

LAKE LINES

Newsletter for Lake in the Woods

October 2024

By Christy Dunnam

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From the Social Committee

Spring and Summer of 2024 were met with neighborhood events that brought us closer together as a community. From health and wellness, to meeting new neighbors, a concert at the pavilion and our first ever neighborhood block party, we swam together, sang together, exercised together, played together and laughed together. And best of all, we experienced a once in a lifetime event together that most of us are likely never to experience again - the total solar eclipse.

Thank you to Catherine Kliorys for her extensive hard work as the lead of the Social Committee for 2024. We are so appreciative of your organization, openness to trying new events, pulling events together in a pinch, and your commitment to community engagement.

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FROM THE BOARD

Message from Board President, Mark Chapman

As the leaves begin to change and temperatures get cooler, we're always reminded that we live in a beautiful neighborhood! The board of trustees and neighbor volunteers have been busy in recent months and we have a number of updates we're pleased to present below. First, we want to offer a sincere thank you to the members of the Pond Dredging and Mailbox committees for their assistance and attention to detail. As new initiatives arise, we will continue provide updates and are also now in the process of forming a Nominating Committee, which will provide a more open and formal process for joining the board. This is outlined in the bylaws as the appropriate way for new board members to be placed on the ballot for the annual meeting in Article VII: Nominating and Election. Our unique neighborhood continues to thrive due to each and every neighbor and we encourage anyone interested in volunteering to reach out. Please feel free to contact us if you have additional questions that we have not addressed in this most recent edition of Lakeline's.

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We are happy to announce that Erin Emanuele, who is one of our newer residents, has volunteered to take on this role and lead us into more fun in 2025. Please join us in welcoming and thanking her for her involvement.

Can't wait for all the fun winter activities ahead!



Welcome, Farewell

As we say hello to many new neighbors, we must also say goodbye to some of the neighborhood mainstays and long-term friends. We thank everyone who is leaving us for their friendship, support and contributions to the neighborhood. We appreciate the time we've spent with you.

And to all who are new to our tight knit community, welcome! We are glad you're here. We hope to see you out and about enjoying our beautiful grounds.

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Neighborhood Updates

Mark your calendars!

2024 Annual Meeting:

Wednesday, November 13th

7:30pm

Bainbridge Library, Room 129

As always, we will be updating residents on community projects, any current and upcoming known issues, current financials, as well as an open forum for members to ask questions or bring up concerns. Please join us!

Fall Clean Up



Thank you to the volunteers who braved the chilly weather last week and were able to:

- Put away all the items in the pool area for the winter.
- Take down the volleyball net.
- Stain new picnic table and benches.
- Put all the picnic tables under the pavilion.

Please remember to remove your watercraft from the beach for the winter.



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If you have any interest in getting involved with the HOA Board or to help out on a committee, please contact us at lakeinthewoods44023@gmail.com. Also, if you have any thoughts or questions for the board, we're happy to hear from you.

Trick or Treat!



LITW will observe Halloween **on Halloween** from 6-8 p.m.

Dress up in your best costume and hit the streets to rake in the candy!

HALLOWEEN REMINDER

THE TEEN WHO COMES TO YOUR DOOR TO TRICK-OR-TREAT IS CHOOSING BEING A KID OVER DOING OTHER THINGS.

GIVE THEM THE CANDY AND SMILE. LIFE ONLY GETS HARDER. LET THEM ENJOY IT. YOU ARE ONLY YOUNG ONCE!

Cleanup, Cleanup, Everybody, Everywhere:

As a reminder, please be diligent in picking up after your dogs.

Please also keep things tidy in the common areas of the neighborhood, as well as the public-facing spaces of your homes.



Lake Dredging Update

The trustees are pleased to announce that the bid for dredging the sediment pond has been awarded to Gradeworks, Inc. The company is highly recommended and has extensive experience in these types of projects. The owner of Gradeworks is a local, Kirtland graduate, and is heavily invested in providing a best-in-class experience to the LITW community.

As of today, we expect the project will start in the middle to end of November and will take approximately 2 weeks to complete. As Gradeworks finishes current projects, they will continue to update the Board of Trustees on timing and additional project specifics. We will provide additional communication to the community with more details on impacts and what to expect throughout the dredging process as the project gets closer to its start date.

