

Lake Shawnee News

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT MAY/JUNE 2024

Happy Spring!

Thank you to everyone attending the annual meeting; seeing everyone after a long winter nap was nice! Our Board gave its reports, and the meeting was mostly uneventful, lasting a little over an hour. Thank you to our Board and volunteers for all their work for our Club and its members.

In May, we look forward to the official opening of our beaches with guards on duty starting Memorial Day weekend. Our guards will then be on duty each weekend until the end of June after school ends, after which they will be on duty seven days a week through Labor Day, primarily at First Beach. As I do each season, I must remind all our beachgoers that our lifeguards are not beach babysitters. Parents or guardians are always responsible for watching their children around the water, especially the younger ones. Children under 12 must be accompanied by someone 14 or older. The outdoor bathroom at the clubhouse is available for use. The lock code can be found on the members-only page of our website, or you can ask our summer security or lifeguards. Please be kind to our outside bathroom.

We always need more lifeguards. It is an excellent job for our local youth, so if you are 16 or older, please consider completing an application. Starting pay is \$15.00, and we now pay for certifications. So far, we intend to offer kids' swim lessons this year; information will be posted on our website and social media shortly for water testing dates, beginning sometime after July 4th.

We had a glitch with the post office with our dues invoices, so they got to everyone a little late, and you likely received two! If you plan on using the Club facilities, please bring your dues current and utilize your 2024 badges and/or wristbands when on Club property. For those who have sent in your payment, badges and such can be picked up outside the office during regular office hours. The office gets a little crazy this time of year. We sent out an email blast posted on our webpage, social media, and in this newsletter about badge distribution and evening office hours.

This time of year is probably a good time to review our beach & Club rules on our website and members-only page. We regularly hear members complain that many non-members use our properties, so utilizing your badges lets us all know who belongs on our properties. Wristbands are available upon request for members only; they are not to be used for guests.

The Board hosts an annual new member mixer each year, and this year, it is scheduled for May 3rd at 6:30 p.m. before our monthly board meeting. Invites have been sent out to our latest & newest members; if we missed you or have never been to one, we would love to meet everyone who recently moved into the lake over the last year, so I hope our new members can make it.

As we all know, Lake Shawnee is a great place to walk or run, and as spring moves forward, more and more of our residents will take to our streets for exercise. As a courtesy to our residents, please drive carefully. It is recommended that walkers/runners always walk facing opposite traffic, in single file, please, for the walking groups, and cyclists must ride with traffic. Some reflective clothing is also recommended for those who like to walk during dusk or dawn.

As mentioned at the annual meeting, volunteerism helps keep our costs down, so please consider helping out, especially on workdays. Since this is a May/June issue, I would also like to pre-thank everyone who came out for our annual work day on April 20th. We look forward to seeing everyone at our Kick Off to Summer on July 4th. Attending our many events helps with building a better community!

Eric Wilsusen

Club President

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HIGHLIGHTS

May 16th, **Spring Storytime** May 18th/19th, **Fishing Contest Community Garage Sale** May 21st, Dine to Donate June 5th, **Ecology Seminar** June 8th, Wine Tasting June 15th, Swim Team Car Wash June 15th, Trivia Night June 18th, 20th, 22nd **Sailing Classes** June 22nd, **Night Fishing Contest** June 23rd & 30th Sailing June 24th to 28th Sailing Camp June 26th Swim Meet

The Lake Shawnee Clubhouse is located at 4 West Shawnee Trail Wharton NJ 07885

For Club Business and Rentals please contact our Office Manager,

Lisa Peter at 973-663-1307 or officemanager@lakeshawneeclub.org

The Office is open during the hours of 8:30am-12pm on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday

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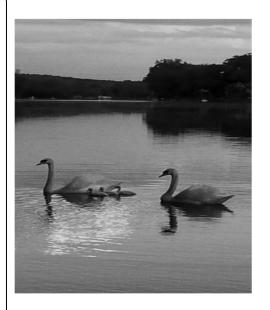
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Newspaper Deadline 15th of the month prior to printing.

Interested in placing an ad in the LSC News go to www.lakeshawneeclub.org/clubhouse.html



CLUB HOUSE RENTALS

Rates and Terms

Members only

Full Day Rental: \$300 Half Day \$150 (M-F)

A deposit off \$200 and a signed agreement are required to secure your rental date.

