



The Porthole News

March 2012 Issue

Commodore's Message

I start this message reflecting on time and weather. I have often written about weather and how it affects our lives for both good and bad. This year as I write this message, with a forecast for the 23rd day of February of 60 degrees and sunny, once again it feels as time has passed quickly and winter has gone with a blink of an eye. For many who enjoy the winter months for such sports as skiing, snowboarding, snowmobiling, sleigh riding or many who just enjoy the beauty of a fresh blanket of snow on the landscape, this year will be remembered as the year

we had no winter. We can't control the passing of time and the weather Mother Nature hands us every day. Looking at this winter in a positive note we have all saved on our heating costs and are able to get a jump on our spring cleaning. The Lake Forest Yacht Club is looking to take advantage of the early spring, turning much of our focus on the maintenance of our grounds and buildings, knowing that our beach and boating season will be right around the corner.

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For Your Calendar:

Easter Egg Hunt	March 31
Boat Safety Course	April 28
Semi-Annual Meeting	May 4
Opening Day Picnic	May 26

We have recently hired a Handyman- Maintenance contractor who has already started working with our trustees on projects included in our 5 and 10 yr plan as well as everyday maintenance needed here at the club. We have also met with our landscape contractor to discuss improvements to the look of our facility. Our improvements will help enhance our members experience while using the grounds as well as help the value to the community as a whole.

March will also mark the 6th year we are awarding one of our graduating seniors, The Lake Forest Scholarship. Last year I was privileged to be able to present this award to Craig Peterson on his graduation day. I hope all of our seniors take advantage of this opportunity and I wish the best of luck to all of our applicants.

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, our Dock Master, or stop in at our office for an application. The 2012 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. Information for both the registration for the scholarship award and renting a boat slip can be found on page 5 of this newsletter.

With the warm weather already here I am happy to see member enjoying our facility! Happy St. Patrick's Day!

Ray Calogero

Commodore



Special points of interest:

- Scholarship Information can be found on page 5
- Dock Slip Information can be found on page 5
- LFYC Apparel now available for purchase. Details on page 5



Lake Forest Yacht Club Office

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 Office Hours: Tuesdays 9am to 1pm
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Lake Forest Yacht Club Directory

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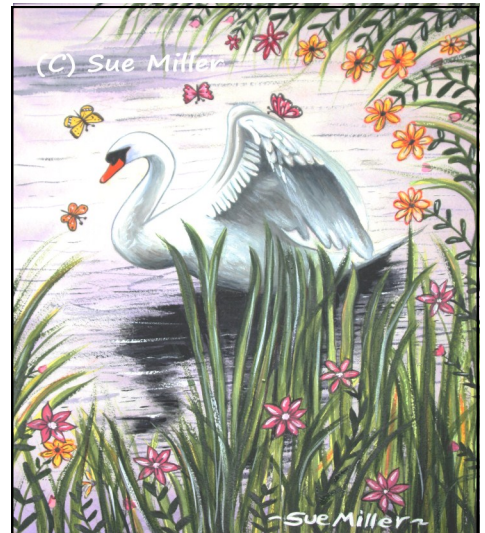
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LKYC is looking to interview new and returning lifeguards for the 2012 summer season. Weekend beach operations begin Memorial Day weekend. Daily operations begin in June. Contact the office for more details about scheduling, days required to work, etc. Lifeguard training and Red Cross Certification are required. Returning lifeguards will need to re-apply for this position. An application can be obtained in the office.

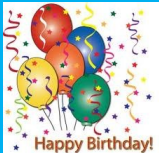


ATTENTION ALL WATER SKIERS! If you are interested in getting together with a group to water ski during mid week please contact Keith Kesheneff at 973-445-6197 in the early AM or in the PM!

The Lake Forest Bulletin Board

Happy Birthday to.....

