

Lake Shawnee News

President's Message

January 2017

On behalf of the Board of Governors and myself, I would like to wish all of our members health, happiness & prosperity in 2017.

On a personal note, after 31 years of service to the residents of the Township of Jefferson, effective January 1st, I have officially retired from law enforcement. It is truly bittersweet, but I have been blessed with a fantastic career and it has been an honor to serve the community and the residents of the Township of Jefferson. I certainly don't plan on going anywhere soon, just starting a new chapter of my life. I will have to continue to work in some capacity to get through the next 6 years of college for my two girls!

Happy to say 2016 was a pretty typical year for the Club once again. Fortunately or unfortunately, we received the final version of our loan application for phase 2 of our required dam improvements. All has been sent to NJDEP for final signature so we will begin the process to finalize plans, go to bid and begin construction this year. We made a few improvements on the properties this past year replacing all the old metal sign posts, added a railing at 3rd beach and re-decked the main dock at 1st beach.

Our social committee is always hard working and our 2017 social calendar is posted on our website and in this paper. We have been warning we are in desperate need of volunteers and many of our events are in jeopardy if we don't get some new faces to run some of the events. Please reach out to Dina or me if you are interested in helping.

Mark your calendar for the annual ice skating party/winter carnival on January 29th. Funny to think we canceled last year because it was too warm and we never got safe ice.

And on that note, just a reminder to use good common sense when venturing out onto the ice. Parents should educate their children about ice safety and supervise them when they go out onto the ice. The Club does not evaluate the safety of the ice on the lake and it is up to each individual to determine the risk when going out onto the ice. Ice safety and fishing rules are posted on our website and in this paper. Member, guest and or fishing badges should be visible.

Last, thank you to the many people over the past year who donated their time and made Lake Shawnee a great place to live!

Eric Wilsusen Club President

ericwilsusen@lakeshawneeclub.org



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Highlights:

Jan 20th 7pm Painting party

Jan 28th Fishing Contest

Jan 29th 1-4pm Winter Carnival



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

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Call 973-663-1307

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

All members welcome!!

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www.lakeshawneeclub.org

JANUARY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
New Year's Day	2	3 Social Committee Mtg 7pm	4	5	6 Board Mtg. 7pm	7
8	9	10 Mommy & Me 10am	Seniors 1pm	12	13	14
15	16	17 Mommy & Me 10am	18	19	20 Painting Party 7pm	21
22	23	24 Mommy & Me 10am	Seniors 1pm	26	27	28 Ice Fishing Contest
29 Winter Carnival 1-4pm	30	31 Mommy & Me 10am				

Save the Date

Feb. 12th, 1-4pm Winter Carnival, no ice date Feb. 20th, 1:00pm Paint your own pottery



WINTER CARNIVAL ICE SKATING PARTY & CHILI COOK OFF!!

ANUARY 29th FROM 1PM-4PM

Ice Skating, Hockey, Hot dogs and Hot Chocolate!!

Annual LSC Chili Contest: Think you make a mean pot of chili?

Enter yours and see how it stacks up next to the competition. All contestants should bring at least 1lb of chili in a crock pot with a serving spoon. Medals will be awarded. (No Ice Date: Feb 12th)

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Contest Begins 7am and ends at 4 pm

All Weigh Ins at Weigh Station located On the ice and will let you know location at time of sign in, we may move it further out by Beaver Cove.

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Prizes for Heaviest Fish 1st & 2nd Place 3rd Place Heaviest Pan Fish 1st & 2nd Place must be weighted in live

Cost \$10 adult & \$5 kids

Food, Beer, Soda & Water will be Available at the Weigh Station all day For an additional costs of \$5 Adult, Kids Free Payment is need at time of registration.

No power augers to be used prior to 8 am

Any questions call Mark McCormack @ 973-713-4426 or email mark@bprins.com

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BOOK SWAP

The first Thursday of every month in 2017 is now book swap night. Starting **Thursday January 5th from 6-7PM** at the club house.

Bring a few of your books (max 10 books please) & swap them with your neighbors. You may find a great read!

Please note: Books are **NOT** to be dropped off or left at the club house. Whatever you bring with you, leaves with you.

Please contact Frannie Grebenstein with any questions at 663-0734

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Social Committee Calendar



<u>Social Committee:</u> Please join us at the clubhouse with any new ideas you might have. This is a great time to come with ideas and join our team! Our next meeting date is Tuesday, January 3rd. Meeting Dates are usually the **1st Tuesday of each month.** Keep in mind that all events are volunteer driven. If you can lend a hand at any of our events it would be greatly appreciated. Please call Dina Troha at 973-663-6737 if you plan on attending or if you have any questions.

