

# The Highland Lakes Newsette

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# Winter Activities in Full Swing

LISA ENTWISTLE, COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

Mother Nature seems to be confused this year and signs of spring already abound. Muddy yards and noisy woodpeckers are normally saved for March, yet appeared before the first month of 2016 had even ended. To those of you who love winter and look forward to a blanket of snow- don't give up yet! As of this writing spring conditions abound at our ski areas and on our lakes, but there are still many winter activities that can be enjoyed despite a decidedly un-winter-like season.

In the years before Breakneck became more than a path for hay wagons, local teens were skiing down Breakneck "hill" and waiting for a ride back up from a good-hearted parent or neighbor. Schools had few programs for kids and teens, and our local ski areas were at their earliest stages. In 1970, one young Highland Lakes man decided to change that. Mike Kwiatkowski convinced the Voting Board that teens needed somewhere to spend their winter weekends. With the help of a few hardy volunteers willing to chaperone in an unheated room, winter activities began. In the late 70's teens were charged \$.25 to use the clubhouse on weekend evenings, which covered the cost of ping pong and pool supplies as well as hot chocolate and cookies. Coordinators took responsibility for two months each winter and ensured that there were at least four adults chaperoning every weekend night. Anywhere from 20 to 40 teens would show up on a regular basis to socialize, and all wore their winter coats to

ward off the chill.

Would you believe that we used to have a "Coupon Clipping and Refund Group"? Or "Musical Melodrama Night"? These days the Clubhouse Committee, chaired by Carol Hastie and staffed with a core group of dedicated volunteers, run Clubhouse events for members of all ages. Many have stayed the same since the 70's-we still have the "5 and Under Gang" (Playgroup Wednesdays and Fridays), holiday celebrations and dances, card and game nights, ice fishing, exercise, outdoor activities, hiking and the like. On February 12 and March 11 (2nd Friday of these months) Family Night will return to the Clubhouse. The game room will be open, popcorn machine running, and movie screen out. Winter Carnival is being held on February 6, Ice Fishing Derby on the 13th, and in addition to the ever-popular Clubhouse breakfasts please mark your calendars for our newest offering, Winter Pasta Dinner on February 21. The Lakeside Café Open Mic Night also continues to be a popular event on the 3rd Saturday of every month; new performers and guests are always welcome!

Please continue to check the website, Newsette and official HL Facebook page to stay up-to-date on activities and offerings in the community. We encourage volunteers to help organize and run these activities and members are always welcome to help out or provide ideas for new events.

## HIGHLAND LAKES COUNTRY CLUB



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#### From the President's Desk

**BOB HUGHES, PRESIDENT** 

The following new business was considered by the Voting Board at the January meeting:

- use of the clubhouse for a youth/family event by the Vernon Coalition was approved. This organization is supported by the Center for Prevention, and housed in the VTSD Board of Education offices. No date for the event has been set yet.
- the Fiscal Year 2016 Capital Fund budget was approved.
- appointments to the Nominating Committee for this August's election of Officers has been approved. Our thanks to Steve Amato, Tom Dolle, Ursula Fahmy, Steve Hastie, Tom Mulcahy Judy Norton, and Rich Spoerl for agreeing to serve.

Enjoy the winter.



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# **Upcoming Meetings**

Buildings and Grounds – Monday, February 15 – 7:30 pm Clubhouse – Wednesday, February 17 – 7 pm Ecology/CCHL – Thursday, February 11 – 7 pm Fishing – Thursday, February 11 – 8 pm Planning – Tuesday, March 1 – 7:30 pm Roads – Thursday, March 3 – 7 pm Voting Board Workshop – Wednesday, February 10 – 8 pm Voting Board Meeting – Friday, Febaruary 19 – 8 pm Since all meetings are subject to change, please confirm meeting times by contacting the chairperson of the committee or the Club office prior to the meeting time.

#### In Memoriam - Paul Peters

#### LYN KAPLAN

It is with great sadness that we note the untimely passing of Paul Peters. A Highland Lakes resident for 40 years, Paul and his wife, Renate, recently moved to Delaware to be in a somewhat warmer climate.

