



# Lake Shawnee News

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2023

Sadly, the end of summer is once again upon us! Just a reminder, all township schools open on September 6th, so please be aware and drive with care! Now that all the roads in the lake are paved, please be mindful of the posted speed limits. As someone who walks the lake regularly and as a retired police officer, I can say quite a few are coming through the lake a little hot and I even see some on cell phones. My wife and I have had to jump back on several occasions. Please be careful driving through the lake.

Many of us who knew longtime member and Civil Engineer, Gerry Remsen, who passed last year, met at the dam on July 15<sup>th</sup> to sail some of Gerry's ashes over the dam. It was a fitting tribute to Gerry, who helped the club tremendously with our dam breach in 2011. A bench was also placed at the dam in his honor; thank you to Vince Matrisciano for getting it all installed.

Thank you to Swim Team Chairman Bill Szekula, our swim team committee, our coaches, Jamie Breiten, Kevin Denbleyker, Sam Iversen, and all our parents for another great swim season. Our numbers continue to grow with our younger swimmers.

I thank Kristen White and the Social Committee for the great summer events and year-round work. We have one last summer event planned for September 2nd to finish the summer, so be sure to come out for our annual "Goodbye Summer Beach Party."

Our Dog Walk & Costume Parade will be on September 23rd. October 15th will hopefully bring us our Trunk or Treat at First Beach, which has become a popular lake event. Many of our members look forward to decorating their vehicles, and we certainly get a good turnout of trick-or-treaters.

Thank you all who volunteered for our Night Security patrols this season; it helps to protect our Club properties. Once again, I am happy to report that it was an uneventful summer season. I saw vehicles parked on Club property after hours, particularly Second Beach and North End indicated on the nightly reports. Members should have their car tag visible, and no vehicles should be parked on Club property after 10 pm.

If you have any boat stored on Club property, please check on it occasionally to ensure it is emptied of water and stored properly, especially as we move into winter.

Finally, a reminder we have our regular Fall Cleanup scheduled for Saturday, November 4th. If you have some time to lend a hand, there isn't as much work as our spring cleanup, so our fall cleanup goes pretty quickly.

Enjoy our beautiful fall season!

Eric Wilsusen  
Club President



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## HIGHLIGHTS

- September 2, 12-5pm**  
Good-bye Summer
- September 23, 10:00am**  
Dog Walk & Pet Parade
- September 23, 7:00pm**  
Beer Tasting
- October 7, 8:00pm**  
Movie Night
- October 12, 7:00pm**  
Children's Story Time  
and Crafts
- October 15, 3:00-5:00pm**  
Trunk or Treat
- October 28, 7:00pm**  
Texas Hold'em



**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](mailto:officemanager@lakeshawneeclub.org)**

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

## **Board of Governors**

### **Officers**

|               |                   |              |
|---------------|-------------------|--------------|
| President     | Eric Wilsusen     | 663-0596     |
| Executive VP  | Vince Matrisciano | 663-5964     |
| Membership VP | Milt Felter       | 663-1565     |
| Treasurer     | Marc Sanderson    | 201-259-2733 |
| Secretary     | Kristeen McConnon | 769-0551     |

### **Members At Large**

|                     |              |
|---------------------|--------------|
| Jeff Keith          | 663-4230     |
| John Stern          | 663-5427     |
| Kristen White       | 255-9326     |
| Al Pichieri         | 663-5428     |
| Lise Meisner        | 201-230-8791 |
| Bill Carroll        | 945-9310     |
| Christine Cumberton | 557-3845     |
| Dina Troha          | 663-6737     |

### **Property Maintenance Chairs:**

|               |                   |          |
|---------------|-------------------|----------|
| First Beach   | Eric Wilsusen     | 663-0596 |
| Club House    | Vince Matrisciano | 663-5964 |
| Second Beach  | Bill Carroll      | 234-5413 |
| Third Beach   | John Stern        | 663-5427 |
| White's Cove  | Al Pichieri       | 663-5428 |
| Beaver Cove   | Milt Felter       | 663-1565 |
| North End     | Milt Felter       | 663-1565 |
| South End/Dam | Eric and Vince    |          |