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

Book Swap Night: The first Thursday of every month in 2017 is now book swap night. Starting **Thursday January 5th from 6-7PM** at the club house. Bring a few of your books (max 10 books please) & swap them with your neighbors. You may find a great read! Please note: Books are **NOT** to be dropped off or left at the club house. Whatever you bring with you, leaves with you. Please contact Frannie Grebenstein with any questions at 973-663-0734.

NEW!! Mommy and Me Playgroup: Bring the kids down to the Clubhouse to meet Moms and children of similar ages. Playgroup meets **every Tuesday at 10:30am beginning January 10th**. Pre-K and under. Please contact Chris White at 973-255-9326 if you plan to attend.

Card/Game Night: Our next monthly Hand & Foot card game is on Tuesday, March 14th at 6:30 p.m. This is an easy card game and beginners are welcome. Please contact Karen at (973) 663-3562 to sign up. Tables of four are preferred, so please call ahead of time. If you are a single that wants to play, please give Karen a call and we will find you a partner. Meeting dates for the rest of the year are the second Tuesday of each month as follows, 4/18, 5/9, 6/13, 7/11, 8/8, 9/12, 10/10, 11/14, 12/12.

Winter Carnival (Ice Skating Party and Chili Contest): Join us on Sunday, January 29th from 1-4pm for a Lake Shawnee Winter Wonderland featuring ice skating, chili, hockey, hot dogs and hot chocolate!! Think you make a mean pot of chili? Enter yours and see how it stacks up next to the competition. All contestants should bring at least 1lb of chili in a crock pot with a serving spoon. Prizes will be awarded. (No Ice Date is February 12th) We are looking for donations of brownies for the Winter Carnival. If you plan on attending you should bring brownies – homemade or store bought either is fine.

Painting Party!! Girl's night out, mothers, daughters, even men and the artistically challenged can join us on **Friday, January 20th from 7-9pm** for a fun night of painting!! Think you are artistically challenged? No worries!! Once again, Ala Art will be supplying a pretraced canvas, plus step by step instructions on how to mix colors, which brushes to use, which strokes to use, how to shade and more. Don't care for the choice. Other Painting options are available. Please contact Lisa D. for selections.

Your selection will need to be decided upon when you pay so Ala Art can have everything ready. The price is \$32.10 paid by check only (checks made payable to Ala Art). Everything you will need to create your masterpiece is included. Feel free to bring your beverage of choice. Ages 15 and older please. Grab your friends and sign up today, space will be limited. Please call Lisa DenBleyker at 973-879-6168 to reserve your seat or with any questions. All reservations must be paid for by January 13th.

2017 Texas Hold'em Dates

Mark Your Calendar

March 4, May 6, October 14 and November 18





2017 Social Committee Calendar



Recurring

Shawnee Seniors

Wednesdays at 1pm alternating beginning January 6th
Social Committee Meeting

First Tuesday of each month at 7pm, No Sept & Dec. Mtg.

Card Night

Second Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm - Begins in March

Mommy & Me
Tuesdays at 10:30am starting January 10*
Book Swap Night
First Thursday of every month at 6pm

<u>January</u>

Painting Party Friday, January 20th at 7pm Winter Carnival Sunday, January 29th at 1pm

February

Paint your own pottery
Monday, February 20th at 1pm
Winter Carnival- No Ice Date
Sunday, February 12th at 1pm

March

Wine Tasting Saturday, March 25th at 7pm Texas Hold'em Saturday, March 4th at 7pm

April

Easter egg Prep Night
Thursday, April 6th at 7pm
Bunny Brunch Easter and Egg Hunt
Sunday, April 9th at 12:30pm

May

New Member Mixer Friday, May 5th at 6:30pm Texas Hold'em Saturday, May 6th at 7pm

June

First Beach Movie Night & Camp Out
Friendship Candle Ceremony
Friday, June 6th before the movie
Community Day & East vs West Games
Kid's Pirate Day
Friday, June 24th at 10am
Friday, July 30th at 1 pm

<u>July</u>

Kid's Bi-Athlon Friday, July 14^{4} at 1pm Ice Cream Socials Tuesday, July 11^{4} and 25^{4} at 7pm Karaoke Night on First Beach Saturday, July 22^{4} at 7pm

