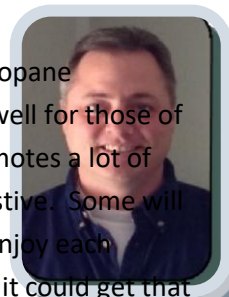




### Commodore's Message



November has arrived and our temperatures have finally become cooler spurring the oil or propane companies to fill our fuel tanks so we can heat our homes. It's officially leaf raking season as well for those of us who accomplish this task ourselves. That means the holiday season is close behind. It promotes a lot of gift and food shopping, some baking and creative decorations which make our homes look festive. Some will host their family or friends while other will be guests. It's a nice time of the year to visit and enjoy each other's company and enjoy some great food and drink at the same time. It doesn't sound like it could get that much better; and considering its and election year, please don't let your political beliefs get in the way of your love for your family and friends.

#### Inside this issue:

an election for the next board accomplishments and the all members to attend to we can move the club You should have already candidates who are running

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Our next community membership meeting will take place on December 2nd. We will be holding of trustees as well as discussing this year's direction of the club for the future. I encourage vote, listen and provide the board feedback so forward in the direction the community desires. received your notice with the agenda and to volunteer their time to the community.

#### For Your Calendar:

party. It's a great reason to have a Wear your ugliest sweater and enjoy make any plans yet for New Years bring in the New Year. It's a safe way neighbors and enjoy each other's

On the social activity calendar, our charity event will be held on November 19<sup>th</sup>. Please see details inside this edition of this newsletter. On December

Wine Tasting	November 5
Charity Event	November 19
Annual Meeting	December 2

10<sup>th</sup>, the club will hold its ugly sweater club party as we close out the year. some food and drink. And if you did not Eve, please join us down at the club to to spend the evening with friends and

company. There will be plenty of entertainment, so bring the kids for what I'm sure will be a delightful evening. If you're not a member yet, please consider joining the club. Everyone I speak to who visits our club tells me we have the best beach on the lake. You will also be able to join us for the social events we hold.

If you do not want to pay the entire membership fee up front, payment installments are available. Inquire with Anna in our office for details.

I hope everyone has a wonderful holiday season and I look forward to seeing you at our meeting or social events.

Dan Schultz

Commodore



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

Liam Brennan November 1

Lauren Gutowski November 16

Amanda Hyland November 22

Margaret Zambino November 24

Aubrey Gilligan November 29





### December 31 –New Year’s Eve Party



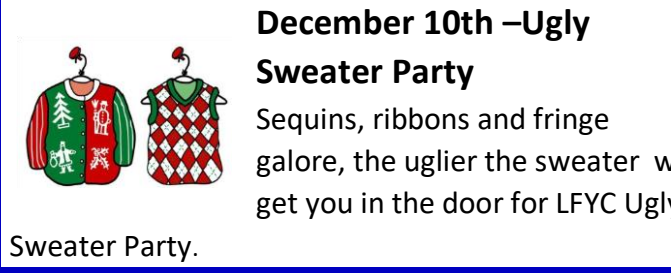
Come and celebrate the beginning of 2017 with your neighbors, friends and families at the LFYC New Year's Eve Party.



### January 28th - Beefsteak/Comedy Night



Don't miss this great night of good food and laughter and mark your calendars for LFYC Annual Beefsteak and Comedy Night





## Be a Big Winner for Being the Biggest Loser in Lake Forest!

# LAKE FOREST

We're looking for all Men and Women who would like to participate in the Lake Forest Biggest Loser Contest. There is no cost to participate. Only a desire to lose the excess pounds and to get healthier for the new year. Members who would like to sign up will need to visit the club office in January.

The Lake Forest Biggest Loser contest begins on January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017. Contestant will need to weigh in at the club office to record your beginning weight. Contestants may begin anytime during the month of January to record their beginning weight. Subsequent weigh ins will be during the first week of each month to monitor progress. Contestant attire for weigh in is T shirt, pants and socks.

The contest concludes on Saturday April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2017 with the final weigh in at the club office. Contestants may come in prior to April 29<sup>th</sup> for final weigh in. No weigh in permitted after April 29<sup>th</sup>.

Top Three Biggest Losers will be selected in both Men and Women brackets. Winners will be determined by the highest percentage of weight loss.

Biggest Loser Prize: \$100

2<sup>nd</sup> Biggest Loser Prize: \$50

3<sup>rd</sup> Biggest Loser Prize: \$25

Even if you are not the Biggest Loser in this contest, you're still a Winner in that you will start off the New Year with a healthier lifestyle. So contact the office and get weighed in starting on January 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Note:**

*The Lake Forest Biggest Loser contest is for members who want to lose weight through exercise and a healthier diet. Members who have surgical procedures to control weight may not participate in this contest. All participants are encouraged to consult with their physician before participating in any diet and / or exercise program.*

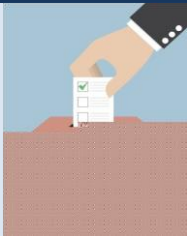


## 2017 Annual Beefsteak/Comedy Night January 28

Beginning on December 1st we will take reservations for LFYC Members and their Guests.