- Mila Lewis on March 4th
- Aiden Kapusta turning 10 on March 6th
- Skyilar Lewis turning 14 on March 9th
- Joshua DeJesus turning 16 on March 12th
- Lynn Boettger on March 15th
- Janelle Rossi turning 14 on March 15th



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2012 Season Dock Rental Information Dock Slip Renewal Deadline: March 15th, 2012

As we get closer to the start of the boating season, we want to remind all members who rented slips in 2011 that the March 15th dock slip renewal deadline is approaching. We already have several new member dock slip rental requests and about twelve non-members who want to rent a slip from us this season.

The 2012 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 2012. 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 2012 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 non-members, 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 \$1,025. Please contact the dock master for details on those select slips.

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

Members may now apply for the 2012 LFYC Scholarship, which we will be awarding to one of our members who is a 2012 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 2012.

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 2012 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, 2012. The five members of the 2012 LFYC Scholarship Committee will evaluate all applications and make a decision on who will be the recipient of the 2012 LFYC Scholarship. The recipient will be notified on or before May 31st, 2012.

**Lake Forest Yacht Club Apparel**

Polo's, sweatshirts, performance shirt, fleece and more now available at the office to check out. Orders are being taken. We also have a catalog should there be something else you'd like with our logo on it. Perhaps a baseball hat, a T-shirt, windbreaker, etc. Stop by the office to browse or if you like you can print an order form from our website. Let's wear our LFYC apparel proud!

**Boating Safety Course Offered by the LFYC**

Upon completion of the course you will receive your Boating Safety Certificate issued by the Marine Division of the NJ State Police.

Saturday, May 14, 2011 Time: 8:30 am to 4:30 pm (approximately) Cost: \$65.00

Cost Includes textbook, a federal regulations booklet, safety brochures, as well as lunch and soft drinks. Students must bring : a ball point pen, a pencil, a current form of ID and a self-addressed stamped envelope to the course. In approximately 90 days, The Safe Boating Certificate Card will be mailed to the student in the self-addressed stamped envelope by The State Police.

YOU MUST RSVP AND PREPAY the Lake Forest Yacht Club by April 21st

Trustee Meeting Minutes February 9, 2012

Trustees Present: Ray Calogero, BJ Caraccioli, Jeff Dowd, Rich L'Altrelli, Phil Schiff,

Keith Beaudoin and Andy Egan

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 7:08 by Ray Calogero

MEETING ADJOURNED: 9:40 by Ray Calogero



For a full review of the minutes, please come down to the office.

Ray Calogero started off the meeting by discussing the LFYC Grant. He informed the board that there was a small change in the application/requirements which relates to the Lake Forest Yacht Club. You can read and print the application on the website for more details or contact the office. Ray let the board members know that he and Phil Schiff had a meeting with the Lake Forest Nursery School with regards to changes being made beginning 2012-2013 school year. Discussion ensued. Please contact the office for a full review of the meeting minutes regarding this topic.

BJ Caraccioli was next to present his reports. Discussion ensued regarding the installation of the extra security cameras. Plans have been made to have them installed next weekend. They will be on or near the office and be aimed at the office, gate entrance, B & C docks, etc. Warning signs are also being posted in the area. Al Rossy will be hired again this year to handle the club's security. The gate was removed for the winter so that the plow can get through to clear the road. It will be installed in the spring. A detailed discussion by the board took place after the meeting regarding the office restructuring and changes.

Jeff Dowd has taken the floor to go over and discuss the club's financials. Areas looked at were social, maintenance and docks. For a review of this information please stop in the office.

Keith Beaudoin was the next to speak and he informed the board that he has created a spreadsheet to keep things organized with regards to maintenance items. Discussion ensued regarding tracking the expenses. Keith informed the board that someone has contacted the office regarding the handyman/maintenance position. Keith placed a call to him and he is waiting for a response. Keith and Andy are working together to create a fixed format for the Porthole news. The idea is that eventually the office may be printing the issue and/or it will be posted on the website with faster downloading and easier page navigation. The board has agreed to hire the current landscaper again to handle this year's grounds maintenance.

