



Lake Shawnee News

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2023

With this edition of the LSCNews covering November & December, I wish all our members and your families a Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas, and Happy Hanukkah.

At our September and October Board meetings, the Board updated some of our Club fees listed in Appendix A of our bylaws, many of which have been in effect for many years without change. The increase mainly concerns late fees and an increase in our initiation fee for new members that has been in effect and unchanged since 2007. The Board also modified and updated some of our Standing Rules in Appendix B. All can be found under the Members-Only section on our website.

We have a special membership meeting scheduled for October 28th to vote on the conveyance of club property at North End. This edition had to go to print before the meeting, so I will report on the outcome in the next edition.

We will not be having our Fall Workday clean-up this year. The Board determined it was not needed; we can get any projects that need to be done in the Spring. If required, we will create a Signup Genius to complete some odd jobs.

I need to thank outgoing Swim Team Chairperson Bill Szekula for his seven years of service to our Swim Team. His wife, Amy, will be taking over the reins going forward. Thank you, Bill, for your leadership, and thank you to all the outgoing committee members.

We will be soliciting nominations for our Board of Governors in January for our March Annual Meeting. All five officers' positions and four Board positions are up for election in March.

It is hard to believe that I need to talk about ice on the lake already, but as our lake starts to freeze this winter, we ask that all who venture out please use good common sense. We post ice safety rules on our website for reference, but it is up to each individual to be responsible for their safety. All who use the ice and lake for recreational activities do so at their own risk. Please educate your children as well to not venture out without adult supervision.

Enjoy your holidays!

Eric Wilsusen

Club President

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HIGHLIGHTS

**November 17th & 18th
Annual Scarecrow
Competition**

**November 19th
Winner announced**

**December 8th & 9th
Annual Christmas
Light Fight
Competition
East vs. West**

**December 10th
Winner announced**

**December 16th 7pm
Texas Hold'em**

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

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

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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 is **November 7th at 7pm – at the clubhouse.** This will be our planning meeting for 2024!! 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.

Annual Scarecrow Competition: Take a break from raking all of those leaves that continue to fall! Go grab a pumpkin, stuffing and some old clothes to create a festive scarecrow in your yard! Judging for the best scarecrow will take place on **Friday, November 17th and Saturday, November 18th** and winners will be announced on **Sunday, November 19th** on Facebook. The only requirement is that a pumpkin must be included in the display.


Annual Christmas Light Fight Competition: It's our Annual Great Light Fight...EAST vs. WEST. **Displays must be completed by December 8th.** See the ad in the newsletter for more details!

Texas Hold'em: **Saturday, December 16th 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!

November 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3 Board Mtg. 7:00pm	4
5	6	7 Toddler Time 5:00pm Social Comm. Mtg. 7:00pm	8 Seniors 1:00pm	9	10	11
12	13	14 Toddler Time 5:00pm	15	16	17 Scarecrow Competition	18 Scarecrow Competition
19	20	21 Toddler Time 5:00pm	22 Seniors 1:00pm	23 	24	25
26	27	28 Toddler Time 5:00pm	29	30		

December 2023

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					1 Board Mtg. 7:00pm	2
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24	25 	26 Toddler Time 5:00pm	27	28	29	30
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SWIM TEAM NEWS

We know the brisk autumn air doesn't scream swim team, but we've got some updates to share.

After seven years in the role, Bill Szekula, has stepped down as Swim Team Board chair. All the swimmers and parents have benefitted from Bill and his hard work and dedication to our team, and we wish him well, as he gets to relax and enjoy the swim season in 2024. In Bill's place, the board has approved the nomination of one-time Lake Shawnee's "Cutest Infant" contest winner, Amy Finn-Szekula. While Amy has not previously served on the board, she has served as the league representative for the last few years along with working closely with the Swim Board and spearheading the Swim Team Snack Shack.