Call 973-663-1307

Board Meetings are held on the first Friday of every month.

All members welcome!!

Visit our website frequently for the most up to date information:

www.lakeshawneeclub.org

www.facebook.com/groups/lakeshawneeclub



Social Committee Events



<u>Social Committee:</u> Please join us at the clubhouse with any new ideas you might have. Our next meeting dates are **May 7th and June 4th at 7pm – at the clubhouse**. If you can lend a hand at any of our events, it would be greatly appreciated.

<u>Shawnee Seniors Club:</u> Our Shawnee Seniors Club meets every other Wednesday at 1pm at the clubhouse. The club is open to all Seniors Age 55 and older.

<u>Toddler Time Playgroup</u>: Meet <u>Tuesdays</u> at <u>5pm</u>. Bring your little one over to the clubhouse for some playtime with other little ones. Feel free to bring a toy or book of your choice to share.

<u>Children's Spring Storytime:</u> Thursday, May 16th - 7pm at 3rd Beach. Come join us for a story followed by a craft and snack. Dress in your jammies and bring your imaginations and blankets. Children of all ages are welcome!

<u>Lake Garage Sale</u>: Saturday and Sunday, May 18th and 19th – 9am-3pm. This event is rain or shine. Maps will be available for pickup at the clubhouse. See our full ad for more details.

<u>Ecology Seminar</u>: Wednesday, June 5th – 4:30pm - at First Beach. Are you interested in finding out what insects, in the process of development, can determine the quality of the water in which we swim? Come join Mr. Jeff Keith who will conduct a "hands on" workshop for kids ages 4-10. We will use seining/dip nets, conduct pH tests, take temperatures at different levels in the water and check for water clarity using a secci disk. You need to bring a bathing suit and something for your feet(water shoes, old sneakers, sandals, but NO FLIPFLOPS!)

<u>Wine Tasting:</u> June 8th at 7pm - at the Clubhouse. This year, we will be sampling lesser known yet delicious wines from Italy with a freshly prepared Italian specialty small plate for each. We will have six courses, so bring your appetite! Advanced reservations and payment are required and we are limiting attendance to 40 people. \$30 per person. Call or text Vince at 862-258-7783 to make your reservation.

<u>Trivia Night</u> – **Saturday, June 15th – 7pm –** at the Clubhouse. (Doors open at 6:30pm) Come join us for a free night of brain testing fun! Form a team of 4-6 or join one that night. BYOB and a snack for your table. (See ad in the newsletter for more details!)

Please email social@lakeshawneeclub.org with any questions!



The Social Committee is Seeking Volunteers

In order to ensure the success and continuation of this year's events, we need more volunteers to come out and lend a hand. Without increased involvement, we will be forced to cancel events that we have all come to love. A large commitment isn't necessary. We are asking members to sign up to chair an event(s). New ideas are always welcome. We will share experiences and help you every step of the way. Grab some friends, pick an event and let's work together!! If you are interested, please email social@lakeshawneeclub.org.

We meet the first Tuesday of every month – 7pm – at the clubhouse.

May 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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Lake Shawnee Community

GARAGE SALE

Saturday & Sunday

May 18 & 19

9am-3pm

This event is rain or shine!

Maps will be available for pick up at the clubhouse parking lot:

4 West Shawnee Trail on the mornings of May 18 and May 19.

(Please register with the office if you would like your address on the map. You can drop a \$10 check off at the office with your name and address listed.)





TODDLER TIME!

Meet **Tuesdays** at **5pm**Bring your little one over to the clubhouse for

some playtime with other little ones.
Feel free to bring a toy or book of your choice to share.

Contact the Social Committee at social@lakeshawneeclub.org if you plan to attend.

* CPR Lifeguard certified + Red Cross certified



Children's Spring Storytime

7pm at 3rd Beach Thursday, May 16th

Come join us for a story followed by a craft and snack.

Dress in your jammies and bring your
imaginations and blankets.
Children of all ages are welcome!



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Why not check on cruises to some cooler climates for the summer or even fall when you could see the northern lists.