While in Highland Lakes, Paul was an active and productive member of the Club. He held the position of President from October, 1982 to September, 1986 and participated in various committees including Planning and Roads. Paul was continually thinking about what was best for Highland Lakes and what could be done to make it even better. Paul became "our expert" as the implementation of the Highlands Act unfolded.

Even after moving away, he sent new information he had come across that could be helpful to the Club. He will be missed by many.

# **Upcoming Events**

February 6 - Winter Carnival

February 12 - Family Night

February 13 - Ice Fishing Derby

February 20 – Lakeside Café Open Mic

February 21 - Spaghetti Dinner



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Highland Lakes, New Jersey 07422 973 - 764 - 4366 / Email: hlcc@warwick.net **Ice Safety Tips** 

Anyone who loves to ice skate is thrilled to see cold weather without precipitation. It opens up a whole new world that usually doesn't last for very long. All too often, especially in recent winters, the temperature goes up and causes the ice to melt, or snow begins to fall and ice loses its luster and glide. There have been a few "good days" this winter when the lake looked like it was going to be perfect and then temperatures rose.

Fluctuating temperatures require deliberate scrutiny of the ice before you can declare it safe enough to venture out. Many experts say that it should be at least 3-4 inches in depth. Before going out it is suggested that you use an ice pick, spud bar or cordless drill to make a few holes that will enable you to measure the actual thickness. Even then it is important to remember that ice does not freeze uniformly.

Here are a few things you should know:

- $\bullet$  Clear, black ice is stronger than white or bubble-filled ice.
- Sub-surface currents and fresh-water springs can make ice thickness variable.
- Once on the ice, you are safer if you don't stand in large groups.
- It's not a good idea to drink alcohol while outside on a cold day. It increases your chances for hypothermia and affects your ability to react to dangerous conditions.

Take some easy precautions once you've determined the ice to be safe:

- Bring a buddy but put some distance between you. If either of you were to fall in, the other may be able to help.
- Dress for cold weather. Wear your hat and gloves.

  Layer up and wear an outer layer that is both wind- and water-proof.
- A pair of ice picks or screw drivers with a sturdy length of rope between them is easy enough to carry along and could be used to pull yourself out of open water if the ice were to break.
- Bring your cell phone wrapped in a watertight bag so that you could call for help if needed.

This information was drawn from the LGA News, an official publication of the Lake George Association, January/February 2011 edition. For more ice safety tips go to <a href="http://www.lakegeorgeassociation.org/publications/documents/JanFeb2011newsletterforweb\_000.pdf">http://www.lakegeorgeassociation.org/publications/documents/JanFeb2011newsletterforweb\_000.pdf</a>

# Next Newsette: March 5, 2016

Newsette articles should be submitted on the <u>Friday before</u> the week of publication. Under no circumstances will submissions be accepted after <u>noon on Monday</u> of the week of publication. Typed submissions must be emailed to the Club office at hlcc@warwick.net. Sorry – we can only print photographs submitted as .jpg files with a minimum of 150 dpi. Thanks!

# Vernon Twp. Woman's Club Brightens Holidays for Many

#### IRENE MILLS

Following their motto "To live is not to live for one's self alone," members of the GFWC Vernon Township Woman's Club (VTWC) worked feverishly for the past few months to positively impact the lives of many others. The club, part of the Highlands District of the New Jersey State Federation of Women's Clubs (NJSFWC), is comprised of a core of nearly 40 local women devoted to serving the community around them. "Working through departments and committees such as Home Life, Military Support and Education, our club members continually undertake dozens of projects requiring time, talent and planning," said VTWC President, Judy Filippini. "Beneficiaries of these efforts include victims of domestic abuse, children in needy families, US troops serving abroad, and local nursing home residents."

In December the club purchased Christmas gifts for every child living in the DASI domestic abuse shelter and transitional housing apartments. The club's Home Life Department, chaired by Elaine Kuntz, wrapped and delivered the presents, enabling the displaced families to enjoy a festive holiday. Fourteen children received hundreds of dollars' worth of gifts this year. Each family in an apartment also received a New Year's Breakfast Bag filled with food and treats to kick off 2016 on a happy note. Members with knitting abilities kept their needles active, making 36 sets of hats, scarves and mittens for Tender Loving Care (TLC) Ministries, a nonprofit organization that distributes the handmade products to children in povertystricken communities in the Appalachian Mountains. According to TLC, many of the children live in conditions similar to third world countries. The Vernon Township Woman's Club also provides new outfits for several children on their first day of school each year.