Another loss to the swim board in the form of Parent Liaison Julie White leaving her post following last summer's graduation of her youngest, Maura. The board owes Julie a debt of gratitude for all her hard work, especially in coordinating volunteers by turning some "I'd rather not" mentalities into "how can I help?"

Come meet the newest board members and other parents at the next parent meeting on October 26 at the Clubhouse! The board is excited to hear your ideas of how we can make the swim team and its events better for our swimmers, the coaches and the community.

The swim team is excited to announce our next fundraiser and event on December 5 as Gatwyn's will host a Dine and Donate event where a portion of all sales will be donated to the Swim Team. In addition to the great food, Coach Jamie and his chorus of swimmers will be caroling for the Lake performing holiday classics at our new fundraising event!



Being October, we do not have any recent swim meet results to honk for, but that doesn't mean we can't toot our own horns. In addition to taking home 4 medals at the finals of the NJRLL swim season, the Tribe is happy to share that Lake Shawnee's own Madison Castle-Dalton has finished up her first season of competitive swim, representing the Lifetime Metro Swim Team in the NJ State Championships. Madison didn't just make her way into the championships, she brought home some hardware, winning 2 first place gold medals in the 11/12 girls' 100M Breaststroke and 200M Free Relay, along with a silver medal in the 200M Medley Relay.

Speaking of champions, Lake Shawnee's own Maura White served as a representative of the United States at the Under-20, Beach Wrestling World Championship at Neversea Beach in Romania. The US team took third-place, thanks in part to Maura's performance at 70kg. Thanks to a pinfall victory, Maura qualified for the semifinals and left Romania having finished fourth in the World. We will keep you posted on Maura's next accomplishments at York College and Madison's further victories in coming issues, while continuing to cheer for our swimmers, alumni and neighbors.





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.



Baby Sitter List

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS



Tuesday, November 7th 7pm

Annual Social Committee Planning Meeting

Are you interested in chairing an existing Social Committee event or hosting a new event in 2023? We will be scheduling all events for the upcoming year at our November Social Committee Planning Meeting. Due to past circumstances, NO events will be added to our calendar once the schedule is confirmed with the LSC Office Manager in January. Also, ALL events are in danger of being cancelled if no one steps up to chair them. It doesn't require a lot of work, just volunteer for one event that's your favorite. We always welcome new volunteers and new ideas. If you're unable to attend, please contact social@lakeshawneeclub.org with your information.



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Happy Holidays!
Please drive safely!

Slow Down Shawnee!

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



On behalf of the 2nd Beach Chair, Bill Carroll, many thanks to Tyne Bardwell, Curtis Dalton, Matt Dallicardillo and Kevin Cotto for their assistance in resetting the parking stops at 2nd Beach. Their help was greatly appreciated.

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Summary of the Lake Shawnee Club Board Meetings

August 4, 2023

The American Red Cross is renting the Clubhouse August 21-25, to shoot safe swimming safety videos at 1st and 3rd Beaches. The purpose of the videos is to reduce drowning incidents among 5–12-year-olds for use in elementary schools.

Mr. Tom Preston is re-starting the Lake Shawnee Sailors, a popular tradition from the past.

Heart & Paw has installed a dog waste receptacle at 2nd Beach. They are responsible for emptying it.

July events Social Committee events included 2 Ice Cream Socials. (Member Chuck Saskowitz, from Denville Dog and Grill, donated the ice cream), July 22 Movie Night, July 28 Biathlon and Color War, and August 4 Pirate Day. Upcoming events are August 25 Movie Night, and September 2 End of Summer Celebration.

Solitude conducted two surveys in July and treated two acres of weeds; eight acres of weeds have been treated this year to date. The Lake Hopatcong News is coming for an interview with Mr. Jeff Keith on our Lake Ecology program on September 7th for their October edition.

The last fishing tournament was a success with a 20.5" bass and a 25.5" pickerel. A stocking is planned for this fall or next spring.

The Swim Team reported that they won twenty-one medals at the Silvers. Finals are August 5.

