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June/July 2017

President's Message

Queens Lake is getting ready for the summer.

It's been a busy winter and spring in Queens Lake especially with regards to Phase III of the I-64 widening project. The I-64 committee must be commended for the excellent job they did representing our community. In April, they met with VDOT, York County and Senator Monty Mason and led them on a tour of the headwaters of Queens Lake. In May they held a very informative meeting at the clubhouse, coordinated a letter writing campaign (more than 200 submitted) and made sure the neighborhood turned out for VDOT's meeting May 18th. Thank you to all who wrote letters and attended the meeting.

The sewer project, begun last year, continues to work its way through the west side. Trenching work on the side streets was completed earlier this spring and continues on West Queens with two crews working toward each other. We can expect the side streets to be paved in the coming month if the weather cooperates. Most of the work on the bridge was completed this spring. It will open soon when the contractor completes work on the pipe. As further information becomes available it will be sent out via email, posted on Facebook and put on queenslake.net.

Many thanks to all the committee members and volunteers who have donated their time this winter and spring to make our neighborhood better.

Bob Gaschen President, Queens Lake Community Association

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The QL Board of Directors meets the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM in the clubhouse. All members in good standing are welcome to attend. Books and records of the Queens Lake Community Association, including minutes of all Board meetings, are open to members for review.

The next newsletter deadline is July 15, 2017. Inquiries, articles and ads should be submitted to the QLCA office by email QLCA@widomaker.com or to Cherrie Begley at office 229-0973 or H: 253-0357.

ACBL Duplicate Bridge - every Monday at the Clubhouse - 11:30-3:30-\$8.00 per person.

Contact Diane Morton 532-3523

Yoga and Mindfulness Meditation - Clubhouse

Queens Lake residents and non-residents

<u>Yoga</u> -Thursdays - 6-7:15 pm -\$10.00 a class or \$40 for 5 classes. Classes do not have to be consecutive.

Teacher - Mary Kashouty Joyner

<u>Mindfulness Meditation</u> - Thursdays - 7:30-8:30

Mary McGovern - donation to help cover rental

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 30 to June 15-Pool hours M-F 3 to 7/Friday June 16 starts M-F 11 to 8/Sat. 11 to 8/Sun. 11 to 9

June 3-Cocktail Party-6:30 pm-by the pool

June 8-Ladies Lunch - 11:30 -Clubhouse

June 13-Board Meeting 7 pm-Clubhouse

June 16-Regular Pool Hours-Mon-Sat 11-8/Sun 11-9

Sunday Pot Luck 6 pm

June 19-Swim Meet Home 6pm

June 24-Queens Lake Day

July 17-Swim Meet Home 6pm

July 24-Swim Meet Home 6pm

July 31-Swim Team Banquet 5:30 at Pool

Oct-Seafood Fest

Oct-Halloween Party

Nov 4-Arts & Craft Show-9 to 3-Clubhouse

Nov -Tree Sale

Nov-Santa

Dec-Christmas Brunch

Summer Ladies Luncheon

June 8 - 11:30 - Clubhouse Bring a Tasty Dish to Share \$1 per person-RSVP by June 7

QLCA Office 229-0973/qlca@widomaker.com Jan Snook 229-1119 or Joan Swanson 253-2811

Community Affairs

Tom Rooks: Director

An I-64 expansion task force has held several meetings with state and local level officials, VDOT employees and outside agencies that are experts in the appropriate fields related to the project. The task force led a community meeting May 2nd to put out detailed information and address community concerns on the topic. At the meeting, other community topics were presented including issues regarding the lake and the marina. The meeting was very well attended by our residents and State Senator Monty Mason and Delegate Brenda Pogge.

The VDOT pubic meeting regarding phase three of the expansion on May 18th at Bruton High School had 311 people attend. Thanks to all Queens Lakers who showed up and voiced their opinion.