In support of US service members, club women knitted wool hats for the Warmth for Warriors program. Knitting member Barbara Fimia said, "We supplied 50 cozy skull caps for soldiers to wear under their helmets." Since the program's inception, more than 40,000 hats have been distributed. Boatsie's Boxes, another program designed for military members, ships Christmas stockings filled with personal items and gifts to soldiers serving abroad. The NJSFWC adopted Boatsie as a statewide program and sent more than 1,100 stockings from around New Jersey, including fifteen handmade by VTWC Military Support chairperson Lois Marples of Stockholm. In all, Boatsie's Boxes sent 9,242 stocking overseas this season.

At the Homestead Nursing Home in Newton, ten residents received hand-knitted lap blankets, and every month birthday gift bags are delivered by co-chairs Lori Pecoraro and Sandy Stouthamer for each person who is taking another step up the chronological ladder. In February, occupants of the Homestead and DASI shelter will receive packages of homemade cookies as part of the club's annual Cookie Can Project

The Vernon Township Woman's Club is open to women of all ages who are committed to community service and wish to make the world a brighter place. Meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of the month from September through May at the Vernon Senior Citizens Center on Church Street. For more information, contact Elaine at 973-853-9053.

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# February 2016

# Highland Lakes Happenings

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	8:00 AM Exercise 1:00 PM Bridge 6:30 PM Girls Group 7:30 PM Ceramics	6:30 PM -7:30 PM Scouts 7:30 PM Planning Mtg.	8:00 AM Exercise 10:00 AM -12:00 PM Playgroup 6:30 PM Scouts	4 1:00 PM Bridge 7:00 PM Road Mtg.	8:00 AM Exercise 10:00 AM -12:00 PM Playgroup 7:00 PM Bunco	6 11:00 AM -3:00 PM Winter Carnival
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A sampling of the handmade items by the Woman's Club.

# **Special Thanks**

### CAROL HASTIE, CHAIRPERSON, CLUBHOUSE COMMITTEE

Special thanks go out to:

- The Clubhouse Committee for doing a fantastic job decorating the clubhouse for the holidays, especially, Joyce, for creating a new winter scene on the stage!
- The Playgroup for decorating the tree in the Seckler Room!
   Jim and Steve for doing an awesome job with the holiday lights!
- HLCC Breakfast group for cooking another delicious breakfast in November and one in January!
- Jeanette, Jaime, Mary Pat and Steve for helping assemble Gingerbread Houses, and to Holland American Bakery for baking delicious gingerbread!
- Jaime, Jen and Jeanette for running a successful Holiday Lighting!
- Santa and Mrs. Claus for a surprise appearance!
- Joyce, Michele and Nora for doing a wonderful job decorating for New Year's Eve!
- Eddies Roadhouse for preparing and serving a wonderful meal!

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Winter Carnival 2016

#### **CLUBHOUSE COMMITTEE**

Saturday, February 6 from 11 am – 3 pm. Come on down and participate in all of the activities! Inside activities will include a snowball target throw, bowling, draw a "snow angel", design a logo for Winter Carnival 2017 and others. Outside activities include a bonfire on the beach, sledding, and a snowball throw to name a few. Come prepared to be inside and outside for some fun filled activities!

The Chili Cook-off is open to everyone. Entries must be at the clubhouse by 11:30 am for judging. So get your best recipe perfected and bring down your pot of chili!

Birds of Prey will have a demonstration at 2 pm. Come and see these exciting birds. Lunch will be available to purchase for a small price. The menu includes taco-in-a-bag, bratwurst, hot dogs, chips and a drink. There will be popcorn for everyone. You can purchase a coffee mug with the winning 2016 logo for \$5 and have all the hot chocolate you can drink (or coffee/tea). Order forms will be available if you would like to purchase a tee shirt with the logo. This year's logo was designed by Rachel Donnelly. She will receive a tee shirt as her prize.

