

The Porthole News

July 2019 Issue



Commodore's Message



Hello neighbors,

School is out and we have rolled into the summer season with a bang! Our beach operations are in full affect with lifeguards and the snack shack available everyday. Donna Combos is the Beach Director and has the beach area looking great and functioning in mid season form. Among other things the guards have been busy applying fresh coats of paint and pulling weeds around the property. Lifeguards will be on duty from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM from Monday to Thursday and from 10:00 AM to 8:00 PM from Friday to Sunday. Jason and the snack shack will be open from 12:00 PM to 6:00 PM everyday. In addition, he will be open for breakfast on Sundays from 9:30 AM to noon and he'll be serving tacos until they run out starting at 5:00 PM on Tuesdays. Our security personnel, Todd and Marissa, are also patrolling the grounds and keeping it safer for us all. At times, they will ask you for you badge and check your vehicle for a parking tag. Please remember this is our private facility and they are only doing their jobs and making sure only our members are utilizing the beach and grounds. Get to know these people, they are friendly faces that are always available and willing to help if they can.

Great news! Our Membership is at 199 families which is more than can be remembered in recent history. It's wonderful to see the smiling faces of all of our members, seasoned and new. With membership at a recent high it is a great time to review some of the club's unwritten rules. The clubhouse, docks, beach, galley, basketball court, playground, ball field, and boat ramp is all part of your own private property. Private property that you and your guests can use and enjoy year round as a member. It is great to see all of these areas being used as it's our own, because it is. What we must also consider is the responsibility which comes when owning and using these grounds. There is not a daily maintenance crew responsible for maintaining and cleaning the grounds. If a piece of trash needs to be picked up or a garbage needs to be taken out please do so. Most of the time this club and facilities are maintained, cleaned, and improved by its many wonderful members. We ask that everyone please does their part, or what they are capable of doing. As part of their daily summer hours lifeguards are responsible for maintaining some of the grounds and taking out the garbage. They sometimes arrive in the morning to overflowing garbage containers that have been picked through by animals leaving a bigger mess on the ground. They have also found glass bottles which are prohibited on the beach. Keeping the areas clean promotes a safe, positive, healthy grounds for all to enjoy and a better work environment for the lifeguards. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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Band on the Beach	July 28
Wakeoff	August 11

purchase food from the snack shack.

Thank you to the members who donated their time and expertise to improve the club. Thank you to Neal Knipper for installing the new lights in the bathrooms. Thank you to Ray Calogero and Bill Brown for their never ending commitment to improving the club. They installed the white stripes on the galley ceiling and their most recent completed project was refinishing the galley counter top. The galley area looks great thanks to all your efforts.

Thank you all for a great start to the season. I hope to see you on the beach soon!

Mike Malakuskie
Commodore

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Chris Peters	Trustee	862-432-6034	Communications, Clubhouse Asst.: Maintenance/Grounds, Docks, Security, Nominating

Lake Forest Yacht Club Directory**Lake Forest Swim Team President:**

Bonnie Sabia—973-663-5978

Dockmaster:

