The Porthole News

January 2019 Issue

Commodore's Message

The club's annual meeting was held early last December and it was great to see such a good turnout. There were four trustee positions available including mine. After four years on the board with this last year as Commodore, I decided not to rerun. Congratulations to Jaime Evans, Vanessa Luke, Mike Kahwaty and Brian Richardson on being elected to those positions. Along with incumbents – Bryan Hyland, Mike Malakuskie, and Chris Peters – I'm confident that membership will have a solid board going forward and that they'll continue making progress on the short and long term goals of the club.

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Upcoming social events in January and February include the Beefsteak/Comedy night, the Super Bowl party and the Winterfest. If you haven't paid for the Beefsteak/Comedy night make sure you do so immediately in order to reserve your seat. If you are interested in helping out for the Super Bowl party please contact the office. We will need help setting up and cleaning up and also in getting supplies for this event. We usually get a real nice crowd for the Super Bowl party and I believe last year I counted eight babies that were there so it's become a real nice family event for all to enjoy.

For Your Calendar:

Comedy/Beefsteak	January 26
Super Bowl	February 3
Winterfest	February 17
LRC/Texas Holdem	March 23

The social committee is in the early stages of planning social events throughout the year. If you are interested in joining the social committee please let us know. We are always interested in new ideas and new faces to help plan and run these events.

We are still looking for someone to run the snack shack this year. If you have any interest, please contact the office. It doesn't necessarily have to be just one person doing it, it may very well be a group of people.

In closing, I'd like to wish everyone a healthy and happy New Year!!!

Keith Moran

Commodore

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Mike Malakuskie	973-945-7222
Chris Peters	862-432-6034
Jaime Evans	TBA
Mike Kahwaty	TBA
Vanessa Luke	TBA

Positions and responsibilities- to be announced

Lake Forest wants to send a Happy Birthday Wish to…..

Jacob DeJesus, January 2nd

Reese Malakuskie, January 13th

Zachary Zambino, January 13th

Lake Forest Yacht Club Directory

Lake Forest Swim Team President:
Bonnie Sabia—973-663-5978
Dockmaster:
Frank Gutowski—973-663-5767

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Dog Walking/Watching

Brandon Cohen (17) 973-663-0207

Mark Carrion (13) 973-770-8797

Employment Opportunities

LFYC is looking to interview new and returning lifeguards for 2019 summer season. Weekend beach operations begin mid-May until school is out and then daily operations begin the first full week after school ends. Contact the LFYC Office for more details about scheduling, days required to work, etc. Lifeguard training and Red Cross Certificate including Waterfront are required BEFORE you can begin employment. Returning lifeguards will need to re-apply for the position. An application can be obtained in the office or you can request one be sent via email. Our email address is **office@lfyc.org**. If you have any questions please feel free to contact the office at 973-663-0158

February 17, 1 pm - Winterfest

January 26th—Beefsteak/Comedy Night

March 23 - LRC/Texas Holdem

February 3rd—Super Bowl

May 25th –Opening Day Picnic

Beefsteak/Comedy Night

Saturday, January 26th, 2019

Doors Open at 6:00PM, Beefsteak service begins at 7:00PM

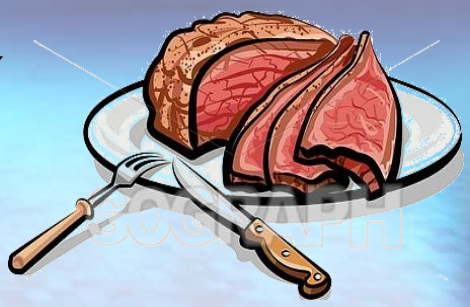
One of our most popular events! An evening of food, friends, fun and plenty of laughter! Doors open at 6:00pm.

We have The Brownstone back with the Traditional Beefsteak starting at 7:00pm — Salad, Italian Cold Antipasto, "All you can eat" Beefsteak, French Fries, Dessert, Coffee and Tea.

Beer and Wine are complimentary.

"Bread Tower Table Competition"

Entertainment will follow at 9 PM with (2) Comedians.



