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From the President's Desk

SUE ROSS, PRESIDENT

At its January meeting, the Highland Lakes Voting Board formally appointed a special committee to examine rentals of properties and compliance issues as they relate to the Club's Associate Membership By-Laws. This committee is comprised of trustees and officers, as well as members of the Planning Committee and By-Laws and Rules Committee and includes Steve Amato, Ellen Buchney, Len Bogdon, Lisa Entwistle, Michael Gillooley, Brian Morton and Martha Lewin. The chairperson pro tem is Nancy Eisenberg. Thank you to all for your willingness to volunteer as you do. We are looking forward to hearing your comments and recommendations at the April workshop.

The Voting Board also allocated funds for new lane lines for the swim lanes and approved a three-year contract, subject to attorney review, for our lake management

program. As you may have heard, our Club is intending to lower the Main Lake this coming fall and plans are well underway now to see that we accomplish this goal. Once a plan is in place, property owners living around the Main Lake will be notified of the plan and encouraged to attend a meeting that will be scheduled with authorities on the subject who will be able to answer any questions they may have. At its March meeting the Ecology Committee will be welcoming Dr. Steven Sousa, Ph.D. of Princeton Hydro, LLC who will be presenting information about our lake management program. Members are encouraged to attend this meeting to learn about the many factors that are considered as we strive to keep our lakes beautiful.

At our upcoming February workshop, scheduled for February 8 at 8 pm, we'll be welcoming Tom Buchney,

chairperson of the Boat Dock Committee and Tom Mulcahy, chairperson of the Roads Committee. Both are coming to share details of the work being performed by their respective committees. A full calendar of Voting Board meetings can be found on our website. Meetings rarely go longer than two hours (usually one-and-a-half) and are very informative. Member comments are welcome at the Voting Board meetings (on Friday nights) but are not permitted at the Wednesday workshops.

Workshops are structured to enable a full discussion between board members on the issues on the agenda that will then be voted on at the following Friday night Voting Board meeting. We do our best to post to our website the topics that will be discussed at each meeting the day before the meeting takes place.





Upcoming Events

February 3 - Bunco

February 4 - Winter Carnival

February 18 – Lakeside Café

February 25 – Pasta Dinner





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Upcoming Meetings

Buildings and Grounds – Monday, February 20 – 7:30 pm Clubhouse Committee – Wednesday, February 15 – 7 pm Ecology/CCHL – Thursday, February 9 – 7 pm Fishing – Thursday, February 9 – 8 pm Planning – Tuesday, February 7 – 8:00 pm Roads – Thursday, March 2 – 7 pm Voting Board Workshop – Wednesday, February 8– 8 pm Voting Board Meeting – Friday, February 17 – 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.

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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:

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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.

3rd Annual Winter Carnival is Here

CAROL HASTIE, CHAIRPERSON, CLUBHOUSE COMMITTEE

Saturday, February 4 from 11 am to 3 pm

There will be a variety of inside and outside activities for the children, so dress appropriately for the weather. Come and design the logo for 2018 Winter Carnival! See who the winner is for 2017. The New Jersey Sled Dog Club will be here around 1:30 pm to show off their dogs and sled, along with a presentation. Skylands Ice World will be there with a special game for the children to play.

Don't forget to bring your best pot of chili to enter in the Chili Cook-off. Entries should be at the clubhouse by 12:30 pm for judging. We are also looking for some chili connoisseurs to assist us in deciding whose chili is the best in 2017. Let us know if you can help with this. We will also have lunch available for a nominal fee. So bring your appetites and come down for an exciting fun-filled day.

If there are any teens looking for service hours, please come down in the morning and volunteer your time. This goes for adults and anyone in the 7th or 8th grade as well. We can always use extra help.

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Highland Lakes Happenings

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Kudos to Volunteers

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Kudos to the following people for volunteering their precious time and energy for our members to enjoy special activities:

Gingerbread House Construction – Jeanette E., Jaime W., Steve H.

Holiday Lighting – Jaime W., Jeanette E., Jen D, Jackie M. **New Year's Eve –** Joyce H., Jack H., Janet K., Jim K., Sue B., Mark B., Steve F., Steve H., Nora M., Chery H. January Breakfast - Joyce H., Jack H., Janet K., Jim K., Frank A., Ray S., Paula W., Bob R., Shaun M., Nora M., Hugh C., Bill B., Steve H., Russ S., Kathy S., Daphne M. and Angela A. for always helping with tickets and posters for our activities.

Coming up ...

