

The Porthole News

February 2020 Issue

Commodore's Message



ATTENTION: THIS WILL BE THE LAST MAILING OF THE PORTHOLE.

Hello neighbors,

All future publications of the Porthole will be provided electronically. Please be sure the office has your email address on file. An email will be sent out in the beginning of the month including the link to the Porthole. The Lake Forest board of trustees held its first meeting in January where we established our responsibilities for the year. Among other responsibilities, I was elected as Commodore and gladly accepted. Vanessa Luke was elected Secretary and Jaime Evans as Treasurer. The remaining trustees, Chrissy Gilligan, Vinny Gowers, Mike Kahwaty, and Brian Richardson have also assumed responsibilities which are listed in each month's Porthole. If you have a suggestion, concern, something to report, or most importantly want to help in any way, please reach out to a trustee directly by utilizing the contact information inside the Porthole.

Please understand, we are volunteers and act as trustees in making decisions and ensuring daily operations and needs are met for members' safety and entertainment. This entire neighborhood is a group of volunteers that can all be involved in almost anything that happens at LFYC. If you have an idea for an improvement or event, we can put you in touch with the right people to help you achieve your idea. If you have a skill or are qualified to perform certain tasks we'd love to have you help out as many members have done in the past. This is our club and together we continue to make it one of the most desirable neighborhoods for people to call home.

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For Your Calendar:

Super Bowl	February 2
The Great Chili Cook-off	February 16
Texas Hold'em, LRC	March 24
Clean Up Day	April 4
Easter Egg Hunt	April 5

Please contact the office as soon as possible if you or someone you know are interested in being a LFYC lifeguard this summer. Last year a few lifeguard applicants needed to be turned away due to the high amount of interest, so be sure to call the office. Also, please take note of the Snack Shack message inside this publication regarding the upcoming season.

Mark your calendar for the upcoming social events which can be found in The Porthole, the Lake Forest website or on the Facebook page. Of course, volunteers are always needed and welcomed at all events, contact anyone from the Social Committee if you're interested in helping. The annual Beefsteak Comedy Night was a great way to kick off the events for the year. The food, service and comedians were all top notch. It's always great to see a packed house enjoying each others' company. The bread building competition

has officially been kicked up a notch. The alligator and sailboat were incredible, nice job! Thank you Frank Gutowski for all of your hard work in making the night a success.

Sincerely,

Mike Malakuskie

Commodore

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**Dog Walking/Watching**

Mark Carrion (15) 973-770-8797

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English, math, science**Lake Forest Yacht Club Directory****Lake Forest Swim Team President:**

Bonnie Sabia—973-663-5978

Dockmaster:

Frank Gutowski—973-663-5767

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

Rebeca Schultz, February 6

Kelly Brown, February 23

Emily Moreira February 24



UPCOMING EVENTS



February 2nd—Super Bowl



April 5 -Easter Egg Hunt



February 16 - The Great Chili Cook-Off



April 19—Boat Safety Course



Location: Lake Forest Yacht Club

Fee: Members \$70, Non Members \$80

Register at: www.boatingsafetyfirst.com

March 21—Texas Hold'em, LRC



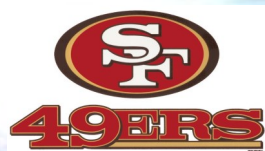
April 25 - Dancing Through The Decades



April 4—Clean Up Day



May 1 - Semi-Annual Meeting



Super Bowl Party
Sunday February 2nd 5:00pm



Come down the club to watch the game on the big screen.

Kickoff time is at 6:30pm. This is a pot luck event so please bring a dish to share. It is fun for the whole family! Come down and show some team spirit by wearing your favorite football team attire!

There is no charge for this event and as always this is open for all members and their non-member/non-resident guests!

We will have a Super Bowl Pool going for the game.

Beer, wine and coffee provided by the club.

**position
available**

**Snack Shack
Vendor Needed !**

Lake Forest Yacht Club is looking for someone to manage the Galley's Snack Shack for the 2020 beach season. Please contact the LFYC office with questions at 973-663-0158 or office@LFYC.org.





The Great Chili Race / Winterfest

Sunday, February 16th 1:00pm

We will have a chili contest with prizes.
Club will provide beer, wine, & coffee, and
Daytona 500 starts at 2:30.

Weather permitting we will have a bonfire and possible outdoor winter activities for the kids. More details to follow.

The \$1000.00 Lake Forest Yacht Club Scholarship

Application period starts in less than 30 days!

We are one month away from the start of the 2020 LFYC Scholarship application period. We want to remind all of our members who are 2020 graduating seniors to consider applying for this scholarship which will help you get started on your higher education.

The scholarship will award \$1,000 for the first year to help start off an applicant's higher education endeavor. The Scholarship recipient will be awarded \$500.00 each additional year of college attended up to 3 more years - sophomore, junior and senior years after proof of 3.0 or better grade point average. Total available to be awarded to any individual over the 4 years is \$2,500.00

The candidate must be a Lake Forest Yacht Club member in good standing as well as a 2020 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 Application available starting on March 1st on our website or your high school guidance office.

