



The Porthole News

March 2014 Issue

Commodore's Message



As I write this message to you, the temperature on the thermometer reads 2 degree on the 28th day of February. As I begin, I think of younger days when time almost stood still and how now, as we grow older, hours seem like minutes and days pass by like hours. Last week pitchers and catchers reported to spring training, and there has been much focus on Derek Jeter preparing to play his final season. Spring Training is for some a time of new beginnings, each team starts the

season fresh with expectations in their quest for a common goal, from a guy like Jeter to the rookie that makes the team, they will look to make their mark on a successful season. In a community like Lake Forest, I think this also holds true. From the member who has been here 25 years, to the member who will be joining us for the first time at the opening day picnic we all should be looking at this coming season as our time to make a mark on the Lake Forest Yacht Club. The board enters 2014 with great expectations of our own and with the help of membership, we can achieve great things for this community. We are always looking for suggestions and commitments that can help us in our efforts to improve an already wonderful place to live.

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In a month's time, boaters will be getting ready to put their boats in the water and we will begin a new boating season at Lake Forest. Members, who wish to rent dock space, need to contact Frank Gutowski, Dock master, or stop in at the office for an application. The 2014 rental rate for a member will hold at \$450 which is

certainly one of the best deals on the Lake. On April 1st, we will open rentals to non-members who are referred by members. The rate for non-members is \$1225. More information about our dock rentals can be found on page 4 of this publication

For Your Calendar:	
LFNS Registration Day	March 4th 7PM
International Pot Luck Dinner & Dessert	March 22nd 6pm
Neighborhood Mature Friends Group	April 11th 2pm
Easter Egg Hunt	April 12th 11am - 1pm
Beach Clean Up Day	April 26th 9am Raindate April 27th
LF Swim Team Registration	April 27 1 - 3 PM
Semi-Annual Meeting	May 2 8PM
Boat Safety Course	May 10th 8AM -
Opening Day Picnic	May 24th

March will mark the 9th year we are giving one of our graduating seniors, The Lake Forest Scholarship. Last year was awarded to Jennifer Dowd. More Information about this award can be found on page 3 of this publication. I hope all of our seniors take advantage of the opportunity and I wish the best of luck to all of our applicants.

Our Social Committee always finds a way to make an afternoon in February enjoyable! For all who did not attend this year's Winterfest/ Daytona 500 party, we had games for the kids, ice sculpting, ice fishing a great chili contest enjoyed by all, and there were hotdogs for those who wanted a chili dog. This year in the Chile contest, Bo Ferguson was voted best out of all of our entrees. Bo's family will receive a free pass to opening day picnic. There were many winners that afternoon and a great time was had by all! This month, a new event has been added to the social events calendar, Our committee will be hosting Pot luck at our club house on Friday the 22nd. Hope to see everyone at our social events and enjoying the clubs facilities. The social committee is always looking for new members, with new ideas, if interested, please contact Kim Good with meeting times or if you have any concerns or recommendations. Happy St Patrick's Day.

Ray Calogero, Commodore

Lake Forest Yacht Club Office



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Lake Forest Yacht Club Directory

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 (adult supervision available if req.)



*Lake Forest wants to send a Happy
 Birthday Wish to.....*

Aiden Kapusta who turns 12 on the 6th
 Joshua DeJesus who turns 18 on the 12th
 Lynn Boettger on the 15th
 Janelle Rossi who turns 16 on the 15th
 Kelly Hyland who turns 15 on the 22nd

If you would like to add a birthday or anniversary to our wish list, please contact the office and give us name and birthday and/or anniversary date. If you have any questions about the newsletter, please feel free to contact Kim Good or the office.

Club Rentals as of
 January 1, 2014 will be lowered to \$285 for a single event and \$570 for a double-day event. Security Deposit will remain at \$150.

New Change!

Attention Lake Forest Adult Members

We are in need and looking for someone to help manage the Galley for the 2014 Beach Season. It can be more than 1 person if you would like



to share the task with another fellow Lake Forest member. Please contact the office 973-663-0158 or Dan Schultz 973-810-3084 for more information/details.



MEMBER ID BADGE AND HANG TAG STICKERS WILL BE REQUIRED FOR THIS CURRENT MEMBERSHIP YEAR (2013-2014)

Stickers for the new membership year will be available for pick up in the office after January 1, 2014. In order to receive your renewal sticker for each ID badge, we will need a **copy of the current vehicle registrations for each car in the household** that would require a hang tag with a sticker and stickers can only be obtained once the membership is fully paid. Balance on Memberships is due by March 31st.