Check out Havila Voyages. It is a fairly new cruiseline and has some

nice cruises.

Give us a call and we can help you find a nice vacation.



Shawnee Take Your Marks: Swim Season Is About To Kick Off!!



Come join the Tribe...2024 Swim Team Registration is open!

If you weren't able to attend our Swim Team Registration day on Friday, April 26th and are interested in signing up your swimmer, there is still time. If you are a returning swimmer or a new swimmer who is interested in joining, please reach out to the Swim Team board by emailing us LSSTribe@gmail.com.

Early bird registration fee is \$85 up to May 12th. Payments received after May 12th will be \$95 (does not apply to new swimmers).

We are a summer recreational swim team with a long and proud history. Our many members range in age from 5 – 18 years old and swimmer's abilities range from beginner to elite.

Our team provides a positive and enriching experience for young swimmers in our community. The primary goal of LSST as a recreational swim team is for all of our swimmers to have fun. In addition to this goal, the coaches and swim team board will work to foster participation, develop good sportsmanship, build team spirit, a good self-image, and above all, to help all swimmers improve both their skills and their times throughout the season in a friendly recreational swimming environment. LSST also promotes a sense of community that will endure beyond the swim season.

All of our events are run by the volunteerism and support of our swim team families. Our team strives on teamwork and our season is filled with lots of fun activities for the kids and parents throughout the season including Lake Swim, Water Polo, Car Washes, Team Outings, and BBQs, just to name a few.

We are super excited to welcome back our returning swimmers for another fun filled season as well as those who are new to the team!

Visit our website page on the www.lakeshawneeclub.com to learn more about the Swim Team and get additional information.



2024 LSST FUNDRAISERS - MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Dine to Donate on 5/21 @ Gatwyns!

Come out on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>May 21st between 4 – 9 pm</u> and enjoy a delicious meal at Gatwyns and mention that you are there to support the Lake Shawnee Swim team, we really hope to see you there! Thank you in advance to one of our top supporters, our community resident and owner of Gatwyns for all of your support!!

CAR WASH - Drive-In, Shine-Out on 6/15 & 7/20!!



Come visit us on Saturday, June 15th and July 20th and unleash your cars sparkle! This event will be held at the Jefferson Township Fire Company #2 across from Jefferson Dairy. The Team has such a blast during this fundraiser and looking forward to it each year!

<u>THANK YOU</u> to our all of our supporters and **Jefferson Township Fire company #2** for supporting our team each year!!!

LAKE SHAWNEE TRIBE - HOME MEETS

Come on down to 1st beach during our home meets and cheer the team on while enjoying a nice cup of coffee and breakfast during our Saturday meets and yummy signature dinner & desserts during our weeknight meets. And don't forget about our most popular dessert item...Root beer / Orange floats!



Wednesday, June 26 th	Lake Shawnee vs. Mount Olive Pirates	(6 pm - 8 pm)
Saturday, July 6th	Lake Shawnee vs. Shore Hill Rays	(9 am - 11 am)
Monday, July 8 th	Lake Shawnee hosts Ribbon Meet	(6 pm - 8 pm)
Wednesday, July 10 th	Lake Shawnee vs. Saffin's Pond	(6 pm – 8 pm)
Wednesday, July 17th	Lake Shawnee vs. Roxbury Racers	(6 pm - 8 pm)
Saturday, July 20th	Lake Shawnee vs. Lake Forest	(9 am - 11 am)

**Fun Fact – When the team wins a meet (home or away), they all join in a train of cars by the club house and beep around the lake to celebrate with the community! **

Thank you in advance to our community who come out and cheer us on!!





2024 SPONSORS ARE BEING ACCEPTED NOW!



Consider Sponsoring Our Swim team, we thrive on thanks to the generosity of our sponsorships. 2024 Sponsorships are still being accepted. Individual and business sponsorships are equally appreciated.

If you or someone you know is interested in investing in the future of our Tribe, check out our sponsorship form to see how you can help. We accept any type of monetary donation, no donation is too small.

We thank you so much in advance for your generosity and kind support for our team. We wouldn't be successful without our community's support. **THANK YOU!**



We have included the form here but if you need additional copies, please free to download a copy by visiting our website or using this QR code to bring you directly to the form.