The I-64 Task Force has requested \$420 to have a two hour consultation on sound mitigation by ACENTECH (acoustician company out of Boston that has been giving us free advice). They've been very helpful to us, but for us to get more in depth information from them, this would be the minimum to look into our particular situation. Also, knowing that amount of administrative work put in by the group for mailing letters, printing maps, and other costs, I want to look into methods to pay for and authorization to pay for these items.

Committee Members: Ashley Hargrove, Ward Bourn, Mike Indovina, Dave Malmquist, Renny Parziale, and Ralph Wilson.

MARCH 14, 2017 Board Briefs

Full minutes of all meetings are available for review by members in good standing at the office.

Motion was made and approved the February 20th Board Minutes.

HR policies and procedures for all employees and policies for employees working as independent contractors will be completed

Finance Director, John Kueser resigned as of March 7th. Notice will be sent out to members for a replacement.

Beds have been mulched and tree in back of the clubhouse will be trimmed. A memorial Dogwood tree was planted.

QL Day plans have been discussed and plans are underway. Website for charging is being discussed.

VDOT will be holding the first public hearing for phase 3 of I-64 expansion on May 18th, from 4-7pm at Bruton High School. QL has an I-64 Committee working with VDOT.

Erosion issues have been identified on the dam under the guardrail near the spillway. VDOT will correct the problem. Oil slick on the lake is from an underground oil tank. Donation letter will be sent to all Lake property owners who are not QLCA members.

The bridge will be for members only. Rules and regulations will be brought to the Board for approval.

Marina committee will hire a structural engineer to conduct a structural review of the boathouse. Boathouse will be closed for now.

One Judgement was filed for 2016.

June 3 is set for Member Social.

Membership committee would like one path to membership as Deeded. This would go in the Bylaws.

Pool preparations have begun.

Motion was made and passed to approve the new Swim Team form and new fee per child of \$75.00.

Motion was made and passed approving Tom Rooks as Vice President.

APRIL 11, 2017 Board Briefs

Full minutes of all meetings are available for review by members in good standing at the office.

Motion was made and approved the March 14, 2017 Board Minutes.

Vote was taken between 3 candidates for Finance Director. Gordon Angles was elected.

York Co. is getting bids to pave the streets.

Members will be notified about the problems with the Marina

Membership committee will plant more daffodils in the fall.

New Social coming: Cinco de Mayo

Oil tank causing oil slick has been removed.

Donation Letters: To date we have received \$400.

The holes identified in the dam inspection report will be filled with a geotechnical sealant called Aquablock.

Inspections of the spillway are done once a year by VDOT and the committee will get a copy of the most recent report.

I-64 Transportation Committee The committee has already met twice this month. The committee has a set of preliminary VDOT plans for Phase III which are 30% of final design.

Committee will be working to get a sound wall.

Signs and Safety The sheriff's office has recommendations for phrasing on new signs for the bridge.

Bridge signs were approved by consensus. No objections from Board members.

The QLCA board will be hosting a community meeting on May 2nd at 6:30pm to share the status of the various important issues we are currently facing including the sewer project, the pedestrian bridge construction, I-64 expansion, and other issues.

The marina committee is currently working on the boathouse rebuild/removal. Engineering review was available to the Board. June 3rd - Membership Social.

Preparations for the 2017 pool season and swim team are continuing. Chemicals have been delivered and hiring guards.

Maintenance/Playground

Submitted by Andy McNeil: Director

The playground will get an inspection.

Finance

Submitted by Gordon Angles: Director

The Capital Reserve Study is pending. Committee members: Bob Evans, Beth Parziale, Lana Olson, John Kueser and Ted Lynch.

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Change Julie Jones to 879-7460 Change Sam Jones to 879-4878







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POOL

Submitted by Bob Gaschen: Director

New kiosk – The committee has purchased new flooring for the kiosk. In the coming weeks we will begin to outfit the new space with cabinets, refrigerator and computer for check in system.

Fencing – Discussed repairs to fencing and possible re-routing of fence line to accommodate the new kiosk. Met with representative of Rosenbaum fencing and received an initial estimate, however, we are awaiting clarification on some items in the quote.