Tables of 8 minimum and 10 maximum may be reserved.

Member fee is \$45 and Non Resident Guest of the Member is \$50.



### Trustee Election

### 2016 Lake Forest Board of

It is 2016 and an important election year for the Lake Forest Yacht Club. This year there will be 4 positions to fill. Trustee vacating positions are: **Mike Kahwaty, Ray Calogero, Dan Olsen, Keith Moran**. We have 3 incumbent trustee candidates: Mike Kahwaty, Keith Moran and Dan Olsen and 2 new candidates: Vincent Gowers and Brian Richardson

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 candidate 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 2, 2016, at 8:00pm. A quorum must be reached by 8:15pm.**

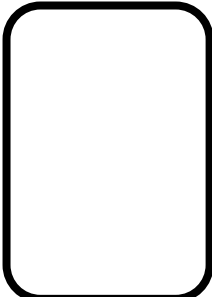
**As per the By- Laws, all members must be "in good standing" to vote --meaning the property's Master Lease and the 1st half of Membership Dues billed 10/1/16 must be paid.**

**Absentee ballots can be obtained from the office beginning on November 28, 2016.**

**Absentee ballots must be returned to the Office no later than Thursday, December 1st in order to be counted.**

# Candidates Bios

## *Vincent Gowers*



My name is Vincent Gowers. Back in 2005, we were looking to buy our first house. My wife MaryAnn found a house in Lake Hopatcong on-line. We went to see it and we knew we wanted to live here. When we bought the house, we knew nothing about LFYC. We made friends with just about everyone on our stretch of Woodlawn right away. Thanks to the LFYC, we made friends

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throughout the community. We got really lucky moving here. Unfortunately, my wife passed away in October of 2011 after a long battle with Breast Cancer. Living in such a great community with such wonderful people was such a blessing for us. I have a daughter Samantha (Sammie), who is 13 years old and loves to spend time at our beach. I am 47 years old, I grew up in Bloomfield and I have been with Verizon working as an outside tech for over 26 years. My parents, Vince and Geri, followed us here and live right next door to us, needless to say, they love it here also. We have been members since we moved here, 11 years ago. We attend numerous activities such as the opening and closing day picnics, beach cleanups and many other social events. *Cont.*

I have also helped out with many projects such as rebuilding the catwalks, painting and many others.

I have decided to run for a trustee position so I can continue to give back to the community that has given us so much. With over 27 years now at Verizon, I can spend less time at work and more time trying to improve our wonderful club. Thank you for your consideration.

## *Mike Kahwaty*



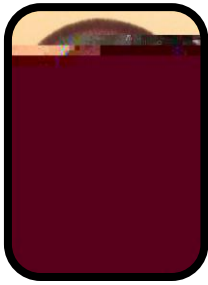
My name is Mike Kahwaty, resident of Lake Forest since 1995. I live here with my wife, Josephine, and two children, Anthony (17) and Nicole (14). I am a lifetime resident of Jefferson having grown up in Oak Ridge.

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. My wife and I have also volunteered for numerous functions with the social committee and our family has attended most of the events. Both of my children swim on the Lake Forest Swim Team and I have helped with fundraising as well as other areas of need. I have been involved in numerous projects throughout our facility like the new cat walks, lighting for the horse shoe pits, tennis courts (now multipurpose court), wind curtain on tennis court, revamping of seating benches, and more.

With your support I look forward to helping get more accomplished in years to come. My family and I have met many challenges over the years but few have been as rewarding as giving back to our membership. I have been happy to be a trustee and help with the decision making process for our club. I wish to continue as 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.

Thank you for your support.



## *Keith Moran*

My name is Keith Moran and I live on Crescent Drive with my wife Annette and our two boys Matthew and Ryan. For over the past 20 years I have been a computer programmer for a software development company. I have spent all but 8 years of my life living in Lake Forest and during that time I have always been a member of the Lake Forest Yacht Club. During my childhood, I spent

just about every summer down at the beach. Some of you who have been in the neighborhood for many years may know me as "Priscilla Moran's son." She was a fixture at the beach for over 40 years and babysat for many children in our community throughout those years. Lake Forest was my life as a child and is now my life as an adult. Through the years, I have gotten the pleasure of knowing many members in this community, those who have since moved on, those who remain, and now those who are new. I continually look forward to meeting new members as our paths cross in the years to come.

Prior to serving as a trustee on the LFYC board these past two years, I was on the Social Committee for three years. I enjoy attending the social events which take place at the club and continue to volunteer my time during beach opening and closing days. I have decided to re-run for trustee this year in order to continue with the progress that has been made at the club and to continue to be an open ear to the community. I believe the facilities should be more accessible to all members and will look to increase membership and volunteerism. Club improvements to the grounds and facilities are a necessity and I'd like to see that the right decisions are made in that direction moving forward.

Having spent most of my life in this community I feel I have an extremely strong connection to the Club and I would like to continue that as an elected trustee for the next two years. Thank you for your consideration.

