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THIS IS THE FINAL NEWSLETTER OF 2017. THANKS FOR A GREAT SEASON.

Message from the President: Summer gives way to fall

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Upcoming Events

9/2	THIRD BEACH POT LUCK, 4-8 p.m., Third Beach
9/4	LABOR DAY
9/9	VENTURE SMITH DAY, 1-4 p.m. at First Church Cemetery in East Haddam
10/28	HALLOWEEN PARTY, 7-11 p.m. at First Beach Pavilion

I had a great summer at the lake and I hope you did, too. This is my last president's message for the summer and last newsletter of the season. There will be occasional communications throughout the winter via email. Make sure we have your most current email (the one you read).

There are still a couple of activities planned for the fall. Tonight (Saturday) there is an end-of-summer Pot Luck Dinner at Third Beach, open to everyone still at the lake. In October, dress up in your spookiest or silliest costume and come down to the Pavilion for a Halloween bash (Saturday, Oct. 28). Actually, a costume is not required, but it is fun. I wish to give a special thank you to the crew who ran Lake Hayward Days. There were volunteers working the food, carnival



The sun sets on another great summer season at the lake. Have a happy and healthy offseason. Photo by Cari Eckert.

games, beach games, setup and cleanup for more than 12 hours. So many were familiar faces. These people are the heart of our community.

Remember that even in the offseason there are no dogs or glass of any kind on the beaches. It is a bit unpleasant to step onto something sharp or smelly

when walking across the beach and young children are not always looking where they run. We will keep trying to find a goose solution that allows all of us to enjoy the beaches. They were a real challenge this year and might have been a major contributor to First Beach closing at one point. Now get ready to rake leaves and keep

them from blowing into the lake. Remember that you can bring your leaves to the East Haddam dump (don't dump them in the lake or rights-of-ways). If you have any concerns at any time in the off season, email me at president@lakehaywardct.com.

- Cari Eckert

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Helpful reminders for the end of the season

The four hang-tag parking permits that you received in your 2015 spring packet are registered to your property. As you close up your cottage, please put them in a safe place. If you sell your property, please leave the per-

mits for the next homeowner.

Watercraft is permitted on Association property between April 1 and Oct. 31. Any watercraft remaining on Association property on Nov. 1 will be removed. As the season winds down, reflective address markers are visible in front of more and more cottages around Lake Hayward. Thank you to those who

invested \$15 to make it easy to find their homes in case of emergency.

If you haven't yet ordered a marker, consider this modest investment over the winter and order one before next summer. Remember that firefighters, police and emergency medical responders can't help you if they can't find you.

The arrival of September means it's time to start planning for fall cleanup

Please take the time to make a plan for having your leaves cleaned up this fall before you close up for the season. If you don't have room on your property to compost them, try grouping with neighbors to hire a contractor to take them away for a group discount. Leaves can end up in storm drains that then travel down to our lake.

Decomposing leaves in the lake leads to poor water quality and loss of depth. Please don't ever deposit or blow leaves directly into the lake and make sure your contractors know to not do this as well. Proper leaf removal on individual properties leads to big benefits for our lake.

Conserve water: It makes a difference

When you conserve water in your home and yard, you also reduce the amount of harmful substances that can find their way into the lake. One small drop of water can carry many different types of toxic materials with it, so think about how you can

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refocus your water use to only what you really need.

Runoff is when water drains throughout the environment. When water flows over surfaces that it can't filter through (called impervious surfaces), it picks up all of the materials that have settled upon them over time, such as car fluids, excess sediments and bacteria. Eventually, those materials are released into the environment, including the lake. Decreasing the amount of water you use and the amount of impervious surfaces that you have around your property decreases the impact that runoff can have on the lake.

Making minor changes in your everyday routine can make a big difference. Try to take shorter, less-frequent showers; install water-saving devices like toilet dams or low-flow shower heads; repair leaky faucets;

avoid washing your car or boat in areas that drain directly into the lake; and only run your washing machine and dishwasher when they are full. If possible, don't water your lawn. If you must water your lawn, change your habits. You can install pistol spray heads, water in small amounts and water in the morning instead of the afternoon so your plants can make best use of the water.

Also, take advantage of the rain. Collecting rainwater in a rain barrel or a cistern is a fun and easy way to conserve water. Not only are you able to give your usual water supply a break by using rainwater instead, but you also reduce water pollution by trapping water before it accumulates contaminants that can be transported to your lake.

Do you like to garden? Consider creating a rain garden. These are gardens designed to have stormwater drain into them.

Happy Labor Day weekend to all.

Should newsletter delivery resume for summer 2018?

There has been discussion about resuming Saturday morning newsletter delivery next year.

One idea is to create a smaller paper version extracted from the online newsletter that would focus on weekend activities and current events in an effort to boost participation in social events and activities.

This smaller newsletter would be delivered only to those lake residents who would like to receive Saturday home delivery.

NEWSLETTER DELIVERY

As with all activities here at the lake, this requires volunteers and delivering the newsletter is one of the first ways our newsletter carriers are introduced to volunteering at the lake.

If you would like to help coordinate this effort or have a child who would be interested in delivering a route next year, please email Jeff Conway at jwconway@cox.net.

