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# NEWS VIEWS

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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Bill Sempier

This summer has really been a challenge. We had and continue to experience COVID-19 and the daily consequences of this pandemic, then hurricane Isias hit us, and resulted in property damage and loss of power for most of us for nearly a week. Now many of us are faced with the difficult decision about sending our children back to school on top of the daily struggles related to this pandemic. I do hope that everyone is safe and healthy.

I can't thank enough Jenn DeStefano, Marilyn Ammirata and Sebastian Ostolaza along with Kim and Julianna DeStefano, and Anna Rose To for opening the clubhouse for four days welcoming anyone needing a charge or a place to cool off. Nearly 300 people passed through the doors, some actually worked from the clubhouse. This action speaks volumes of the character of the members of the board and the community as the suggestion and decision to offer this lasted less than five minutes.

In just a few days our community will be coming together to be a part of an historic event. No one can remember exactly when the last election at Lake Parsippany took place.

When you come out to vote, remember you should vote for the people that you feel will do the best for the community.

I want to thank our managers and guards for all their work this summer. I know

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# THE LPPOA ANNOUNCES CANDIDATE NIGHT, ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION





### **Candidate Night**

• September 11, 2020 7:00pm to 8:30pm via ZOOM meeting

### **Annual Meeting**

• September 13,2020 via Zoom @ 9:00am (required per bylaws).

### **Election Information**

- September 13, 2020 (First Sunday after Labor Day, as per bylaws)
- Voting will take place 9am 3pm
- All voting will be electronic using third party election company: Election
  Buddy. All members eligible to vote will receive a mailing from Election Buddy
  with additional instructions. You will need to save the postcard that you get.
  There is one postcard/vote per membership.
- The Clubhouse will open for the members who do not have the use of a computer from 9am to 3pm. Members need to bring the postcard from Election Buddy and a state ID. Only those voting will be allowed in. Please don't come to the clubhouse to vote unless you absolutely have to. We will not be able to accommodate large crowds. Occupancy limits will be in place.
- At the Clubhouse, masks must be worn.
- Election results within 1-3 hours after voting closes.

## PLEASE HAVE YOUR CURRENT YEAR PHOTO BADGE FOR ADMISSION TO ALL MEETINGS AND EVENTS AT THE CLUBHOUSE

The LPPOA Board of Directors will be taking action at all monthly meetings as it relates to financial, operational changes and management of the lake.

# EASEMENT ASSESSMENT LAWSUIT UPDATE

For information regarding the Easement Assessment Lawsuit, please visit lake-parsippany.org/Easement-Assessment



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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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the decision to come to work under the current COVID condition took a lot of thought and concern about your own safety. I also want to thank all the members that came to the beach this summer under the same conditions. It was so great to see new families experiencing the lake for the first time. I can't wait till next summer when we can have all sorts of fun events at the beach again.

With the help of volunteers, we have been getting estimates for beach upgrades. We will be getting architects plans for long overdue upgrades.

The board has begun putting the 2021 budget together. Finding a balance between what we need to do and what we would like to do is a very difficult process. We build the "wish budget" then dial it back to the final budget. Our

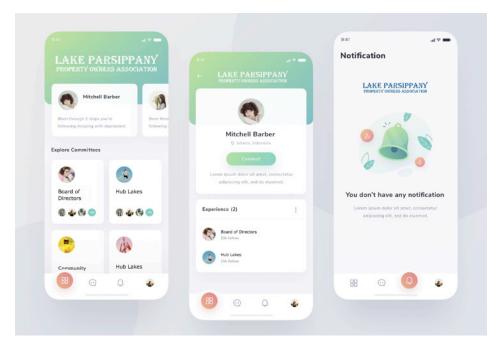
goal each year is to keep fees as low as possible, while offering the absolute best possible experience for everyone.

The district representatives have started working on a member survey, with Jeff Starr heading up that effort. The survey is the first step towards improving communication with the community.

Don Phelps and Mary Ellen Iradi have been tasked with investigating activities we can hopefully do in the near future. Those survey results will assist in this effort.

Other projects being discussed are badge distribution and improvements for online sign ups. If you have an interest in helping with either of these two, please use the contact us link on the LPPOA website.

The financial review committee will be presenting their findings at the Annual Meeting. The report will be posted on the web site following the presentation.



