



The Porthole News



November 2008



Special Trustee

Election Issue: See page 6



It had been over 20 years since the last LFYC Halloween Party, so it was great to see our social committee bring the event back on Saturday October 25th. They did an excellent job decorating the club for the event; had plenty of food from Nick's restaurant and the DJ had the crowd dancing all night long. We saw some very creative costumes at the event including the 1st place winning duo of the proctologist and patient couple and 2nd place went to the granny/baby costume. Attendees also enjoyed some scary delicious deserts such as eyeball cupcakes, mice/fly cake and some graveyard mousse. I'd like to thank our new social committee chairman, Tony D'Alauro, and the social committee for organizing an outstanding event. Let's do it again next year.

Our social committee already has our next event scheduled with our Beefsteak Comedy Night on January 24th. The office will start accepting reservations on November 11th and we expect it to sell out quickly just like the last Beefsteak Comedy event. Please get your paid reservation in early to guarantee a seat at the event. For all you card sharks out there, they also have the Texas Hold'em Tournament planned for March. So we will indeed have some great social events going on this winter at the club.

Trustee elections will be taking place at our upcoming annual meeting on December 5th. Membership will be voting on four open trustee positions to join Pat Brennan, Bryan Hyland and Paul Sabia on the 2009 trustee board. In this Porthole, pages 6 to 8, you will find candidate statements from the six trustee candidates running for those open positions. If you are unable to make our annual meeting, then please reach out to the club office to obtain an official absentee ballot and have your vote counted.

As a result of our recent IRS Audit, it was recommended by our attorney that we modify our incorporation papers to more accurately distinguish us as a social club rather than a homeowners association. Making this modification will guarantee our continued tax exempt status. Details will be provided at our annual meeting where we will present a proposal for this modification to be voted on by membership. This is an important issue which needs to be addressed at our annual meeting, so please make sure to attend so that we can meet the quorum required. More details will be provided in the meeting announcement you will receive shortly.

Enjoy your Thanksgiving.

Frank Gutowski
Commodore



Thunder & Lightning Make for a Spooktacular Party...



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Mark Your Calendars:

- LFYC Annual Meeting
Friday, December 5th
- Beefsteak Comedy
Saturday, January 24th



The Eyeball Cupcakes won
Scariest Dessert



3rd Prize Winners Ed & Lily Torro



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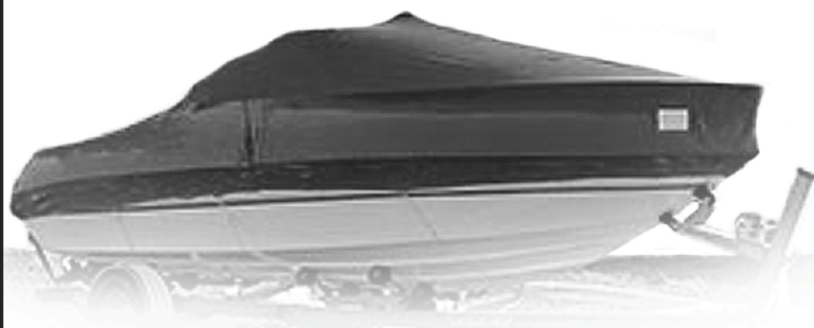
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Lake Forest Yacht Club

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Trustee Meeting Minutes October 2, 2008

Thursday October 2nd, , Meeting called to order at 7:22 PM by Frank

Trustees Present

Jim Brown, Byran Hyland, Frank Gutowski, Paul Sabia,, , Pat Brennan, Chris DeRobertis

Trustees Absent

Fred Stewart

Old Business

Trustee Updates

Pat:

WiFi In progress

Welcoming / Membership

Another 3 Memberships terminated; currently have 214 Member Households

Maintenance

Light repair: In Progress, New toilet paper dispensers - in progress. New paper towel dispensers in clubhouse completed. Monthly cleaning of Commodore's room & bathroom floors will be done by Jennifer. Bid received from new floor Cleaners, waiting on another.

Bryan:

Social

Halloween Party: October 25, 7pm-Midnight. Tony D'Alauro is handling. Transfer of Social to Tony D'Alauro in progress.

Financials:

Under budget

Legal / Insurance:

Insurance Agent should be attending November meeting. We are currently lining up insurance renewals.