### **Committee Chairs:**

|                     |                   |              |
|---------------------|-------------------|--------------|
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| Fishing Committee   | Bobbie Harris     | 725-9002     |
| Membership          | Milt Felter       | 663-1565     |
| Summer Night Patrol | Eric Wilsusen     | 663-0596     |
| Lake Ecology        | Jeff Keith        | 663-4230     |
| Life Guards         | Kristen Iaconetti |              |
| LSC News Editor     | Kristeen McConnon | 769-0551     |

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## **CLUB HOUSE RENTALS**

### **Rates and Terms**

**Members only**

**Full Day Rental: \$250**

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secure your rental date.**

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**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:**

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## Social Committee Events



**Social Committee:** Please join us at the clubhouse with any new ideas you might have. Our next meeting dates are October **3rd** and **November 7th** at **7pm – at the clubhouse**. If you can lend a hand at any of our events, it would be greatly appreciated.

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

**Toddler Time Playgroup:** 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.

**Lake Shawnee Dog Walk and Pet Parade:** **Saturday, September 23rd at 10am**. Meet at First Beach with a 1 mile dog walk. Cost is \$5 per four-legged friend. The walk will be followed by a pet parade featuring prizes for the cutest...funniest...and best overall costumes.

**Beer Tasting:** **Saturday, September 23rd at 7pm**. Beer Tasting, Food and Fun!! You will have the chance to sample multiple kinds of craft beer, each accompanied with a small gourmet plate. The cost is \$20 per person – reservations are required. Contact Vince or Gina at 862-258-7783 to reserve your spot.

**Fall Movie Night:** **Saturday, October 7th at 8:00pm**. Movie selection to be determined! We'll pop the popcorn; you bring your beach chairs and beverage of choice. Children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

**Children's Halloween Storytime:** Come join us for an evening of magical wonder as we read a story followed by a craft and snack. Dress in your jammies and bring your imaginations and blankets. Story time will be on **Thursday, October 12th, 7pm at the clubhouse**. All ages are welcome! Hope to see you there!

**Annual Halloween Trunk-or-Treat Party:** **Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup> from 3-5pm**. Trick or Treat from car to car in the clubhouse parking lot! Vote for your favorite Trunk- Prizes will be awarded! Decorated Vehicles arrive by 2:30pm. Please email [social@lakeshawneeclub.org](mailto:social@lakeshawneeclub.org) to reserve your space. (Rain date is Sunday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>)

**Texas Hold'em:** **Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup> Doors Open at 7:00pm - Play starts at 7:30pm** The cost is \$15 per person. Even if you've never played before, come on out and learn. We have beginners each time - we'll even show you how to play!

Contact the social committee at [social@lakeshawneeclub.org](mailto:social@lakeshawneeclub.org) with any questions!

# September 2023

| Sun | Mon | Tue  | Wed                     | Thu | Fri                       | Sat  |
|-----|-----|--|-------------------------|-----|---------------------------|--|
|     |     |  |                         |     | 1                         | 2<br>Good-bye<br>Summer<br>12:00pm-<br>5:00pm                  |
| 3   | 4   | 5<br>Social Comm.<br>Mtg. 7:00pm<br>Toddler Time<br>5:00pm | 6                       | 7   | 8<br>Board Mtg.<br>7:00pm | 9  |
| 10  | 11  | 12<br>Toddler Time<br>5:00pm                               | 13<br>Seniors<br>1:00pm | 14  | 15                        | 16   |
| 17  | 18  | 19<br>Toddler Time<br>5:00pm                               | 20                      | 21  | 22                        | 23<br>Pet Parade<br>Dog Walk<br>10am<br>Beer Tasting<br>7:00pm |
| 24  | 25  | 26<br>Toddler Time<br>5:00pm                               | 27<br>Seniors<br>1:00pm | 28  | 29                        | 30   |