#### **Adult Ceramics**

#### ANGELA ABRAMS, KATHY STRUBE

Classes are still held every Monday night at 7:30 pm. Join us and start a new project for the Art Show or create a unique birthday, anniversary, or Mother's Day gift. Our instructor, Mary, supplies the brushes and paint. She also supplies a collection of bisque for purchase.

All adult members in good standing are welcome. All young people, ages 8 to 15, are also welcome if accompanied by an adult member. As with all Highland Lakes activities please wear your badge.



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## Friday Night Bunco

#### MARIAN BENEDICTO AND KATHY GRIFONE

The next Bunco game is February 5 at 7 pm. It has been a very successful event this winter. Last month 12 people played. That is our largest group with the most Buncos! Come out and try. There is no skill required and it is an easy game to learn. It is an evening of fun with friends. Bring \$5 and a snack to share. You need to RSVP—so we are sure we have at least 6 people.

RSVP to mbened25@hotmail.com or 973-764-7998.

# Update Your Parking Permits

#### JACK MCLAUGHLIN, GENERAL MANAGER

You may have noticed a change in the information provided to you on this year's invoice. If you are a member in good standing, at the bottom of the invoice we provided a list of license plates registered to your membership number. Please take a careful look now to determine whether any changes are needed.

If deletions are needed, drop us an email telling us which plate to remove. If additions are needed, we will need a copy of the vehicle registration. You can photograph or scan the registration and send it along by email to hlcc@warwick.net or fax 973-764-7401. If that is not possible, make a copy of the registration and drop it off, or we can do that for you at the office when you stop in. Thank you.

#### Thank You Bob!

#### **CHRISTINE BILLACK**

The Highland Lakes hikers gathered for our annual Holiday luncheon on December 20, where Bob Taffer announced that he was stepping down as the leader of our "club". He will remain as our consultant, and will still be hiking with us when he can. We cannot thank Bob enough for leading us into (and out of!) the woods for over 15 years. His dedication to us and to hiking has been appreciated by many past and present hikers. What can we say but an enormous THANK YOU!!!! As a sidebar, we meant to present Bob with a hand-carved hiking stick with a bear carved on top. US Priority Mail thought delivering it on the 21st was a better choice! Bob did receive it that day, and loved it! - Chris, Jim, and many group hikers



The gang at our annual holiday hikers' luncheon.

# Clubhouse and Beach Hut Summer Positions Available

#### JACK MCLAUGHLIN, GENERAL MANAGER

This warmer-than-normal winter has us thinking that summer is around the corner. Though we know that is not true, we have begun our planning for this coming summer season.

A limited number of positions will be available in the Clubhouse. Staff members assist volunteers in organizing Clubhouse activities, plan and conduct activities themselves, supervise movie nights and the pool room, and work when needed in the Activities Center.

The Beach Hut at Beach 1 will also have positions available. This job involves selling snacks and drinks throughout the day and early evening.

If you will be 16 by May 31, 2016, are a Highland Laker in good standing, and interested in working in the Clubhouse and/or Beach Hut, please stop by for an application or request one by email to <a href="https://linear.com/hlcc@warwick.net">hlcc@warwick.net</a>.

# Newsette Submission Deadline

#### JACK MCLAUGHLIN, GENERAL MANAGER

If you would like to submit an article for publication in an upcoming issue of the Newsette, please follow the requirement that articles should be submitted on the Friday before the week of publication. When the revamped Newsette debuted in February, 2014, this deadline was agreed upon as the entire production cycle underwent significant changes, and the Club needed to ready its final work on the Newsette for submission to the publisher on Tuesdays. To manage these tasks, the bulk of the articles were expected to be received the week before the Newsette publication, providing time for our volunteer editorial staff from the Communications committee to review the articles over the weekend. We all recognized that late breaking news and summaries of activities and events that took place over the weekend would be processed on Mondays and reviewed Monday evening, as long as the articles were received by noon on Monday.

Recently, we are finding more and more articles being received not on Fridays but submitted over the weekend and on Mondays. These submissions, unrelated to late breaking events and news, are complicating and extending the production cycle. Due to the volume of these submissions we can no longer guarantee that late submission unrelated to late breaking news and events will be published.