Lake Shawnee Swim Team Sponsorship Form 2024

Dear Supporter,

Thank you for considering sponsorship of the Lake Shawnee Swim Team Summer League. We are a local swim team organization catering to kids ages 5 -18 from Lake Shawnee, Jefferson Twp., NJ. Our team provides a positive and enriching experience for young swimmers in our community. With your support, we can continue to foster a love for swimming, promote teamwork and sportsmanship, and help our athletes reach their full potential.

Please consider becoming a sponsor for our team with any of the options below. Sponsorship - Sponsor the team with a \$60 donation or goods of equal value to have my business name advertised at our snack shack and announced during home swim meets, included on the back of our team T-shirts, LSC website/Social Media and recognized in one of our LSC newsletter. Good of equal value description: Monetary Donation - If you would like to make a monetary donation: _____ Goods Donation - If you would like to make a donation of goods for our snack shack, please contact us by emailing LSSTribe@gmail.com to make arrangements. Contact Name _____ Phone #: _____ Business Name & address:____ Email Address Thank you in advance for all your support in advance!

Sponsorships of \$60 or more <u>MUST</u> be received by <u>June 1st</u> in order to print your business on the team shirts. Monetary donations will be received at any time.

Drop off or mail your completed form & donation to: LSC Swim Team, 4 W.Shawnee Trail, Wharton, NJ 07885 Checks should be made out to: LSC

For Any additional questions or information Please contact Kira Crinnian at kiracrinnian@yahoo.com or lsstribe@gmail.com



2024 LAKE SHAWNEE FISHING CONTESTS

BASS CONTESTS

May 18th 6:30 am - 12:30 pm

June 22nd Night Contest 3:30 pm - 8:30 pm

July 20th 6:30 am - 12:30 pm

August 10th Junior Sunfish Contest

11 am - 2 pm

August 24th 6:30 am - 12:30 pm Sept. 21st 6:30 am - 12:30 pm

October 12th 7:30 am - 1:30 pm



The fishing committee THANKS YOU for all the fishing badge donations! These funds certainly help out this year's stocking, which should be completed in May.

There was a lot of excitement as our 9 anglers came to sign up for the first of our 2024 summer fishing events! As expected, we did have a cooler start and a few stray showers but hey, no thunder/lighting storms or earthquakes!

The anglers were hungry... unfortunately not so much the fish! Only 6 nice Bass were caught and more than enough pickerel for our liking. Our juniors, Casey Cumberton and Matt Jablonski enjoyed some pickerel action and from the looks of it are real great contenders! Bobbie Harris tipped the scales with 49 total inches as Marcia Farber pulled into second place (30.75"). Verny Appler collected on her 19.5" Biggest Bass prize and Big Pickerel, a long 25 inches, was pulled in by Todd Lipchus.

Hopefully, this will get some of your attention and excitement flowing as to what fishing has offer here at LS! The next tournament date is May 18th, we hope you can make it. Until then, stay safe and FISH-ON!



Easter Egg Hunt and Bunny Brunch

Thanks to all who joined us for the Easter Egg Hunt and Bunny Brunch on March 24th!

It was a beautiful and brisk day! A good time was a had by all!!

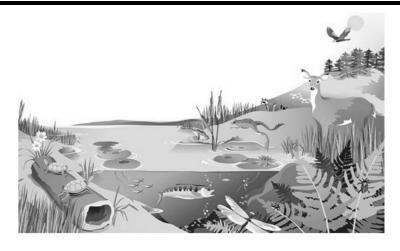
Thanks to everyone who donated time, candy and other items for the brunch!

And, as always, an extra special thank you to the Easter Bunny for hopping by!!









<u>REMINDER</u>

Attention Young Biologists!!

Are you interested in finding out what insects, in the process of development, can determine the quality of the water in which we swim? Come join Mr. Jeff Keith, who will conduct a "hands on" workshop for kids ages 6-12. We will use seining/dip nets, conduct pH tests, take temperatures at different levels in the water and check for water clarity using a secci disk.

Date: June 5th

Time: 4:30pm

Location: Meet at First Beach

What you need to bring: a bathing suit and something for your feet

(water shoes, old sneakers, sandals, but NO FLIPFLOPS!)