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| 29                                  | 30  | 31<br>Toddler Time<br>5:00pm                               |                         |  |                           |                               |



# GOODBYE SUMMER BEACH PARTY

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AND FOOD AT THE SNACK SHACK

Saturday, Sept. 2nd

12-5 pm at First Beach

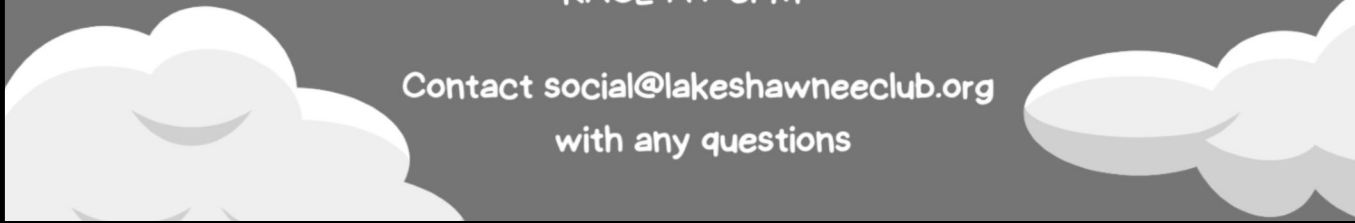
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with any questions





## **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](mailto:social@lakeshawneeclub.org) if you plan to attend.



## **Baby Sitter List**

| <b>Name</b>         | <b>Phone</b>   |
|---------------------|----------------|
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| Hana Frattini       | 699-5852       |
| Kyra Sparks +       | 409-4998       |
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## **Lake Shawnee Dog Walk and Pet Parade** **Saturday, September 23rd at 10am**

Meet at First Beach with a 1 mile dog walk.

The walk will be followed by a pet parade featuring prizes for the cutest...funniest...and best overall costumes.

Cost is \$5 per four-legged friend.

All proceeds are donated to the Jefferson Animal Shelter.  
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All ages are welcome!





**Our roads are now  
all paved and smooth, and  
it's so tempting to speed,  
but slowing down  
and being safe  
is all our friends and  
neighbors need!**

## **Slow Down Shawnee!**

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

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## **Annual Halloween Trunk-or-Treat Party!!**

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**VOLUNTEERS DO NOT  
NECESSARILY HAVE THE TIME;  
THEY JUST HAVE THE HEART.**

ELIZABETH ANDREW

## **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](mailto:social@lakeshawneeclub.org).

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

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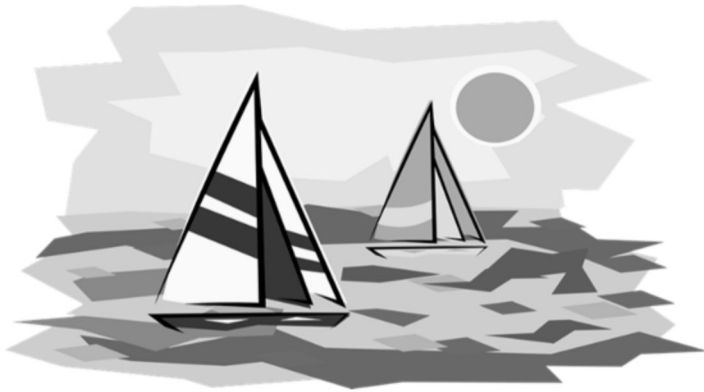
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## *Sailing News*

