

Lake Shawnee News

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2020

The end of summer is once again upon us! This time of year, I would typically remind all that schools open September 2nd, so please drive safely, but this is 2020! I know many are questioning if school is really going to open!

We survived Tropical Storm/Hurricane whatever you want to call it Isaias. Lake Shawnee was one of the harder hit communities in regards to trees and poles down around the lake, especially those blocking West Shawnee by Mallard, which made it difficult to get out of the lake. Not to mention, thank God, the tree in front of the clubhouse went toward the road! Thank you to all who helped each other out; it is what makes LS a great place to live.

Thank you to Bill Szekula and our swim team committee and, of course, our coaches Jamie Breiten and Jodi Bunda for putting together some resemblance of a swim season during COVID so our swimmers could stay active. All had a good time I was told and enjoyed being able to have a mock season,

I was looking back at my last year's message, and we were getting ready to solicit bids for the clubhouse renovations this time last year. The final touches are just about complete; we have to get everything cleaned and moved back in. We moved the office back in so we can start to resume regular office hours finally. With all the COVID restrictions, we will have to limit the number of guests for any clubhouse rentals going forward. If you are considering a rental, please reach out to the office on the limits and new procedures.

I want to thank Ruth Kuhl & Kristen White and the entire social committee for all the great summer events and all the work they do year-round. They were able to make something happen, even with COVID. We have one last summer event planned for September 5th to finish off the summer, so be sure to come out for our annual "Surf & Turf" bash. Unfortunately, no activities this year; just Scoot on Down for your listening pleasure.

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.

Our dog walk & costume parade will be on September 19th. October 18th will hopefully bring us our trunk or treat at first beach, which has become a very popular event for the lake. Many of our members look forward to decorating their vehicles, and we certainly get a good turnout of trick or treaters. Hopefully, COVID will stay at bay, so we don't have to cancel.

Finally, a reminder we have our regular fall cleanup scheduled for Saturday, November 7th. If you have some time to lend a hand, there isn't as much work to do compared to our spring clean up, so our fall cleanup goes pretty quick.

Enjoy our beautiful fall season!

Eric Wilsusen Club President

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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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Newspaper Deadline 15th of the month prior to printing.

Interested in placing an ad in the LSC News go to www.lakeshawneeclub.org/clubhouse.html



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Rates and Terms

Members only

Full Day Rental: \$170 Any day of the week Half Day Rental: \$85.00 Mon-Fri Only

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A deposit of \$175 and a signed agreement are required to 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:

www.lakeshawneeclub.org

www.facebook.com/groups/lakeshawneeclub



End of Summer Celebration! Saturday, September 5th from 4pm - 8pm



Music by: SCOOT ON DOWN

Life Guards will be on duty until 8pm!

Come join us at First Beach for some music and our send off to summer. It has certainly been a unique one! Given the current situation and safety concerns, we will not be holding any activities or contests as we usually do at the Annual Surf and Turf bash. Please bring your own food and drink. We ask that you continue to use your best judgement in maintaining safe social

distancing measures.

No food or beverages will be supplied by the Social

Committee.

Members and their guests are always welcome!



As this is a Presidential Election Year,

Lake Lowering

is scheduled

to begin October 1st

for a period of 45 days.

Along with Lake Lowering,

All boats must be removed from Club Properties by November 1st

After April 1st, 2021, new boat storage permits can be obtained when paying dues.



September 2020

Su	n	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4 Baby & Me 10:00am	5 Scoot on Down 4-8pm
6		7	8	9	10	11 Baby & Me 10:00am Board Mtg. 7:00pm	12 Texas Hold'em 7:00pm
13	3	14	15	16	17	18 Baby & Me 10:00am	19 Dog Walk & Pet Parade 10:00am
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October 2020

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18 Trunk or Treat 2:30pm	19	20	21	22	23 Baby & Me 10:00am	24
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Summary of the Lake Shawnee Club Board Meeting

August 7th, 2020

The Board discussed Tropical Storm Isaias. There was major tree damage at the Clubhouse, but luckily all other property damage was minimal. There was a brief discussion on removal of the tree. Since 6 inches of rain was predicted, the sluice was opened 24 hours prior to the storm as allowed by Dam Safety guidelines; fortunately, there was less than 3 inches from the storm.

Social Committee reported that it has been a great summer so far with lots of events such as a Teen Pizza Night, Drop in Craft featuring suncatchers, two Ice Cream Socials so far with one more coming soon, and Third Beach Storytime with the most kids in attendance ever. Upcoming events include Movie Night and a Kids Biathlon. The Board decided to scale back activities for this year's Surf and Turf due to COVID-19 concerns, but still have "Scoot on Down" to perform from 4-8pm.

Starting in September, the LSNews will resume every other month format with a deadline of the 15th of the month prior to production.