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Glasscar Auto Glass, Lk Hopatcong, 973-663-8828 or
973-703-2129

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Laura D'Uva, Lk Hopatcong, 862-432-2140

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973-229-6935 Cell

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Nursery School

Nursery School Registration: March 4th at 7 pm. Please come see us in session on March 4th from 10 -11am or 1-2pm. Mark your calendar for Easter Fun Day on April 12th! Bagels & Beverages will be served. Please bring a dish and some friends to participate in an egg hunt, visit with the Easter bunny, create some crafts, and enjoy tasty snacks. EVERYONE is welcome! Ready to do some guilt-free shopping for a great cause? We need your help! Mixed Bag Designs is helping Lake Forest Nursery School reach our fundraising goals this year! Anyone can support us - all they have to do is shop online at www.mixedbagdesigns.com and use our ID# 145454 to give us 40% of the purchase! Mixed Bag Designs has tons of products for everyone in the family including reusable grocery bags, travel totes, shopping bags, accessories and more! For more information about the school please visit us at www.lfyc.org and click on "nursery school".

Open Registration for the Lake Forest Swim Team

We are excited to announced that Scott Davis & Courtney Good will be returning this season!! Stop down at the club on April 27th to register and get updates or to simply find out more about us! LFST is open to all children in Jefferson Twp. And surrounding areas between ages 5-18 years. Fun activities both in and out of the water for all swimmers! The LFST is a summer swim team that competed in the New Jersey Regional Lake League. Visit the website for complete details www.lfyc.org or contact us by email: Josephine Kahwaty, President, jokahwaty@optonline.net or Diane Hyland, Treasurer, hyland4@optonline.net. We look forward to seeing you soon!

**LFYC Beach Lifeguard Positions Open for the 2014 Season**

We would like to offer this opportunity to all the Lake Forest resident guards who worked for us in the past. If you are interested in working at the beach this summer, please contact the office to obtain the necessary paperwork to re-apply for the position. Please note that all lifeguard training certifications (First Aid, AED, CPR & waterfront, etc.) must be kept up-to-date so any re-certifications will need to be done prior to May 15th or before you can begin employment. Weekend beach operations will begin Memorial Day and daily operations will begin immediately following the last day of school or the week of June 23rd. Please contact the office at 973-663-0158 or office@lfyc.org.

**SNOW TUBING at MT. CREEK**

We would like to schedule an impromptu outing for a Friday Night in March, if enough interest. SEPARATE EMAIL BLAST WOULD BE SENT. PLEASE CALL or EMAIL CLUB OFFICE IF INTERESTED. Cost is \$20 per person for 30-minute session, with operating hours from 4-9PM. Reservations are highly recommended. If we can get at least a small group together, will schedule. Some of us have Triple Plays to use anyway, so if this sounds fun and exciting, let us know to plan a date!

The \$1000.00 Lake Forest Yacht Club Scholarship Applications now being accepted!

Members may now apply for the 2014 LFYC Scholarship, which we will be awarding to one of our members who is a 2014 graduating senior. Applications are available on our website: www.lfyc.org or at your school guidance office. The deadline for submission for this scholarship is April 16th 2014. The scholarship will award \$1,000 to help start off an applicant's higher education endeavor. This one time award may be used for tuition, books and other school related expenses. The candidate must be a Lake Forest Yacht Club member in good standing as well as a 2014 graduating high school senior. Each applicant will write an essay explaining why they are the ideal candidate to be the recipient of the LFYC Scholarship as well as provide three (3) letters of recommendation. Complete details of the application criteria will be found on the LFYC Scholarship. Scholarship applications should be addressed to the LFYC Scholarship Committee and be mailed to the LFYC with a postage date no later than April 16th, 2014. The five members of the 2014 LFYC Scholarship Committee will evaluate all applications and make a decision on who will be the recipient of the 2014 LFYC Scholarship. The recipient will be notified on or before April 30, 2014.





All Residents of Lake Forest! Spring is Here...Finally!