## *Dan Olsen*



Fellow members of LFYC,

My name is Daniel Olsen, and I ask for your vote in the upcoming trustee election.

I have been serving on the board for nearly a year now, and look to continue serving for the next two years. Many of you may know me from the snack shack where I have assisted my husband, Duane Mapes in operating this great beach amenity for the past three seasons. I have been a resident of Lake Forest for nearly thirteen years, and over the past three years, I have been very involved in the functions of the club. I have come to know many of the members as well as our current trustees, and look to continue serving on the board for the next term.

For the past 24 years, I have been employed by Wyndham Hotel Group. I am currently Senior Director of Customer Experience for the 16 hotel brands. Over the years, I have held various positions with Wyndham working my way up from a hotel inspector to the head of the Quality Assurance department. Prior to my work with Wyndham, I obtained a Bachelor of Science degree in Hospitality Management from East Stroudsburg University.

As a trustee of the board, I would like to see financially sound improvements, increased membership, improved communication, and events that the entire community can enjoy. I have seen some great improvements over the past couple of years, and I look forward to continuing the work of the trustee to improve the property and events so that everyone can make memorable experiences with their family at the club. Thank you for your support.

## *Brian Richardson*



First and foremost, I would like to thank the Lake Forest community for welcoming my wife and I with open arms. Caley and I moved onto Yacht Club Drive in the fall of 2014, across the street from the club. Since our first introduction, we have been grateful to socialize with some of the most genuine and thoughtful people imaginable. We look forward to raising our family as a part of such a caring and active neighborhood, in our 'forever' home.

Personally, I have been a part of social organizations from an early age. Starting in 1992, I became a member of a yacht club on Long Beach Island. I have been lucky to see my father take leadership roles there and it continuously inspired me to do the same. In college, I pledged a fraternity and was elected to positions on both the Judicial and Executive Boards; in the capacity of Sergeant-At-Arms and Risk Manager, for multiple terms. I believe these experiences, both with collaborative problem solving and respect for parliamentary procedure, will help make me an excellent servant for Lake Forest and its members.

For leisure, my wife and I have been sailors on saltwater for many years and were introduced to Lake Hopatcong by her parents, who live on the water in Landing now for over a decade. We keep a small boat here at the club and are lucky enough to see many of the lake's goings on right from our living room windows. I have made it a point to attend as many social functions and open/closing work days as possible to get a feel for what the club's infrastructure needs and wants.

Lastly, I take the on-water safety of our members and their families with the utmost seriousness. I would like to underscore this with my time volunteering on behalf of the club, to make sure that members and their friends and families are able to come here and have a safe, fun, and relaxing time at our beautiful facilities. Let's all work together to make Lake Forest the absolute best community it can be.

Thank you again for welcoming us as a part of your Lake Forest family.

## Board Meeting – October 13, 2016

**Trustees present** – Dan Schultz, Bryan Hyland, Greg Struble, Ray Calogero, Mike Kahwaty, Dan Olsen, Keith Moran Meeting commenced 7:15 pm Meeting adjourned 9:30 pm

### Greg Struble – Office

Greg suggested to advise the renters of the clubhouse, especially for events like weddings, that club will not guarantee permission for early set up and the renter may secure set up the day before the event for an additional \$200.00.

### Bryan Hyland – Treasurer- Financials, Legal, Bylaws, Insurance

Club financials in order.

Bryan suggested to discuss Members and Non-Members dock rental prices for 2017.

Greg will research what are the prices for dock rentals at other marinas.

### Ray Calogero -Maintenance, Docks

Clean Up/ Closing the beach day was successful. Catwalks were pulled on the beach and weed curtains were stored for the winter. The Weedoo boat will be winterized.

### Mike Kahwaty -Security, Swim Team, Tennis, Clubhouse Mike

reported that Security Guard will be back for mischief night.

Lock on the tennis court will remain regardless of some complains.

### Keith Moran – Beach/Galley

Keith reported the ongoing problem with geese infesting our property.

Board will research different options to keep them away especially from the beach area.

### Dan Olsen – Social/Communications

Dan presented upcoming events:

November 5<sup>th</sup> – Wine and Beer Tasting

He will send email blasts reminding members to sign up and pay for the events.

For Sale

1978 Red and White Sea Sprite 15' Bow Rider with 2007 Yamaha 9.9 Four Stroke and Trailer. New seat cushions front and back, new mooring cover, bilge pump, new battery, runs great, great kids first boat. Asking \$3200 call Patrick Brennan at 201-924-6709.

For Sale:

Golf Set—graphite—like new \$60.00 Call 973-663-4457

Do you have stuff to sell? Are you looking for something? If you would like to post your ad in our Lake Forest Porthole, please contact the office at 973-663-0158 or email the office at [office@lfyc.org](mailto:office@lfyc.org)



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**Old Business:**

Board discussed options for financing the upcoming projects and time frame for obtaining permits and starting work.

**Lake Forest Yacht Club  
Classifieds**

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