# VOLUNTEER HELP WANTED LAKE APP

We are looking to create a committee of tech savvy members to work on a phone app that our members can use to stay connected to all that is going on upcoming events etc. If interested, please use the "Contact Us" link on the website.

If you are not receiving email from the LPPOA, please make sure to renew your membership and update your profile with the correct email address. Don't forget to check your spam folder in case of any unwanted filtering. Visit our Help page for profile updating assistance.

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Tony Suprum

On August 15th the fishing club had their second fishing contest of the year. It was a bass contest. We had a good turnout. Nine anglers signed up for the contest. The winners of the contest once again are the father and daughter team of Joe and Alexa. They had a great day of catching fish and a great day being in the outdoors. The total weight of their five fish bag was 16 lbs. 2 oz. That weight is pretty impressive since the average to win a bass contest is 13.8 lbs. They also had the single largest bass and it weighed 4.3 lbs. So yes, once again they took both prizes, congratulations. We have not seen Alexa fishing tournaments the last year or two, but I think I see what is going on here. Joe, her dad, probably had her practicing at another lake so no one could see how good she was getting at bass fishing. So, Joe very non nonchalantly brings Alexa with him

and bam she lays the hammer down on everyone in the contest. Great job Alexa. There was another pretty impressive five bag limit, it was 14.11 lbs. That was Larry Galante and me. Overall, it was a great day to be in the outdoors. This contest was another example of being outdoors and having fun with family and friends. We had two father and son teams and one father and daughter team. There are not many sports where you see great teams like that.

The next contest is a bass contest on September 19th. The time for this contest is 6:30 am to 3:30 pm. If you plan on fishing the contest, please let the fishing club know as soon as possible. You can email the club through the link on the fishing club web page on the LPPOA website. We are considering changing the time and format of this contest. If changes are made, I will update everyone as soon as possible.

Remember it's not always about catching fish, it's about being outdoors and enjoying the adventure with your family and friends.

Hope your next cast is one you will never forget.



Alexa "Bass Queen" Corforte





Diana Giradelli

The Ladies Club enjoyed another lovely socially distant evening outdoors enjoying the beautiful lake view from the deck of our President Maureen Omaster. It is wonderful to be able to enjoy the company of others and some great snacks. We discussed some ideas for events we can do once all of this is over but are still looking for ideas, so please feel free to share your ideas with us.

If you would like more information regarding the Ladies Club please email Diana Giradelli at giradellix3@msn.com.

### **BEACH MANAGER**

McKenzie Ardon

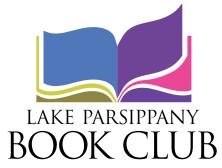
Thank you to our amazing lifeguards for another great summer! I know this summer wasn't "normal" and all our events were cancelled but we did at least get to enjoy the beach! We can't wait to show you all the great events we have planned for next summer! Stay safe and see you next summer.

# ADVERTISING IN OUR NEWSLETTER



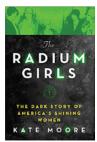
If you have a business, why don't you consider placing an advertisement in our Lake Parsippany *News & Views*? An advertisement in this widely read and used publication will inevitably draw notice to your business. Your advertisement in our publication will also provide you with the opportunity to have our site hyperlink to your website.

Your support of our community and of our newsletter is appreciated.



Christie Hegyi-Gardner

We read *Radium Girls* by Kate Moore and had an enlightening discussion on



these wonderful, brave, strong women. These girls had been hired to paint radium on the dials of clocks and were paid by the piece. It was initially thought that the small amounts they were around and possibly

ingesting was not harmful and even beneficial. This could not have been further from the truth.

Some women worked 25 days a month, 8 hours a day and the technique they were taught involved putting the fine camel hair paint brush in their mouth for a finer point. The results were horrific. Their suffering helped future generations. These women are still in our lives today, by the safety and regulations they helped found.

