

Happy Holidays



The Porthole News

December 2012 Issue

Commodore's Message



The holiday seasons are upon us. Thanksgiving has come and gone. Christmas, Hanukkah and New Years will be here before we can blink an eye. Time passes by quickly. It seems like just yesterday I sat to write last January's message .While giving thanks at Thanksgiving I am sure many of us reflected on Sandy who visited us for Halloween, leaving most of New Jersey and all of Jefferson without power, and how weather changes have drastically affected all of our lives the past few years. Although all of us were inconvenienced by the power outage and many had damage to their homes caused by fallen trees or wind, for the most part compared to the rest of

the state we were lucky. When unexpected situations like these arise it takes added efforts of our board and individual members who step up to ensure the safety of our buildings and the well- being of our members. I thank you all for those efforts when needed. We are currently talking about ways of helping protect our club when power is lost, which in the future would also help the members of the community who are left without power and heat.

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The Club is again looking to help you help others from our community who may be less fortunate. We will be collecting toy and coat donations from club members which will go to families in need. We thank those who helped others with their food donations at Thanksgiving. Please review our insert for details.

For Your Calendar:

Pancake Breakfast	Dec 1
LFYC Annual Meeting	Dec 7
LFYC Annual Beefsteak Comedy Night	Jan 26 2013
Football Parties at the club	TBA

Mark your calendars for the Annual Meeting on Friday Dec. 7th. There are a number of topics to discuss that evening. One of the topics would be a review of the progress made to our 5 and 10 year plan for the club. We also have a trustee election that night and we have several members who have expressed interest in being candidates for these positions. Please read each candidates statement in this Porthole. We would like to continue having an energetic board who will build on improving the club as you have seen over the past several years. Hope to see you all there!

I look back at this past year, thinking of all the hard work and dedication that the board of trustees has put forth, and thank them for their devotion to our club. I would be remiss not to mention two of our trustees who have donated outstanding service to our community and will not be returning to the board next year. Diana Thompson, who has served on our board for the past four years, two of those as our treasurer, as well as the secretary of the club this past year. Diana has helped the community in so many ways and will be missed. The other would be Rich L'Altrelli. Rich in his two years on the board has helped reviewed many contracts which included insurance liability as well as all of our vendor's contracts. Rich's knowledge was extremely helpful and his dedication has not gone unnoticed. I would also like to thank the members of our social committee, by laws committee, Diane Hyland our office manager and all our members who volunteered their time in helping to make 2012 so successful.

Seasons Greetings to all.....

Ray Calogero

Commodore



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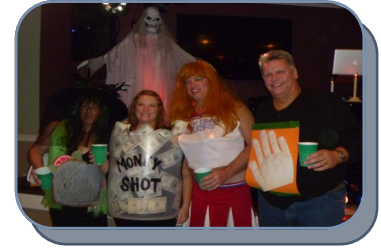
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Happy Birthday to....

Danny Stewart who turns 17 on December 1st
Luke Calogero who turns 12 on December 2nd
Laura D'Uva on December 3rd
Chuck Emery on December 5th
Kayle Runne who turns 15 on December 15th
Pat Brennan on December 16th
Ashley Stewart who turns 15 on December 17th



LFYC 2012 HALLOWEEN PARTY





LFYC 2012 ANNUAL MEETING - DECEMBER 7TH 8PM

It is that time of year again to vote on candidates for the LFYC Board as well as the current LFYC will present to the membership their year end reports. We must have a quorum by 8:15. Please mark you calendars for this event.

LFYC ANNUAL BEEFSTEAK/COMEDY NIGHT - January 26, 2013 7PM

Don't miss this great night of food and laughter! Doors will open at 6:30pm. At 7pm we'll start you off with our traditional beefsteak dinner. "All you can eat" Filet Mignon on French Bread with salad and French Fries. Following the meal will be Dessert, Coffee & Tea. Beer, Wine and Soda are complimentary. BYO premium spirits, etc. We will have two comedians for you that evening. Your comedians this year will be Keith Anthony & Brad Trackman. Be prepared for a great night of fun! Tables of (8) minimum (10) maximum of people may be reserved. **Reservations will begin for MEMBERS on December 1st through December 14th. Anyone wishing to add Non-Resident Guests may do so after December 14th.**



Lake Forest Swim Team Registration - April 28, 2013 from 3pm to 5pm at the LFYC Clubhouse.