Hey Lake Shawnee, have you heard about Lake Shawnee Sailors? That's right, experienced sailors from around the lake have come together to sail on Sunday afternoons and to take anyone - adult or child - for a ride on a sailboat. We have a group of enthusiastic and caring instructors, including Bruce Bulloch, Bobbie Harris, Jason Marks, and myself, who eagerly share what we have learned about sailing with anyone who is interested. We started on July 28th at the Clubhouse with a sailing instruction presentation, complete with ice cream sundaes, and since then we have taken out more than sixteen newbies to experience the pleasure of sailing for the first time. These new sailors will soon be sailing solo. Every week, we see new faces and we have the opportunity to start them sailing. It's not too late to join them. And don't worry if you don't presently have a sailboat, we have plenty. Of course, if you have a boat, we can help you rig it properly and get you sailing on it. (And if you have a sailboat or any sailboat parts that are unused, we would be interested in getting them dusted off and back on the water.)

We have been reaching out to the community via email blast and weekly Facebook posts, but we would like to get the message out to more residents. So, come on down as we meet a few more Sundays this summer at Third Beach, starting at noon and going all afternoon. After this preliminary season comes to a close, we plan to be back next year with bigger plans. We will conduct additional classroom-type sailing instructional presentations and then get next year's crop of candidates sailing on their own. Also, for next year, if there is enough interest, we can start a junior sailing program (which was enormously popular in years past and included an end-of-year regatta) and a separate adult sailing program.

Feel free to contact me at [tp5392@yahoo.com](mailto:tp5392@yahoo.com) with any questions or comments, and I hope to see you on the lake!

Tom Preston

## Summary of the Lake Shawnee Club Board Meetings

### Board of Governors Meeting July 7, 2023

The Social Committee reported that June Wine Tasting had a great turnout, the Ecology Seminar was unfortunately cancelled due to weather and air quality, and Trivia Night was once again a hit. The Kickoff to Summer was light in attendance due to the weather but Social Committee sold Lake Shawnee Merchandise, Board members sold hot dogs out of the Snack Shack, the Swim Team had a table for information, the Seniors held a Bake Sale, and a DJ played music and held kid's games throughout the day. The second annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July Bike Parade was a hit with over 30 kids in attendance with a JTFD fire truck to lead the parade. Thanks to Ms. Megan Grisi for organizing the event.

Upcoming Social events include Ice Cream Socials/Bingo on July 11<sup>th</sup> and July 25<sup>th</sup>, Kids Biathlon on July 21<sup>st</sup>, Movie Night/Campout on July 22<sup>nd</sup>, and Storytime on July 27<sup>th</sup>.

It was reported that Solitude treated several times this season including filamentous at North End; the lake looks great. Mr. Keith has put a lot of time and energy into the treatment of the lake and tries to inform the membership with his articles and at the Annual Meeting; if anyone wants more information, please call him. We try to make sure the lake is the best for all members including boaters and fisherman. There are currently only 4 geese on the lake - two males and two females, and they shouldn't mate this late.

Summer Night Security will begin in July. We are lacking volunteers but will continue the service for as long as possible.

It was reported that Mr. Max Russell is doing a good job as Summer Security. We have a full staff of guards and are offering kids' swim lessons again the summer.

The Fishing Committee has held two great tournaments this season so far. At the first tournament, not many fish were caught, but the second was much better. The fish caught have been really healthy. The committee will not be stocking the lake this year; they did last year and plan to do it again next year.

The Swim Team Car Wash was a huge success; the kids had a lot of fun and lots of parents assisted. The Snack Shack is off to a great start and has already shown a profit. Upcoming events include a home swim meet tomorrow with a tribute to Al Gazdalski. His family will be in attendance and all Board members are invited to attend. Swim Team President Mr. Bill Szekula will speak as well as Board President Mr. Eric Wilsusen. A ribbon meet will be held in Lake Shawnee on Monday.

The Board discussed the status and progress of the Property Lot Line Adjustments.

The Board discussed the issues of members' trees that are encroaching onto the lake.