Following Keith was Phil Schiff's report. He informed the board members that he and Ray were going to meet with Frank to have a discussion regarding the social committee. There was one change to the beach rules this year and that is smoking is not permitted on the beach. There will be designated areas for smoking. There will also be cans in that area to dispose a used cigarette. Discussion ensued regarding this year's beach staff. The office has begun to receive applications for lifeguard positions and each will be reviewed shortly. Discussion ensued regarding swim instructor, salaries, job duties,, etc. Discussion also ensued regarding the galley and how it will be run this year.

The next topic was lead by Rich L'Altrelli. He let everyone know that he is working on the swim team and the nursery school contracts. Discussion ensued on how the contact will be written as a main concern

is the club's liability exposures. Rich is going to reach out to the galley renovation committee to see where they are in the process. Insurance policies have been renewed.

Our meeting is almost at an end when it was Andy Egan's turn to present his report. He advises that he received some requests from members with regards to improvements to the tennis court. Andy took a look at the court. Andy is looking into costs for some repairs/improvements and will report to the board. Andy is also going to take on repairs necessary to the wall ball court next to the clubhouse. He will look into costs for those repairs as well. The boat course has been set up and the office is now accepting enrollment. Please see details on it in this issue. Andy is reaching out to Jim Brown regarding some items of concern with regards to the swim team.

OLD BUSINESS: The board is still working on a decision with regards to the violations noted by the Fire Prevention Bureau. All of the violations were corrected with the exception of the stove/hood in the kitchen. The board is working with the town to get this matter resolved.. Discussion ensued regarding the clubhouse rental agreement.



MARCH 31ST - Easter Egg Hunt 11AM until 2PM at the Clubhouse. Beverages supplied by the club, Bring a Dish if you like and enjoy Brunch, a craft for the little ones, and a visit from the Easter Bunny. There will also be an Easter Egg Hunt. The cost is free!

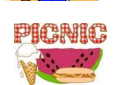


APRIL 28th - Boat Safety Course 8:30 AM at the Clubhouse. See details in this issue.



APRIL 29th - Lake Forest Swim Team Registration Day 3pm -5pm at the clubhouse.

MAY 4th - Semi-Annual Meeting 8:00 PM at the clubhouse. A quorum must be met by 8:15.



MAY 26th - Opening Day Picnic at the clubhouse. Details to follow. Save the date!

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Yacht Club Membership Dues - (Owners &/or Tenants)	2 Adult Family Single Household	\$410.00* \$318.00*
Reminder for 2012 Season-The office needs to view Registrations for each auto in the household. This is required in order to receive your beach badges.	Seniors over age 65	Annual cost covers from 10/1-9/30 Annual cost covers from 10/1-9/30 Various Dues are frozen at the rate applicable upon attaining age 65. Effective upon member notification to the club. Not retroactive.
Membership Registration Fee -	\$50.00	\$15.00 Discount if membership is applied for within 3 months of residency. Voting Membership Bond must be posted. Payable in one payment or 5 annual payments of \$92. \$12 finance charge included. Refundable upon terminating Membership.
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LFYC Membership Security Deposit-(TENANTS)	\$400.00	Non-Voting Membership Security Deposit must be paid.

***Please note that memberships are continuous each year and payment is due as described in the fee schedule until the membership is cancelled and this request is put in writing to the LFYC Office at PO Box 217Lake Hopatcong, NJ 07849 BEFORE OCTOBER 30th.

Clubhouse Rental Fee- \$375 per rental and a \$150 security updated. deposit. Separate checks are required. The rental contract has been updated. Please visit the office for a blank form.

Dock Slip Rentals - \$450.00 Available to members in good standing only.
\$1225.00 Available to non-members with a member referral.

	Due Date	Terms	Delinquency Date	Finance Charge
Master Lease	Jan 1, April 1, July 1 and October 1	Due 1st of each quarter	10th day each qtr.	6%
Dues	October 1	In full or half by Nov 30 & final by March 31	Dec 1 1st half & April 1 2nd half	12%
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