More information will be posted on the website in the near future.

LFYC Annual Opening Day Picnic - May 25, 2013

Details for this event will follow. Mark your calendars!!



Lake Forest Project to Help Families in Jefferson Township.....



"Lake Forest Yacht Club is one of many communities in Jefferson Township and we are committed to helping the community at large. This fall and winter season, the LFYC is offering giving opportunities with all proceeds going to help families within Jefferson Township." Our newest program is called, **Project: Helping Hands.**

In December we will join forces with the Jefferson Township Recreation Department and the Jr. Women's Club to help with a Toy & Coat Drive. Last year over forty families were supported by these good deeds and we would like to contribute to fulfill the needs this year. This program offers gifts for newborns through high school aged children. We will collect gifts (**UNWRAPPED WITH ORIGINAL TAGS & BOXES ONLY**) or all age groups; Target Gift Cards; Coats, Hats, etc...

Date change!!!! Please note the collection dates are changed.

Drop off Dates & Times:
Toy Drive for December - Week of December 3rd through the 8th

Tuesday: 9:00 am through 2:00 pm, Thursday: 9:00 am through 2:00 pm and Saturday: 9:00 am through 1:00 pm



There are many needs to be met and everyone has different passions. If you are moved to participate in any or all, we welcome all donations and appreciate your assistance in helping our JT community. If you have any questions or would like to help in some other way, please contact Kim Good 201-919-0371 or Phil Schiff 973-663-3327.

2012 Lake Forest Board of Trustee Election

It is 2012 and an important election year for the Lake Forest Yacht Club. This year there will be 4 positions to fill. "We have 2 incumbent trustee candidates and 4 new candidates and 2 current members that will run for these positions. "So be sure to come out on December 7th and help pick our new trustees. "As in years past, the nominating Committee has asked each of the candidates to write a bio, 250 words or less for the porthole. The Nominating Committee asked the candidates to include statements in the following areas:

1. Family & LFYC History:

Tell us about you & your family. "How long have you lived in Lake Forest? How long have you been a member of the Yacht Club?

2. Prior Involvement in the club:

Have you served on any committees? "Have you participated in a clean up day or beach closing? "Do you attend social functions? "Do you use the facilities?

3. Availability:

Can you attend a monthly meeting? "Are you able to handle any responsibilities during the day? ""Are you available on the weekends? " Does your schedule allow you to oversee the various subcommittees that may be assigned to you?

4. Special Skills:

What is your occupation? "Do you have any special hobbies or interests that would benefit the club? "What is your personality like? "Can you motivate people?

5. Goals for the club:

What is your vision for future of the club? "Why are you running for trustee?

Please plan to attend the Lake Forest Yacht Club Annual Meeting, at which the election will be held. The meeting is December 7, 2012, at 8:00pm. A quorum must be reached by 8:15pm. As per the By-Laws, all members must be "in good standing" to vote --meaning the property's Master Lease and the 1st half of Membership Dues billed 10/1/12 must be paid. "Absentee ballots must be received at the LFYC Office by Thursday, December 6, 2012. Please stop in at the LFYC Office prior to deadline. "There will be no allowances for reception of absentee ballots after this time.



Ray Calogero

My wife Loriann, my son Luke and I have lived in Lake Forest eight years now. We saw Lake Forest as a great community to raise our family. We have always enjoyed our LFYC membership and want the yacht club to be a place where all our families and friends are welcome.

Four years ago I volunteered as a candidate for an open position on the Board of Trustees, and membership showed me support by voting me into this important position. Since that time I have helped our club by coming up with new ideas that will benefit our membership now and in the future.