Budget Meeting to be held Tuesday, October 28, 2008, 7pm.

Frank:

Communications

Porthole and Website are under budget more than last year.

Nursery School

Fire inspection violations: 5 violations. 4 already corrected. We have a 30 day waiver for the last violation – A Knoxbox is being installed for access by emergency persons.

Clean-up of attic: Complete
Clubhouse Rental Contract Update: Completed and implemented

Kegerator locks replaced; Door looks ok

Lighting replacement: Storage room complete - Beach galley is in progress

Docks

Amendment regarding discussion by the trustees during the July 2008 Trustee meeting to NOT increase dock rentals for 2009 season for the cost of living.

The March 7, 2003 Special Meeting Minutes were discovered in the LFYC archives:

"Voting item #3, Annual cost of

living increase to start in September 2004 to offset increase tied to inflation, plus adjustments by Board of Trustees (min 0% - max 10%) passed with a 54 – 17 vote."

Current interpretation of the above is that the board is mandated to increase dues and docks for the cost of living each year. The board may, at their discretion adjust that cost of living increase, if needed.

Therefore, the dock fees will be increased by 3%; the same as membership dues. The 2009 dock rates will be \$433 for members and \$1210 for non-members.

Jim:

Facilities Update

Chris is doing cleanup of facilities again this year.

Clark Bagnall repairs are in progress.

Swim Team Update

Fascia needs replacement on

start dock.

Nominating Committee

We have 4 nominees
Vandalism: LFYC table was used as ramp and destroyed.

Paul:

Chain fence project: Complete – Went very well
Sand fence: To be purchased for beach shut-down - Need approx. 300 ft

Beach Closing is 10/11/08.

Meeting adjourned at 9:32 pm

Next Trustee Meeting – November 6, 2008, 7:00 pm, LFYC Commodore's Room

Note: Minutes are condensed, for publishing in the Porthole. Please contact the LFYC Office to view a full set of minutes.



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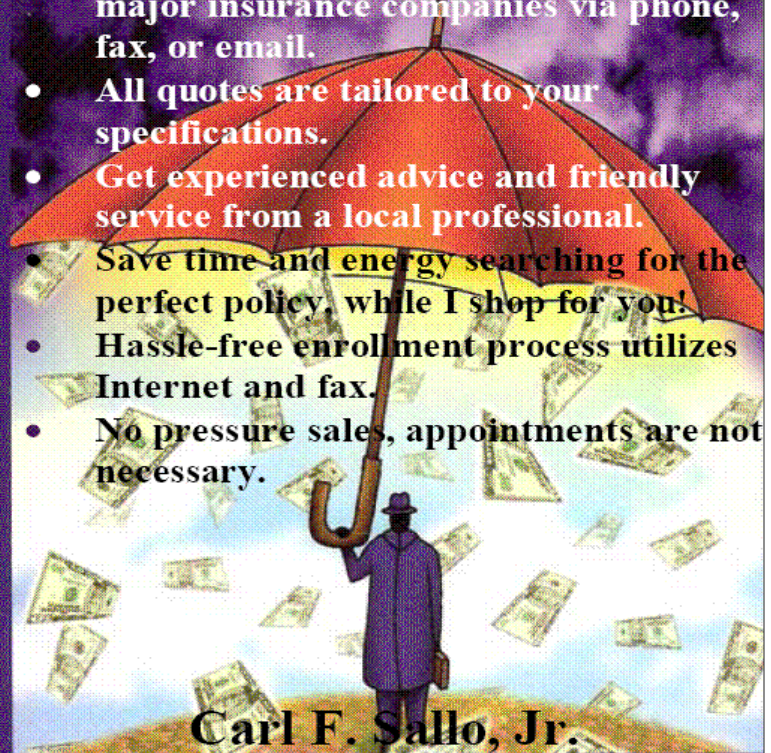
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Social Activities/Calendar



Friday December 5th - LFYC Annual Meeting



Saturday, January 24th, 7:00pm - Beefsteak/Comedy Combo



(RSVP by Saturday, January 17th - **only 130 seats available.**)

Two great events combined to provide an evening of food, friends, and fun. Doors open at 6:30pm and we'll start off with the Traditional Beefsteak at 7:00pm - Salad, "all you can eat" Filet Mignon on French Bread, French Fries, Dessert, Coffee and Tea. Beer and Wine are included, BYO premium spirits & wine. Entertainment will follow with (2) Comedians. Each Comedian will perform for @ 1 hour. Member and Member Guests welcome.