Monday garbage ends Sept. 4

Sept. 4 will be the last day of Monday garbage pickups for 2017. Friday-only pickups resume the following week.

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AquaFinn 14-foot sailboat including sail and centerboard \$250. Call 914-584-7775.

Venture Smith Day

The 21st annual Venture Smith Day Festivities will be held 1-4 p.m. on Sept. 9 in the cemetery at the First Church of Christ, 499 Town St. (Route 151) in East Haddam.

Permit to Discharge raffle will be Sept. 4; receipt from septic company OK

By Corinne Halliday
LQIC chairwoman

It was brought to my attention in the days leading up to and at the general membership meeting on Aug. 20 that some of our residents were having trouble getting their "permit to discharge" paperwork from the

LQIC RAFFLE

Chatham Health District although they were up to date on their septic maintenance.

We discussed this at the meeting and decided it was only fair to postpone this raffle until Monday, Sept. 4 and to also accept another form of proof. You can now submit a receipt from an authorized septic

company stating that you have had your tank pumped out if you do not have the paperwork from Chatham Health.

This receipt must show that you've had it done in the last three years with the oldest date acceptable being Sept. 4, 2014. You must get them to me beforehand at 271 Haywardville Road, the last home by the dam. Please put them in my mailbox.



POTLUCK DINNER

**SATURDAY
9/2/17; 4:30PM**

Bring your favorite appetizer, casserole, main dish or dessert to share. We will start setting up tables and food at 4:00pm.

Raffle for donated item will start around 6pm.

Raffle tickets: 20/\$5.

Suggested raffle items: gourmet treats, household items, yard items; back to school supplies; toys for the little ones; DVDs, adult

3rd Beach Potluck

Saturday 9/2/17

Rain Date; 9/3/17

Raffle at 6pm

Plates, napkins & utensils provided



Lake Hayward Days: Carnival, beach games and triathlon excite all

By Heather Taylor

The annual Lake Hayward Carnival was held on Saturday, Aug. 26. This year, we used a ticket system that allowed carnival-goers to enjoy concessions, face and nail painting, cupcake decorating, a horse and carriage ride, unlimited time in the bounce house and dunk tank, and use of carnival games.

Our goal was to provide a low-cost afternoon of family fun and, based on the smiles on children's faces, it was a success. A huge thank-you to all our volunteers, including Dave Edgington and the food crew for keeping hungry customers satisfied for more than six hours.

Triathlon

The fourth annual Lake Hayward Triathlon was held on Aug. 26. Beautiful sunny skies and cool temperatures greeted more than 30 athletes and volunteers for this end-of-season swimming, biking and running event.

Athletes, young and older, came out with hopes for a personal best in this event, fam-



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ily bragging rights or simply to have fun with a great group of people in a great atmosphere.

I would like to express my sincere appreciation to Rich Harmon and the East Had-

dam Volunteer Fire Department for providing emergency services on site during the event. We hope to keep growing this community event and invite everyone to join in on the fun next year.

Please look for the fifth annual Lake Hayward Triathlon registration form in the first 2018 newsletter.

Fourth annual triathlon results

Thank you to Sarah and Matt Hartung for recording (unofficial) finish times for us:

Matt: 1:13:54
Steve (TriFind Guy): 1:30:24 (estimated)

Jake: 1:39
Sarah/Nicky: 1:43
David: 1:44:14
James (Jedd): 1:44:18
Kerry: 1:45

Katie: 1:45:45
Heather: 1:56:15
Steve: 1:59:42
Allison: 2:06:33

Spend fall in East Haddam seeing these captivating local attractions in town

HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM

264 Town St., (860) 873-3944

The museum is open Memorial Day through Columbus Day, Friday through Sunday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and by appointment. Tickets are \$5 per adult; children under 12 free.

GILLETTE CASTLE

67 River Rd.
(860) 526-2336

<http://www.ct.gov/DEP/cwp/view.asp?A=2716&Q=325204>

The castle is open everyday for tours from Memorial Day weekend through Columbus Day from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tours are \$4 for adults and \$2 for children. Staff are available to assist with questions about the castle and its history.

A Visitor's Center offers river views, gift shop, food concessions and restrooms. Admission to the park grounds is open year round and free.

GOODSPEED OPERA HOUSE

6 Main St., (860) 873- 8668,
www.goodspeed.org

Tours of the Opera House are conducted June through October on Saturday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The tour lasts 60 minutes and explore places such as backstage and the actors' dressing rooms.

The cost is \$5 for adults and \$1 for children under 12. Group tours available by appointment only.

Beach 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 diapers at all times.
4. No fishing from the beach and within 25 feet of swim area.
5. Dogs are never allowed on the beach.
6. Vehicles are not allowed on any beach at any time.
7. No glass on any beach or in the pavilion.
8. All trash must be removed from the beach and beach area and disposed of properly.
9. Use of the beach and beach area is limited to Association members and their guests.
10. Cars parking in a beach parking area must display a current POALH parking permit.
11. Beaches and Association properties are closed from Midnight to 6 a.m. Police take notice.
12. No smoking on the beaches.

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