Contact the social committee at social@lakeshawneeclub.org if you would like to attend!



Wine Tasting Saturday, June 8th at 7pm at the Clubhouse

This year, we will be sampling lesser known yet delicious wines from Italy with a freshly prepared Italian specialty small plate for each. We will have six courses, so bring your appetite! Advanced reservations and payment are required and we are limiting attendance to 40 people. \$30 per person.

Call or text Vince at 862-258-7783 to make your reservation.



? Trivia Night?

Lake Shawnee Clubhouse
June 15, 2024

Join us for a night of brain testing fun.
Formka team of 6 - 8

BYOB & a snack for your table.
Now accepting RSVPs

Door prizes & Grand prizes provided
by local businesses.
LSC Scholarship Fundraiser

RSVP; georgeherberger@aol.com





Sailing News

The sailing program will be returning to Lake Shawnee for the summer of 2024!

In case you missed it, Lake Shawnee Sailing started up last summer, providing free sailing instruction and sailboat rides to anyone who was interested — children and adults. This summer, we hope to grow the program and get even more members sailing on this beautiful lake.

No prior sailing experience is required. So, if you have ever thought about trying it, come on out. Lake Shawnee is a great place to learn to sail. In the past Lake Shawnee had an active adult sailing fleet and a large Junior Sailing program which introduced hundreds of children to sailing and sailboat racing.

We plan to meet for sailing on Sundays at Third Beach starting on June 23rd. If you have a sailboat, please bring it. But if you don't, no problem. We have a small fleet of sailboats available.

Safety while sailing will be first priority (followed closely by having fun!). New sailors who plan to sail solo on loaned boats (and anyone who wants to learn the basic 'nuts and bolts' of sailing) will be expected to attend one of three pre-season classroom instruction sessions:

- 1.) on Tuesday, June 18th from 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm at the clubhouse:
- 2.) on Thursday, June 20th from 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm at the clubhouse; or,
- 3.) on Saturday, June 22nd from 9:30 am to noon at Second Beach (outside).

These sessions will provide each new sailor with an introductory foundation of sailboat terminology, seamanship skills, and safe sailboat handling which will prepare them for continuing instruction on Sundays at Third Beach and safe boat operation on the lake.

If there is interest, a "sailing camp" will be held the week of June 24th through June 28th, from 12:30 pm to 4:30 pm at Third Beach each day. Please contact me if you are interested.

Like last summer, we will be communicating and providing additional details on upcoming events via the Lake Shawnee Facebook page and with email blasts, as well as articles like this in the Lake Shawnee News.

We hope many of you can participate, and we look forward to sailing with you this summer!

Tom Preston tp5392@yahoo.com



Shawnee Spotlight

We have another opportunity to spend a few moments celebrating Lake Shawnee's youngest residents. Let's take a look at the future of our community; their interests, successes and accomplishments.



Celebrated student-athlete Savannah Ludlow, third-grade, has impressed dance judges across the nation this season! As a Stanlick school Bravo Student, Savannah recently dominated multiple dance competitions this season in many disciplines, competing individually and with a competition and team at Dance Academy of North Jersey (DANJ) in Jefferson. Savannah wowed the judges with first place finishes in the Legacy Dance Championships in East Brunswick and taking home both the MVP Award and Future Hall Of Famer title from Hall Of Fame Dance competition in Morristown. To top off the amazing season, Savannah was also awarded 2nd place at the Nationals in Orlando for her solo dance entitled "Climb Every Mountain." With the 2024 competition season just kicking off, we can all look forward to seeing Savannah continuing to Climb Every Mountain...

Lake Shawnee is also proving to be unmatched on the mats as well, as our lake has put together one dominant performance after another thanks to the combined efforts of Shawnee's grapplers. This season Lake Shawnee's Donnie Andrews, Liam Carroll, Gavin Goldsberry, Gunnar Goldsberry and Gabe "Hammer Hands" Goldsberry represented Jefferson Youth Wrestling in some incredible battles of might and will. Donnie Andrews finished the season ranked #13 in his weight class, while brothers Gunnar and Gabe Goldsberry each

brought home silvers in their respective weight classes at the Future Stars











Liam Carroll finished off his impressive season with an amazing record of 10-3, ranking 6th in his weight class and qualifying for the State Championships at the Lakeland Regional Qualifying Tournament.