It was reported that three dead beavers were found on the lake. They were disposed of properly by Mr. Keith; he will address the issue in his next edition of Ask Jeff. There was a brief discussion on the beavers, tires being found in the lake and a dead turtle.

A proposal was submitted to the Club to redo the horseshoe pits. The Board asked for a design and an estimate to do the project in pressure treated wood rather than Trex.

### Board of Governors Meeting August 4, 2023

Due to vacation, the recap of the August 4 Board of Governors meeting is not available. It will be included in the next edition of the newsletter.



## **SENIOR SOCIAL**

**Calling all  
Lake Shawnee Seniors**

### **Looking to meet some other Seniors on the lake?**

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](mailto:social@lakeshawneeclub.org) or Kristen at 973-255-9326 with any questions!

# JJP

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Lake Ecology

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**Weed treatment** - As of this writing (Aug 5th), our lake has been surveyed 4 times since early June. We treated 3 times, mostly for filamentous algae, curly pond weed and starwort. In total about 8 acres, 7 of those filamentous algae. The lake looks fantastic with minimal weeds for this point in the summer. We have a plethora of Bryozoa (a colonizing algae that looks like a human brain which is usually attached to some structure in the water). This organism can only live in very clean water. Our water chemistry numbers have also been very good. The last survey at the end of July showed our DO (dissolved oxygen) was 8.65 which is very high, our PH was 7.5 which is exactly where you want it to be, water clarity was 3.5 feet, and our temperature was 78 degrees which is lower than usual for this time in July.

What has contributed to these fantastic lake conditions? One simple answer - RAIN! The heavy rains we got in July kept our water temperature down which helped to inhibit weed growth and it took much of the filamentous algae over the spillway. As I've said often, "rain is our friend here at Lake Shawnee" and it is certainly the case this year. In 40 years of overseeing the health of this lake, I can't remember our lake looking this good at this time. We stay very vigilant and survey every two weeks so we can take care of things before they get out of hand.

**Geese** - A very strange phenomenon has happened in Lake Shawnee. We only have 4 geese on this lake which are not here all the time. The very strange part of this is that we had 18 in March. So, what happened? Thanks to that rain again. In early May as we were getting ready to addle eggs, we received an inordinate amount of rain that flooded about three nests. We addled 3 eggs (thanks Al and Rob) that could be potential problems. All the other eggs never survived the flood. Usually when this happens, they lay again (like last year) but not this year. They must have found some other area outside the lake to nest again and lay their eggs. Those four generally come over late in the day, feed on some grass at First Beach and leave. What a pleasure to not have our beaches and docks covered with goose poop. Unfortunately, we lost our swan eggs to the heavy rain also.

**Wildlife Loss** – Unfortunately, I am sad to report that we had some deaths to our wildlife on the lake. Three dead beavers, one snapping turtle and a great blue heron.

**Beavers** - 3 dead beavers in a month is highly unusual. I consulted a wildlife biologist who has an expertise in working with beavers and this is what he shared with me. Beavers have few predators, so when you find a dead beaver, especially 3 in a month, most likely they were killed by a homeowner. Residents get upset when beavers come onto their property and cut down their trees for food and to build their lodge. Fish, Game and Wildlife will only trap beavers if the dam they make to create a pond to build their lodge is flooding their property, NOT for chewing on trees. So, residents take matters into their own hands and shoot or poison them. This is so wrong on so many levels, not to mention highly illegal with a very stiff fine. Especially when the solution to stop them from chewing is so easy to fix. Wire your affected trees about 2 feet up and they will leave them alone. Eric at True Value can set you up with what you need.

**Snapping Turtle** - A very large snapper was found upside down in an old tire. It could not get its head out of the water to breathe so it probably drowned. Bobbi, who runs the Fishing Committee, found it, and took care of it. (Thank you Bobbi) How that tire got in the lake I do not know. It is certainly an example of how our waste can have a tragic effect on our wildlife.

