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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

With Lake Hayward Days ending on Saturday with our traditional Beach Games and Carnival, I hope everyone has taken the opportunity to have participated in at least one event! Monday night's Karaoke night was great fun—we had vocalists ranging from 6 to 60! In between, Mike Ortiz from CT Party Studios got the crowd on their feet dancing to various tunes.

Tonight's Carnival promises to be fun for the kids. Parents—no need to cook as we will have a number of specialty items for your dining pleasure! Come on down to the pavilion!

After a great and information-packed annual meeting, yours truly found herself pampered on a floating pontoon boat captained by Neil Murphy. Judging the many boats was not an easy task, but there were many beach goers promising to get their boats in the water for next year's Regatta. Plans are already under way to expand the parade route and finish with a cookout.

Read on to learn more about our newly elected Board Representatives. Please reach out to them!

On a business note, I am looking to appoint volunteers to a new committee to assist with By Laws Review and Compliance. I am searching to appoint a lawyer or two as well as a diverse group of four members that include year round as well as seasonal residents. Our selectman, Mark Walters, is interested in working with us to address many of our community issues, including zoning and health and safety concerns. A member of this committee will also serve as our Town Liaison.

As I mentioned in my conversations with many of you, if you have concerns, I need your involvement in the process. Please contact me for further information or to offer assistance.

See you today at First Beach for the Beach Games and tonight at the Carnival!

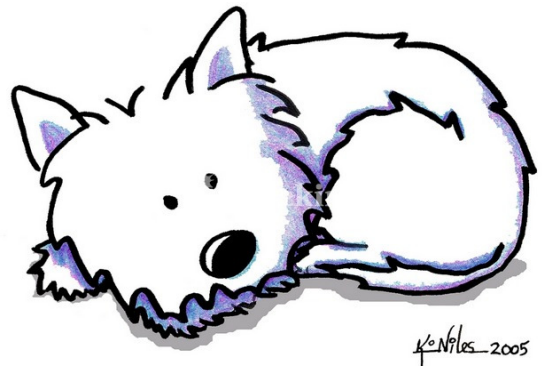
- Gail Grzegorzczak

MEET YOUR NEW BOARD REPS

Lynn Nuzzo (First Beach Representative)

We found the lake (quite by accident) a few years ago. We had planned a small family gathering for the 4th of July. My grandmother had to be hospitalized unexpectedly. We decided to cancel our event until she was able to attend. In the meantime, we took a ride to East Haddam to see an open house and as we drove down Lake Shore Drive, we fell in love. We didn't buy that house. However; we did purchase a small cabin on Longwood and upgraded a couple of years later to Lake Shore...the rest is history. We happen to love dogs (out of the seven dogs we've had over the years, five have been rescues, including three of our Westies) and they all love

coming to the lake on weekends! Contact me at philin@cox.net; home (weekday eves) at 860-620-0331 or cell 860-620-7016.



UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **August 24th**
Radio Giant 7pm
- **August 25th**
Beach games 1-3
Carnival 6-8
- **August 27th**
Last Monday trash pickup
- **September 1st**
Last newsletter
- **September 3rd**
Labor Day holiday
- **September 8th**
Garden Club Pot Luck 6pm

MEET YOUR NEW BOARD REPS -CONTINUED-**Gary Petersen (Representative at large)**

I am 56 and have been married to Kathy for 35 years. We have two children: Melissa and Christopher, who are both married and a granddaughter, Adrianna. I have been a full-time firefighter for the town of Farmington for 28 years. I also have a part time job as a Zamboni driver at the XL Center in Hartford. In 1951 my grandfather built a cottage at Lake Hayward on Lake Shore Dr. across from 2nd beach. In the 1960s and 70s I spent a lot of time at the lake swimming and fishing. My grandfather passed away in 1981 and the cottage was sold. However, my grandparents had given my sister and I a small piece of land on the north end of Lake Shore Dr. The land was too small to build a cottage on, but I was still able to come to the lake and fish and swim. In 2011, my wife and I found a cottage on Wildwood Rd. It is such a wonderful feeling to be back at the lake! It has changed very little since I was a child.