Guards – We continue to receive guard applications. John Poorman has held an initial guard meeting with one to follow in the coming weeks.

2017 Swim Team Sign Up Night- Swim team sign-up was held April 28th at the club house.

Pool Clean Up Day – Thank you to all those who came out May 6th to prepare the pool for the coming season. The area was cleaned of sticks and leaves, chairs and tables removed from the bathrooms and cleaned, weeds were pulled, bathrooms cleaned and both the family pool cover was removed and its pump started. Adult pool will be uncovered and started later this week.

Committee Members: Mark Downey, Marie Homer, Kate Helwig, Ted Lynch, Jessie Moser, Mary McGovern, Chris Homer, Tom Rooks, Dana deJager, Andy McNeil, & Craig Marcuson

Communications

Submitted by Leah Duckworth: Director

<u>Newsletter</u>: Cherrie completed the April/ May newsletter and Jean and Phil Lien labeled the newsletter and delivered it to the post office. The April/May issue went to all QL residents.

Committee Members: Jean Lien, Phil Lien, Cherrie Begley

Website Committee Report

Although there was no Website Committee Meeting in April, research did continue on gathering more data pertinent to the creation of an effective and inexpensive interactive website for the purpose of using credit cards to pay for various Queens Lake fees. Bob Gaschen met with Leah Duckworth to demonstrate and explain a mock-up that he has been working on keeping in mind the tenets that it should be easy not just for the membership to use but must also be user friendly for both bookkeeping and record keeping purposes. He will have the mock-up ready to demonstrate to the full committee at the next scheduled committee meeting on May 22.

Leah Duckworth amended the website to include a separate page dedicated to disseminating updates about the I-64 widening project. The new page is easy to access from the Queens Lake Community Association website Home Page by following the I-64 logo.

The next website committee meeting will be held on June 6 at which time the committee will (1) examine the information gathered by the research into how to charge on the website, (2) discuss establishing policies for bulk emailing, (3) discuss how to manage off-shoot websites such as Facebook pages accessed from or associated with the QLCA site, and (4) examine how to limit access to the website for the purpose of adding pages and/or documents.

Committee Members: Cherrie Begley, Jean Lien, Phil Lien, Kate Roessler, Claudia Smith, Joan Swanson, Mary McGovern, Bob Gaschen

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MARINA

Submitted by Chris Ferguson: Director

The marina committee is currently working on the boathouse rebuild/removal.

- David Brown's engineering review of the boathouse was reviewed by the Board
- 7 contractors have been contacted. We have met with 5.
 Out of the 5 contractors we met with, only 1 (Pankoke Marine) would give us an estimate to correct the deficiencies as noted in Dave Brown's engineering report. Pankoke Marine did some work for Whitehouse Cove Marina. Craig Marcuson and I visited Whitehouse Cove Marina today to review Pankoke's job. Pictures were taken.
- May 2nd...Chris Kolloff presented to the community our findings and will collect shareholder's feedback in written form.
- Ramp applications have been mailed out.
- The possibility of floating docks was discussed.

Committee Members: Bryan Edmonds, Chris Kolloff, Chris Eckols, Danny Sumerlin, John Robinson, Carlos Tricoche, Luther Blair, Bringier McConnell, Craig Marcuson

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Submitted by Jeff Anderson: Director

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Committee Members:

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Beautification

Submitted by Laura Nanartowich: Director

It's the busy season for the Beautification Committee! Plants surrounding the clubhouse have been pruned and common areas are weeded and tended regularly by volunteers. The stunning cherry tree behind the clubhouse has been pruned back but still offers a shaded haven overlooking the marina.

West Queens Dr. residents are reminded to remove yard debris from the roadside during this last stretch of the sewer project. Please continue to fight the spread of ivy on trees and plants. While it is a good ground cover when controlled, this aggressive invader quickly takes over when unattended. We've noticed poison ivy is prolific this year, often hiding among the regular ivy.

