'll even show you how to play!

Card/Game Night: Our next monthly Hand & Foot card game is on Tuesday, March 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. This is an easy card game and beginners are welcome. Please contact Karen at (973) 663-3562 to sign up. Tables of four are preferred, so please call ahead of time. If you are a single that wants to play, please give Karen a call and we will find you a partner. Meeting dates for the rest of the year are the second Tuesday of each month as follows, 4/18, 5/9, 6/13, 7/11, 8/8, 9/12, 10/10, 11/14, 12/12.

<u>Wine Tasting:</u> The 8th annual Lake Shawnee Wine Tasting and Pairing will be <u>March 25th at 7 PM at the clubhouse</u>. Come and experience a unique combination of food and wine. Space is limited to 56 seats to ensure the best experience. Advanced reservations and payment required by March 18th or you risk losing your spot. The cost is \$25 pp which includes 5 courses of wine and small plate dishes that compliment. Call Vince or Gina at 663-5964 to make a reservation. Payment should be made to the clubhouse with checks made payable to Lake Shawnee club.

**Easter Egg Prep Night**: Come on out and lend a hand on **April 6<sup>th</sup>**, **7pm at the Clubhouse.** We'll be filling 700 eggs and making the Egg Drop Kits. **Donations Needed!!** Plain Chocolate Candy that will fit inside a plastic Easter egg and rolls of scotch tape. Please drop off at the clubhouse on or before March 30<sup>th</sup>. Please use the Sign Up Genius link below if you plan on helping and/or donating.

Easter Egg Hunt and Bunny Brunch: Hop on over to the clubhouse for a fun afternoon with the family on Sunday, April 9th. At 12:30 SHARP!! We'll kick off our EGG HUNT. We're hiding over 700 eggs, so don't miss the fun!!! Please bring your own basket to fill with goodies. Everyone can enjoy our Brunch immediately following The Hunt. We are asking each family to donate an item or two to share. Please check the Sign Up Genius Link to see what kinds of items are needed and where you can help out. The Sign up Genius will close on April 2nd. If we don't have enough sign-ups for food, we may only offer baked goods. So please take a minute and sign up to donate and help out where you can. We'll also have a Special Arrival of the Easter Bunny, with Photo Opportunities and The Great Egg Drop to end our day.



In order for our Easter Festivities to be successful we need your help!

Please consider helping out and donating an item or two.

Please use the Sign Up Genius Link to see how you can help: http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c084eaaaa2ea4fa7-lake2

# THINK WARM THOUGHTS...20 DAYS 'TIL SPRING! Lake Shawnee Easter Festivities



Come on out and lend a hand!!

# Easter Prep Night is April 6th, 7pm at the Clubhouse.





Donations Needed!! Candy and Scotch Tape – Please use the Sign Up Genius link if you are able to help out and donate.

# Easter Egg Hunt and Bunny Brunch Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup> at 12:30pm

Hop on over to the clubhouse for a fun afternoon with the family.

Schedule of Activities Includes:

### 12:30 SHARP!! EGG HUNT

We're hiding over 700 eggs, so don't miss the fun!!!

Please bring your own basket to fill with goodies



## Immediately following The Hunt:

### **Bunny Brunch!!**

We are asking each family to bring a dish to share. Please check the Sign Up Genius Link to see what kind of items are needed and where you can help out. The Sign up Genius will close on April 2nd. If we don't have enough sign-ups for food, we may only offer baked goods. So please take a minute and sign up to donate and help out where you can.

### Special Arrival of the Easter Bunny

Photo Opportunities

and

## The Great Egg Drop

Teams will construct a protective covering with the materials we provide for a raw egg. Then they drop the padded eggs onto a target below from the patio deck. Their goal is to hit the bull's eye or outer rings without breaking the eggs, racking up as many points as they can in the process.

In order for this event to be a success we need your help! Please consider helping out and donating an item or two.

Please use the Sign Up Genius Link to see how you can help: http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c084eaaaa2ea4fa7-lake2



# Summary of Lake Shawnee Club Board Meeting February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017

It was reported that the Budget Committee met and prepared the Club's budget for the upcoming year. The Board voted unanimously to approve the budget as presented. The Board voted to raise dues \$5.00.

The Social Committee reported on some upcoming events including a new Book Swap, Baby and Me, and a Kids' Cooking Class. There is also an interest in starting an Open Mic Night/Jam Session. There was also a brief discussion on this year's Community Day events

It was reported that the Property Improvement Committee convened to discuss the Clubhouse Renovation project. They discussed issues and ideas and will continue to inform the Board as they proceed. They are currently contacting an engineer to inspect the septic and to recommend any improvement that may be needed to the current system due to the renovations.

The Board was informed that the loan documents for Phase II have been fully executed by the NJDEP.

There was a brief discussion about boats on Club properties. A note was put in to the annual meeting notice for members to please remove any abandoned or unused boats prior to Spring Work Day. A new Boat Rack Policy may be needed in the future, if the problem continues.



# **Creating Little Chefs**

Thank you to Vince and Gina Matrisciano for teaching our 1<sup>st</sup> Kid's Cooking Class. Our Chef's learned how to make pasta and cookies. The best part was getting to eat all of their culinary creations! Everyone had a great time; we can't wait to see what they make next time!





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# Social Committee Seeking Volunteers



# **Events in Jeopardy**

In order to ensure the success and continuation of next year's events we need more volunteers to come out and lend a hand. Social Committee membership is dwindling and many of the current members have older children who are into different activities, so in an effort to keep the momentum of our Social Committee we need new people to get involved. 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 will be welcome, we will also share experiences and help you every step of the way.

Unfortunately, if we do not get <u>at least three people</u> to chair each event listed the event may be cancelled. So grab some friends, pick an event and let's work together to make 2017 an exceptional year!!

Winter Carnival- Chili Contest Bunny Brunch Easter and Egg Hunt

First Beach Movie Night & Camp Out Friendship Candle Ceremony

Community Day Kid's Pirate Day

Ice Cream Social/Bingo Night Karaoke Night on First Beach

Movie Night & S'mores Wild West Beach Party

End of Summer Beach Bash Halloween Trunk-or-Treat Party

If you are interested please email Dina Troha at <a href="mailto:dinatroha@optonline.net">dinatroha@optonline.net</a>.





# 8<sup>th</sup> Annual LSC Wine Tasting & Pairing March 25<sup>th</sup>, 7 PM Registration Opens March 1<sup>st</sup>

Come and experience a unique combination of food and wine Contact Vince or Gina at 973-663-5964, or the club office.

The cost per person is \$25 which includes the wine and an assortment of small plate dishes to compliment.

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