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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.

ASSESSMENT NEWS AND LAWSUIT UPDATES

Legal information including history, all court decisions, correspondence, including the most recent complaint filed by the LPVRG can be found on our website under NEWS - Assessment News. Other information available are water test reports, meeting minutes, budgets, events, activities, membership information, plus lots more. It's a great site to get accurate up to date information about our community.

VISIT US ONLINE WWW.LAKE-PARSIPPANY.ORG

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Pulkit Desai

Your journey into buying and making your home in Lake Parsippany started perhaps with a friend, our school system, our lake, employment opportunity, location, community kinship or perhaps you just grew up here. Whatever the reasons are you are here and part of the 2200 homes that surround our beautiful lake. Some of you own lake front property, many are a few blocks away and many more farther away, far enough that you may not see the lake as you go about with your daily life.

However, in the last few years everyone has been aware of the lake in another way; mostly around easement, maintenance, recreation, voting rights and who is really obligated to contribute financially to maintain it. If you live in the Original Purchase Tract (OPT) you are benefiting from its presence, both directly and indirectly. That benefit should not be taken for granted. As neighbors, we need to come together and meet our financial obligations to keep this lake going. Comparatively, with other lakes in the NJ, the fee we're asking for is quite modest. This is in part

because our local municipality has taken over some basic maintenance of select streets, roads, avenues and dams. This has relieved the LPPOA of a major portion of funds that we don't have to collect from members and some costs that we are spared. However, we are required to not only maintain, but to improve, beautify and keep the beaches, parks and community clubhouse for social, civic and recreational purposes for the benefit of the members of the LPPOA. We are all members of the LPPOA; some in good standing and some in not good standing.

For 2021, we are proposing the same fees we had last year. This is due to COVID and the financial burdens placed on many. We've listened to you and the LPPOA Board of Directors has come to this conclusion after numerous work sessions, reviewing costs required to maintain the lake and believing that this is the best option available for this year. At the February Board meeting we will vote on the fees and voting rights.

We have nearly 700 property owners who have not paid their past years invoices. This year please

*"So please make the decision
this year and pay your dues."*

President's Message (Cont.)

do not ignore them. As I have said in the past; you live here, you directly and indirectly benefit from the presence of our lake. Even if you never drive by or totally ignore it; the fact remains that your property value is directly tied to the well being of our Lake Parsippany. I welcome you to come by and walk around the lake or even drive by and think what kind of community it would be if the lake was not here, or worse yet, not kept in the pristine condition it is.

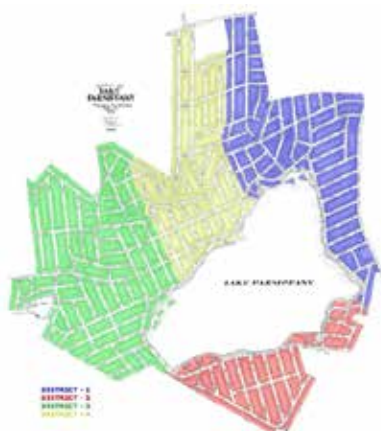
We will be publishing options on how we can help you get current with your past due invoices. Your

involvement in the upkeep of the lake benefits us all. So please make the decision this year and pay your dues.

In closing, I would like to thank all the Board members for spending so much of their personal time taking steps to try and determine what is best for our lake and our community. I also like to thank all the volunteers who are working tirelessly on committees planning many special events to bring some sunshine and happiness to all.

THIS IS OUR LAKE. VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Pulkit Desai



We need dedicated people to fill two pending open positions on the LPPOA Board of Directors. These positions will be up for re-election in September 2021.

There is an immediate need to fill the position of District 1 representative.

The District 1 representative position is available to all property owners, who are currently Full Members in good standing who live in the blue District 1 area outlined on the map.

If interested, please use the contact us email form on our website to tell us a bit about yourself. We will answer any questions that you may have about the position. Remember, all positions on the LPPOA Board of Directors is voluntary.