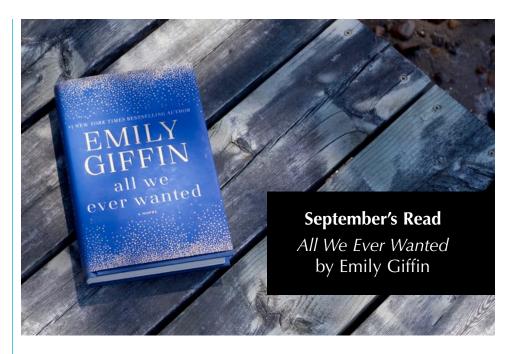
"They shoot to kill when it comes to cattle thieves. Fish and fowl are safe guarded by stringent game laws, but womenfolk come cheap." From *Radium Girls*.

We spoke on many topics: ethics, connecting the dots, perseverance, powerful execs, idiotic treatments and medicine in our lifetime. We even spoke of decent lawyers (who would've thought?!)

A timeline for your reference...

Radium discovered in 1898

- It is considered 'Liquid Sunshine' and a 'cure all' for many ailments.
- As early as 1912, the radium industry knew handling radium could be dangerous.
- 1913 Dr. Sabin von Sochocky invents radium paint used to illuminate watch dials.
- 1917 In NJ the United States Radium Co. was hiring teenage girls to paint with radium.



- 1920 residue from radium extraction sold to schools and playgrounds for their sandboxes
- 1923 a NJ dentist observed cases that he thought might be due to radium painting (this was a radical idea)
- 1924 first claim for compensation presented
- Radium Dial execs had knowledge in 1925
- 1926 dial painter's disease considered compensable

### **FUTURE READS**

If you are looking for some reads this is our list of upcoming reads:

**Sep 15:** *All We Ever Wanted* by Emily Giffin

Oct 20: The Haunting of Hill House by Shirley Jackson

**Nov 17:** *The Farm* by Joanne Ramos

**Dec 15:** The Man Called Ove by Fredrick Backman

**Jan 19:** The Guest Book by Sara Blake

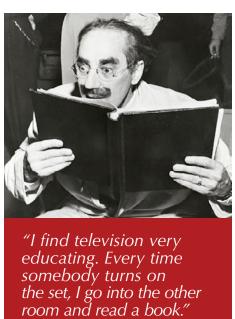


- 1928 Sabin von Sochocky dies a victim of his own invention
- 1928 first case rested and then settled out of court
- Marie Curie died in 1934
- First case of radium poisoning won in court was in 1939

We still have a long way to go on righting known wrongs.

Please let us know what you thought of this book. Join on us on the 3rd Tuesday of the month.

Contact Christie at chegyi@optonline.net for information on future reads and locations.



- Groucho Marx







### TIMES ARE GETTING A LITTLE BETTER

For safety reasons if you have your own boat you can still use the lake just be safe and use your PFD

Unfortunately, the Sailing Club was not able to offer the sailing class this year. We are sorry for this inconvenience but for the health and safety we had no choice. Hopefully next season things will be better.

**QUESTIONS** Call Ralph at 973-503-0249, or e-mail the club website www. lpsc.us for other information.



### **EMPTY YOUR BOATS**

The smallest amount of standing water breeds millions of mosquitoes.
Please make every effort to drain your boat after a rain event. If you won't be using it for a bit then consider turning it over.



## CONGRATULATIONS\*

# LPPOA MEN'S HORSESHOES

Randy Vyskocil

For the first time in 20+ years, the Men's Horseshoe team made the playoffs! Dapper Don Michalowski and Rich Tullo had a strong night in a 7-5 win against Lake Telemark on Friday August 14th to clinch a spot in the playoffs. Frank Calabrese was voted Coach of the Year for the outstanding job he did this season. Billy "the kid" Sempier was voted most improved player and Don Michalowski was voted 2nd team All-American.



### LABOR DAY WEEKEND BEACH HOURS

Starting Monday August 31st to September 7th we will be open from 1-6pm depending on weather and staff availability.