Tables of (8) minimum may be reserved – maximum of (10) people per table.

Members: \$30 per person/ Member Guest: \$35 per person. To hold seats, PREPAID RSVP required to the Lake Forest Yacht Club Office. The Office will begin taking reservations on November 11, 2008.



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LFYC TRUSTEE ELECTION 2008



2008 is an important election year for the Lake Forest Yacht Club. This year we are fortunate enough to have 6 candidates, with 4 positions to fill. So be sure to come out on December 5th 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 5, 2008, 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 10/1/07 must be paid. Absentee ballots must be received at the LFYC Office by Tuesday, December 2nd, 2008. They may be mailed to LFYC, P.O. Box 217, Lake Hopatcong, NJ 07849 or dropped off at the LFYC Office prior to deadline. There will be no allowances for reception of absentee ballots after this time.

2009 Trustee Candidates... 4 of the Following will Join Pat Brennan, Bryan Hyland, and Paul Sabia as LFYC Trustees.



Incumbent Trustee Candidate: Chris DeRobertis

Hello Lake Forest. My name is Chris DeRobertis and I am running for a second term as trustee. I have been a resident of Lake Forest since 2004 with my wife Joellen, and two kids, Anthony and Gianna. On my last term I was mainly in charge of security although I assisted with the beach and galley. I thoroughly enjoyed my past two years on the board as I got to know some great new people as well as contributing to my community. That being said, I would like to run for another term and continue to move forward in consistently improving the quality of our clubs standards. I enjoy our lake activities as well as the inspiring events our social club has come up with. I believe our club is unique and innovative. With these thoughts in mind, I would be proud to be involved with Lake Forest for the next two years as a trustee and indefinitely as a member.



Trustee Candidate: Diana Thompson

Dear Lake Forest Members and Residents. This community is extremely important to me as I have been a life-time resident of Lake Hopatcong and member of LFYC since 1995. My family has fully enjoyed all the wonderful assets our community has to offer: swim lessons, tennis lessons, picnics, campouts, playground, and nursery school just to name a few. My daughter loved attending the LFNS for 2 years where I was very pleased to serve as Treasurer in 2005.

For the past several years I have been a Sales Manager and Trader for Specialty Commodities working from a home based office. My background is in business with over twenty years experience in sales, purchasing, accounting, management, and marketing. My Bachelor's Degree is from Centenary College in Business Management. I have also been a Sales Associate with Weichert Realtors here in Lake Hopatcong since 2002. Balancing life's responsibilities is a challenge, but being highly motivated, organized, and experienced enables accomplishment of any task with success and professionalism. Fortunately, having a wonderful husband and family is most important in allowing me the flexibility I need in managing responsibilities. Paul, Rich, and Kristie, I love and cherish everything you do! As a friendly, open-minded, yet conservative individual, I feel I can make a wonderful contribution to our community. Thank you for this opportunity and your consideration as a trustee candidate.

**Trustee Candidate: Ray Calogero**

Hi, I am Ray Calogero. My family and I made Lake Forest become our home in 2004. My wife Loriann and I had been searching for a community where we can raise our son, Luke. We found this neighborhood, found a piece a land, and began building our home. In just a few short months we had made so many friends and were honored to become a part of such a close knit community.

We have taken part in every opening day and closing day party and try to plan to be part of every social event. I have helped in opening day clean-up and closing day clean-up events when possible. My family and I are constantly using the facilities and want it to be a place where all are welcome. We spend most of the summer at the beach and are always involved in a community get together. This year, I was a proud member of the chain gang where we installed the new chain around our field. I have this past year become an active part of the social committee hoping to get more members to come out and be part of the community. We have a great group of members and we are striving to have various events aimed toward the family and couples or individuals.

I am the owner of Marquis Construction and mostly do work in the Short Hills area. I am always willing to use my skills to help the community better our surroundings. I have managed a construction crew and am able to get a job done from the ground up. I have had schooling in architecture, which gives me the background to be able to help develop plans for future projects in the community.