I have been honored to serve as Commodore the past few years. I managed and helped coordinate major maintenance projects and improvements here, which include the septic project, new kitchen/ Commodores room renovation and this past year's makeover of our Galley. I have worked closely with both the board of trustees, and club members while serving as trustee as well as being a volunteer on member projects in years prior. I have also assisted our Social Committee with developing and coordinating events here at the club.

I have an admiration for history and have enjoyed listening and learning about the events which took place here that developed this fine neighborhood. My goal is as it has been in the past, to follow those trustees who have donated their time before me and to continue helping Lake Forest be "the great community that we call home".

I moved to Lake Forest over 16 years ago with my wife Leanne and daughter Jennifer. Jennifer is now 17 and our son Thomas is 15. Throughout our residency in Lake Forest we have enjoyed many Yacht Club social activities and have extensively utilized the Yacht Club facilities. Serving the last three years as a LFYC trustee, I've worked closely with other trustees and members to recommend and implement many LFYC improvements. Additionally, I've volunteered countless hours to maintain the facilities and grounds for the Yacht Club as well as the Nursery School and Swim Team. As a long-term supporter of both the LFST and the LFNS, I've had the pleasure of watching both my children graduate nursery school and compete in swim meets held at the LFYC facilities.

I have over 25 years experience in the Information Technology Industry; currently I'm employed by Wyndham Worldwide to manage their Software Quality Assurance teams. During my years of experience as a manager I've developed the skills required to effectively work with others to accomplish goals. I feel that I could use these skills to continue the revival of the LFYC facilities and enhance our ability to make it an active, safe and affordable haven for us and our children. I enjoy Boating, Golf and Motorcycling.



Jeff Dowd

**Kim Good**

My name is Kim Good and I have been a member of the Lake Forest community since 1987. We first moved into the community as newlyweds and purchased our first home on Commodore Drive. Once we began a family we needed a little more space and have been on Ripplewood Dr since 1992. Prior to having children, I really wasn't active in the community. That time was all about work and saving money. The real involvement began with Courtney (20) attending Lake Forest Nursery School. At first I wasn't sure how we were going to be able to manage the responsibilities associated with a cooperative school...but it turned out to be an amazing experience for child and parent alike. Taylor (15) also went through the school and we have made lasting friendships through both experiences. Both girls also have been on the Lake Forest Swim Team since 1994 and over the years I have volunteered my time and also served on the board. Outside of the community, my volunteerism has been with the JTHS Swim Team parent board; as a USA Swimming Official and a Sunday School teacher at church. Professionally I have been with Jennifer Convertibles for 27 years and currently am the Director of Sales & Training. As some of you know, my late husband was an active member in the Jefferson & Denville Soccer Programs as well as a board member with the LFYC, so I am very familiar with the committed to the position. I believe that Lake Forest is an amazing community to raise a family and the LFYC facilities are truly a treasure. To have a beach area; tennis courts; baseball fields; boat docks; a club house with social activities; etc... at your finger tips are not to be taken for granted. My vision is that LF is a private community that is warm & welcoming, enjoyed by all residents and creates a desire for others to want to live here. Thank you for your consideration and I look forward to seeing you at the December meeting.

My name is Mike Kahwaty, resident of Lake Forest since 1995. I live here with my wife, Josephine and two children Anthony (13) and Nicole (10). I have been in the pest control industry for 25 years. I am a lifetime resident of Jefferson having grown up in Oak Ridge. I have been an active member in our community since my wife and I decided to settle here and raise a family. We have enjoyed being members of the club using the beach in the summer and attending the social events throughout the year. While my daughter attended the Lake Forest Nursery School I helped with fundraising for the school. Both of my children swim on the Lake Forest Swim Team and I have helped with fundraising for that as well. I have also volunteered for numerous functions with the social committee. I want to be a member of the board so I can give back to the community what it has given to me and my family over the years.