**Great Blue Heron** - This was found at North End near the road, but it had no signs of being hit by a car. Such a beautiful animal; it was a real loss for this lake. It added such an elegance and beauty to our lake. This was a tough one to bury. Fortunately, we have several that live here.

Well, that's it for now. I hope you have been out on the lake enjoying what it offers. We are all very lucky to live in such an amazing place. Remember we are all stewards in making sure Lake Shawnee remains a beautiful place to live.

Jeff

**NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS (NHN)**

**Note:** This group grew out of the former “TLC Club” and replaced it.

Lake Shawnee has a long-standing, well-earned reputation as a community where neighbors help each other out in times of need. Our LSC Facebook Page is loaded with posts of neighbors reaching out for and receiving generous help. NHN was formed to provide an avenue for *all* LSC members to reach out for help, particularly those of our neighbors who are not on social media, or may not have access to email etc.

IF YOU ARE IN NEED OF HELP such as: retrieving mail, picking up prescriptions, finding a handy person, moving something to the curb, a visit, a ride to a doctor, meal assistance, sorting medications, etc. Please call/text one of our points of contact to be matched with a neighbor looking to help.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO OFFER TO DONATE HELP, please call/text or email to give your name and contact number. We will collect that information and when/if a need arises, we will reach out to see if it is a good fit for you. *There is no obligation* - if the timing is wrong, we will ask someone else on our list!

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**TEXAS HOLD 'EM**

**Saturday, October 28th**

**The Clubhouse Doors Open at 7:00pm  
Play Starts at 7:30pm**

The cost is \$15 per person and includes refreshments. Even if you've never played before, come on out and learn, We have beginners each time We'll even show you how to play!  
Email [social@lakeshawneeclub.org](mailto:social@lakeshawneeclub.org) with any questions.



**2023 Lake Shawnee  
Bass Fishing Contests**

September 16 - Saturday  
October 7 - Saturday (7:30 am-1:30 pm)

**Time: 6:30 am-12:30 pm  
Unless otherwise noted**

**\$15 for LSC members / \$20 Guests / \$5 Big Bass Pool  
Contact Bobbie Harris for more details**



**A Special Thank You**  
**to**  
**Chuck**  
**at**  
**Denville Dog & Grill!**

**Chuck provided ice cream for our ice cream socials and for various swim team events!**

**The ice cream was delicious and we greatly appreciate your generosity!**

**Thank you!!!**





It seems like there is always a chance of a severe weather threat this fishing season, but our luck might be changing, and LS anglers still come out in support of the tournaments regardless!

On 7/15 during tourney #3, we were on alert for

lightning in the area but as it turned out only had a 1/2 hour pause during the evening event. 20 anglers included 2 juniors (Logan Zimmer and Donnie Andrews), the Lipchus brothers (who were out fished by Todd's wife Christina) and 3 other non-members on 11 boats "reported" in with a 17-fish tally but only 5 bass were landed.

Adam Grisi won the tourney and collected on Big Bass pool as well with a 20.5". Adam donated all his \$\$ winnings to the Fishing Committee. Marcia Farber pulled into second with 19.75" and Bridgit Graham won the Big Pickerel pool with a hefty 25.5 incher.



Aug 12 tourney #4 - Hallelujah, no storm threat for the event! In fact, it was a cooler 60-degree

gorgeous morning to start the day. Non-member Nancy Kretz now holds the tournament record for Biggest Bass caught with a 23.5" lunker and easily wins the tournament. Bobbie Harris scooted into second with 19.5" then pulled in a 22.0" Big Pickerel. Junior Angler Casey Cumberton placed third and is on the board of Angler of the Year.

The lake is looking very good with minimal treatment. We are finding the fish to be pretty healthy so far this season. So please come and join us this September 16th for the next event.