<u>August</u>

Ice Cream SocialsTuesday, August 1* at 7pmMovie Night & S'moresSaturday, August 19th at duskWild West Beach PartyFriday, August 25th at 1pm

September

End of Summer Beach Bash! Sunday September 3rd at 1pm
Dog Walk & Costume Parade Saturday, September 23rd at 10am

October

Texas Hold'em Saturday, October 14th at 7pm Halloween Trunk-or-Treat Party Sunday, October 29th from 3-5pm Oktoberfest Beer Tasting Saturday, October 28th at 7pm

November

Social Committee '2017' Planning Meeting
Painting Party
Texas Hold'em

Tuesday, November 7th at 7pm
Friday, November 10th at 7pm
Saturday, November 18th at 7pm

December

East vs. West Holiday Light Fight! Sunday, December 17th at 1pm

Ice Safety

Outdoor ice sports and activities can be safe and enjoyable, but there is no such thing as 100 percent safe ice. Anyone who spends time near the ice should first determine the ice conditions, and then take precautions to stay safe.

Preventing Ice Accidents

- Follow these guidelines to avoid accidents when
- on or near ice:
- Check the ice thickness before going out. To be safe, ice should be solid and at least 4 inches thick. Remember, the ice may not be the same thickness over the entire area of a lake or pond. Test ice thickness by using a chisel, cordless drill or ice auger.
- Be safe—the more people on the ice, the thicker it should be.
- Use ice on smaller, shallower and slower-moving bodies of water for ice activities, it is usually
- more solid.
- Look for objects sticking up through the ice and mark them as hazards.
- Do not go out on ice that has recently frozen, thawed and then frozen again. This happens
 in the spring and early winter as temperatures change often. Wait until the outside temperature
 has been below freezing long enough that at least 4 inches of solid ice forms over the entire
 area.
- · Always stay with at least one other person.

Source: American Red Cross

We are pleased to announce the winners for Our 1st Annual Great Light Fight **East vs. West**!!

The side of the Lake that showed the most holiday spirit was the



East Side

Congratulations for having the most light displayed!!

Our Winners from each side of the Lake are...

East Side: The Gast's House on Algonquin

Honorable Mention: Coughlin's House on the Water

West Side: The Troha's House on East Shawnee Trail

Honorable Mention: The Spark's House on High View Ter

A BIG Thank You to Lisa Peter for starting this tradition as well as organizing the judging, all of our non-resident judges and Robert Troha for creating our Arrowhead Awards.

Thank you so much to all of Lake Shawnee for embracing this new tradition. Congratulations to everyone that participated, there are so many beautiful houses all around the lake to enjoy!!

Your Social Committee wanted to wish you all a Very Happy New Year!!



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Social Committee Seeking Volunteers Events in Jeopardy



In order to ensure the success and continuation of next year's events we need more volunteers to come out and lend a hand. Social Committee membership is dwindling and many of the current members have older children who are into different activities, so in an effort to keep the momentum of our Social Committee we need new people to get involved. 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 will be welcome, we will also share experiences and help you every step of the way.

Unfortunately, if we do not get <u>at least three people</u> to chair each event listed the event may be cancelled. So grab some friends, pick an event and let's work together to make 2017 an exceptional year!!

Winter Carnival- Chili Contest First Beach Movie Night & Camp Out Community Day Ice Cream Social/Bingo Night Movie Night & S'mores End of Summer Beach Bash Bunny Brunch Easter and Egg Hunt Friendship Candle Ceremony Kid's Pirate Day Karaoke Night on First Beach Wild West Beach Party Halloween Trunk-or-Treat Party

If you are interested please email Dina Troha at dinatroha@optonline.net.







LAKE SHAWNEE ICE FISHING RULES

- No use of gas-powered augers before 8 AM
- No fishing closer than 50 feet from the shore of anyone's property unless it is your own
- No fishing closer than 100 feet from the Beach areas and directly behind the Clubhouse
- Drill no more than ten holes per person per day
- Return all fish to the Lake alive that you do not intend to eat or otherwise take with you
- When leaving, take everything off the ice with you, including fish, garbage, coals, firewood, cans, etc.
- No glass bottles allowed on the ice at any time
- No fires allowed on the ice other than cooking on a grill
- Member or guest badges must be worn while on the ice

These rules must be followed in order for all of us to continue enjoying our ice fishing on Lake Shawnee!

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