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Member Spotlight

Mandy Bartolovich is a licensed massage therapist with more than 24 years experience. She currently works with the Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital in the University Hospital system.

Mandy would like to offer LITW residents in-home massages for a more zen experience than the hospital setting.

She can accommodate evenings and weekends.

What a way to prepare for the holidays!

\$100 for 60 minutes

\$150 for 90 minutes

Contact

call or text 440-759-1554



Call for Board Nominations!

Attention all residents of Lake in the Woods!

The Nominating Committee, led by Eric Schmidt and joined by four dedicated community members, is seeking nominations for the upcoming 2025-2026 Board of Trustees. This is your opportunity to shape the future of our community!

Whether you wish to nominate yourself or someone you believe would be a fantastic addition to the board, we want to hear from you. Our committee is committed to ensuring a full slate of trustees will be presented at our annual meeting.

Being a trustee is a rewarding experience that provides a chance to contribute positively to our community. Nominees should have a passion for Lake in the Woods, a commitment to improving our neighborhood, and the desire to be involved in decision-making processes.

How to Nominate: Send your nominations to the Nominating Committee via email at lakeinthewoods44023@gmail.com. Include the nominee's name, contact information, and a brief description of why they would be an excellent choice for the board.

Deadline for nominations is November 6, 2024.

Let's work together to continue making Lake in the Woods an incredible place to live!

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Speed Limit



Hey Speed Racer, the speed limit in LITW is **25 mph**. Tell your friends!

Paperless

As a reminder, the goal of the Board of Trustees is 100% electronic correspondence. Please make sure to keep us updated of changes in email addresses. If you have not allowed electronic correspondence in the past, please consider allowing this in the future to help with costs, effort, and paper waste.

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Thank you!

2025 Neighborhood Directory:

We will be revising the Neighborhood Directory in the coming months. Please review the current directory and let us know if there are any changes you'd like made to your entry.

As a reminder, since it's already public information, we automatically include names, lot numbers and addresses for each resident. Optional information includes:

- Home phone number(s)
- Cell phone number(s)
- Email address(es)
- Children's name(s)

If you are new to the neighborhood, please reach out to Donna Lustig at dqlustig@gmail.com and let her know what information you'd like included.

For privacy reasons, we will not post this directory on the LITW Facebook page. The directory will only be emailed out, so please make sure your current email address has been given to the board.

Pool Update

A message from Recreation Trustee, Eric Schmidt

LITW Pool Season is Over for the Year

Its always bittersweet to see the cover go back on the pool at the end of the summer. I always look back at the summer and realize I should've spent more hours in the water or poolside enjoying the company of my neighbors. It was an extremely hot summer this year and the pool was in use right up until the very last splash (which ironically was quite cool).

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From the Editor

Crunchy leaves, apple picking, bonfires, cider, hayrides and more! Fall is the one of the loveliest times of the year in LITW! I hope you find the time to enjoy some fall activities with friends and family and maybe meet some new neighbors too.

Have you seen the view from the look out behind Patterson's Fruit Farm on Caves Road? How about the corn maze at Szalay's Farm in Peninsula? Get out and explore all the wonderful outdoor activities NEO has to offer!

Cheers!

Taking care of the pool is a group effort. This year in particular I had assistance from and want to thank Jordan Mills who is always my primary backup when I'm not around, and he certainly had to help quite a bit this summer. All our lifeguards did a great job of daily chemistry checks, keeping me informed of supply needs, and for the most part helping to remove the daily influx of frogs before the first swimmers arrived.

The condition of all the mechanical systems at the pool are in great working order. All of our safety systems are functioning properly and the investments we made over the past couple of years keep the water flowing properly through the pipes, consistently full of chlorine, and at a consistent 83 degrees F which is the ideal temperature to keep people swimming and to ward off purple lips.

In all I'm very pleased with the past summer, specifically because we did not require any major repairs, we had a successful swim team season, and another wonderful day for the Bainbridge Invitational. Thank you to all of you who came out to enjoy the sun and water.

A huge thank you to Jill Scalf for her management of our lifeguard team.

I look forward to getting all our equipment out in the spring and begin the process all over again to help make the summer as fun as it can be in Lake in the Woods.