Carolyn Henry (Third Beach Representative)

My husband, Paul, and I have been at Lake Hayward for ten years. Our son found this cottage while we were vacationing at Hampton Beach. We had been looking for a place in Massachusetts, but this place was absolutely perfect! We have three children: Susan, Tom and Carol and their spouses, Steve, Ellen and Fitzy—and nine grandchildren—Rebecca, Scott, Nick, Josh, Jessica, Alex, Ella, Jake and Maddy. We are definitely making memories here! Since coming to the lake we have had eight dogs: four Fidelco guide dog puppies we raised, two retired Fidelco guide dogs and now our own two pets, Charly and Pippa. I can often be seen walking the dogs; they also love to kayak. We now live in MA, although we lived in E. Hartford for 31 years. I am a retired nurse. My hobbies include handwork, especially quilting, reading and baking (particularly Christmas cookies).

CLASSIFIEDS**For sale**

- 3-drawer dresser with hutch 30" x 78" in excellent condition, \$75. Color TV, 21" \$25. Call 860-304-6348

For rent

- Waterfront, newly refurbished, year-round: 3 bedrooms (large master bedroom), deck, 2-car garage, finished basement, great views of the lake. Lease period November 1st - April 30th. \$1000 a month. Call Roland at 860-578-7315
- Five-room cottage with large deck and water views. Steps from 3rd Beach. \$650/week. Call owner at 860-377-5657
- Seeking rental at the lake for November through end-May 2013 for \$650/mo. Mature woman & sweet-tempered dog. Please call 860-537-1655

Services

- Petsitting and babysitting services available around the lake. Call 860-886-3919 (Liana) or 860-705-1667 (Thalia)
- Lawn mowing / handyman / power washing / painting / gutter cleaning / fall cleanup. Affordable rates. 860-537-1822

Announcements

- Saturday, September 8th 6pm Garden Club's Pot Luck Dinner BYOB at Lee Griffin's, 83 Wildwood Road.

TRASH & RECYCLING

All-Waste Control collects trash and recyclables Monday and Friday during the summer. The last Monday pickup is August 27th after which pickup will be on Fridays only. All recyclables can be combined and placed into a single container and put out with your regular trash. Please contact All-Waste Control at 860-873-9005 with any questions.



JELLYFISH SIGHTING

Yes, that's right -- Lake Hayward has jellyfish!

Spotted in the lake last August, freshwater jellyfish have made another appearance this summer. *Craspedacusta sowerbii* are about the size of a penny, delicately translucent, with a whitish tinge. Although they are now common in lakes and rivers almost globally, scientists don't know much about them. Here are some basic facts:

What do they eat? Freshwater jellyfish feed on zooplankton, which are microscopic organisms living in the water.

Do freshwater jellyfish sting people? No. Although they do have microscopic stingers to paralyze tiny prey, their stingers are too weak to penetrate human skin.

Do fish eat them? We don't know for sure. We do know that they can be eaten by crayfish, turtles and perhaps waterfowl.

Where did they originally come from? Nobody knows. Freshwater jellyfish are native to the Yangtze River valley, and some researchers believe that they first came to the US in the 1800s, attached to ornamental plants imported from China. Other researchers believe they originated in the Amazon River in South America.

How did they get here? They might have arrived attached to plants, or were carried in by birds, boats or boat trailers.

Will they hurt the lake? Probably not. Most ecologists believe that freshwater jellyfish do not have any negative impact on their environment.

For more information: <http://www.freshwaterjellyfish.org/>

- Contributed by Maureen Clarke



Why is this newsletter so long?! In order to keep down printing costs, we post all POALH meeting minutes on the website at www.lakehaywardct.com. But some people have complained that they do not have internet access and are not able to read the minutes online. We have printed the June POALH minutes at the end of this newsletter as a courtesy.

MEMORIAL FUND

On behalf of the POALH Memorial Fund, I would like to thank Betty Metcalf for her generous donation in memory of Duff Benson who passed away on August 14th in Florida. Our sympathies are extended to Duff's family.

Please remember to notify me of the loss of a member. Donations may be mailed to POALH, PO Box 230, Colchester, CT 06415 or dropped off at 30 Cragmere Road. We are also still collecting recipes for our Lake Hayward cookbook.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions, concerns or ideas for the Memorial Fund. I can be reached at 860-537-1012 or email me at ksoboleski@att.net.

- Janet Soboleski

Late note from Linda E. Ryder-Munet, chair of the East-West Committee: We have lost an original and devoted member of the East-West Committee, Elliott Wolpo, of 51 East Shore Drive.

NEWSLETTER & WEB

Newsletter Submissions: Deadline is on Wednesday at noon. Email mfboone@optimum.net.