Outside of Lake Forest, I have been coaching Jefferson Baseball and Football for the past three years. I enjoy educating children and working with other parents. I have an admiration for history and enjoy listening and learning about the events which took place here that developed this fine neighborhood. My goal is to follow those trustees who have donated their time before me and to continue on helping Lake Forest be "the great community that we call home".

**Trustee Candidate: Keith Beaudoin**

My name is Keith Beaudoin. My wife, Marianne, and I moved to Lake Forest eight years ago and shortly thereafter became club members. After having our two children, Morgan and Aiden, we joined LFYC for its friendly community atmosphere and its numerous family activities. Over the past eight years, I have seen great improvements to the club's facilities due to the

efforts of past and present trustees and employees, and I would like to see that continued. Currently, I am self-employed as an independent computer consultant specializing in database management and project management. In addition, I am a member of the Project Management Institution. I have a B.S. in electrical engineering and an MBA in finance. As a result, I can assist the club with my computer knowledge and project management and budget planning skills. As a prospective trustee, I would continue to update the facilities for members to enjoy and would be open to suggestions from the LFYC community for future improvements and activities.

**Trustee Candidate: Matt Ciampa**

My name is Matt Ciampa and I live on Venetian Drive. My wife, Jodi, and I have lived here since we were married in April of 2000. We have two children – Luke (5) and Nicole (2). I hold a Bachelor's and Master's Degree in Education. Presently, I am a physical education/health teacher as well as a wrestling and soccer coach at Parsippany Hills High School for 17 years.

Jodi and I have always enjoyed what this community has to offer. We are drawn to the sense of family that it gives off. And that's why even prior to having kids, we had decided to send our children to the nursery school. Last year, our son was a graduate of the school where my wife served as treasurer. Our daughter is already signed up for the years of 2009 through 2011 and Jodi has verbally committed to being the Chairperson.

Although I am relatively new to becoming an active part of our community, I believe I will be a positive contributor. I am considered to be fair, open-minded and innovative. Honesty and integrity are at the top of my list of values. Others usually know where I stand on issues and what I feel strongly about.

What I would like to accomplish in our community is to foster current and new ideas to help yacht club membership increase and provide more opportunities for members to be involved. I want nothing more than to see this community grow and become a place where our children can be around good, family oriented people and feel they can become active in this community and positive members of society.

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LFYC TRUSTEE ELECTION 2008



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Trustee Candidate: Michael Attanasio

My name is Michael Attanasio and I have been a resident of Jefferson Township for 37 years. I have lived in Lake Forest for the past 6 years. This community has become our home for our family of five. My wife, Elaine, moved to Lake Forest in 1988. We share three children, Christian, Alexis and Michael. Each of our children has grown to embrace the community and all the benefits it offers. Our children have made many friends over the years, friends who are continuously enjoying our home, as theirs.

I have owned my own business, Glasscar Auto Glass, for seven years. Many of you may recognize me from replacing your windshield. My business is run by myself with the help of my wife Elaine. We have established a successful business in relationship with people in the community and surrounding areas. Glasscar services hundreds of customers who rely on quality service and dedication. This is a business ethic which I hold as being important, in business, as well as being important in every day life. I am a dedicated person who believes in keeping quality in our community and I am ready and willing to serve the residents by keeping the quality in the Lake Forest family which has existed for generations. I have taken part in most events held at the club and am always willing to lend a hand when needed. I worked this past summer as a member of the chain gang. I donated my personal equipment to get the job done by reducing the labor time. I am always looking for a way to expedite a job but without losing site of the goal. I am an active member who can be seen at the beach regularly, enjoying myself with my family and friends. My friends are my neighbors and that is what Lake Forest is about. In closing, I am hoping to serve the Lake Forest community if elected trustee. I am always open to everyone's opinions and suggestions. I am an open-minded person who if given the chance will carry on the Lake Forest Legacy.

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LFYC Beach Closedown by Paul Sabia

The annual beach closedown on Saturday, October 11th marked the official close of the beach season. What started out as a chilly morning gave way to a beautiful day to do the job at hand. We had a very sparse turnout this year with only five members attending. Luckily most of the chores had been done on the day of our chain project.