## THE 2023 SEASON OF LAKE SHAWNEE SWIM TEAM

The Lake Shawnee Tribe swim season came and went with quite a splash. Our community was well-represented across 9 exciting dual meets thanks to all of our swimmers. Major kudos to all the amazing new swimmers this season; Tyler Fedo, Gabe Goldsberry, Kaan Kockonuk, Emmie Manning and Garrett Zimmer. As with every great group of kids, eventually they have to grow up and the team this year had to say a sad goodbye to our graduating class of swimmers “Mama” Katie Hall, Max “The Muscle” Russell, Ultimate Frisbee national championship qualifier Ethan Sarles, world traveler Michayla Vassallo and the winner of every academic and athletic award JTHS offers (and maybe some they don’t): Maura White. The parents and coaches have had the honor of watching these five amazing kids mature into brilliant, responsible and, most importantly, kind leaders to the next generation in the lake.

The season opened up at home facing an overwhelming challenge in Randolph Park. While we may not have been able to pull out the win, our swimmers had quite a bit to be proud thanks to fantastic first-place finishes from Angie Andrews (Girls 8U 25M Free, Girls 8U 25 Fly), Lanie Breiten (Girls 15-18 50M Breast), Anthony Cascone (Boys 9-10 25M Breast), Madison Castle (Girls 11-12 50M Breast), Mia Fischetti (Girls 13-14 50M Breast), Brea Johnson (Girls 9-10 100M IM, Girls 9-10 25 Fly), Everett Johnson (Boys 11-12 50M Breast), Zoey Szekula (Girls 15-18 50M Back) and Kelty White (Girls 8U 25M Back).

The second meet was another home matchup against the massive Mt Olive Pirates team. Once again our Tribe swimmers kept things as close as they could but couldn’t get the W for the team. Individually though, another group of swimmers picked up more strong finishes. Truly impressive performances were on display as "MadDog" Madison Castle and Ivy Jones finished 1st and 3rd in the girls 11-12 100M IM, while Everett "Dont be an Alan" Johnson brought home gold in the Boys 11-12 100M IM and "Antman" Anthony Cascone finished first in his inaugural 100M IM. In the Girls 11-12 50M Breast, the Tribe dominated with a 1,2,3 finish from the always spectacular triple threat of Bryanna Liptak, Ivy Jones, and Charlie Breiten. Lake Shawnee swimmers also finished 1,2 in the Girls 13-14 50M Breast thanks to the great efforts of Mia Fischetti and Phoebe Szekula.

Our Tribe continued its string of rough matchups when they hosted Cranberry Lake. Despite another tough break at the scorer's table for the team, we saw another round of outstanding results from our swimmers. Notable finishes included Dylan Lee flying through the water for a 1st place finish in the Boys 13-18 200M IM, closely behind was the always gritty Gavin Breiten with a strong bronze finish. Anthony Cascone repeated with a winning showing in the boys 9-10 100M IM while Brea Johnson and Sierra Crinnian proved their mettle as the Barbies took 2nd and 3rd respectively in the Girls 9-10 100M IM. Rookie of the year Tyler Fedo took home a pair of silvers thanks to some lightning quick swimming in the 8U 25M Free and Back. Kameron Knudsen earned himself a ribbon with a 3rd place finish in the Boys 9-10 25M Free. Donnie Andrews had himself a day with first place finishes in the Boys 9-10 25M Free, 25M Back and 25M Fly. In the Girls 9-10 50 Free Everleigh Boucher brought home a 2nd place while Hannah Mignanelli proved herself a triple threat with 3rd place finishes in the Girls 9-10 50M Free, 25M Breast and 25M Back. Emmie Manning and Garrett Zimmer got their first golds as they combined with Tyler Fedo and Kelty White for a 1st place finish in the 8U 100M Mixed Free Relay. Kelty White also took home bronze in the 8U 25M Fly.