Frank Gutowski—973-663-5767

Babysitter List - *Red Cross Certified

Emma Brennan* (18) 973-663-3199

Shanna Leek *(15) 973-663-1904

Kristie Thompson * (17) 973-663-2027

Samantha Gowers (15) 201-704-7658

Nicole Kahwaty* (16) 973-479-0773

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Lara Wilson July 2

Gavin Malakuskie July 12

Sydney Malakuskie July 12

Miron Smierzewski July 12

Emy Ricardi July 13

Claire Nelson July 15

Aiden Beaudoin July 17

Ryan Moran July 21

Jackson Serpico July 22

Mojave Smith July 30



UPCOMING EVENTS

Mark Your Calendars



July 13 Community Day/ Band on the beach



July 28 - Band on the beach 2 pm



July 15 – Craft on the Beach



Stained glass window hanger 12-2

August 10—Wakeoff



Community Day and Concert on the Beach

Sunday, July 13, 2 pm



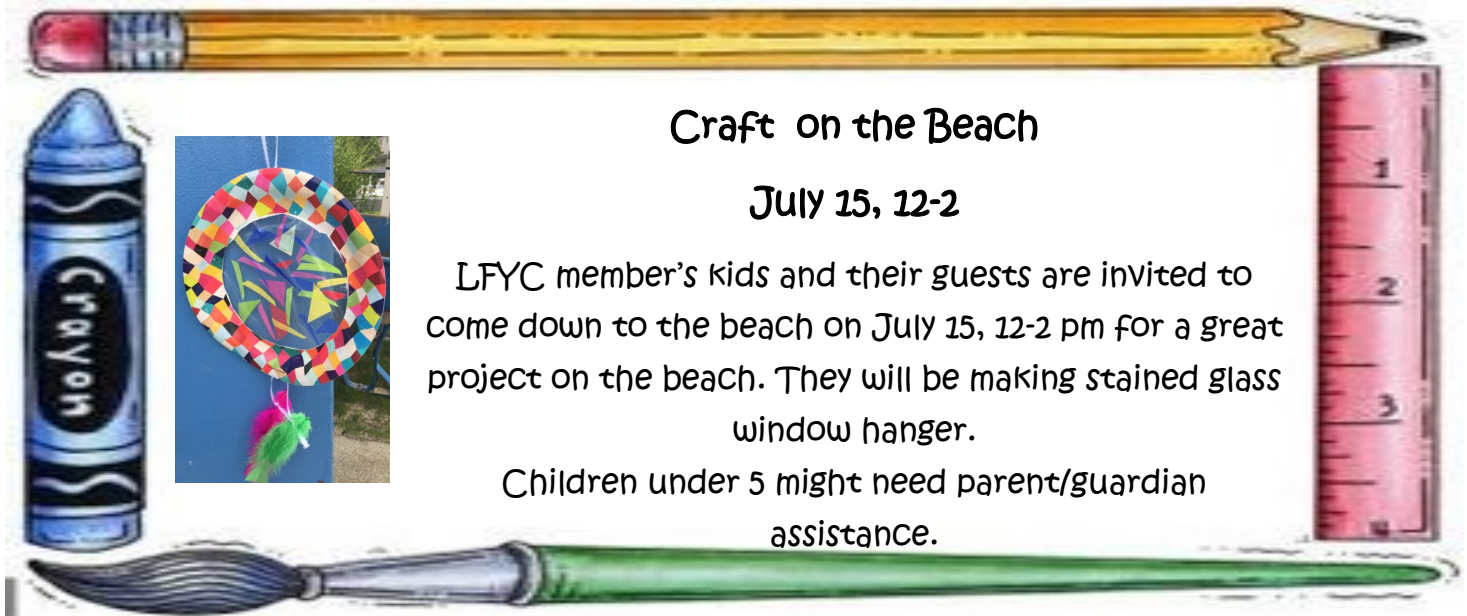
All residents of Lake Forest are invited to Community day. Stop down to enjoy the festivities and find out what the Club is all about. This is a great opportunity for anyone interested in joining the Club to get more

information and to check out the facilities.

Music and entertainment will be provided by Kevin McArdle

Feel free to bring your own lunch or purchase food and beverages from the Shack Shack. Guards will be on duty and you are welcome to use the beach."





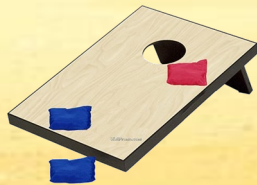
Craft on the Beach

July 15, 12-2

LFYC member's kids and their guests are invited to come down to the beach on July 15, 12-2 pm for a great project on the beach. They will be making stained glass window hanger.

Children under 5 might need parent/guardian assistance.

Cornhole & Soccer Tournament



LFYC Members,

Please keep an eye on the emails and Facebook posts regarding the cornhole and soccer on the beach tournament . Date, time and details TBD.



KAYAK/CANOE RACK & BOAT RAM REMINDER

- ◆ The kayak/canoe/paddle board rack is available for Lake Forest Yacht Club **members only**.
- ◆ Every device **must be labeled/signed with the member's last name**.
- ◆ Any and all property left stored or fastened to the club provided canoe/kayak/paddle board racks or area in/on LFYC property, is/are **stored at your own risk**.
- ◆ The **LFYC is not responsible for loss, damage or destruction** of/or to your property or any damage it may do or cause if not fully secured by you. You waive any and all subrogation or retaliation against the LFYC for any such occurrence or incidence, whether it occurs for any reason or event beyond your control.
- ◆ You are **responsible for all of your guest actions and their property** while on LFYC grounds. Placing your property on LFYC common areas is full agreement to/with the forgoing policy of LFYC.

As the boating season getting in full swing, please be aware of how you park in the gravel lot, near the boat ramp. Parking too close to the boat ramp makes it very difficult to safely maneuver a boat and trailer down the ramp.

Equally important is that, after launching your boat, trucks and trailers are moved well away from the boat ramp path. This will allow other members to launch their boats as easily as you have.