Please make every effort to submit your articles on the Friday before the week of publication. Under no circumstances will submissions be accepted after noon on Monday. Thanks to all for your cooperation and support.

# **Ecology News**

#### MARY JO JABLONSKI

We are cleaning up after our first snow fall of the season. Be careful out there. Watch that ice, too. Even though it is winter the Ecology Committee is busy. We are looking at the future plans of Highland Lakes and the enjoyment of our natural resources for all members. We meet on the second Thursday of the month. All new members are welcomed.

There are activities that allow our members to enjoy nature. One is the Winter Carnival on February 6. The times are 11 am -3 pm, with a Birds of Prey presentation at 2 pm. Enjoy. The Ecology Committee is also having our yearly Clean-up Day on April 30, 10 am -12 pm. Meet at the Clubhouse. This provides a great time to clean up our roads for the spring and summer. Have a great winter and spring.

# **Hiking News**

#### CHRISTINE BILLACK AND JIM KENNEDY

Hello, and welcome to a new year of hiking! We plan to be seeing our regulars this year and hopefully new members as well. Many tried-and-true hikes will be scheduled, and some new ones added. "Special" hikes that are a little more out of the area will be given a shot too, if there is any interest. They would leave earlier than our regular hikes. Our normal hikes take place once a month on the 2nd or 3rd Sunday of each month, and leave from the clubhouse at 10:30 am. Please bring appropriate footwear, and lunch. Most hikes last about 4 hours, including lunch and rest stops. Of course, some are longer or shorter. We plan from September through June. We will have the "progressive hike" in either July or August if enough people are interested. This is a walk to and from 3 or 4 hiker's homes where we stop, and eat along the way, with a swim stop planned. (More on that closer to summer!)

Local hikes, as well as walks in the Newark Water Shed may be planned this year. Well behaved dogs are welcome! Please bring a leash, as we do cross roadways on occasion. Canoe/kayak trips are also planned. We have done the Black Creek, the Wallkill, and the Delaware in the past (according to weather and water conditions.) Since these are often last minute situations, send me your email address and I will notify you, <a href="mailto:christinebillack@yahoo.com">christinebillack@yahoo.com</a>.

Our first hike of the new year is on February 14 - Cherry Ridge Circular Route, starting on Cherry Ridge Road in Highland Lakes and into Wawayanda State Park along the red trail. Lunch will be at the youth camp's log cabin porch and we will return along Cherry Ridge Road. This hike is mostly on old roads requiring easy-to-moderate walking for about 8 miles.

Next Hike - March 6, event to be announced .Happy Hiking! Hope to see lots of you on 2/14-bring your Valentine! Chris and Jim - 973-764-1458

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# Thank You from Troop 912

#### ANNA-MARIE DUERR

The Scouts and Leaders of Troop 912 gather for their Christmas/Secret Santa party. The scouts and families of Troop 912 enjoyed lots of eats and treats, fun games, a gift exchange and generously collected items for a local family in-need. Thank you to the Highland Lakes Country Club for the use of the clubhouse. Happy New Year from Troop 912!





# Treat Yourself to a Pasta Dinner!

#### CLUBHOUSE COMMITTEE

Sunday February 21 from 4:30-6:30 pm come down to the clubhouse for a pasta dinner. The menu will be pasta, meatballs and sauce, salad, bread, and a dessert for \$7 for anyone over 10 and \$3 for those 10 years of age and under. Iced tea, water, coffee and tea will be provided. BYOB if you want. This will take the place of our breakfast this month.



# Winter Scene in Highland Lakes

#### SUE BURUCHIAN

If you haven't been to the Clubhouse lately, you might want to see something you haven't seen in over 80 years. The painting on the stage done by famous George (Bud) Buell Jr. has taken a seasonal change-it snowed. Joyce Healy with her magically visionary talent, updated the painting without touching it. The technique proved to bring an amazing effect and updated the painting with a winter seasonal touch. Here is a sampling of her efforts but seeing it in person while attending one of the Clubhouse activities would be worth it. Thank you Joyce!