**Mike Kahwaty****Paul Sabia**

My name is Paul Sabia. I've lived in Lake Forest for thirteen years as a homeowner and member along with my wife Bonnie, a past trustee, and my two sons Colin, 8 and Nicholas, 5. The thirty years prior, I was a member through my parents, Paul and Peggy Sabia. My father contributed a great deal of time to the club as a trustee and commodore. He designed the roof for the clubhouse and assisted in the building of our previous raft.

Growing up with my father so involved led me to become involved as well at a young age. I have attended most beach opening and closings for approximately the past 25 years. I previously served as a board member for 4 years; taking on responsibilities ranging from grounds maintenance and repair to holding the position of secretary.

Not only have I been involved with maintaining the club, my family and I have attended many social functions over the years. We spend quite a bit of time using the facilities in the summer, both to access the water and enjoy time with friends on the beach.

I work in New York City building, maintaining and providing service for television production studios and post production systems. I have a flexible enough schedule that allows me to attend board meetings and other related functions as needed.

Having been a member of the community for so long, I've seen how the club has grown and stagnated throughout the years. I'd like the opportunity to continue the growth the club has seen over the past 5 years. My goals are to keep improving the look and value of the club at as minimal a cost to all of the membership as possible. I believe for everyone to enjoy what we have created here in Lake Forest, it needs to remain affordable while at the same time being as up to date as possible.

My name is Carl Sallo. I have been a member of the LFYC since December 2005, when my wife, Vinnette, and I moved to Lake Forest from Longwood Lake in Oak Ridge. Vinnette is currently serving her last year as Chairperson of the Lake Forest Nursery School (LFNS), which my family has devoted much time and effort toward maintaining, preserving, and improving. We have two children, both of whom attended LFNS and thoroughly enjoy the club's facilities and activities.

I believe that my experience and expertise can offer a new perspective beneficial to the management and functionality of our club. I have a BA in political science and have served on various boards and executive committees. I was elected President of the Zeta Kappa Chapter of Pi Kappa Phi National Fraternity, a position that required oversight of more than 270 members, an executive board, a substantial treasury and amount of property. In 2000, I helped organize and found the Upper Longwood Lake Association, serving as cochairman through December 2005, where I was responsible for all bookkeeping and finances, and the implementation and management of a lake chemical treatment program. I am also actively involved in the Jefferson Youth Football League as a head coach, attending all board meetings and volunteering my time. Having owned and managed an insurance brokerage firm in Jefferson for over 12 years, I've had the pleasure of getting personally involved with many local families and businesses within our community.

**Carl Sallo**

Given the opportunity as an elected trustee, I would strive to improve our club facilities and progress toward more boating activities & functions typical of a traditional yacht club, while preserving club traditions and assets. I would also endeavor to restore interest and involvement among current members, and actively recruit new members. I look forward to meeting these challenges head-on with a fresh outlook and business approach, necessary for our club to move forth and prosper.

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Property South & East of Espanong	\$191.00	\$47.75/qtr	Oct 1, Jan 1, Apr 1, Jul 1	10 days		\$375.00 one time payment. Due upon signing contract.
Club Membership Dues including tax (optional) Membership automatically renews unless cancelled in writing and bond is turned in.						Cleaning and Damage Security
Family	\$446.19		Oct 1	60		Deposit
		2 @ 223.10	Nov 30 & Mar 25	0		\$150.00 one time payment.
Single	\$347.75		Oct 1	60		Due upon signing contract.
		2 @ 173.86	Nov 30 & Mar 25	0		Other Fees
Seniors 65+ will have their dues locked @ rate active on date club is notified						<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Returned Check \$27.00 Finance Charges
One time Membership Fees						Membership & Bonds
Registration fee <i>\$15 discount if within 3 months of residency</i>	\$50					12%
Refundable Bond (property owners only)	\$400	\$92.00/yr 5 years	Mar 1	10 days		Master Lease
Security Deposit (tenants only)	\$400	n/a				6%
Dock Slip Rental						
Member in good standing	\$450		Jan 10	60 days		
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