CAROL HASTIE, CHAIRPERSON, CLUBHOUSE COMMITTEE

A volunteer will be teaching Latin ballroom dance lessons for beginners. You will learn the basic steps of many dances to help you move around the dance floor like Fred and Ginger. Bring a partner or come alone (males are especially needed). Watch for future Newsettes for more information. The classes will begin in April or May. Look for the registration form in the next Newsette.



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.

Automotive Class

CAROL HASTIE, CHAIRPERSON, CLUBHOUSE COMMITTEE

Do you want to learn a little more about how your car works? Are you interested in learning some basic information on what makes your car run? Do you want to be able to communicate with your mechanic better and maybe be able to check that he/she is fixing the right problem? Well then you should come to the Clubhouse on the third Thursday of the month at 7 pm beginning on February 16. One of our members, who is a retired auto mechanic, is willing to teach informative sessions to help you learn a little more about your car. Bring your questions and concerns. He will try his best to answer them and give you some extra knowledge about your car. This is open to HLCC members of all ages. See you then.

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Highlights from Holiday Events



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The Senior Club of Highland Lakes

JOYCE HEALY, PRESIDENT

We are the Seniors, the mighty, mighty Seniors, everywhere we go, people want to know who we are, so we tell them....We are the Seniors, mighty, mighty Seniors...OK, so maybe we last sang that song at high school football games about 40 or 50 years ago, but let me tell you, my friends, we certainly ARE the mighty Seniors of HLCC. And what a wonderful bunch of members we have numbering at 80 in strength. WOW!

We all send our very best wishes to all our neighbors here at the lake. May your 2017 be healthy, happy, prosperous and definitely memorable. Remember, it's not only what you do, it's also how you do it (with gusto) and enjoying it with someone at your side whether it's a loved one or a friend who's "got your back". We hope to see our Senior Club grow even more this year. So, come down to the clubhouse and join in with some fun-lovin' gals and guys who get involved in so many ways.

For instance:

- 1. Volunteering in the Clubhouse Committee activities, dances, Family Day, craft fairs, Winter Carnival, pasta dinners, Appreciation Nights, etc.)
- 2. A wide variety of sports geared to what you enjoy and can handle (volleyball, softball, pickle ball, bocce ball, etc.)
- 3. Working with children at different events (winter carnival, Touch-a- Truck, Family Day, etc.)
 - 4. Joining some of the cool groups

who play cards, Red Hatters, Bunco, ladies bowling, Mah-Johng players, etc.)

I could go on, but your best bet is to chat with one of your neighbors who belong to the Senior Club and simply say to yourself, "Self, I want to go to the clubhouse and see what's goin' on with the Senior Club."

We have mid-monthly get-to-gethers during the off-season such as in January we had a great turn out for a hot luncheon with eggplant rollatini, tossed salad, homemade desserts, beverages - YUM! February will bring us a very special Valentine luncheon on Valentine's Day, Feb. 14 at 12 noon in the Lake Room. We'll serve up something absolutely delish for lunch and I'm working on an extra activity that day, too.

Yearly dues to belong to the Senior Club: \$10 - seriously \$10. It covers you for the year and once in a great while we 'kick-in' to pay for special tickets to events such as baseball games, dinner/ theater, plays, off-premises luncheons and lots more. If you're 50 years of age, you can join. We run the gamut from 50 - 80 + how cool is that! If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call me at 973-764-0306 and ask away!

Mark March 15 on your calendar also, for there will be another luncheon that day. We love to see all our "regulars" and welcome all new faces at any time. If you need a ride to get to the clubhouse, call me, we'll get you there. Can't wait to see you, love ya, Joyce H.

Boy Scouts Spreading Christmas Cheer

ANNA-MARIE DUERR

Thank You to Highland Lakes for Clubhouse Usage

Boy Scout Troop 912 gathered for their annual holiday party at the Highland Lakes Clubhouse and enjoyed playing Secret Santa, providing gifts to three local families in need. Thank you once again, for the use of the clubhouse. Troop 912 appreciates the use of the room and the beautiful decorations added to our party in December.



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Highland Hatters

PAT WOOTTON

Eleven festively bedecked hatters traveled to the Farmstead Golf and Country Club in Lafayette on December 10. We were cordially invited to attend the





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Mingle Jingle holiday luncheon by our sister Queens Marlene (Vernon) and Barbara (Sussex). There were 100 Red Hatters and some escorts in attendance. We were served a delicious lunch and were entertained by a talented DJ. Lots of dancing, too! Of course, we had to visit all the vendors for some great buys. Many gals were winners in the door prize event as well. Thanks, Janet K. for assisting me with the driving. Those in attendance were: Donna Beebe, Marian Benedicto, Irene Boeren, Emily Coldon, Doris Dolan, Janet Kaley, Joy Logan, Kathy Scialla, Mary Stoddard, Cathy Tansey, and myself.

