

The Porthole News

November 2021

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Hello neighbors,

The Halloween Trunk or Treat was a big success! Thank you to Kristen Brown and the other volunteers that made it happen, your efforts did not go unnoticed. Please sign up to help out with our events in the future. It's a great way to chip in and meet new people. Scan the QR code below for quick access to the Signup Genius.



Breakfast with Santa will be on Saturday, December 4 from 9-11 AM. Come down to the club to enjoy breakfast with the big man before he kicks off the holiday season.

Our annual meeting is fast approaching and will take place on Friday, December 3rd. Come out and see what's going on with the club, share your ideas, contribute to the conversation and vote for three board of trustee seats to be filled. We look forward to seeing you there. Be sure to read the bios of all those interested in running for a seat in this publication.

Our annual Beefsteak dinner will be on Saturday, February 5. Ticket reservations open for LFYC Members from November 27th to December 6th. Starting December 7th, members may add their non-member guests to the guest list and reserve a table of 10. Payment for reservations must be made within 5 days of reservation or be subject to cancellation.

If you haven't removed your kayak, canoe, or paddle board from the kayak racks please do so as soon as possible. Lake Forest is not responsible for damage to Kayaks while stored on the premises.

Thanksgiving is right around the corner and I would like to wish all of our Lake Forest families a relaxing enjoyable holiday while appreciating and enjoying your loved ones.

Sincerely,
Mike Malakuskie
Commodore



Mark Your CALENDAR



Save the Dates



Beefsteak/Comedy Night

- Reservations open early for

LFYC Members Only:

November 27th to December 6th, 2021



Annual Meeting

- December 3rd—8:00 pm



Breakfast with Santa

- December 4th—10:00 a.m.



New Years Eve Party

- December 31st—details to follow

Contact Page

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Monday 9-2, Wednesday 12-7
Friday 9-2, Saturday 9:30-12:30



Meet The Board of Trustees

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Jaime Evans – Treasurer, Facebook/By-Laws/Financials/Budget/Legal/Ins.

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Keith Moran - Trustee, Boat Safety/Wakeoff/ Welcome/Membership

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Peter Malenda – Trustee, Clubhouse/Docks/Security

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Chrissy Gilligan-Trustee, Social/Nominating/Grants/Scholarship

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President

Dan Schultz



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Frank Gutowski



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2021 Lake Forest Board of Trustee Election

In the 2021 Lake Forest Yacht Club election year there will be three positions to fill.

Trustees vacating positions are: Mike Malakuskie, Vinny Gowers and Chrissy Gilligan

We have incumbent Trustee candidate: Chrissy Gilligan and three new candidates: Kristen Brown, Shawn Cooney and James Davitt.

Please plan to attend the Lake Forest Yacht Club Annual Meeting, at which the election will be held. The meeting is December 3th, 2021 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 10/1/21 must be paid.

Absentee ballots can be obtained from the office beginning on Wednesday, November 24th, 2021.

Absentee ballots must be returned to the Office no later than Wednesday December 1st, 2021 in order to be counted.

As in years past, the Nominating Committee has asked each of the candidates to write a bio, 250 words or less for the Porthole. See pages 7 & 8.



**If you're interested in receiving your Invoices
e-mailed to pay on line
please contact the office**

LFYC Board Candidates Bios

Chrissy Gilligan



Hi Everyone! For those of you that may not know me, I have lived in Lake Forest for 14 years with my husband, Jim, and two daughters Elise and Aubrey, enjoying this beautiful community and getting to know many of the members. I have served on the board the last 2 years as a Trustee and I am up for re-election for a 2nd term for 2022. I have learned a lot these last couple years and enjoyed giving back to the community in this position. If re-elected I would like the opportunity to bring the experience and skills I possess to our board again for a 2nd term. I attended Montclair State University and have worked the last 16 years as Sales Manager in the fashion and consumer packaged goods industry and the last 2 years as a Customer Service Manager for US and Canada for an international fashion company. I enjoy working as a team, public speaking, management, leadership, and I have a tenacity for follow up. I enjoy speaking with people and always try to be fair and level minded in any decision I make. Thank you for your consideration



Kristen Brown

My name is Kristen Brown, I have lived in Lake Forest since November 2016 with my husband Bill, and two daughters Paige (10) and Delaney (3). I have been a school teacher 19 years and currently teach in the Fort Lee School District.

Lake Forest is a wonderful community and our family absolutely loves living here. I am dedicated to helping maintain its excellence. I have been one of the Social Directors for the past two years and have helped plan and organize many of the social events, as well as, new activities such as workout classes.

I am running for the position of Trustee because I would like to give back more to our community. It is my goal to continue to enhance the programs while maintaining the quality of living our Community enjoys.