Come and celebrate the 1st Spring Weekend with friends & Neighbors at our first International Pot Luck Dinner & Desserts! All residents are invited to enjoy this evening so we are requiring an R.S.V.P. (Just in case the weather doesn't cooperate)

Date: Saturday, 3/22/14

Time: 6pm

Contribute: Favorite Covered Dish / Dessert to Share of Your heritage or Just Your

RSVP: Email office@lfyc.org by Friday 3/14/14 with #adults, # Kids & Dish



Experience the diversity of Lake Forest and bring your favorite covered dish to share at our first **International Pot Luck Dinner & Desserts**. There Will Be Games For The Kids; Music And Raffles. Soft Drinks; Iced Tea; Beer; Wine; Coffee & Tea Are Complimentary. A Chocolate Fountain With Fruit & Treats For Dipping To Start The Dessert Table Fire Pit for Bon-Fire Conversations; Etc... RSVP NOW! Email www.office@lfyc.org or call 973-663-0158! We can't wait to try all of the delicious dishes. If the Chili Contest is any example of the cooking talent, it will be a wonderful evening and the food will be amazing!



Easter Egg Hunt - April 12th 11am - 1pm

Come and bring the kids down for games/activities and Crafts including an Easter egg hunt on the grounds. Bagels and beverages will be served. Please bring a dish to share. There will also be a visit from the Easter Bunny!

ATTENTION LAKE FOREST TEENS! Mark your calendar for our first exciting kick off event!

LASER LIGHT BOWLING AT ROCKAWAY LANES



DATE: SATURDAY, MARCH 29TH, 9:00PM LOCATION: 365 U.S. 46, ROCKAWAY, NJ 07866 COST: \$5.50 per game, \$4.00 shoe rental OR \$59.95 SPECIAL for groups of 5-6

(includes 2 pizza pies, 2 pitchers soda, shoe rental, lane for 2 hours, for 6th person add \$4.) PLEASE CALL or EMAIL CLUB OFFICE IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND. No reservations or prepayment, just would like an approximate head count. Friends or guests are welcome!! SEE YOU THERE!



ATTENTION LAKE FOREST RETIREES



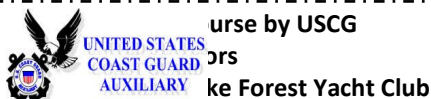
Are you retired? New to the neighborhood or been here awhile? Would you like to reconnect with old friends? Want to meet new friends? Let's start a neighborhood mature friends group! Maybe you are interested in forming a Book Club, playing Bridge or Mah Jong, some cultural activities (Art, Music), exercise, yoga for seniors, gardening, or golf, just taking a walk, or something else to stimulate your mind and spirit. Let's get together and talk about getting together! We are meeting on Friday, April 11th at 2 PM at the Yacht Club. Do come and we will talk then. This has always been a wonderful place to raise your children Now Let's help make this a wonderful place to be retired! Hope to see you there! If you are interested, please contact Kim Good (201-919-0371) or kingood@optonline.net, Pat Carthage (973-663-0399) or patcarthage@optonline.net.

Grounds/Beach Clean Up Day April 26, 2014 9am - 2pm (raindate 4/27)

We are looking for community help to get our beach and grounds ready for the spring and summer season. With a long winter getting on its way behind us (hopefully), we are looking forward to the spring clean up. Here is a list of jobs/projects that we are looking for assistance with:

- ◆ Paint where needed chains throughout grounds, bike rack, handball wall, and benches.
- ◆ Nail down all raised nails along all docks areas.
- ◆ Clean galley, galley bathrooms and ERR
- ◆ Clean playground area
- ◆ Clean BBQ grills
- ◆ Plant flowers

Please have children 12 and under accompanied by a parent.



Course by USCG

Boating Safety Course
Lake Forest Yacht Club

Upon completion of the course, you will receive your Boating Safety Certificate.

Date: Saturday, May 10, 2014

Time: 8:00am Cost: \$60 LFYC Member / \$70 Guest

Includes information needed to take the course as well as lunch and beverages are provided. RSVP directly to the USCG. Visit their website at <http://cgauxiliarylakehopatcong.com/boating2014.html> or information about the course. Payment is being collected at the door by the USCG Boat Safety Instructors.

Opening Day Picnic May 24, 2014

Mark your calendars for our annual Opening Day Picnic and the start of our 2014 Season! DJ, Activities, Food and Beverages, and more! Details to come in future issues.

Trustee Meeting Minutes

February 13, 2014

Trustees Present: Ray Calogero, Jeff Dowd, Mike Kahwaty, Jonathan Schiedlo, Sr., Dan Schultz and Greg Struble



Grant: 5 volunteers have been chosen for this committee. Scholarships for graduation seniors 2014 can be submitted until 4/16/14. See more on page 3.