Gavin Goldsberry proved nearly unstoppable finishing with a record of 13-1, ranking 2nd in his weight class competing for both the Falcons and as a representative of Iron Horse Wrestling School in Randolph. Gavin punched his ticket to the State Championships with a stellar performance at the Randolph Regional Qualifying Tournament. Keep your eyes

HAPRSE WRESTLING

and ears open for more from these two as they compete at the State Championships in Trenton this March.

LAKE SHAWNEE CLUB PRESENTS

BONFIRE Beach Party

Saturday, June 22nd, 2024 6:30 - 9:30PM Lake Shawnee's First Beach

S'MORES - DJ - FUN FOR ALL AGES

Swim Team's Snack Shack will be open with light refreshments for purchase. Members and their guests are always welcome.

Anyone under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

Summary of the Lake Shawnee Club Board Meetings

March 1, 2024

The Board discussed the status of the newly formed Lake Shawnee Foundation; we are awaiting approval from the State Division of Taxation. Once approved, the Club can begin holding 50/50s and other games of chance for fundraising efforts and all donations made will be tax deductible.

It was reported that there were only 2 days of ice fishing this winter. The first bass fishing contest is scheduled for April 20th.

The Swim Team will be holding a spaghetti dinner fundraiser on Saturday, March 16th with 2 seating times which includes spaghetti, salad, drinks, BYOB, coffee, tea and cookies. Team registration for the upcoming season will be held on Friday, April 26th at the Clubhouse. The LSST Board decided to host Trials and Finals at the Roxbury facility for safety, parking and volunteer concerns.

The Board discussed recent repairs as well as upcoming projects for Spring Work Day. It was noted that during two recent Nor'easters, the lake saw over 18 inches of rain and lots of damage. Second Beach property had some damage due to washout from South Parkway, which will need to be addressed. The drainage has been added to the estimates for a new wall and stairs on the upper level.

The Property Improvement Committee identified seven major projects - Clubhouse dock, White's Cove dock, North End dock, sea wall and walkway/patio at 2nd, pavilion/pole barn, Beaver Cove wall, and paving parking lot area at Clubhouse. They are still in the process of obtaining quotes for all of the projects.

It was reported that Stewart Surveying is in contact with the NJDEP working on the latest revisions for Phase 2 dam repair plans.

All contracts have been signed by property owners and Board members for the lot line adjustments. At this time, our attorney can schedule us for the Land Use meeting with the Township.

The Board made plans for the upcoming Annual Meeting scheduled for Saturday, March 23rd.

There was a discussion on parking issues at 2nd Beach; the Jefferson Twp. Police Dept. was contacted and specific no trespassing/parking signs will be ordered in order for the police to be able to enforce.

April 5, 2024

Mr. Tom Preston will be offering a Junior Sailor's program to the membership as approved by the Board. Although he doesn't currently live in the lake, he grew up here and his mother still lives near White's Cove. Last year, he restarted a sailor's group that he enjoyed during his childhood. He would like to offer the program again this year, growing it even further.

There were two successful Social Committee events held over Spring Break - a cooking class and a painting class. The annual Easter Egg Hunt and Bunny Brunch was held recently. Over 700 eggs were stuffed and hidden and the event was well attended. The Social Committee is starting to prepare for the summer season including a new date for the Ecology Seminar on June 5^{th} and Wine Tasting on June 8th.

There were six geese sighted recently at North End and many geese back on the lake this year. Despite recent cold temperatures, they have been laying eggs which were addled twice. The swans have not nested yet. Mr. Jeff Horn, the outside lake ecologist, will do his initial survey of the lake this year shortly. At this time, the lake is still sleeping.

Spring Work day is scheduled for Saturday, April 20th. The Board planned and discussed projects. A Sign Up Genius will be sent out to the membership for volunteers.

The Board was updated on the status of Capital Improvement projects, specifically quotes that are being obtained for projects to be completed during the fall drawdown.

The Board discussed and approved expenses for our annual Dam inspection. They also discussed the need for a consulting engineer for final plan revisions needed by r the NJDEP for Phase 2 of the dam repairs; quotes are being obtained at this time. Finally, they discussed maintenance needed on the low level outlet/sluice gate.