James Davitt

My name is James Davitt, my wife Sarah and I live on Marine Terrace with our college sophomore daughter, Kaylee Rose and our 2 Australian Cattle Dogs Abby and Nova. I am the proud dad of three Firefighter sons Mike, Chris and Billy and grandpa to three girls and two boys who sure make my heart smile.

As a father I got to be a kid a little longer starting out as a Hockey dad, my sons hockey coach, and eventually “that referee”. I can say with a sweet toothed smile that being the husband of the Girl Scout “Cookie Mom” definitely had its perks.

I am a career Deputy Fire Chief. I retired as a second in command of the Union Fire Department and currently work for The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey as the Deputy Fire Chief of Training for the Airport Rescue Firefighters at JFK, LGA, EWR and TEB Airports.

It is difficult to write about work and accomplishments. I was raised in the fire service to be humble. What we do is what we do. It’s nothing special, just our job. One of the proudest opportunities in my career was the honor of working with the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation. We responded to firefighter Line of Duty Deaths to assist the families and departments of the Fallen Firefighters.

In our four years as part of the Lake Forest Community we have found that its really the Lake Forest family. Helping out at our club events, I have met so many amazing people and have seen how much everyone not only cares about each other but pitches in to help each other out. I look forward to this opportunity to be a part of our Board of Trustees, and the chance to continue a lifetime of service. Thank you for your consideration of me as a candidate. Stay Safe....Stay Healthy.

Shawn Cooney



I’m a 7+ year resident of Lake Hopatcong- previously of Lake Winona; currently of Lake Forest for 3+ years. I have been a volunteer dating back to 1998 as a firefighter, then 1999 as an EMT. I held an Engineer and Trustee position for the fire company in 2000 with the fire company, while also serving as the O2 Tech for the Rescue Squad in 2000.

Recently, I have served locally on the Board of Directors for baseball for 4years, while being tee ball director for 5 years, and coaching tee ball and minors all the while. The positions I had held were Social Media Director (2 years) Vice President (2 years). I have also been active as a responding member of the Jefferson Township Rescue Squad for the past 4 years, where I have recorded 2 CPR saves, and assisted in child birth. As for our community, I have volunteered as the Easter Bunny, and have committed myself as Santa, and the Bunny this next year.

My intentions to run for the board in the Lake Forest Yacht Club is to be active and to improve on our community. As a father of a 12, 11, and 7 year old boy who CONSTANTLY wants to be at the beach, and with a schedule that is flexible enough to give enough time to help, I believe that I can help propel our neighborhood in a positive direction, while also laying the foundation of our youth to become active leaders in our community.

I sincerely look forward to the opportunity to serve my neighbors in this wonderful

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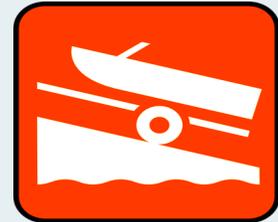
**Order forms on
web-site or in office**

Please note that Sweats & Tees tend to run small. Please order one size, if not two sizes larger.

Unfortunately, due to personalization we cannot accommodate returns or exchanges.

2022 BOAT SLIPS

*****Please remember to remove your boat registration before winterizing your boat! The boat slip renewals and 2022 contracts will be mailed January 1st. In order to renew/apply for a boat slip all members must fill all of the information in the contract and provide a current copy of the registration.*****



REMOVE

KAYAKS, CANOES, PADDLE BOARDS

Dear LFYC Members,

If your kayak, canoe or paddle board is still on the Club's racks, please remove them by December 1st. There is no winter storage allowed on LFYC property.





Thank you to all that helped close down the beach/grounds for 2020/21 winter season. Your hard work is much appreciated.



**If you would like to Advertise in our
Lake Forest Yacht Club Porthole,
please contact the office.**

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Beefsteak/Comedy Night



Saturday, February 5th 2022 7:00pm

Doors Open at 6:00PM, Beefsteak service begins at 7:00PM

Reservations open early for

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November 27th to December 6th 2021

Starting December 8th: Members may add their non-resident guests to the guest list and reserve a table of 10.

Payment for reservations must be made within 5 days of reservation or be subject to cancellation

***Reserve early as this event Sells Out Quickly
...only 150 seats available.***

One of our most popular events is back! Doors open at 6:00pm. We have **The Brownstone** again with the Beefsteak dinner starting at 7:00pm — Salad, Italian Cold Antipasto, "all you can eat" Beefsteak, Fries, Dessert, Coffee & Tea. Beer and Wine are complimentary.