The Board set a date of October 28th at 11am to present a proposal for sale of Club property at North End for vote and approval of the general membership.

A memorial bench will be ordered for former Board member, Al Gazdalski.

September 8, 2023

Several members were in attendance to address the Board about concerns with treatments to the Lake, the effect on fishing and boating, and the recent weeds at North End. Mr. Jeff Keith explained the recent treatments, the process and the planning involved with surveying and treating the Lake, and his commitment to the healthy balance of the Lake for all to enjoy. There was a discussion on the chemicals used for treatments, the costs, and the impact on the wildlife as well as dead leaves deposited in the lake and the hydro raking process and costs. There was a brief discussion on the township's septic and leaf management programs. It was noted that the best place to get answers to any questions about the issues is to contact a Board member directly rather than post on social media.

To prevent non-members from using Club properties, no trespassing signs will be ordered; charges will be filed against the violators in the future.

The Social Committee had a great summer with lots of good feedback and great turnout for most events. Upcoming events include the Dog Walk (with the Crate Escape) and Beer Tasting both on September 23rd.

The Trading Post and Real Estate are being removed from the website as they are not being utilized by the membership.

Solitude treated 10 acres of filamentous algae with chelated copper at North End after the weeds took off due to lack of rain and warm temperatures. On August 18th, the lake was surveyed and only 3 acres were treated. Within two weeks, they took off. The treatment had been delayed due to vacation but should only take a day or two to take effect. Several boaters reported eel grass; diquat was used to treat along the shoreline and it should dissipate soon. We had a great summer except for the past three weeks regarding the weeds.

Summer Night Security had a calm summer with mostly reports of cars parking on Club properties after hours due to the paving project in the Lake; Lifeguard and Summer Security also had an uneventful summer.

The Swim Team held their annual end of season banquet, and they honored 6 graduating seniors. They had many attend Trials and 10 advanced to Finals. Swim lanes and flags will be removed tomorrow.

ProSeal resealed and repainted the basketball courts and Mr. Bill Carroll, 2nd Beach Property Manager, reset the parking stops. He would like to thank Tyne Bardwell, Curtis Dalton, Matt Dallicardillo and Kevin Cotto for assisting.

The Board received a bid for the horseshoe pits (wood vs. Trex) and after a brief discussion on the project voted to approve the to accept the bid of \$673 to complete the project in wood with all the materials paid for by the Club and the work completed by the members.

Summary of the Lake Shawnee Club Board Meetings

September 8, 2023, continued

The Board discussed and approved updates to the Standing Rules including additions and/or changes to open fires, fireworks, dogs, illegal activities and music on Club properties sections.

The hydro raking committee will reconvene next year to discuss future projects and to address the recent weed issues.

The Board discussed and voted to approve increasing the following fees: credit card convenience fee from \$10 to \$15, dues late fee from \$50 to \$100, initiation fee for new members (as of April 1st) from \$500 to double the regular annual dues (currently \$980), and Clubhouse rental fees from \$250 to \$300 with the deposit remaining the same (as of January 1st).

October 6, 2023

Appendix A for fees was revised and post in the members only section of the website.

Notices were sent to members who had trees that were in violation of the Club's policies (overhanging or falling into the Lake). One member has already removed the trees.

Membership is currently up to 508 vs 496 from this time last year.

The Social Committee reported that Fall Movie Night for tomorrow was cancelled due to weather forecast. Upcoming events include Halloween Storytime on October 12th, Trunk or Treat on Oct. 15th, Dog Walk and Costume Parade rescheduled due to weather for Oct. 21st, and Texas Hold 'em on October 28th. The November 7th Social Committee Meeting will be their 2024 planning meeting; anyone interested in hosting an event should plan to attend. The recent Beer Tasting event had 31 in attendance.