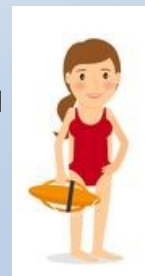
Scholarship applications should be addressed to the LFYC Scholarship Committee and be mailed to the LFYC with a postage date no later than April 16th, 2020. The five members of the 2020 LFYC Scholarship Committee will evaluate all applications and make a decision on who will be the recipient of the 2020 LFYC Scholarship.

The recipient will be notified on or before May 1st, 2020.



Employment Opportunities

LFYC is looking to interview new and returning lifeguards for 2020 summer season. Weekend beach operations begin mid-May until school is out and then daily operations begin the first full week after school ends. Contact the LFYC Office for more details about scheduling, days required to work, etc. Lifeguard training and Red Cross Certificate including Waterfront are required BEFORE you can begin employment. Returning lifeguards will need to re-apply for the position. An application can be obtained in the office or you can request one be sent via email. Our email address is office@lfyc.org. If you have any questions please feel free to contact the office at 973-663-0158





2020 DOCK SLIP RENTALS

The club office has mailed out the 2020 dock slip rental invoices and rental agreements to all members who rented dock slips in 2019. The 2020 dock rental fee for members is \$550.00. If you plan on renewing for the upcoming season, please return the completed and signed rental agreement along with a copy of your current boat registration and payment by March 14th 2020. Please be advised that the office will not accept incomplete applications. 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 2020 season, please contact the club office so that we may reassign the slip to another member. We already have several members requesting available dock slips this season.

Since we have limited amount of dock slips, we will restrict dock rentals to one slip per member family until March 18th to accommodate as many members as possible. As is club policy, dock slips will only be rented to members whose: financial obligations to the club are current, have completed and signed rental agreement and provide a copy of the boat registration indicating member ownership of the boat. All of the above criteria will be required before LFYC approval of dock slip rental or renewal.

For new members or members renting for the first time, we will have few open dock slips for the 2020 season. If you'd like to rent a dock slip this season, please contact the club office at 973-663-0158 to request a dock rental agreement. The open dock slips will be reserved on a first come first served basis for members who meet the above rental criteria. Actual slip assignments for new renters will be determined starting March 18th, after member dock renewals are confirmed.

Members who would like to rent a second dock slip may do so after March 18th. On April 1st, all remaining open dock slips will be made available to member guests, with a member referral, at a rental fee of \$1,575.



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Please be aware that the ice bubblers/ice eaters are now in the water at Lake Forest Yacht Club B&C dock and working to prevent dock damage.

Be EXTRA careful if venturing out on the ice and remember it takes a minimum of 4" of solid ice to walk on.

LAKE HOPATCONG COMMISSION

Ice Eaters Regulations for Lake Hopatcong

- the affected area of ice created by the ice-retardant system shall not extend more than 25 feet beyond the protected structure or more than 25 feet, measured along the shoreline, from the protected structure.
- no system shall be designed or operated in such a way as to prevent ingress or egress to any portion of the water body or to foreclose the formation of ice across a channel.
- all ice-retardant systems shall be marked with an appropriate sign placed along the shore or on the protected structure specifying "Danger, Thin Ice."



Snow Storms Parking and Snow Removal Reminder

During snow storms we get many complaints for parking in the roadway. Please make sure all your vehicles are parked completely off the roadway during snow removal and/or salting operations.

407-7 Prohibited parking.

Parking of vehicles on Township Streets during snow removal and/or salting operations, or when there is at least 1/4 inch of accumulation of snow or ice on the roadway is prohibited.

We also respond to residents placing snow or ice on the roadway while clearing your driveways and vehicles.

407-4 Deposit of Snow on Streets Prohibited:

No person, firm or corporation, the owner, tenant or occupant of any premises abutting on any street, shall throw, place or deposit any snow or ice into or upon any street in said Township, it being the intent and purpose of this provision to prohibit all persons from throwing, casting, placing or depositing snow and ice upon the streets in the Township of Jefferson.



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Board Meeting – January 15, 2020

Location: LFYC Office

Meeting called to order: 7:05 pm, Meeting Adjourned: 9:10 pm

Attendance: Mike Malakuskie, Jaime Evans, Brian Richardson, Mike Kahwaty, Chrissy Gilligan, Vinny Gowers

Selection of Recurring Trustee Meetings:

Current meetings are the second Wednesday of every month, unless a quorum (5 trustees) cannot be met and known in advance, then best efforts are made to re-schedule:

Nomination of Officers:

Mike Malakuskie as an acting Commodore opened the meeting and accepted three candidates for the 2020 Commodore position:

Mike Malakuskie, Mike Kahwaty, Brian Richardson.

The candidates presented their short candidate speeches.

Anna Carrion provided the ballots to vote and collected the ballots after votes were cast.

After the vote count, Mike M. announced the winner – Mike Malakuskie.