Beach/Galley: Aquatics Analysis will treat the beach and dock area for weed control. Past lifeguards have been contracted in regard to the 2014 season. Dan will be reaching out to them shortly.

Office: Meeting minutes and rentals were reviewed and approved.

Financials: Discussion ensued with regard to budgets. Some changes may be made. A request was made to add an account for the Clubhouse renovations.

Social: A Pat Carthage has volunteered to head a Mature Friends Group. See more on page 4. Diana Thompson is heading a teen meeting to try and bring more teen events, also on page 4. We need more volunteers and Mike asked Kim to send something in the email blast.

Security: Background check forms have been sent to Al Rossy Investigations and all have come back clean.

Swim Team: Greg is reviewing the contract and will be meeting with the swim team to discuss and finalize.

LFNS: The 2014 contract has been reviewed by Mike and he has met with the LFNS Board. It will be finalized shortly. The LFNS Board has asked for approval on a few things. Discussion ensued.

Welcoming/Membership: Changes have been made to the welcome packets and they will be sent out shortly. List of new residents has been provided to the welcome committee.

Legal & Insurance: Working on obtaining quotes for the umbrella. Going to get GL quotes as well.

Communications: Kim would like to bring back block captains.

Nominating: Ray is working on getting 3 more members for this committee (any area) to complete the committee. Have 1 from each area... chosen at the annual meeting.

Maintenance/Grounds: Clean Up day is scheduled for April 26th with a raindate of April 27th. List of jobs or duties will be posted in the March and April issue.

Docks: Rental agreements have been finalized and mailed out to members.

Boat Course: Boat Course will be on 5/10. Price change from last year. Lunch will be handled by the vendor. Money will also be collected at the door.

OLD BUSINESS: Auditor has advised that she will be in touch with us shortly with regard to the results.

The board is working on finalizing the contract for the OPA Boat Races in May.

NEW BUSINESS: The Lake Hopatcong Foundation has asked the board if they can give a presentation at the semi-annual meeting. The board will be in touch with them to discuss the length of time for this presentation.



Once again the social committee has put together a wonderful event! There were many people coming and going throughout the day enjoying the great weather and much needed after a long winter. At one point we had almost 200 people!!!! What made it a success was everyone getting the word out, the donations of food, etc. and the amount of work

done for set up, maintaining and clean up. Bo Ferguson won the chili contest and Veronica Carrion won the kids raffle for the brand new fishing pole donated by Tony D'Alau-ro, who also ran the ice fishing event. The largest fish I've ever seen caught at Winterfest was a 5lb6oz large mouth bass (see below). We had snow sculpting as well as the kids were enjoying sledding over the mounds of snow. Thank you to everyone who brought food to share, helped with the event, took pictures, etc. We could not have such a great event without the support and enthusiasm of our community! Mike Kahwaty, Social Trustee



Chili Cook-off Winner, Bo Ferguson



Winner of Fishing Pole, Veronica Carrion



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2014 Season Dock Rental Information Dock Slip Renewal Deadline: March 15th, 2014

As we get closer to the start of the boating season, we want to remind all members who rented slips in 2013 that the March 15th dock slip renewal deadline is approaching. We already have a few new member dock slip rental requests and several member guests who want to rent a slip again from us this season.

The 2014 dock rental fee for members is \$450.00. If you plan on renewing for the upcoming season, please return the completed and signed rental agreement along with a copy of your boat registration and payment by March 15th 2014. Also, please indicate if there is any repair issue that you feel needs to be tended to regarding your slip.

If you have no intention to renew your dock slip for the 2014 season, please contact the club office so that we may reassign the slip to another member. After March 18th, we will assign the new member rental slips and open up available slips to members who want to rent a second slip. On April 1st, all remaining open dock slips will be made available to member guests, with a member referral, at a rental fee of \$1,225. We also have several select dock slips available for rent at a discounted price. Members may rent those select slips for \$400 or non-members may rent them for \$1,000. Please contact the dock master for details on those select slips.

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Trustee Meeting Minutes, Master Lease & Membership Payment Schedule

The trustees meet the second Thursday of each month and a full review of the minutes are available at the office for all members in good standing.

The Membership Payment Schedule is posted on our website, www.LFYC.org. Please be advised the membership is continuous until a request to cancel is submitted in writing.

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