It was reported that until July, the lake had a great balance — very few weeds, PH 7, DO 8, temperatures 72-3 degrees; then the heat wave occurred. Three weeks ago, they treated over 32 acres of tape grass, which had taken off especially by the shoreline; left untreated 3-5 acres can easily turn into 15 acres. There was about 2 acres of filamentous seen recently, but it was washed away during the storm. They will be treating the lake again next Tuesday and will treat the lilies at the end of the season. It was also noted that the Lake Lowering Permit has been acquired for the drawdown in the fall.

Summer Night Security is moving along with no major issues.

It was reported that there was a fishing contest held last Saturday.

The Swim Team is getting ready to wrap up their season. This year, they had a great turnout, especially with the 8 and under group which had to be split into two practice times. Next week, they will hold their last week of practices and will end with a mock swim meet on Thursday, August 13th. They will finish the season on Tuesday, August 18th with a pizza party for the team. Despite all the obstacles, everyone had an enjoyable season.

The Board was updated on the progress of the Clubhouse renovation (the ceiling downstairs is not completed, tiling is done downstairs, bathrooms almost done, toilet and hand dryers installed, AC is working, inspections are being completed, final inspection not yet done) and discussed several pending projects including doors, door knobs and keys, the installation/completion of a new bar, art work/decorations for the new space, and oil and oil tank removal. There was a brief discussion on the final completion date of the project.

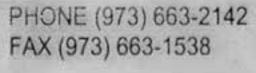
It was noted that the weeds by the dock need to be taken care of at Second Beach; shrubs were installed by the port a john as requested at the last meeting.

The Board discussed Clubhouse rentals and building capacity during COVID restrictions. Rental agreements will be amended with specific COVID rules and regulations, to eliminate liability to the Club and to address issues with cleaning and monitoring, along with amended rules for the newly renovated Clubhouse. No rentals agreements will be made until we get our CO. Finally, updated rental fees and deposits will be determined in September.

Enjoying Story time at the Beach



A special thank you to all who joined us for this summer's events. It was truly a pleasure to see everyone out and about supporting our community!



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Social Committee Events



<u>Social Committee:</u> Please join us with any new ideas you might have. Our next meeting date is October 6th (we skip September) -7pm at the Clubhouse. If you can lend a hand at any of our events, it would be greatly appreciated. Please email Kristen White or Ruth Kuhl at social@lakeshawneeclub.org if you plan on attending or if you have any questions.

The TLC Club: Neighbors Connecting with Neighbors. The mission of the Lake Shawnee TLC (tender, loving care) Club is to bring companionship and friendship to our Lake Shawnee neighbors. There is no better place to do this than right here in Lake Shawnee. If you are interested in being a part of this club email Adrienne Najjar-Keith and Kristine Wilsusen at lakeshawneetlc@gmail.com. If you, yourself or if you know anyone in our Lake Shawnee family who would benefit from a TLC visitor bringing friendship and companionship, please email lakeshawneetlc@gmail.com.

Baby and Me Playgroup: Bring the kids down to the Clubhouse to meet Moms and children of similar ages. Playgroup meets every Friday at 10:30am. Pre-K and under. Please contact Chris White at 973-255-9326 if you plan to attend.

Alternate locations are being used until the clubhouse renovations are complete!

<u>Texas Hold 'em</u>: September 12nd - Registration begins at 7pm-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! - (contingent upon availability of the clubhouse and safety issues - keep an eye on Facebook for updates!)

<u>Lake Shawnee Dog Walk and Pet Parade:</u> Saturday, September 19th 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. Any questions, call or email Kristen at 973-255-9326 or social@lakeshawneeclub.org

Annual Halloween Trunk-or-Treat Party: Families are invited to park their Halloween decorated vehicles in the clubhouse parking lot beginning at 2:30pm on Sunday October 18th. Prizes will be awarded to the best decorated trunks. In order for us to plan parking, families must call Ruth at 973-663-0988 or email social@lakeshawneeclub.org to reserve your spot. While decorating your vehicle is a fun part of the event, it is not necessary to participate. Trick-or-treaters are invited to move from car to car to show off their costumes and collect treats from 3-5pm. You may trick or treat and enjoy the festivities even if your family doesn't have a car in the lot giving out goodies. This event is rain or shine. We are asking everyone who attends our Trunk or Treat to donate a baked good for everyone to enjoy. Goodies should be dropped off at the clubhouse by 3pm. If you are planning on making anything with nuts, please clearly mark that item. — (We are hoping to move forward with this event, but will make a final determination as we get closer and any safety concerns are considered and addressed.)

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The group's purpose is to increase safety for pedestrian and vehicle traffic along Shawnee Trails.