Mike Malakuskie announced that there is one candidate for the Secretary so far – Vanessa Luke. He asked if there is another trustee interested in this position. No one else presented an interest.

The Board voted unanimously for Vanessa Luke.

Jaime Evans announced that she would like to take the position of the Treasurer. The Board voted unanimously for Jaime Evans.

The Board continued the meeting with assignments of responsibilities:

Board Officers:

Commodore: Mike Malakuskie

Secretary: Vanessa Luke

Treasurer: Jaime Evans

Committees/Responsibilities Assignments:

Beach/Galley: Primary: Vinny Gowers, Secondary: Vanessa Luke, Tertiary: Mike Malakuskie

By-Laws: Primary: Brian Richardson, Secondary: Jaime Evans, Tertiary: Mike Kahwaty

Boat Safety Course: Primary: Brian Richardson, Secondary: Mike Malakuskie, Tertiary: Mike Kahwaty

Clubhouse: Primary: Mike Kahwaty, Secondary: Vinny Gowers, Tertiary: Chrissy Gilligan

Communications (Porthole and Website): Primary: Vanessa Luke, Secondary: Brian Richardson, Tertiary: Jaime Evans

Docks: Primary: Brian Richardson, Secondary: Jaime Evans, Tertiary: Mike Malakuskie

Financials/Budget: Primary: Jaime Evans, Secondary: Mike Malakuskie, Tertiary: Mike Kahwaty

Grounds: Primary: Mike Malakuskie, Secondary: Vinny Gowers, Tertiary: Mike Kahwaty

Legal/Insurance: Primary: Jaime Evans, Secondary: Vanessa Luke, Tertiary: Mike Malakuskie

LFYC Grant/Scholarship (Member of grant committee and primary liaison) Primary: Chrissy Gilligan, Secondary: Brian Richardson, Tertiary: Vinny Gowers

Grant/Scholarship Committee: Frank Gutowski – chairman, Ray Calogero, Margaret Knipper, Diane Hyland, Steve Levinson

Maintenance: Primary: Mike Kahwaty, Secondary: Brian Richardson, Tertiary: Vinny Gowers

Nominating (Member of nominating committee and primary liaison)

Primary: Chrissy Gilligan, Secondary: Mike Malakuskie, Tertiary: Brian Richardson

Nominating Committee: Dan Schultz – chairman, Jeff Lawrence, Greg Struble, Keith Moran, Vinny Gowers, Donna Fenske, Joe O'Donnel

Office: Primary: Vanessa Luke, Secondary: Brian Richardson, Tertiary: Mike Malakuskie

Security: Primary: Mike Malakuskie, Secondary: Vinny Gowers, Tertiary: Brian Richardson

Social (Member of social committee and primary liaison): Primary: Chrissy Gilligan, Secondary: Mike Kahwaty, Tertiary: Vanessa Luke

Swim Team: Primary: Brian Richardson, Secondary: Mike Malakuskie, Tertiary: Mike Kahwaty

Tennis: Primary: Vinny Gowers, Secondary: Jaime Evans, Tertiary: Mike Malakuskie

Wakeoff: Primary: Mike Kahwaty, Secondary: Vinny Gowers, Tertiary: Chrissy Gilligan

Welcoming/Membership: Primary: Mike Malakuskie, Secondary: Chrissy Gilligan, Tertiary: Mike Kahwaty

OLD BUSINESS:

- Mike K. will call the potential candidate for the handyman position provided by Jaime.

- The Board discussed the emails from one of the members and the perspective of the members presented at the Annual Meeting regarding the Boat Races. A few ideas were introduced including creating the committee in charge of the OPA event. Brian will write a document with a point of interest for the OPA. In the end, the Board decided to have a meeting with Jay Muller to see if he is open to modifying the event.

NEW BUSINESS:

Commodore:

-Anna advised that the new officers – commodore and secretary have to stop by the bank to sign new signature cards.

Secretary:

-rentals approved

Clubhouse:

– Anna will schedule floor waxing after the Beefsteak/Comedy show event.

– The Board decided to purchase new kegerators. They will be placed by the wall between the bathrooms. Brian R. will look into the pricing.

- The purchase of the high-top tables and chairs was postponed for now.

– The Board agreed that the screens in the main room sliding doors need to be replaced and the doors itself need adjustments. Mike M will be in charge of that project.

- Mike Malakuskie will research the options and pricing for the round/hexagon picnic tables for the Clubhouse patio.

Docks:

-Brian exchanged emails with a member who presented a concern about the ice eaters and the amount of open water around them. Brian advised him that he will be in charge of adjusting the timers to comply with township regulations and LH Commission advisories.

Maintenance:

- The Clean-Up day was scheduled for April 4th.

Scholarship:

– The verbiage in the scholarship application was updated to include the kids of the members attending schools other than JTHS.

Security:

- The Board discussed the security service in the past few years. The performance was not always satisfactory. The Board will research other options.

Welcoming & Membership

- The badge stickers for the 2020 season will be green

The Lake Forest Yacht Club

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