Mr. Keith and our old engineer from Solitude, Mr. Jeff Horn, completed a two-hour survey of the lake recently. It was noted that there is a fishing contest tomorrow and there have been no recent treatments. Mr. Keith will continue to work along with the Fishing Committee to provide and schedule treatments. There has been some flowering tape grass noticed in the lake recently; at the time of the survey, they were in the process of dying. Tape grass has not been treated this year; a large amount was treated several years ago with Procelacor, a pricey but effective treatment that provided several years of coverage, but the residual effects are beginning to wear off. During the survey, they also noticed some filamentous and variegated milfoil; we will need to address this next year. Jeremy from Solitude was an excellent technician for the season.

The October edition of the Lake Hopatcong News features an article about Mr. Jeff Keith and our Lake Ecology program.

The Board discussed and approved cancelling Fall Workday on November 4th; we will post a list of the jobs as provided by the property managers online (Facebook and Signup Genius) to be completed by the membership as available.

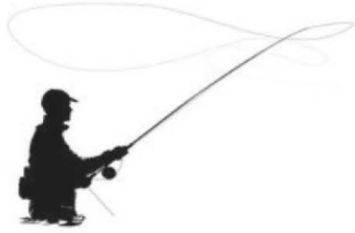
A recent fishing contest went very well and there is another one scheduled tomorrow despite the bad weather predicted. The Fishing Committee will hold their annual fishing banquet on December 3rd. After planning their 2024 calendar, they will coordinate with Mr. Keith to service the lake either one week before or after each event. There was a brief discussion on placing containers on Club properties for disposal of fishing lines and lures as well as scheduling ice fishing contest which is a big fundraiser for the committee.

It was reported that Mr. Bill Szekula has stepped down as Swim Team Chairperson. Nominations for New Swim Team Board include Parent Liaison Ed Crinnian replacing Julie White, Chrissy Cumberton for Secretary for one more year, Treasurer Chang Lee, Co-Chairs Kira Crinnian and Amy Szekula, NJRLL Rep. and Snack Shack Coordinator Amy Szekula, Facilities Coordinator Pete Kuhl, Team News Reporter Ed Crinnian. The nominations were approved Board. There will be one more parent meeting for the year to discuss Lake Shawnee hosting Trails and Finals next year, which was discussed by the Board, as well.

Recent work on Club properties included painting the front and kitchen doors of the Clubhouse, planting five ornamental grasses and Hosta in the front garden area, removal of the swim ropes, and repainting of the lines on the basketball court.

Estimates will be obtained for dock repair/replacement projects at the Clubhouse, White's Cove and North End, to be completed during the next lake drawdown. Once received, a 5-year Capital Improvement Committee will meet to discuss the list of projects with the priority being the docks.

Notices for Special Meeting scheduled for October 28th have been sent to the membership in the required 10 days notification deadline for such meetings.



Fishing News

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September and October are two of the most beautiful months of the year. However, it is not an easy time to catch our Lake Shawnee bass. Our core group of fishing fanatics came out to show their love of the sport and reeled in a few good "tales to tell"!

September's event brought newcomer, Jimmy Vacchio, into the limelight with a second-place finish. Jimmy and his buddy Michael had been fishing from shore until Todd Lipchus stepped in and provided a well-equipped boat. I can still see the smiles and appreciation on their faces!

It was hysterical hearing the laughter coming from the young anglers who joined in the fun on Logan Zimmer's boat. Donny Andrews really kept him on his toes!



Bobbie Harris had her personal best day catching 4 of the 8 total bass caught that day. And although Marcia Farber really doesn't like dealing with them, she opted to buy into the Big Pickerel category and squeezed out Lucas Soares for the win!



October 7th, the toughest tourney of the year, including 7 of the best anglers around who braved the elements dealing with low pressure, rain driven winds and dropping temperatures pretty much all day. Pete Lyden, our past committee chair, joined us, catching early and placed second (16.75"). We all know Todd Lipchus, the real deal when fishing in any weather, scored with Biggest Pickerel (20.75"). Billy Johnson, who fishes tournaments around the state, was about to give it up when he pulled out the game winner in the last 10 minutes with a 17.75 inch thus nabbing Big Bass pool along with getting on the board for Angler of the Year. Just goes to show you, never give up till it's over!!!