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# Red Hat Society/ Highland Hatters

#### PAT WOOTTON

Fourteen of us accepted an invitation from Queen Marlene (Vernon) and Queen Barbara (Sussex) to join in their annual holiday celebration. We journeyed to the Farmstead Golf and Country Club on December 12 to attend their "Mingle Jingle" party. The room was so welcoming and filled with 100+ hatters from northern NJ (and some "Romeos" as well). There was plenty of good food, music, dancing, gifts, shopping, and nonstop chatting, of course! The weather cooperated as well. We all enjoyed a lovely afternoon. Sincere thanks go out to Marlene and Barbara for hosting a fabulous event. Attendees were: Marti Allen, Donna Beebe, Marian Benedicto, Irene Boeren, Doris Dolan, Mary Duthaler, Janet Kaley, Terry Kohn, Joy Logan, Mary Romme, Kathy Scialla, Mary Stoddard, Joan Yankowski, and myself.

Our January gathering was held on the 16<sup>th</sup> in the Lake Room. Marian organized a chili cook-off luncheon. We enjoyed the chili and decided that all the entrees were winners. Everyone contributed a bit of something to lunch; we had a nice variety of munchies. We discussed our 2016 calendar and have come up with some great events. A "white elephant" exchange followed and everyone went home with someone else's treasure! We welcomed our newest member, JoAnn VonEssen, to our group. Thank you, Marian, for your efforts! Attendees included: Marti Allen, Donna Beebe, Marian Benedicto, Irene Boeren, Kathie Grifone, Joyce Healy, JoAnn VonEssen, Paula Walk, Joan Yankowski, and myself.

We generally meet every third Saturday, so why not join us? Contact any member, or myself, Queen Pat 973-764-3749, for information.

#### In Memoriam

BOB FRICK

#### Steven W. Treble - former swim team member of the "famous" Zotz Potts Knox and Treble relay in the late 60s and early 70s

Steven W. Treble, 63, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, December 1, 2015 at Mary Washington Hospital surrounded by his family. Originally of Flushing, Queens, Steve spent most of his adult life in Montgomery, NJ, and retired to Fredericksburg, VA, earlier this year with Imogene, his wife of 40 years. He was a 1981 graduate of Rutgers University and worked for more than two decades at Flemington Ditchman Ford.

Steve and Imogene met as teenagers in Highland Lakes, New Jersey, where their parents had summer homes. They shared a life-long love, and together they raised two sons, traveled the world, and supported each other unconditionally through all of life's challenges. Steve was a devoted father and husband, and an inspiration to all who knew him. He loved to swim, bike, and run, as well as to relax and do housework. He shared his love of staying active with his boys, teaching them to swim and bike, coaching their sports teams, and supporting them both in earning the rank of Eagle Scout in Boy Scouts. With his older son, Christopher, he shared a fanatical love of the New York Yankees and with his younger son, Andrew, he passed on a love of cooking that propelled Andrew to pursue a career in the field.

As a mid-life crisis, at age 40, Steve took up doing triathlons which he continued doing until a year before his passing. He completed countless Olympic and half-Iron Man distance triathlons, as well as four full Iron Man triathlons. The last five years of his life were spent, in part, battling neuroendocrine cancer with the same determination with which he tackled those triathlons. He fought until the end when, surrounded by family, he knew it was his time. Steve was a man who loved and was loved, who taught and learned, who laughed, and who enjoyed life.

Whether because of his 6'4" stature and commanding voice, his dry wit, or his calming presence and enormous heart, Steve made an immediate impression on all he met and will not be forgotten. His memory will live on in all those who knew and loved him. Steve was pre-deceased by his parents, Bernice and Harold. He is survived by his sister and two brothers, Jo-Ann (Wolfe), Timothy, and Robert, and their families; his best friend and the love of his life, Imogene; his son Christopher and his wife Elizabeth of Washington, DC; and his son Andrew of Denver, Colorado.