Lake Shawnee got its first win of the season in a meet against Rockaway's Parks Lake. Outstanding performances were all around to carry the team to victory, starting with 1,2,3 finishes in the Girls 15-18 50M Free thanks to Maura White, Kylie Fischetti and Katie Hall, while Ethan Sarles and Dylan Lee finished 1, 2 in the Boys 15-18 50M Free. The Individual Medleys proved to be a point of pride for the Tribe as we saw first place finishes from Billy Kuhl, Everett Johnson and Anthony Cascone in their respective IMs, while Phoebe Szekula, Mickayla Cumberton, Gavin Breiten, Charley Breiten, Brea Johnson, Sierra Crinnian, and Donnie Andrews all finished in the top 3 as well. Gunnar Goldsberry brought home 2nd Place in the Boys 8U 25M Free and 1st Place in 25M Breast and 25M Fly. The Roth Brothers put their personal stamps on the season as Sebastian nabbed a 1st place in Boys 9-10 50M Free, 3rd in 25M Breast) while Christian placed himself with a 3rd in Boys 11-12 50M Breast. Isabella Russell took 1st in the Girls 13-14 50M Free while Camden Gatt found himself in 2nd place for both Boys 8U 25M Breast and 2nd 25M Back and Jack Mignanelli took 3rd Place in Boys 8U 25M Back.

Another winning match up took place at Shore Hills thanks to first place finishes from Maura White, Billy Kuhl, Madison Castle, Everett Johnson, Brea Johnson, Donnie Andrews, Max Russell, Emmie Manning, Tyler Fedo, Everleigh Boucher, Charlie “Don’t Call Me Chuck” Breiten, Isabella Russell, Jeffrey Smith, Camden Gatt, Anthony Cascone, Gavin Breiten, Lanie Breiten, Ethan Sarles, Sebastian Roth, Mikayla Cumberton, Donnie Andrews, Andrew Doerr and Zoey Szekula.

In a tilt against in-town rival Saffins Pond another round of great swims led to victory. Ethan Sarles, Max Russell and Mike Hall finished 1, 2, 3 in Boys 15-18 50M Free while Alex Johnson took home 2nd place in both the Boys 13-14 50M Fly and 50M Free. Against Shongum Lake, our Tribe had multiple swimmers take home gold: Lanie Breiten, Ethan Sarles, Bryanna Liptak, Everett Johnson, Madison Castle, Isabella Russell, Alex Johnson, Dylan Lee, Mia Fischetti, Gavin Breiten, Christian Roth and Zoey Szekula.

Rumor has it the Roxbury Racers haven’t lost a meet since the Eisenhower administration, and this season the streak continued despite the Tribe’s best efforts. To close out the season we travelled over the bridge to Lake Forest for our rivalry meet against Coach Jamie’s former team (his alma water, perhaps?). While every race was loaded with outstanding performances, some notable wins came in the form of a 1, 2 finish by Emmie Manning and Harper White in Girls 8U 25M Free, a brilliant performance from Bryanna Liptak in the 11-12 Girls 50M Free, another gold and silver race in the 11-12 Boys 50M Free as newcomer Kaan Kockonuk and Liam Larose dominated. The 8U girls also ran the board in 25M Back as Kelty White, Angie Andrews and Emmie Manning took home the trifecta.

In addition to the meets, the swim team was able to enjoy a team barbecue, a parents night out event hosted by Coach Jamie, Coach Kevin and Coach Sam, the annual water polo match, lake swim, pasta night, breakfast awards banquet, the Ribbon Meet, Silvers and Finals. None of which would have been possible without the help of our volunteers and the kindness of our sponsors and neighbors. Your continued support keeps our Tribe swimming. While we are sure our coaches Jamie Breiten, Kevin DenBleyker and Sam Iversen will enjoy the down time this offseason we want to end the season with continued well-wishes to all of our swimmers and their families in the coming school year.

The Tribe would like to thank the Lake Shawnee community for their continued support. Keep an eye out this Fall for more exciting fundraisers and events!





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