The 2023 tournament season has come to an end. The annual banquet is planned at the clubhouse for Dec 3, 2023, starting at 1PM. It is there we will discuss tourney dates and stocking plans for 2024, discuss new topics and bestow awards to this year's member winners. If you'd like to come, please email or text me so that we have an accurate headcount.

As a reminder, the Lake Shawnee Fishing Committee encourages and promotes a catch and release program for our bass and asks you to discard old fishing line, hooks and trash in an appropriate manner. There is talk of an ice fishing contest, our great social event of any new year, but that all depends on Mother Nature and the safety of the ice. More to come on those dates.

Thank you to all who have supported this committee, each other and especially the Board who always have the best interests of all its members!





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 or Kristen at 973-255-9326 with any questions!

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Weed Treatment - As mentioned in my last article, we have had one of our best summers in a long time. We had minimal weeds (except for an algae outbreak in the middle of June, which was highly unusual). The next 7-8 weeks were uneventful with minimal weeds and algae, high chemistry numbers, especially our DO (dissolved oxygen) which were all very good. We only had a handful of geese which was very welcoming and water temperatures never got above 80 degrees. These great numbers were attributed to a lot of rain and being surveyed every two weeks. We were able to take care of any algae immediately before it became a problem. Our thanks go out to Jeremy, the biologist from Solitude, who made the effort to be here so frequently even with the many lakes he has to service. Also mentioned in last month's article, the bulk of our treatment was filamentous algae. After June, we rarely had more than 1 to 3 acres at the most, which we treated immediately. This constant vigilance was key to keeping our algae problem at a minimum.

Well, as most of you know if you were on the lake the last week of August into the first week of September, things changed. So, let me explain what happened earlier. We treated about 3 acres of the lake for filamentous algae on Aug. 18th. Those 3 acres were spread over about 50 acres from North End to past the launch at White's Cove. As was our practice all summer, no matter how little there was, we treated it. (Just a reminder to swimmers, like myself, and fishermen, we use a "chelated" copper sulfate to treat algae. Chelated means it has a sticking agent in it, so most of the herbicide attaches to the algae with a minimal amount going into the water stream. It is very safe and does not affect any wildlife in the lake, including small invertebrates which are the beginning of the food chain.) This costs more money per acre but its effectiveness and safety to the wildlife in the lake is well worth it.

So back to Aug 18th when we treated. I went on vacation on the 19th feeling that the minor treatment the day before would carry us until I got back. Unfortunately, we had days in the 90s the next two weeks along with no rain. These were perfect conditions for algae, from North End and along the coves on the western shore, to take off. As I was still away, I received a call from Eric, our President, of the situation just before Labor Day and I immediately called it in to Jeremy from Solitude. The earliest he could come on such short notice was the following week. He came on Thursday of that next week and treated 10 acres of filamentous algae in those areas mentioned earlier. By Sunday after treatment, it all looked good again. I apologize for not having Solitude here earlier so things would not have gotten out of hand. This is a reminder that our vigilance of surveying every two weeks in July and August was so important. It is also a reminder how weather plays such an important part in how fast things can take off when not addressed. Again, my apologies to boaters and residents on the lake in that area who had to deal with that mess before we treated. Hopefully, this won't happen again.

Leaves - Leaves are falling so if you live on the lake, please try to get them up so they don't end up in the lake and eventually become sediment on the bottom. It's important for all of us to rake up leaves and discard them properly because the wind will blow them into the road and rain will take them into the catch basins which all drain into the lake. Remember, it takes a village no matter where you live.

Lastly, I want to thank Karen Fucito and Micheal Daigle for their great article in the Lake Hopatcong News about Lake Shawnee. It highlights that the Lake Shawnee Board and our Lake community share in the commitment of making Lake Shawnee one of the cleanest and healthiest lakes in North Jersey. I am proud to be a part of that.