SECRET VALENTINE

February 14

*Let's celebrate a day of love and
friendship on February 14!*

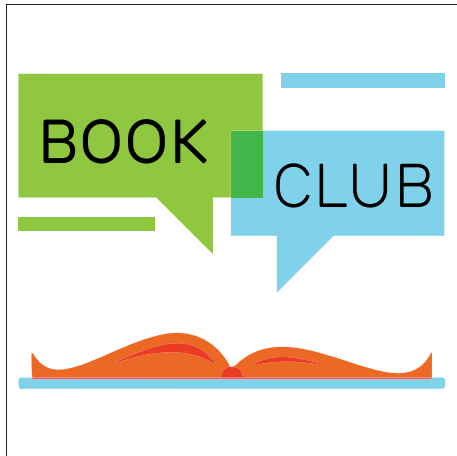
*Each registered child will receive a gift from Secret
Valentine. For each child you register, you will also be
buying a gift for someone else as their Secret Valentine.
Gifts should be purchased with a \$10 limit in mind.*



If you are interested, please register (kids aged 1-11 yrs only) with us at lppoa_secretvalentine@googlegroups.com with the following information:

Your name, address, child's name & gender (to aid in gift selection)

You will receive detailed information upon registration.



Christie Hegyi Gardner

FUTURE READS:

FEB

The Lost City of Z
by David Grann

MAR

Carnegies Maid
by Marie Benedict

APR

The Samurai's Garden
by Gail Tsukiyama

MAY

Born a Crime
by Trevor Noah

JUN

The Blood of Flowers
by Anita Amirrezvani

JUL

The Gilded Hour
by Sara Donat

THE GUEST BOOK

The Guest Book by Sarah Blake was dream-like and melancholy and showed us what can be passed down in silence.

It was not the club's favorite read, but overall, those that finished it found it was worth it. This is the story of three generations of a wealthy family dealing with tragedy and secrets with quiet politeness. The family is introduced to us with immense wealth in the 1930's and wraps up in current times, pondering if they can hold onto the family summer property, which happens to be an island in Maine.

The reader finds they need to pay attention. There is no one big reveal, but many hidden truths. The author is a master of giving us details that make you feel you are in the room (or in this case on the island!) experiencing all with them. By the end you have found you came away with quite a bit!

Please read it and let us know what you think.

We meet the 3rd Tuesday of the month.

Contact Christie at chegyioptonline.net for further details.

CAN'T WE ALL JUST PLAY NICE TOGETHER IN THE SANDBOX?!

By Paul Cecala

When I was a child playing with my neighborhood friends, we would sometimes have conflicts. "I want to play with the Tonka truck. You play with G.I. Joe." "NO, I'm playing with the truck." Often in exasperation, my mother would yell at us, "Can't you boys play nice in the sandbox together?!" It was just one of the ways, and not necessarily the best, that we were taught to share and compromise. I feel like all politicians need to have their mothers' yelling that to them right now.

Listening to the recent LPPOA Board zoom meetings has been disheartening and disappointing to say the least. Our LPPOA politics appears to be a microcosm of our national politics filled with divisiveness, selfishness and argument. The concept of "us" versus "them" is becoming the norm of our Country, our Association and our Community rather than a concept of "we" and togetherness. This is not what I, for one, would like to see happening to our little lake community. It is destroying our neighborliness.

Leadership is about bringing people together to a common cause and seeking out ways

of working together rather than breeding separation, feuding and anger. And, just as with our national government, we need our local association leadership to rise beyond the "us/them" differences of each side and bring our community together in commonality and compromise.

But that is the hard work of governing – bringing divergent views together, seeking out common grounds to build on, and being willing to live into the give and take of compromise. In this model, no one gets everything they want, in fact everyone gets only a small part of what they want. Actor and comedian, Larry David is quoted as saying, "A good compromise is when both parties are dissatisfied."

The larger question, though, is "How do we bring our several different constituency groups within the Lake Parsippany community together?" For those who find themselves empowered, despite any negative feelings from the past, you must be big enough to put aside those past grievances and instead to seek the common space you

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common vision and goals."*

Can't we all just play nice together in the sandbox?! (Cont.)

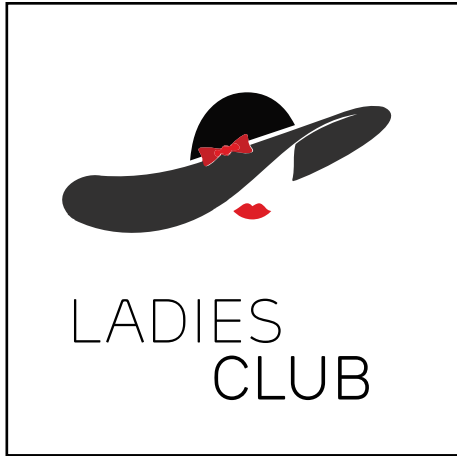
have with the whole group. For those who feel threatened, you must expect things will change and you will need to accept that change. And together we need to find the places we can agree on to build from.

Our leadership should work on building trust by offering concessions where able; developing their communication skills – listening to hear the other, not respond; and reducing their emotional responses to focus more on the organization's

goals. We should seek out our common vision and goals. Knowing them, we can find common ways to meet those goals, together.