TIPS ON REMOVING POISONIVY

- Dress for the battle. Wear long pants tucked into socks, a long sleeved shirt and rubber gloves.
- Cut plants to ground level. If they are small, dig them out by the root with a shovel. For larger plants, spray with a weed killer. No not cut with a weed-wacker.
- Dispose of the plants and roots in a plastic bag. DO NOT COMPOST OR BURN.
- Disinfect clothes and tools. If you do come into contact with poison ivy use a skin cleaner like Technu and a drying agent like calamine lotion.

Committee Members: Judy McCormack, Susan Sims, Cherrie Begley, Sherry Sumerlin, Jean Lien, Carolyn Campbell, Roslyn Fernow, Libbey Oliver, and Matt Hogg

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After school practice begins Tuesday, May 30th
The first meet is June 19th the last meet is July 24th
Summer awards meet is July 29th and Champs is August 6th
Please check out schedules and sign up for swim team on

qleagles.swim-team.us

As always, the emphasis of the Queens Lake Eagles swim team is to have fun while developing swimmers of all ages and abilities. From ages 4-18, swimmers will be grouped according to their ability, and advanced as they gain new skills. Please join us this summer to hang out with friends old and new, and share in the spirit of Queens Lake. We hope you feel the excitement our team has for swimmers improving their skills.

Important Dates

Please be advised that home meets close the family pool at 4:00

MEETS OTHER DATES

June 19th Queens Lake vs. Windsor Great Park

June 26th Queens Lake @ Greensprings

July 6th Queens Lake @ Kingswood

July 10th Queens Lake @ Kingsmill

July 17th Queens Lake ws. Windsor Forest

July 24th Queens Lake vs. First Colony

July 29th Summer Awards Meet @ QL

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July 31st Team Banquet 5:30

August 5th or 6th VPSU Champs Meet

This Year's Swim Team Coordinators are:

Marie Homer <u>chefhomer@yahoo.com</u> or 757-784-4769 Mark Downey <u>mcdowneydoc@gmail.com</u> 757-570-2360 Swim Team Website gleagles.swim-team.us

Pool Committee Update

Submitted by Marie Homer chefhomer@yahoo.com

Swim Season 2017 is here!

Thanks to everyone that helped to get the pool ready this spring. A special Thank You to Bob Gaschen who has worked tirelessly to repair, paint and clean the pool area.

Open House Memorial Day Weekend May 27th-29th

The open house is for those that have never joined the pool. Come on down to check out the pool facility over the weekend. Grab your neighbor, bring your friends from around the town and have them try the pool. We hope they join the Queens Lake Pool. You can't beat the great atmosphere, friends and view. John Poorman returns as Pool Operator again this summer. John brings many years of experience in pool operations and lifeguard management.

If you are a Queens Lake Association Member, we appreciate your filling out your pool application, submitting payment, prior to opening day. All the information you need was mailed to you in the April/May Newsletter.

CLUBHOUSE

Submitted by Emily Edmonds: Director

The Clubhouse rentals are steady and quickly filling up through year end. Weekly rentals for Yoga and Bridge keep the Clubhouse humming. The Committee held the Annual Easter Egg Hunt in April with over 1,000 eggs. The weather was perfect and we had an exceptional turn out. Many thanks to all who donated candy, sugar cookies and frosting. In May, we hosted a Cinco de Mayo dinner that had more than 70 in attendance. Now that the pool season is upon us, we will be taking a break from Clubhouse social event until fall. Halloween and the Seafood Fest will be in October. The committee will be planning a Clubhouse cleaning day for fall.