Beefsteak/Comedy Night
January 26th, 2019
Comedians

James Goff

Actor, comedian, and writer James Goff was born and raised in the South Bronx of New York City. In just a short time in the business, James has demonstrated the unique ability to bridge the gap between any audience, and connect with them on a level that makes them feel they've known him for years. Not only has he worked with some of the best in the business, James Goff's appearances also include **The Today Show, Gotham Comedy Live, Comedy Central's Open Mic Fight, Sirius Radio** and a performance for Super Bowl XLII Champions The New York Giants. When he's not headlining around the country, James is producing a weekly podcast, **The Force 2 Care Podcast**, centered around surviving parenthood and speaking to at risk youth about overcoming life's obstacles.

J.J. Ramirez

J.J. Ramirez is one of New York's very best headliners. He is a regular at America's best clubs including **The World Famous Comic Strip, The Improv** and **Carolines On Broadway.** On television, J.J. has appeared on **A&E's "Comedy on the Road", "Evening at the Improv", Showtime at the Apollo, Fox's "Comic Strip Live"** and **Comedy Central.** In the casinos, J.J is also well-entrenched having appeared at **Atlantic City's Borgata Casino** and **The Tropicana** in Las Vegas. He is also featured in the award winning movie **The Latin Legends of Comedy.**

position available

Snack Shack
Vendor Needed !

Lake Forest Yacht Club is looking for someone to manage the Galley's Snack Shack for the 2019 beach season. Please contact the LFYC office with questions at 973-663-0158 or office@LFYC.org.

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2019 DOCK SLIP RENTALS

The club office has mailed out the 2019 dock slip rental invoices and rental agreements to all members who rented dock slips in 2018. The 2019 dock rental fee for members is $525.00. If you plan on renewing for the upcoming season, please return the completed and signed rental agreement along with a copy of your current boat registration and payment by March 15th 2019. Please be advised that the office will not accept incomplete applications. Also, please indicate if there is any repair issue that you feel needs to be tended to regarding your slip.

If you have no intention to renew your dock slip for the 2019 season, please contact the club office so that we may reassign the slip to another member. We already have several members requesting available dock slips this season.

Since we have limited amount of dock slips, we will restrict dock rentals to one slip per member family until March 18th to accommodate as many members as possible. As is club policy, dock slips will only be rented to members whose: financial obligations to the club are current, have completed and signed rental agreement and provide a copy of the boat registration indicating member ownership of the boat. All of the above criteria will be required before LFYC approval of dock slip rental or renewal.

For new members or members renting for the first time, we will have few open dock slips for the 2019 season. If you'd like to rent a dock slip this season, please contact the club office at 973-663-0158 to request a dock rental agreement. The open dock slips will be reserved on a first come first served basis for members who meet the above rental criteria. Actual slip assignments for new renters will be determined starting March 16th, after member dock renewals are confirmed.

Members who would like to rent a second dock slip may do so after March 18th. On April 1st, all remaining open dock slips will be made available to member guests, with a member referral, at a rental fee of $1,500.

Lake Forest Yacht Club Scholarship

Established 2007

This will be our 13th year awarding the Lake Forest Yacht Club Scholarship. In 2018, Emma Brennan was the recipient of the Lake Forest Yacht Club Scholarship. We look forward to awarding another scholarship this year to a 2019 graduating LFYC member.

The scholarship will award $1,000 for the first year to help start off an applicant's higher education endeavor. The Scholarship recipient will be awarded $500.00 each additional year of college attended up to 3 more years - sophomore, junior and senior years after proof of 3.0 or better grade point average. Total available to be awarded to any individual over the 4 years is $2,500.00

The candidate must be a Lake Forest Yacht Club member in good standing as well as a 2019 graduating high school senior. Complete details of the application criteria will be found on the LFYC Scholarship Application available starting on March 1st on our website or your high school guidance office.

Scholarship applications should be addressed to the LFYC Scholarship Committee and be mailed to the LFYC with a postage date no later than April 16th, 2019. The five members of the 2019 LFYC Scholarship Committee will evaluate all applications and make a decision on who will be the recipient of the 2019 LFYC Scholarship. The recipient will be notified on or before May 1st, 2019.

Ice Safety on Lake Hopatcong

Remember: *ICE IS NEVER 100 PERCENT SAFE!*

All ice is different. Is there snow cover? Has it been a little warmer lately? Is there a muskrat den nearby? Does the water tend to move where you are? All those things can change the strength of the ice under your feet. Black ice is always stronger than white or cloudy ice, but no matter how safe it looks, always be prepared with proper safety equipment and know how to get yourself out if you fall through the ice.