Teaching children to play nice together is part of why we had sandboxes and why parents create play dates for their kids. So that when we grow up to be adults, we can be our better selves, get along with those we do not necessarily like ... and maybe learn to like them too.





Maureen Omaster

I WISH...

Feeling nostalgic as I sit home this winter day during the COVID shutdown, I started looking through some old Ladies Club photo albums from the sixties through the eighties. How different this lake community was then.

I moved here in 1972 with my husband and two sons, ages two and a half and five months. A stay-at-home mom at the time, I would take my boys to the beach and join with the other moms and their children. Back then, all three beaches

were filled with families every day. The kids took swim lessons, played in the sand and maybe got an ice cream from the passing ice cream man. Most people didn't have central air conditioning then, so they would spend the hot afternoon at the beach, then go home with their sandy suits and feet, see dad, and the kids would play in the yard until mom put dinner on the table outside. After the kids were bathed and put to bed, the adults would sit outside for the evening, possibly with a few neighbors. Life wasn't so fast paced and people socialized more. The ladies club, with as many as 40 members, frequently had a fun activity planned for themselves or the lake community.

Things sure have changed over the years, with working moms, central air conditioning and video games to keep people inside. But, thankfully, some of our neighbors still find time to walk, bike or sit by our lake...such a treasure in the midst of corporate complexes, highways and shopping centers. I wish, like in the old days, people would find the time to engage more in our community. It has so much to offer.



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WALK AND FIND PHOTO HUNT!

February Hunt: Groundhog

The LPPOA is proud to announce our new monthly
Lake Parsippany Walk and Find Photo Hunt!

Each month check out the News & Views or the LPPOA Facebook Page for the photo hunt theme. Starting the 1st of each month, six photos will be hidden along our beautiful lake! If you want to use this as an opportunity to make your lake walks even more exciting you can just casually find the photos as you go along OR if you are feeling more competitive you can take part in our Walk and Find Photo Hunt Competition!

Our February Hunt!

February 2nd is Groundhog's Day! Are we doomed for six more weeks of winter?! As we wait for Punxsutawney Phil's prediction, pictures of six of our very own Lake Parsippany groundhogs are hidden along the lake.



Be the first two households to submit "selfies" with all the hidden groundhogs to win a prize! To enter please submit all 6 photos to lakeparsippanyphotohunt@gmail.com

Each month there will also be a prize for the "best of selfies". Since we want to remind everyone to please follow social distancing guidelines when walking the lake, this month's "best of" theme is "Maskie" - a selfie taken with your best face covering. Submit a Maskie with your favorite hidden groundhog.



RADIO CONTROLLED SAILING

Our winter finally arrived, and following some exceptionally fall like days, greeted us with some snow capping and with its white robe for the end of the year.

So, we enjoyed sailing yet another month our radio-controlled boats in December, and finally turned our lasting hobby to the basement shops, in order to work, repair and pamper our toys!

Reflecting on this difficult 2020 year, we put together some nice memories of our time at the lake and realized how fortunate we have been during these trying times to be able to enjoy our hobby and our lake, allowing us to stay safely outside and close to nature yet in our back yards.

Here below is a link to the video produced by our lake resident photographer and supporter Michael Fabricante during our annual LPMYC regatta in September 2020.

It gives a nice insight into our sport of sailing, while valorizing our great lake.

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1x5fid-B9raXCeyJwz6Vf3Od004cNIndMe?usp=sharing>

Please enjoy it, visit us anytime and don't hesitate to contact Michel Roure at michelusf11@optonline.net should you want more information about LPMYC.



Still peacefully sailing while winter is upon us.



Enjoying the white winter season!

SANTA MEET AND GREET

Mary Ellen Iradi

On Saturday, December 5th, we had a socially distanced Santa Meet and Greet. It was held outside the clubhouse on the deck. Santa stayed on the deck and greeted the children below.

Families remained in their cars until it was their turn. We had about 60 children and their families attend. Each child received a goodie bag if he or she was registered in advance. All families were asked to bring an unwrapped gift to donate to a needy child in the area. It was a chilly but wonderful day. Thank you to all who attended!

I would like to thank Andy Steinberg for his role as Santa, Don Phelps for directing traffic, and Abigail Phelps, Vanessa Iradi and Gavin Iradi for being elves and collecting toys, handing out the goodie bags, taking photos, and even holding down Santa's backdrop! It wouldn't have been possible without each of you. I would also like to thank Debbie Orme for creating and donating the adorable goodie bags and Nurse Molloy at Eastlake for collecting and distributing the toys to needy children in the area.