These considerations for those around you will help keep LFYC a safe and fun place to enjoy the lake. Thank you and I look forward to sharing this summer with everyone.



SNACK SHACK

Snack Shack Hours:

Starting June 26—every day
12 pm- 6:00 pm

Breakfast Sundays at 9:60 am

Taco Tuesdays 5 pm



Lifeguards on duty

Starting June 26 :

Weekdays 10:00am– 6:00pm

Weekends 10 :00 am—8:00 pm

Swim Lessons



Lake Forest Yacht Club will provide a swim lesson this summer season for LFYC members. There will be 2 groups/ categories :

- beginners/entry level—instructor will lead children in their first experience in the water, breathing, floating, proper arm and leg motions.
- intermediate level– children will learn /improve formal strokes, coordination of breathing, kick and arm motions.

Sign up sheets available on LFYC website www.lfyc.org.



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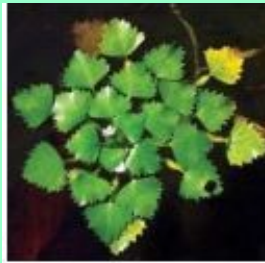
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WATER CHESTNUT STOP

this aquatic hitchhiker from taking over Lake Hopatcong!

Lake Hopatcong Foundation is looking for volunteers / kayakers to seek out, identify, and remove any water chestnut plants.

Water Chestnut (trapa natans) is a nonnative floating aquatic plant that is rapidly spreading across our state and poses a serious threat to any water body where it can get established.



Please visit <https://lakehopatcongfoundation.org/what-we-do/environment/water-scouts/> for more information and sign ups.



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Board Meeting – June 12, 2019

Location: LFYC Office

Meeting called to order: 7:20pm, Meeting Adjourned: 9:30pm

Attendance: Mike Malakuskie, Bryan Hyland, Mike Kahwaty, Brian Richardson, Vanessa Luke, Chris Peters

Beach, Galley - M. Malakuskie

- The Board discussed and updated the hourly rates for the lifeguards.
- Lifeguard’s uniforms were ordered and distributed
- The board was advised that the weed treatment was scheduled for next week
- Mike M. reported that he spoke to Bill Brown about spackling the ceiling in the ladies’ room.
- Mike M. advised that Jason from the snack shack would like to bring additional freezer. Mike K. suggested to put it in the back room of the Clubhouse. Mike M. also reported that he heard very positive feedback regarding the quality of the food.

Office/ Secretary - M. Kahwaty

-Rentals approved

Treasurer/Improvements/Legal - B. Hyland

- Bryan discussed the upcoming minimum wage legislature change with the payroll company. He advised the Board that LFYC doesn’t have to comply with the proposed changes until 2020. As of 2019 LFYC employees’ wages are above the current min wage.
- The A Dock project is completed. Bryan was able to roll the additional expense of the parking lot lights into the loan. Phase II retainage in the amount of \$15,000.00 remains open to until the grass issues are resolved. The final loan amount is \$294,466.98.

Maintenance/ Grounds and Security- M. Kahwaty

– The Board discussed the access to the B&C parking lot for the security and emergency response personnel. Bryan suggested to provide a temporary pin for the security guard that will expire after one time use in case of a security emergency. Brian Richardson offered to look into this with Anna.

-Mike K will also discuss with Al Rossy the issue of the Security Guard to be more mindful.

Docks, Boat Course- B. Richardson

- Chris offered to follow up on the weedoo boat repairs.
- Chris reported and photographed few boats tided incorrectly and damaging the B&C docks. Bryan and Chris will contact the owners of the boats. They will also contact Frank G. regarding this matter.

Clubhouse Communications Wakeoff - for C. Peters

- Chris will make sure that emails blast will go out to the members regarding the snack shack menu and hours and any lifeguards schedule changes.
- Anna will apply for the ABC alcohol permit fort the Wakeoff soon. She will reach out to the members regarding the alcohol order and volunteering with the beer truck.
- Chris will reach out to the vendor regarding the service and filters

Grant/Scholarship– J. Evans

-Mike M. attended the award ceremony at JTHS and presented the LFYC scholarship to Kristie Thompson.

Social - V. Luke

- Octoberfest was discussed. The Board is asking for a written proposal for the event.
- Vanessa also reported that the social committee is beginning to discuss changes in roles in the fall for the upcoming year.

Tennis - M. Kahwaty

Mike K. will follow up with Keith Kesheneff and Bill Nasiuta regarding the tennis court curtain.

Swim Team –B. Richardson

-Bryan reported that LFYC signed the contract with the swim team for 2019 season and rental fee was also paid.



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