The Board was updated on the status sale of the property at North End and the lot line adjustments, which are still in the process of being completed.

The Board completed their annual reorganization.



ASK JEFF

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Lawn Care- Just a brief reminder — a few tips you can do to protect our lake and save water as we start to get our lawns in shape for the summer. I know you have heard it before, but we have many new residents in our lake so it helps to repeat these tips to those folks. So thank you for bearing with me on this subject.

New lawns - New lawns require a fertilizer with some phosphorus since it helps the seed to take root. Please use it sparingly because it also will help weeds in our lake grow and they do not need any help. Heavy rain will take your fertilizer into the street and into storm drains and into our lake. Make sure you put hay down to protect your seeds to stop this from happening. This helps keep your seeds and fertilizer from leaving your yard. Once it starts to grow and looks established, it can be removed. Remember folks, this is for new homeowners who may never have planted grass. Ask Eric at the True Value Hardware for the correct fertilizer— he can be a great help. Existing lawns can use less fertilizer or none at all unless you have some bare spots, then follow what I explained before. Always please be cognizant that what goes on your lawn can wind up in our lake and contribute to weeds.

Watering - Obviously with the abundance of rain we have been receiving, watering is not an issue until it really warms up. When you do water when it is hot and very sunny with minimal rain, remember to water in the early morning and evening after the sun goes down. An hour at each of those periods is all your lawn needs. Watering when the sun is out is a waste of water because up to 50% can be lost to evaporation. For new lawns, you may want to do a little more in the morning so it can handle the sun during the day. This procedure can save a lot of water in our community.

Geese - Good news; I found two nests while paddling and addled 12 eggs. One nest is at Beaver Cove and the other on the island in North End. A third nest appeared a few days later also at North End, but the female had already abandoned it. Why, you ask? There are a pair of swans nesting on the same island and I'm sure they chased them away. So, both nests now at North End have no female sitting on them and the eggs will not hatch. As I said in my last article, swans get very territorial and protective of their nesting area. The geese were a threat, so they chased them away. So I didn't have to addle the third nest. If anyone is out in their boat and sees a pair nesting or if you have a pair nesting on your property, please give me a call. Remember, imprinting takes place with new goslings and they could be lifelong residents of Lake Shawnee.

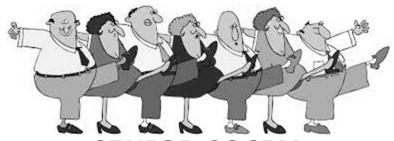
Thank you for all you do to keep Lake Shawnee one of the cleanest lakes around and making it an amazing place to live.

Thank you, Jeff



Slow Down Shawnee!

The group's purpose is to increase safety for pedestrian and vehicle traffic around our lake community.



SENIOR SOCIAL

<u>Calling all</u> <u>Lake Shawnee Seniors</u> <u>Looking to meet some other Seniors on the lake?</u>

Come on down to the clubhouse **every other Wednesday at 1pm**.

We offer new and different activities and are always open to new ideas.

We play cards! We laugh! We talk!

It's a time to get together and enjoy each other's company! The club is open to all Seniors Age 55 and older.

Coffee and snacks are served.

Attendees are welcome to share a special treat as well! Pizza or sandwiches are provided several times a year!

Meeting dates can be found in the newsletter and on the Lake Shawnee website. Contact social@lakeshawneeclub.org or Kristen at 973-255-9326 with any questions!

HELLO SUMMER



SNEAK PEEK AT EVENTS TO COME

JULY

4th – Fourth of July Bike Parade and Kick off to Summer – 9am

9th and 23rd – Ice Cream and Bingo – 7pm

12th – Kid's Biathlon & Color War – 4pm

19th - Movie Night - 8:30pm

 20^{th} – Dance Hop – 7pm

25th – Storytime at 3rd Beach – 7pm

AUGUST

2nd - Kid's Pirate Day - 1pm

6th – Storytime at 3rd Beach – 7pm

13th – Ice Cream and Bingo – 7pm

23rd - Movie Night - 8:30pm

31st - End of Summer Celebration - 1pm



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