Many people need to be given special thanks for their generosity. To all the children in QL who helped hide the Easter Eggs* see picture in the Newsletter. Darci Hanson, Stephanie Moser, Ann Rose and Steve Alberts for helping to stuff Easter Eggs, Heather Walters for making all the creative fliers and assisting with the Easter Egg Cookie decorating and the Cinco De Mayo food prep, Chris Kolloff for making the fish tacos, Bryan Edmonds for preparing the pork carnitas, Ann Brown-Hailey for decorating the Clubhouse to make it look festive and colorful for Cinco De Mayo, Betty Ann Griffin, Laura Lee Griffin and Cherrie Begley for being the best clean up crew! I cannot do this volunteer job on my own and I cannot show my appreciation enough to all the people who do so much for our community.

Committee Members: Cherrie Begley, Susan Adams, Ann Brown-Hailey, Judy Angles, Joan Swanson, Jan Snook, Renny Parziale, Suzanne Maggio, Lana Olson, Heather Walters, Stephanie Moser, Elise French, Vic Maggio, Bryan Edmonds

QUEENS LAKE DAY

QL DAY The Committee held a meeting on April 26th. This year a new wrist band system will be put in place to clearly identify children and adults over 21. Since this is a QLCA Member benefit and paid for out of member dues, all non-members, including non-member pool members will need to pay a small fee to attend the event. Dinner will be a ticketed only event. Ika Zaken will be making the main course, and all guests will be required to bring a side dish with an international flair. A reggae band, The Reef, has been hired to play during the dinner hours of 6-9. The tickets and potluck sign up will be handled by an on line organizer, Event Brite. Renny Parziale has made up the lunch menu and will work on finalizing pricing. Two additional events have been added this year for the day after Queen's Lake Day, a Frisbee Golf Tournament and a Paddle Race on the Lake. Both are perfect additions to our already fun filled weekend. If you have not already volunteered in some way, please contact Emily or anyone on the committee to lend a hand. Notifications for volunteer opportunities will be sent out in June.

Queen's Lake Day Committee Members: Bryan Edmonds, Emily Edmonds, Kate Helwig, Suzanne Maggio, Renny Parziale, Molly Zaken

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Membership

Suzanne Maggio: Director

The Membership committee is busy welcoming new neighbors. We continue to do so with a smile and encourage membership as well.

The committee has plans to attend the bylaw review meeting later this month to discuss changing wording to allow for one path to membership to future residents. This was proposed at February meeting.

"The committee would like to propose to the board that we consider only one path to membership effective Jan 1 2018 as deeded members. This would NOT affect any current traditional members as long as they remain in good standing. New homeowners would still have the choice to join or not to join the association, but if they decide to join, it will be as deeded members only. We think this will streamline the work for many including the committee, realtors and QL office personnel. It is very cumbersome trying to explain all of these options to new and prospective owners. It will also serve us better in the budgeting process to have more deeded members whose dues we can count on year over year. Traditional membership makes it more difficult to budget as they don't offer permanent longevity"

It has also been a long standing concern that there are some residents living on and accessing the lake that are NOT association members. I would like to propose that we look further into this and consider changing this so that these homeowners are required to become members. Perhaps we do this at bylaws meeting, or we consider not allowing folks to use the lake if non-members or we require this of new neighbors. I think it is worth further discussion.

The committee is preparing for the membership social on June 3rd. Anyone wanting to help with preparations please come to the clubhouse at 1pm to help us make and assemble food. Please come out for a fun evening to chat with new and current neighbors poolside.

The committee will be working QL day table checking in residents. As Emily stated, there will be a change to wrist bands (we may have to find a use for the thousands of yards of yarn!) for identification purposes AND we will be charging for non-members and non-resident pool members. The table will be up from 10am -6pm and committee members are working to fill shifts but it is open to anyone wanting to help.

Many thanks to my committee for their continued work in our neighborhood.

Committee Members: Kate Helwig, Stacy Harris, Leah Duckworth, Carolyn Campbell, Rebecca Cho, Marty Taylor, Emily Edmonds, and Lisa Legaspi

Lake

Submitted by Lynn Maltinsky: Director

Lake Management The results of the water tests for the herbicide residue are in and the levels are low enough to allow for irrigation from the lake. There is an abundance of natural vegetation returning to the lake now that it doesn't have to compete with Curlyleaf for space and giving cover for the schools and schools of baby fish that have hatched this spring. The number of people fishing and boating appears to be up from earlier years and everyone reports that fishing is excellent.