### **HOFFMAN BEACH COVID-19 RULES AND GUIDELINES**

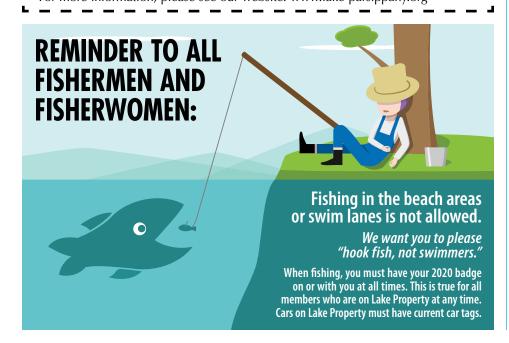
A day at the lake will definitely look a little different this year. The LPPOA is opening by taking smaller steps than the Jersey Shore may be taking, but our focus is on the health and safety of our staff and patrons. If we all do our part to comply with the restrictions, follow social distancing guidelines, and accept personal responsibility for our own behavior, we can all enjoy Summer 2020 at the Beach

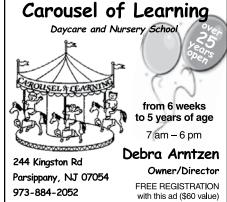
### **BEACH RULES**

- FULL MEMBERS ONLY (guests that are non-members are not permitted).
- Membership Badge or Proper Identification are mandatory for all adults.
- Mandatory check-in at entrance gate for ALL members.
- Capacity Restrictions in place for the ENTIRE facility, (beach & grassy areas).
- FIRST COME FIRST SERVE.
- "Carry-In & Carry-Out", whatever you bring with you leaves with you. All personal items left behind will be thrown out daily
- Restrooms will be open.
- Picnic Tables will not be available, please bring your own chairs and blankets.
- NO group gatherings, organized sports or games.
- Playground, swings, water slide and docks will remain closed.
- The pavilion will be closed. Do not use the pavilion other than access to bathrooms.
- Foot Shower will be closed
- Snack stand will be closed. Please bring your own water and snacks.
- Face Masks: Patrons 2yrs and over are required to wear masks when entering, exiting and walking about the facility. Masks are recommended to be worn when in your designated area on the beach, but not mandatory.
- Swimming: The water will be open on Hoffman Beach during scheduled beach hours.
- Beach: Use social distancing guidelines and stay a minimum 6 feet away from any other patrons when setting up your chair or blanket on the beach.

For your safety and the safety of all staff and other patrons, rules must be strictly adhered to, any deviation may result in being removed from the beach.

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## LPMYC - RADIO CONTROLLED SAILING



Another beautiful day at the lake. Close encounter with those so tiny little ducklings of few months ago now almost fully grown!

RC sailing has been at its best this year and really provide skippers and passing-by strollers some smoothing sense of relief during our difficult times.

A hobby enabling us to stay close on the water and properly distanced ashore.

Watching our lake avian population evolving is a pure treat to the eyes.

At this point, we must postpone our annual Lake Parsippany Invitational Regatta which had been approved by the board and had made the national calendar for October 3-4, 2020.

We plan to replace it with a single day event which will be restricted to local area sailors but will be as much fun to watch. September 5th from Johnson beach dike.

If you want more information about LPMYC, please contact Michel Roure at micheleve.roure@gmail.com.

# FOR YOUR SAFETY PLEASE REMEMBER:







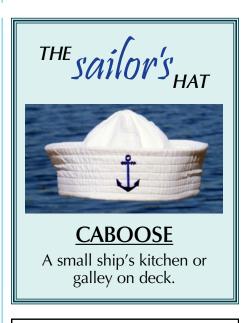
### When you walk...

Walk around the lake **facing traffic** so you can see and hear cars coming towards you.

**Don't make a wall** of people across an entire side of the road and **maintain proper social distancing**.

Wear reflective clothing at night.

Cyclists ride with traffic.



### **VOLUNTEERS WANTED**

The Lake Parsippany Volunteer Fire Company is looking for volunteers. Training and equipment are provided.

Come join in supporting your community. Experience the thrill and excitement of being a firefighter.

Stop by on Tuesday evenings and see what we are about.

Meet the officers and members.

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#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS For updates, click on "Event Calendar" SEPTEMBER 2020 SUNDAY MONDAY **TUESDAY** WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY LPMYC Regatta Johnson Beach 30 3 5 2 Candidate Night 7:00-8:30pm Online. Check website for details. 11 12 10 **LPPOA Election Book Club Bass Contest Day 2020 and** 7pm (location 6:30am at the **Annual Meeting** TBD) **Boathouse Ladies Club** 7pm 13 14 15 16 17 22 23 24 25 20 21 26 CONSIDER THE CLUBHOUSE FOR YOUR UPCOMING RENTAL NEEDS. CALL JUDY AT 862-579-8407. 27 28 29 30



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