Donations can be made to the Mary Washington Hospital Foundation (<a href="http://www.marywashingtonheal">http://www.marywashingtonheal</a> thcare.com)

# Vernon Little League Registration is Now Open

#### SCOTT MANCINI

In person registration will be held on February 13, 9 am -1 pm at the Vernon Senior Center. Registration form can be found by clicking on the "Download" button on the website as well <a href="http://www.vernonlittleleague.org/">http://www.vernonlittleleague.org/</a>

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# No Parking on Roads During Snow and Ice Operations

Please be aware that Rule No. 16 of the Club's Rules and Regulations, adopted April 22, 1994, reads as follows:

Whenever snow has fallen or roads become covered with ice and the accumulation is such that it covers the roadway, an emergency shall exist and no vehicle shall be parked on any roadway or portion thereof. This parking prohibition shall remain in effect after the precipitation has ceased until the roads have been plowed and/or sanded sufficiently and to the extent that parking will not interfere with the normal flow of traffic.

Any unattended vehicle in violation of this Rule will be deemed to be parked without the consent of the Club and may be summonsed and towed in accordance with N.J.S.A. 39:4-56.6 and Vernon Township Ordinance 99-12.

Your cooperation is needed to make the winter as easy as possible on your neighbors and the Club. Thank you.

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# **Bridge Results**

#### VIRGINIA MCNULTY

Thursday, December 10, 2015

- 1 Dot Cooper
- 2 Dot Henninger
- 3 Shirley Baldwin

Bridge is played at the clubhouse every Monday and Thursday at 1 pm. All are welcome.







Thinking about a renovation or addition? Talk to an Architect!

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Free no obligation consultation meeting

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# **HLCC Senior Club...The Progressive S/C**

JOYCE HEALY, SENIOR CLUB PRESIDENT

We're not closed for the season...reason...freezin'...nope, not us! We're chuggin' along since the December holidays and going strong! We had a wonderful Christmas party with a full house, tasty potluck dinner menu complete with beverages and decadent desserts, games and prizes and great fellowship.

Thanks so very much to all our members who donated to the bountiful table! Our January mid-month lunch brought 19 of the "full-timers" to the Lake Room for homemade chili, loaded baked potato soup and once again decadent desserts. One of our "regulars" said, "It seems every time we're down at the clubhouse for one reason or another we're eating." And my response is "Yeah, something wrong with that?" My idea of a balanced diet is a cookie in each hand! And we certainly have wonderful cooks and bakers (guys and gals) in Highland Lakes. To prove my point: if you've come to the clubhouse once a month for our community breakfast, you know what I'm talking about. Freshly made breakfast fare is lovingly prepped and served by your friends and mine oh, yeah,

about 10 of these volunteers are Mighty Seniors!!! There will be Mighty Seniors volunteering alongside HL's other beautiful volunteers for the 2nd Annual Highland Lakes Winter Carnival February 6 at the clubhouse - indoors and out

Don't miss this terrific event for all HL families and friends. Read further in the Newsette for details about the winter carnival or check out the HLwebsite.

Let me continue with upcoming dates important to you:

- 1. February Wednesday February 17 Lunch 12 Noon special surprise in store...call me if you missed the Jan. lunch (or I'll call you!)
- 2. March Tuesday, yes, I said Tuesday, March 15 in the Lake Room (I had to change the date from Wednesday) because Wednesday, read on...
- 3. Wednesday, March 16 at 4 pm is the wonderful dinner/theater presentation of My Fair Lady by VTHS free to Vernon senior residents.

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*If you haven't gone with us before, please,

please call me and say you'll join us - I'll be calling VTHS soon for our free tickets (you have to be on their list) You Do Not want to miss their incredible production and delicious dinner. Really.\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

4. April – Wednesday, April 13 Lunch 12 noon in the Lake Room.

There'll be updates in future Newsette issues. We're interested in going to Hunterdon Hills for their dinner/ theater again. We have always had a great time there and we save some \$\$\$\$ by car-pooling instead of renting a bus; it's less travel time, too. A great big Howdy-Do to our HL seniors down in warmer climes; we miss you and can't wait to see you again. A great big Howdy-Do to our HL seniors perhaps not quite "up to par" we're thinking about you and miss you so much. Happy, happy birthday to the January & February Mighty Seniors celebrating during these chilly, long-johns kind of weather days!

Need help with something in the house? Need a ride somewhere? Want some company? Give me a call, and I'll see what I can do to jump in and help out. Love ya, Joyce H.