Ice Thickness

These are general guidelines for black ice, but again, *ALL ICE IS DIFFERENT*, so be cautious and take note of weather patterns, moving water, and changing ice.

Less than 2"	4" to 6"	6"+	8"+
Unsafe conditions	*Likely to be safe for small groups*	*Groups of Skaters*	*Snowmobiles and ATVs*

BEFORE YOU GO OUT...

- Ask an adult's permission first.
- Figure out how thick the ice is (you can do this by looking at black ice or by having an adult use a drill or an ice auger to measure) and whether it's safe to go out.
- Tell an adult on shore where you're going and when you think you'll come back.
- Find someone to join you (do not go out on the ice alone).
- Wear a life jacket under your winter coat--it will keep you cozy and help you float if you fall through the ice.
- Bring ice picks, a whistle, and (if possible) a cell phone with you. Have a rope ready on shore in case you need it.

IF YOU FALL THROUGH...

- Try your best to remain calm and breathe slowly.
- Turn back behind you, toward the ice that you were just standing on.
- With a swimming kick, try to push yourself forward onto the ice. (Use ice picks if you have them to get a hold on the ice.)
- Once you are out of the water, get to a safe, dry, and warm place, remove wet clothing, wrap yourself in a dry blanket, and call for medical help.

IF SOMEONE ELSE FALLS THROUGH...

- ***Do NOT reach out to them!*** Then you might fall in, too.
- Call 911 or get help.
- While you're waiting for help, you can extend a branch, pole, ladder, or rope to the person, or guide them out with the steps listed above.

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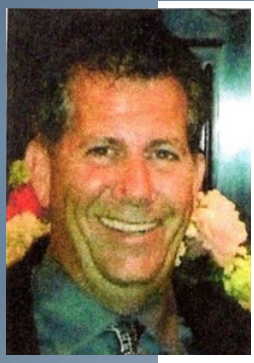

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Trustee Meeting Minutes –December 12, 2018

Location: LFYC Office
Meeting called to order: 7:05pm
Meeting Adjourned: 8:35pm
Attendance: Keith Moran, Greg Struble, Bryan Hyland, Vinny Gowers, Chris Peters, Brian Richardson, Mike Malakuskie
Special Guests: Trustee Elects: Jaime Evans, Vanessa Luke, Mike Kahwaty

Keith Moran – Commodore

1.Keith welcomed and congratulated three new Board Members. He advised Jaime, Vanessa and Mike that they were invited to observe and familiarize with the Board meeting procedures and routines.

Greg Struble – Secretary

1.Club rentals approved
2.Greg updated the Board on the progress of the A Dock project. The sea wall blocks started arriving. Greg met the project manager from Aquilana Company to discuss the drainage of the parking lot. Also, there were some adjustment to the curve of the wall.
2.Anna advised the Board about the subdivision of the one of the Lake Forest properties. She will keep an eye on the progress to make sure that the Master Lease will be attached to the properties.
3.Greg asked Anna to follow up with the town on the empty drain storm by the B&C parking lot and softball field.

Bryan Hyland Financials/Budget/Legal/Insurance/ Improvements:

1.Bryan reported that the Club financials are in good standing.
2.He will work on the Dock slip agreement and the notice so it's ready for the January billing.
3.Bryan advised that the A dock loan process has been very frustrating, long and exhausting.

Brian Richardson- Clubhouse/Docks/Boat Course:

1.Brian volunteered to cut down the old pillars in B&C dock slips that surfaced with the draw down.
2.The Dock billing will go out the beginning of January. Brian suggested to add to the dock slip agreement a note that the A dock slips will not be available until May 1, 2019.

Vinny Gowers: Social/Beach/Galley/Security

1.Vinny advised that due to the lack of interest, the New Year's Party will be canceled. Due to a success of the previous LRC/Texas Holdem event, there will be additional one scheduled for March 23.
2.Vinny also advised that the social director – Debbie is considering organizing the Winterfest this year.

Mike Malakuskie: Maintenance/Grounds/Tennis/Swim Team

1.Mike updated the Board on the project of renovating the playground. The option of blast sanding and repainting become an issue since the playground needs to be dismantled, transported to the facility and the assembled again. Some of the parts of the playground can not be removed and it seems like a lot of work.
The Board suggested to try a fundraiser to collect the money for the new playground.

Old Business:

1.Anna will call Metro Supply to get a sample of the new beach sand that they offer.

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