Our first gathering of 2017 found us at our favorite place. We held our potluck and white elephant luncheon in the Lake Room. Ten friends met and enjoyed the

variety of food and swapping each other's treasures. And the Queen wound up with the famous red and purple Christmas tree. Hmmm, wonder how that happened?! We also chatted about our calendar of events for this year. We made some great headway and all of us are looking forward to continued fun and friendships. Attendees were Marian Benedicto, Irene Boeren, Theresa Deady (all the way from Brooklyn!), Janet Kaley, Terry Kohn, Kathy Scialla, Jo VonEssen, Paula Walk, Joan Yankowski, and myself. Many thanks, Marian, for planning the day.

We usually meet every third Saturday. Contact me if you are interested in joining. It's just for fun. Only requirement is the wearing of the red and purple and a "certain" age.

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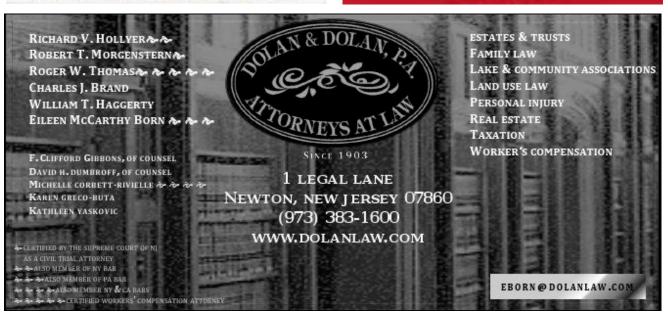














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Don't Forget Our Pasta Dinner

Saturday February 25, 2017, from 6 – 8 pm. Adults are \$7 and children under 10 are \$3. Come on down and enjoy the delicious meal prepared by Chef Frank. Those of you who were here last year know what I am talking about!

Friday Night Bunco

MARIAN BENEFICTO AND KATHY GRIFONE

Bunco is Back! The next Bunco game is February 3 at 7 pm. It has been a very successful event this winter with as many as 12 people playing. 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.

Next Newsette: March 4, 2017

Newsette articles should be submitted on the <u>Friday before</u> the week of publication at noon. 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!



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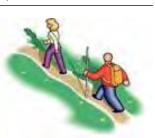
The New Jersey Forestry Association (njforestry. org), a tax-exempt 501 (c) (3) charitable organization, is raffling off a Stihl Model #MS 261 C-M chain saw with a retail value of \$609 on March 18 at their Annual Meeting on the Rutgers campus in New Brunswick. Tickets are \$20 for the first ticket and \$10 for additional ones. You need not be present to win but are welcome to attend.

The NJ Lottery number is NJ LGCCC ID#145-5-38735 and the New Brunswick license number is RL#121636. Contact Clark Beebe for tickets or questions. E-mail: beebeinnj@gmail.com Phone: 973-737-4347 and leave a message.

Hiking News

CHRISTINE BILLACK, JIM KENNEDY

Hi everyone. Although winter hasn't been too bad, it seems Mother Nature acts up on planned hike days. We are hoping to attempt our 5 lakes walk again, since our last one met with inclement weather. We start at the Clubhouse



at 10:30 am, head for Lake 1, then Upper West Highland Lake (Lake 5). After this we head to the Main Lake (Lake 2) walking the south end and crossing Canister Road to Indian Lake and Upper East Highland lake (Lake 4). We finish by returning to the clubhouse walking around the east and north shore of the big lake. If anyone is interested, afterward we'll meet at Luca Ristorate (Shop-Rite plaza, Warwick), or Wings in Vernon, or any other place hikers would like to go. Bring sturdy footwear, lunch, water, and an I-need-to-get-out-and-beat-the-winter -blues attitude.

Planned dates so far: February 19: five lakes walk. March 12: Appalachian Trail iron mines walk - weather cooperating. If not, we will change to a shorter hike. This is a moderate walk, about 4 miles. We will stop at about 6 old iron mine sites along the way. All hikes are on Sundays, meeting at the clubhouse at 10:30 am. We hope to see you soon, well behaved dogs are welcome, and so are first time hikers. Happy New Year everyone. Christine Billack and Jim Kennedy 973-764-1458 email christinebillack@yahoo.com

Morning Exercise

CAROL MONTERO

Morning exercise continues in the Seckler Room three times a week on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. Classes at 8 am will be different every day! Tae bo/ pilates/yoga/ or weight-training with aerobics. Bring light weights and a mat if you have one. Call Carol 973-764-5701 with questions.





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