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Other ideas are being explored. This takes time, research, education, and persistence. If you would like to get involved, please join the Facebook group, Slow Down Shawnee, and help make our community safer. Next meeting to be announced on our Facebook page.



Thumbs up to Kristin Iaconetti for a great job this summer supervising the lifeguards, including scheduling and training and managing the summer swim lessons.

Great job, Jaci McConnon, as our Summer Security Guard this crazy summer!

THANK YOU to all of our lifeguards, always keeping our beaches safe – Maddy McConnon, Karly Wilsusen, Keira White, Tyler Delp, Jaci McConnon, Tim DenBleyker, Jess Gamble, Sarah Machere, Kate Wilsusen, Kevin DenBleyker, Amy Segond, Sam Iversen, Carly Hartnett, Zach Troha, Hailee Sobieski, and Abby Kuntz.

A HUGE shout out to our President, Eric Wilsusen, for ALWAYS going above and beyond to help and to serve Lake Shawnee and all its members!!

Thanks to Social Committee Chairpersons, Kristin White and Ruth Kuhl for keeping events going during the past few months.

Two thumbs up to our amazing Swim Team Coaches, Jamie Brieten and Jodi Bunda. GO TRIBE!!

Many THANKS to Mary Casey for all the masks she has made during the current health crisis. We truly appreciate your efforts.



WELCOME BACK – TEXAS HOLD 'EM September 12nd

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Baby and Me Playgroup

Meet **every Friday at 10:30am**Pre-K and under
Contact Chris White at 973-255-9326
if you plan to attend.

The Social Committee is Seeking Volunteers

In order to ensure the success and continuation of next 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 also share experiences and help you every step of the way. Unfortunately, if we do not get people to chair more events, they may be cancelled. So gr ab some friends, pick an event and let's work together to make 2020 an exceptional year!! If you are interested, please email social@lakeshawneeclub.org

<u>In School or Home School???</u>

If you need any help with High School / College Biology or Chemistry; give me a call (973-663-4698).

I have helped a number of students boost their grade point average over the past few years. Call me and we can arrange for a study plan. Leave a voice message if not home, and I'll get back to you.

Al Gazdalski



Calling All Photographers!!!

In celebration of our new clubhouse renovations, we are looking for some lake-inspired photographs to decorate the walls of the clubhouse. Those entries chosen will be framed and placed on the walls throughout the clubhouse.

Please submit all entries to the social committee email at social@lakeshawneeclub.org by September 30th.



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Annual Halloween Trunk-or-Treat Party!! Sunday October 18th from 3-5pm Trick or Treat from car to car in the clubhouse parking lot!

Trick or Treat from car to car in the clubhouse parking lot!
Vote for your favorite Trunk- Prizes will be awarded!
Refreshments will be served!!! 50/50 Raffle!!
Decorated Vehicles arrive by 2:30pm

Please call Ruth at 973-663-0988 or email social@lakeshawneeclub.org to reserve your space.

Please Remember!!
Everyone attending with their children
should bring a Baked Good to help feed all the little goblins!!
Thank you for your continued support!!!

(We are hoping to move forward with this event, but will make a final determination as we get closer and any safety concerns are considered and addressed.)



Introducing
The Tender Loving Care Club
Neighbors Connecting with Neighbors

The mission of the Lake Shawnee TLC (tender, loving care) Club is to bring companionship and friendship to our Lake Shawnee neighbors. There is no better place to do this than right here in Lake Shawnee.

If you are interested in being a part of this club email Adrienne Najjar-Keith and Kristine Wilsusen at lakeshawneetlc@gmail.com

If you, yourself or if you know anyone in our Lake Shawnee family who would benefit from a TLC visitor bringing friendship and companionship, please email lakeshawneetlc@gmail.com



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Planning for you future vacation is difficult right now, but searching for things you might want to do when this situation is behind us could help get you through the days of isolation.

So think to the future what you would like to do. When the time comes we can help get you booked for a great vacation.





Got Ideas? Looking to Get Involved? Social Committee Needs You!

Monthly Meetings at the Clubhouse
Tuesday, October 6th at 7pm
(we skip September)
Please contact Kristen and Ruth at social@lakeshawneeclub.org
if you plan on attending or if you have any questions.

2020 Lake Shawnee Swim Team

GO Tribe!



Coaches Your dedication and direction Has put fire in our souls. You have inspired us to do, The best to reach our goals. Your lessons will be remembered Long after the game is won, For the lessons you have taught us Have only just begun. You've taught us about commitment Perseverance and hope, And as we go through life We'll be better able to cope. To cope with all our struggles Our failures and success Because we had you both for our coaches Two of the BESTI Thank you, Coach Jamie and Coach Jodil

Wishing the Best of luck to our Senior swimmers as they enter their new adventures!! Congratulations!!

> Kevin DenBleyker Sam Iversen Amy Segond Kyra Sparks





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