Newsletter Delivery: Please note that our carriers do not get paid. They give up their Saturday mornings to get the newsletters out to you. Please remember them with a tip.

Visit www.lakehaywardct.com for newsletters, by-laws, contact numbers and a calendar of events.

Lake Hayward Days 2012

Hopefully you have been enjoying the events that have taken place this week during Lake Hayward Days and will come out in force today for the beach and carnival games, food and fun with your lake community neighbors. Following is a recap of the events that have taken place through Tuesday August 21st and important information on the Grand Finale First Beach Carnival Day on Saturday August 25th.

Saturday August 18th

Chicken Wing Challenge - We had quite the variety of wings among the nine entries. The fight for the grand prize was between the sweetest and yes, the hottest! Sorry Bob Montie, Randy Richetelle from Third Beach, bested you with her very different wings sweetened with butter and brown sugar! Want the recipe? Look for it in next year's cookbook. Next year's challenge? HMMMM Meatballs! We will turn this event into a community pot luck supper. Thanks to Gail Grzegorzczak and her crew for a fun start to the week. And of course thanks especially go to those who entered their chicken wings.

Skyway - This band followed the chicken-wing challenge with a wonderful evening of music. The crowd danced to some terrific tunes. One of our own, Tom DiSena, led the band on the drums. Many are saying that it may have been the most enjoyable band so far this year.

Sunday August 19th

Boat Parade - The 1st Annual Lake Hayward boat parade (at least in recent times) was a wonderful event. There were 11 entrants and many other boats along for the ride. Everyone had a great time. All of the boats were very well decorated making judging of the winners very difficult. After the scores were added up by the judges, trophies were given out to the best three decorated boats.



Joyce Bettencourt (Lobster boat)



Michelle Lusardi (Christmas in August)



The Cohen clan and friends (Aloha!)

Lake Hayward Days 2012

Third place went to **Joyce Bettencourt** in her lobster kayak. Second place went to **Michelle Lusardi** for her Christmas-decorated kayak. And the First place winner was the **Cohen family and friends** who entered various boats representing the Hawaiian islands. Congratulations to all of the winners and thank you to all of the participants. You all did a super job. Thank you to the judges, Gail Grzegorzczak, Robert Sudell, and Kathy Petersen. And last but not least, thank you to Chairman Gary Petersen and his committee mates, Cliff Smith and Neil Murphy. Next year we are planning an even bigger boat parade that will go along the entire length of the lake with a cookout on the beach for participants after the parade.



All of the boat parade winners

Saturday August 25th

Beach Games 1-3pm - Games include egg toss, potato-sack race, three-legged race, limbo, the always popular tug-of-wars and others!

Allegra farm will be providing **horse-carriage rides** again this year from 5-8pm. **Food** will be served by Lake Hayward cooks from 12-3 pm and again at 6-8 pm. An **ice cream** truck from Scotties Frozen Custard will also be on site.

Carnival 6-8pm – Kids win tickets at games including penny pitch, fishing pond, bean-bag toss and many others. Redeem tickets for fun prizes!

We still need LOTS of volunteers for the cashier table in the afternoon and evening and for the carnival games!

Lake Hayward rescue!

Al, Matt and Garrett Mennone of Longwood Drive were fishing from their boat near the state boat launch on Sunday after the Annual Meeting. Another boater got caught in the weeds near the boat launch and thinking the water was only waist deep, jumped into the water, only to discover it was over his head – and he could not swim! His wife was unable to help him as he was too big for her to pull into their boat. Their panicked cries for help attracted the Mennones' attention and they quickly motored over to the fellow in distress and were able to help him into their boat, no doubt saving his life. A big thank you to the Mennone family for acting quickly and bravely, displaying the true Lake Hayward community spirit!

BEACH RULES - (PLEASE INFORM GUESTS AND RENTERS OF THESE RULES)

1. Parents or chaperones are responsible for their child's safety and their child's actions at all times.
2. Children cannot be left at the beach unattended.
3. Infants must be in leak-proof ("swimmie") diapers at all times.
4. Fishing within 100 feet of the swimming area is strictly prohibited.
5. Use of boats and watercraft within the swimming area or within 100 feet of rafts is prohibited.
6. When passing a beach area, dogs must be on a leash. Dogs are never allowed on the beach.
7. There is no swimming after 11pm.
8. All trash and cigarette butts must be removed from the beach and be properly disposed of. Glass containers are prohibited on Association property.
9. Use of the beach area is limited to Association members and their guests.

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