OFFICIAL MEMBER INFORMATION / BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Trustee Election Information Packet

Notice to Members | Upcoming Membership Meeting

Election at a Glance

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TRUSTEE POSITIONS	CANDIDATES	ELECTION MEETING

ANNUAL MEETING Friday, December 4, 2026 • 8:00 p.m.

LOCATION Lake Forest Yacht Club

Who Is Eligible to Vote

To vote in the trustee election, a member must be a Lake Forest Yacht Club member in good standing. For this election, members must satisfy both of the following requirements:

- Be completely paid up on all Master Lease requirements.
- Have paid at least one-half (50%) of the dues for the upcoming year.

What Members Should Do at the Meeting

01 Confirm your membership and good-standing status before voting.

02 Review the five candidate biographies included in this packet.

03 Mark your official ballot for no more than four of the five candidates, and submit it as directed by the election officials.

04 The club will conduct the election and report the results in accordance with its governing procedures.

Absentee Voting

Absentee ballots will be available for eligible members who wish to vote without attending the meeting. Please contact the LFYC office for instructions on obtaining, completing, and returning an absentee ballot. Applicable deadlines and ballot procedures will be communicated by the club.

Candidates for Trustee

Candidates are listed alphabetically by last name. Full candidate statements and original photographs follow.

James Davitt • David Ferguson • Keith Moran • Richard “Rick” Pries • Greg Struble

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James Davitt

Candidate statement • submitted for member review



Hello Lake Forest friends and neighbors, my name is James Davitt. My wife Sarah and I have had the pleasure of living in Lake Forest since 2017. We are empty nesters with three sons, a daughter, six grandkids, and two Australian Cattle Dogs. We have enjoyed and participated in many club activities and projects. My favorite was always cooking for breakfast on the beach.

Sarah and I both served in the United States Air Force. I am a retired career Fire Chief who has spent a lifetime dedicated to service to the communities where I lived and worked. I am a past board member who had the privilege of working alongside many dedicated community members and volunteers to support our club.

I would like to thank you for this opportunity to ask you to vote for me to represent you on the board a second time. Be well and stay safe.

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David Ferguson

Candidate statement • submitted for member review



My name is David Ferguson, and I live here in Lake Forest with my wife, Laura, and our two daughters. I've been a member of Lake Forest for nearly 40 years, and this community has been an important part of my life for as long as I can remember.

I believe it's my turn to give back to a community that has given so much to me and my family. I'm committed to preserving what makes Lake Forest special while managing rising costs responsibly and planning thoughtfully for the future. I also want to help ensure that Lake Forest remains a welcoming place where longtime members and new families alike can build connections, create lasting memories, and take pride in being part of our community.

Many of you already know me and how much Lake Forest means to me. For those I haven't had the chance to get to know yet, I look forward to changing that.

I would appreciate the opportunity to serve on the board, give back to a community that has meant so much to my family, and help ensure Lake Forest remains a special place for generations to come.

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Keith Moran

Candidate statement • submitted for member review



My name is Keith Moran, and I live on Crescent Drive with my wife, Vanessa, my sons, Matthew and Ryan, and my stepdaughter, Maddie. I have lived in Lake Forest for nearly my entire life and have been a member of the Lake Forest Yacht Club for more than 50 years.

Over the years, I have remained actively involved in the club by helping with events, serving on the Social Committee, serving multiple terms as a trustee, and serving as Commodore in 2018. These experiences have given me a strong understanding of the club, its operations, and the importance it holds within our community.

I am running for trustee because I would like to bring my experience and long-standing commitment to the next board.

With costs and expenses continuing to rise, I want to help manage the club's finances responsibly while keeping membership affordable and preserving the activities, facilities, and community spirit that members value.

I would appreciate your consideration and the opportunity to serve our community once again.

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Richard “Rick” Pries

Candidate statement • submitted for member review



Hi Lake Forest, I’m Richard Pries, though folks know me as Rick. I moved here full-time in July 2025. Over the past year, I’ve served on the Social Committee, helping plan and run events including Opening Day, Closing Day, and the pig roast at Band on the Beach.

I’ve recently taken on the role of Social Committee Chair.

Professionally, I’ve spent more than 20 years leading teams, organizations, and complex projects. Along the way, I’ve developed skills that I believe translate directly to serving on the Board: clear communication, listening to different perspectives, managing budgets and resources, planning for both the short and long term, solving problems, and making sure plans turn into results. I also have experience leading volunteer organizations, where success depends on respecting people’s time, maintaining a shared vision, and bringing people together around a common goal.

I’m running for Trustee because I believe my skills and experience can help Lake Forest run even better.

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Greg Struble

Candidate statement • submitted for member review



My name is Greg Struble, and I have been a resident of Lake Forest since 2005. My wife Dana grew up in Lake Forest and we first met at the Opening Day picnic. We purchased our first home on Marine in 2010 and in 2017 we moved to our current home on Woodlawn where we continue to raise our two girls. Lake Forest has been an important part of our lives for many years and I want to continue doing my part to make it a great community for our families and future generations.

I previously served on the Board of Trustees for five years. This gave me a strong understanding of both the responsibilities of being a Board member and the amount of work that goes on behind the scenes. I have always believed in taking a practical approach, addressing the things that need attention today while also planning for larger improvements in the future.

One thing I would like to continue focusing on is improving and maintaining our facilities through manageable projects. Not every improvement needs to be a major undertaking. During my previous time on the Board, some of our projects were completed by Board members and volunteers working together. I believe that type of community involvement is one of Lake Forest's greatest strengths. I would like to see more opportunities for members to get involved, especially the newer members.

Professionally, I have worked for a Surveying and Engineering firm in Morris County since 2005. I recently graduated and am in the process of getting my PLS and PE licenses. My background in surveying, engineering, site design, construction, and local and state regulations gives me experience that I believe is particularly useful when evaluating projects, improvements, and long-term planning for the club.

Most importantly, I will continue to bring an independent, practical, and unbiased perspective to the Board. I am willing to listen to different viewpoints, work with other members of the community, and make decisions based on what is in the best interest of Lake Forest as a whole, even in contrast to my own personal beliefs.

I appreciate the opportunity to run for the Board of Trustees and would be grateful for the opportunity to once again serve our community.