Pedestrian Bridge The bridge will be open very soon after a few safety details are addressed and signs installed. The signs will read as follows, "FOR QLCA MENBERS ONLY NO TRESPASSING" The Queens Lake board has decided that QLCA members will be allowed to fish from the bridge by obtaining a permit from the office and displaying it while fishing. These permits are free and will be for QLCA members' only. Anyone fishing from the bridge without a permit will be considered trespassing and the York County Sheriff's Office should be called. 757-890-3630

Boat Access Parking Permits To control non-member use of the boat access areas dash board parking passes and bumper stickers will be required to QLCA members that park in these areas.

Boat Stickers A reminder that all boats, canoes, kayaks, paddle boards should display a green 2017 boat permit with your registration number. The sticker with the registration number identifies you as the owner should we need to contact you and helps support the maintenance of Queens Lake. The stickers are available at the office or me 757-871-1999 if the office is closed.

Committee members: Rick Toth, Richard McCluney, Bruce Keener, Ralph Wilson, Craig Marcuson, John Blommel, John Hilburger, Sally McConnell, Carlos Tricoche



Holcomb access path to the lake.

A work day will be announced soon.

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Thursday, June 22rd

6:30 - Soccer Game!

Come on out to play or watch this epic Game

Sunday, June 25th

9:00 - Frisbee Golf Tournament at New Quarter Park 3:00 - Paddle Pace on the Lake

Friday, June 23rd

4:00-6:00 – Fishing Tournament
6:00-10:00 – Teen Party at the Pool
\$3 for Members/\$5 for guests

<u>Jr High party</u> is from 6:00 to 8:00 for
rising 6th -9th graders

<u>High School party</u> is from 8:00-10:00 for
rising 10th -12th graders

Saturday, June 24th International Queen's Lake Day

8:00 - Tennis

8:00 - Breakfast

9:00 - Parade - meet at the corner of East Queen's and Will Scarlet Lane

9:30 - Opening Ceremony-pool parking lot

10:00 - QL Tri - Check in at the pool parking lot

10:00 - Scavenger Hunt- at the playground

10:30 - Field Games-in the field

11:00-Pool Opens

11:30 - Kids Pool Games

11:30-1:00 - Lunch -bring cash or checks

1:00 - Adult Water Polo in the Adult Pool

1:00 - 4:00 Marina Activities

2:00 - Cornhole Tournament, pool parking lot

2:00 - Pickle Ball tournament, paddles provided

4:00 - Iron Chef Dessert Contest.

Please drop off your desserts at the Clubhouse to be judged with your recipe and make enough to feed at least 20. !!!PRIZES!!! Sign up on Dinner form.

5:00 - Pool Closed and remains closed for the night.

6:00 - 9:00 - Dinner and Band -

This is a Ticketed Only Event. *See Half page flier

Adult Easter Egg Hunt





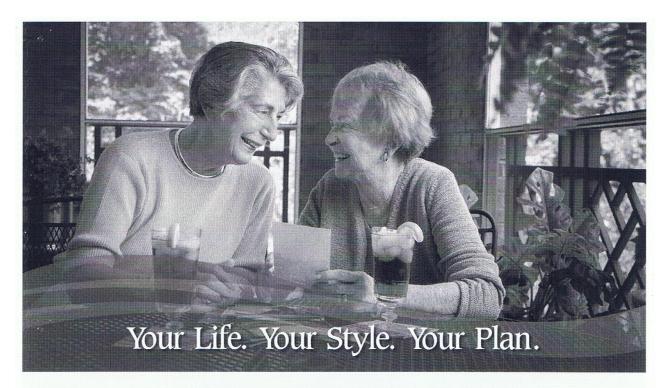












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