NOTE: Due to high increased cost of beef tenderloin, this beefsteak will be Shaved Prime Rib dipped in Au Jus.

"Bread Tower Table Competition"

Entertainment will follow at 9 PM with (2) Comedians.

Kerri Louise and Ruberto Vanderpool

Members: \$65 per person

Member Guest : \$75 per person

Prepaid RSVP required on all seats at
the Lake Forest Yacht Club Office



The Social Committee needs volunteers!

Anyone who volunteers will be entered into a raffle for free tickets to the Opening Day BBQ in May. Each time you volunteer you will have your name entered. The drawing will take place in the beginning of May. Please take a look at the Sign-up Genius for upcoming events and see where you can help. Also, join us at our next meeting.

The upcoming meeting dates are:

Tuesday, November 9,

Tuesday, November 30.

We hope to see you there!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0449a9af29a4f58-upcoming>



Let Us Hear from You!!!

ANNOUNCEMENT

We like to share news and announcements from our members in the monthly Porthole Issues. If you want to pass along a message such as birthdays, anniversaries, birth announcements or other, we encourage you to share it with us. If you provide the information by the 15th of the month, the news should appear in the upcoming month's issue.



Babysitter List - *Red Cross Certified

Shanna Leek *(16) 973-663-1904

Samantha Gowers (17) 201-704-7658

Rebecca Schultz * (18) 973-876-0362

Elise Gilligan* (16) 973-440-7166

Michela Schultz *(16) * 973-862-2020

House Decorating Winners!



1st



2nd



3rd



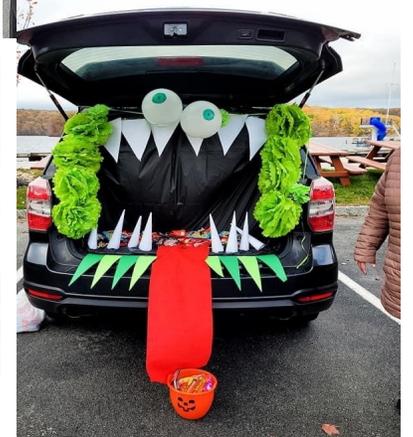
Trunk or Treat



Winners!



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Lake Forest Board Meeting Minutes

10/13/2021

Meeting Start: 7:12 p.m., Meeting Adjourned: 9:12 p.m.

Mike, Jaime, Vinny, Vanessa (absent), Peter, Chrissy, Keith, and Linda

Commodore's Report - Mike Malakuskie

Grounds/Swim Team – Mike Malakuskie

Weedoo- Mike spoke with Tom Bush, motor may need replacement, look back into this before next summer (Follow up January 2022).

Nanobubbler - Mike spoke to JP Bell at Princeton Hydro - he's sending a rep out to look at the unit, we need to winterize the unit Aug/Sept 2022.

Marquee board - Mike will look at it.

Board will meet with Swim team officers: Scheduled for the 27th.

Feb/March talk about Level or paving basketball courts.

Secretary/Office/Communications – Vanessa Luke

Continue to promote advertising in the Porthole.

Senior Members with adult children living in their household must be a family membership.

Candidate's bios need to go into November Porthole.

Annual meeting notice being prepared for mailing.

We will need to upgrade QuickBooks to the new version in a few months.

Treasurer, Financials/Budget/Legal/Insurance/Facebook – Jaime Evans

Apparel - Linda will take this over with Kristen.

Magnets - giving to members for Free.

Budget - Linda needs by 10/18.

Loan payment will be July/Aug 2022.

Boat Safety/Welcoming/Membership/Wakeoff – Keith Moran

Wakeoff scheduled for 8/13/2022.

Boat Safety class was cancelled.

Security/Docks/Clubhouse – Peter Malenda

Security on duty 10/30, Peter will call Al Rossy.

New Tables: Peter is having a hard time finding the Lifetime tables, out of stock. Will continue to look.

Upgrades to the security system continue.

Boat and Kayak: Needs to be in November Porthole. All must be removed by 12/1.

Kayak racks still need to be stained.

Social/Scholarship/Nominating/Grants – Chrissy Gilligan

Requesting additional budget for social for the upcoming year.

Halloween party will be cancelled if we don't get at least 50 to attend.

November: Looking to do a karaoke night and Mixer.

December: 12/4 - 9 to 11 a.m.: Santa Breakfast Debbie Pfeiffer running it.

Looking for people to run events as point person, not just social chair.

Maintenance kids to help with events.

Maintenance/Beach/Galley/Tennis/Lifeguards – Vinny Gowers

Tennis Courts: Reached out to vendor regarding cracks identified on the new surface.

Galley bathrooms to be winterized.

A new flag for the beach needs to be ordered.