On the agenda for the morning we cleaned the parking lot drains, put the tables and lifeguard chairs under cover and secured the grills for the season. One special project we tackled was the re-organization of the back storage room in the clubhouse. We should have no more issues with renters unable to get items in and out of the room.

I'd also like to thank the nursery school for making more room in the attic, which in turn cleared up some space downstairs. We couldn't have finished up without the following members who helped me complete these projects:

Frank Sluzark

Clark Bagnell

Mike Espinoza

Jim Brown

Chris DeRobertis

And a special thanks to Chuck Emery for helping us move the catwalks with his wave runner.

Lake Forest



Lake Forest Nursery School News

I hope everyone is enjoying the cool weather and beautiful colors of the changing leaves. We are enjoying the season at the Nursery School. We visited Sun High Orchards in Randolph at the end of September. We took a tour and learned about corn, honey, apples and pumpkins. The children got to pick a pumpkin, apples and went home with a coloring book and apple cup. This month we are going on a trip to the Growing Stage theatre in Netcong to see a play titled "How I Became a Pirate." We are all looking forward to that.

The three-year-old class learned about squares, the color black and pumpkins this month. The four-year-old class learned about the letters C-F, the number 3 and the color black. We had a visit from Fireman Mickey to teach the children about Fire Safety on the 15th. The children learned what to do in case of a fire and got to sit on the fire truck.

Fall picture day is October 21st. Our Halloween parade and party will be on October 30th. We are very excited about our new Yoga class for adults at the school. Please see the ad in this Porthole for more details. This will be an opportunity for parents to take some time for themselves. We are very excited to have our own Treasurer, Lilli Toro, teaching it. Lilli is a certified Yoga instructor. I hope to see you at a class.

If you need to contact us, please call 973-668-0824 for any questions or if you are interested in having your child attend the school – or visit LYFC.org and click on Nursery School. Happy Thanksgiving!

-Lisa Schultz



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Lake Forest Legacy

Did you ever wonder where LFYC came up with the names for our various buildings and rooms. With the "Galley", and the "Commodore Room", did you know that the main room that most of us just call the clubhouse, also has a name. It is the "Anchor Room" so named from the following Contest. Enjoy the following excerpt from the Dover Advance.

Two Yacht Club Couples Drop Anchor, Win Prize

LAKE FOREST — Mr. and Mrs. Frank Berlen of Marine Terrace and Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Moesner of Paramus came up with identical names in a recent contest held at the Lake Forest Yacht Club.

The contest called for participants to think of a name for the main room of the Yacht Club, and both couples suggested the name-winning title, "The Anchor Room." As a reward the Berlen and Moesner pair will receive a steak dinner at the Wonderbar Restaurant on Rt. 15.

Flashback 1960



Does anyone know where the Wunderbar Restaurant was?

Let me know.

Rebecca D'Alauro

973-810-3051

Nursery School to Hold Logo Apparel Fundraiser

The nursery school will be offering embroidered Lake Forest Yacht Club clothing for sale. Proceeds will help defray the expenses of the nursery school here at the club.

This is a great way to show your community spirit while at the same time helping to sustain a valuable organization that makes our neighborhood unique -- the Lake Forest Cooperative Nursery School. The long-sleeve T-shirts and sweatshirts will also make great holiday gifts!

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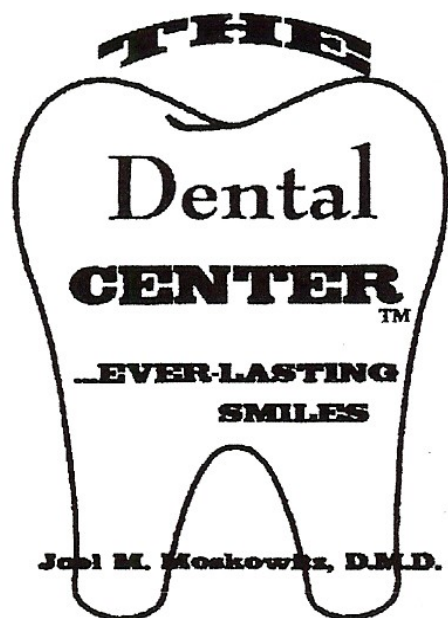
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