Santa Meet and Greet (cont.)



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Families remained in their cars until it was their turn."*



Tony Suprum

WELCOME TO THE 2021 FISHING SEASON

Hello to all my fellow angler and welcome to the 2021 fishing season,

2020 and COVID-19 are forever linked together worldwide. You will never have to say anymore to conjure up thoughts from anyone. COVID did its best to stop all of us from enjoying life but do you know who stood up to COVID, ANGLERS. Across the greatest country in the world, the USA, fishing license sales broke records in many states. NJ fishing license sales in 2019 were 115,473. In 2020 fishing license sales rose to 138,221. That is about 3000 more license sales than the best year over the last 10 years. That is an unheard-of increase, especially in New Jersey. Every cast you make can be an unforgettable moment in your life. So, get out and makes lots of unforgettable moments and show COVID it cannot stop anglers.

Now is the time to get your fishing license, check and maintain your rods and reels, see if you need terminal tackle and replace a few lures you might have lost last year. Just a reminder, if you are between the ages of 16 to 69, you need a current NJ fishing license to fish Lake Parsippany. If you plan on possessing trout, you also need a trout stamp. If you need assistance with reel repair, shoot the fishing club an email and I can assist you with the repair.

New Jersey's opening day of trout season is 4/10/2021 at 8am. So, we will stock the lake with trout on 4/3/2021. At this time, I cannot say if we will have a trout stocking event. I will continue to update on the status of the trout stocking event. If anyone has an idea of how we can do the stocking event, please email the fishing club. Another reminder, the lake is closed to fishing from 7am on 4/3/2021 until 4/10/2021 at 8am. I will be getting the cost of the trout this week, but I am anticipating stocking the same amount as last year which was 366. This year we are looking into stocking Channel Catfish after the trout stocking. I will send updates on the Channel Cat's when I get more info.

Everyone please be safe and healthy. If you can, please aid friends and family that are at a high risk of catching COVID. Just one trip to the grocery store would be a big help.

Remember, it is not always about catching fish. It's about the adventure of being outdoors and having fun with family and friends.

Hope your next cast is one you will never forget,



MONKEY'S FIST

A suitable knot if weighted
is needed for throwing



QUESTIONS AND INFO

Call Ralph at 973-503-0249

or e-mail lpssc@optonline.net

or check the Bulletin Board

or click the web www.lpssc.net

**BEACH MANAGER
WANTED**

The position of beach manager is an extremely diverse position, requiring the applicant to be flexible and able to think quickly and react appropriately as situations and issues arise. This position requires excellent people skills and basic computer skills such as email, word and excel. The beach manager will report directly to the designated board member.

**MUST HAVE CURRENT
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Applications can be found on the LPPOA website.

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**LIFEGUARDS
WANTED**

Multiple positions open for part-time lifeguards. Primary duties are to enforce safety and lake rules in and around the lake and surrounding areas to ensure the well-being of all guests. Administer FirstAid, CPR, emergency and other safety procedures, as needed.

**MUST HAVE CURRENT
LIFEGUARD CERTIFICATION**

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MAUREEN HERZOG

It is with heavy hearts that the LPPOA board announces the passing of Maureen Herzog.

The Herzog family have been LPPOA members for a very longtime. If you are one of many longtime LPPOA members or are associated with the LPPOA swim team or ladies club, you probably cannot think of the swim team or ladies club without thinking of the Herzog's.

Most of all, Maureen was a friend to a lot of people in the LPPOA community, she will be sorely missed by many.

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY

Debbie Thore's mom Agnes McCann passed away at home peacefully Saturday night 1/16/21 at the young age of 100. The lake community sends our deepest condolences to Debbie her daughter Keri and son Chris.



-  **MAINTAIN PROPER SOCIAL DISTANCING**
-  **WEAR REFLECTIVE CLOTHING AT NIGHT**
-  **CYCLISTS RIDE WITH TRAFFIC**
-  **WALK FACING TRAFFIC**
-  **DON'T MAKE A WALL OF PEOPLE ACROSS AN ENTIRE SIDE OF THE ROAD**



NO OVERNIGHT PARKING

12 AM – 6 PM

NO VEHICLE OR TRAILER SHALL BE ALLOWED TO PARK ON LPPOA PROPERTY DURING THE HOURS OF 12:00 A.M. AND 6:00 A.M. YEAR ROUND, AND ANY SUCH VEHICLE WILL BE TOWED OFF THE PROPERTY AT THE OWNER'S EXPENSE.



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