'Thanks to Everyone who came to the Trunk or Treat!!

The Favorite Trunk was....



Congratulations to the Russell Family!!!!

We had a great turnout with lots of amazing, creative costumes and trunks!

A special thank you to Karen and Bruce Bulloch for documenting the day with some amazing pictures!!



TEXAS HOLD 'EM

Saturday, December 16th

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 with any questions.

Hope to see you there!!!!

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Have you planned your next vacation yet? Travel has become very busy again so don't wait, things are booking fast for 2024 and 2025. Cruises and hotel packages and other tours are all very popular. If you need help give us a call.



With Our Deepest Sympathy



On behalf of the Board of Governors of the Lake Shawnee Club, we offer our thoughts and prayers to the family of John H. Johnston, 83, who peacefully passed away on Monday, October 16, 2023. In 1969, John and his wife Nancy moved to the Lake Shawnee neighborhood of Jefferson Township where he served as Club Vice President in 1973 and 1974. John enjoyed bowling, watching Yankees Baseball and tennis, sudoku, reading, westerns, M*A*S*H, wine and birdwatching. After his retirement, he visited all 30 Major League Baseball Parks and a myriad of zoos. John was also involved with Troop 111 in Jefferson Township as Troop Committee Chairman and with the Jefferson Sports League and a coach. John is survived by his wife of 59 years, Nancy, son John, Jr., son and daughter-in-law Tim and Pat and granddaughter Rocio. He is also survived by many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his son Michael in 2008, his parents, seven brothers and a sister.

Our deepest sympathy is offered to the family and friends of Richard Sudol, 74, who passed away peacefully on Thursday, September 14, 2023, surrounded by family. After attending Newark College of Engineering, he enjoyed a long career as a talented machinist. His love of sports led him to coaching little league baseball and basketball for many years, teaching his own sons and daughter along the way. His passion for fishing led to volunteering for the Lake Shawnee fishing committee for many years. He was an avid music lover and enjoyed sharing his stories about going to Woodstock 69'. Richard is survived by his beloved wife of 44 years, Regina and three children Richard Jr., and husband Brian, Brian and wife Megan, Kristin and fiancé Sean and grandson Hunter. He is also survived by his brothers Donald and Michael Sudol. Richard was predeceased by his parents Betty and Sylvester Sudol.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the family and friends Robin Welch, 63, who passed away on September 2, 2003. Robin was a Medic in the Army, an operating engineer and an Apple specialist technician. She was a Lake Shawnee member for many years and contributed often to improve our properties. You can see her handiwork by the First Beach playground memorial pavers. Robin is survived by her wife Paula Zuckerman, a brother Steven and his partner Alicia, a nephew Dillon, and cousins Jackie and Debbie. She will truly be missed by many.



Annual Christmas Light Fight Competition

Dust Off Your Ladders....Get Out Those Extension Cords....
Start Planning Your Display....

We are doing it again! It's our Annual Great Light Fight...
EAST vs. WEST

East Side - Starts at the dam and continues toward Stanlick ending
at Shenandoah Crescent/West Lakeview

West Side- Starts at the dam and continues toward 2nd Beach up to and including
Shenandoah Crescent, West Lakeview and Shawnee Parkway

Judging will take place Friday, December 8th & Saturday, December 9th

We will see which side of the Lake shows the most holiday spirit!!
Who will win?!? East or West!!

Our Judges will also choose one Overall Winner from each side of the Lake.
Prizes will be awarded.

The winners will be announced on Sunday, December 10th on Facebook.

****Judging is done by anonymous families who do not live in the lake****



HOLIDAY GIFT

Ideas

LAKE SHAWNEE CLUB MERCHANDISE

WATER BOTTLES \$10

MAGNETS \$5

KOOZIES CAN OR BOTTLE

\$5 OR \$3 FOR \$10

FIRST AID KITS \$2

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