# LAKE LINES

## Newsletter for Lake in the Woods

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Video credit: Liz Kentner

# From the Social Committee

Everyone's favorite time of the year is almost here, and we have a fun summer of events planned for LITW!

## First Splash & New Neighbor Bash

Friday, May 24th - 4 to 8pm @ Pool/Pavilion

Join us for the LITW summer kick off event! The pool opens with the "First Splash" at 4pm, followed by the annual New Neighbor party. Come meet your new neighbors and catch up with old friends. Pizza will be served at 5:30pm. We'll also have an ice cream social following dinner to celebrate the last day of the Kenston 2024 school year!

#### **Ladies Night**

Friday, June 14th - 6:30 to 8:30pm Blind Squirrel Winery (7918 Pettibone Rd, Chagrin Falls, OH 44023)

Ladies, this year we're going out on the town! Come to the **Blind Squirrel Winery** for a fun night out with neighborhood friends!

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#### FROM THE BOARD

With just a few weeks left in school, our neighborhood is green again and we are counting down the days to summer fun. The lake, common areas, and pavilion are in great order and awaiting our neighbors' enjoyment. The pool, while not yet open, is essentially ready for use ahead of schedule. A sincere thank you to all of our volunteers and neighbors for their commitment and focus honoring our traditions, driving new initiatives, and keeping our neighborhood safe and clean.

#### **Neighborhood Updates**

Spring Clean Up



The small but mighty group at spring clean-up day was able to build new benches for the ball field, repair and restain picnic tables, widen and tamp the bike path, prep and clean furniture in the pool area, and prune various shrubs and trees. We are grateful to those who volunteered their time. Hope to see everyone for fall clean-up day!

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#### Sand Volleyball & Bonfire

Friday, June 21st **and** Friday, July 19th 6:30pm @ Beach

Parents vs. Kids? East vs West? Can anyone actually spike the ball? Maybe our resident Kenston boy's volleyball star will show us how it's done after the team's inaugural year! Volleyball starts at 6:30pm with bonfire and s'mores to follow.

#### Mindful Moments

Wednesday, June 26th **and** Wednesday, July 24th

Evening @ Pavilion/Common Area Slow down for mindful movement and meditation - and gorgeous sunset views!

#### LITW Fourth of July Celebration

Thursday, July 4th
Our annual Fourth of July celebration
kicks off with a bike parade from
Mohican Trail to the pool, followed by a
potluck lunch. Grilled meats will be
provided.

#### **Stuffed Animal Picnic**

Sunday, August 4th Lunchtime @ LITW Gazebo Pack a lunch + your best stuffed animal friend and come for a picnic!

#### **Block Party**

Sunday, August 11th
Afternoon @ Misty Lake Glen cul-de-sac
Celebrate summer with an oldfashioned block party, hosted by the
residents of Misty Lake Glen!

#### Please be a good neighbor

The Board has received several reports of dog waste left in the common areas and yards in the neighborhood. Please remember to take bags with you when you walk your dog and clean up after it. If needed, there are bags provided for the community on Haskins Road (near the entrance to the dam) and at the Pavilion.





#### Water Craft Storage Area

As in years past, there will be a designated water craft storage area next to the fire pit at the beach. If you choose to leave your paddle boards, kayaks, canoes, etc. at the lake, please return them to this area in order to keep the beach area clean and usable by others. Please remember that the HOA cannot guarantee the safety of these items, so we recommend labeling anything that's yours.

#### Lake Depth Study Update

Coming soon!

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#### Last Splash

Monday, September 2nd 8pm @ Pool

Say a fond farewell to summer at the annual "Last Splash" before the pool closes for the season.

Watch for more details & RSVPs to be communicated via email and LITW Facebook events page.

Here's to another memorable and magical LITW summer!

- Catherine, Social Events Chairperson

#### Thank you!

Thanks to everyone who has been involved with the Social Committee and volunteered their time to plan our neighborhood events this year! If you'd like to help with future events, please email the Social Committee at <a href="mailto:LITW44023.social@gmail.com">LITW44023.social@gmail.com</a>



Photo credit: Kelly Smith



The LITW Garage Sale is scheduled for July 27! Watch Facebook & your inbox for more details from Jill Scalf.



Photo credit: Meghan Davidson

#### Eclipse Party Recap

Thanks to all who came out to the Total Eclipse Sighting on April 8th. It almost felt like a kick off to summer to have shared that time with our community. It was quite literally a "once in a lifetime" event! If you're not already aware, the next Total Eclipse will be seen from Ohio in 2099. Thanks to Catherine Kliorys and the Social Committee for providing drinks and eclipse glasses, and thanks to the neighbors who brought snacks to share. We're looking forward to a summer of community fun!

#### Call for Committees

We are continuing to form committees for various neighborhood improvement projects. If you are interested in joining a committee, please reach out to the Board at lakeinthewoods44023@gmail.com.

#### Going 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. <a href="mailto:lakeinthewoods44023@gmail.com">lakeinthewoods44023@gmail.com</a> Thank you!

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#### **LITW Swim Team**

Mark your calendars for an informational Swim Team meeting for parents on Wednesday, May 22nd @ 6:30pm at the LITW pavilion.

Registration forms are due to Kristin Schmidt by Sunday, June 2nd.

Please contact Kristin Schmidt for registration forms and additional information. kristin kokal@hotmail.com (440) 346-0397

Volunteer Opportunity: We need a parent volunteer to help coordinate LITW swim team apparel.

#### The 35th Annual Bainbridge Invitational

Saturday, July 13

Join us for a fun-filled day of friendly competition at the pool as we host the Bainbridge Invitational!

Watch your inbox and Facebook for volunteer opportunities.









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#### LITW Lifeguard Squad

From Jill Scalf:

I'm very excited about our lifeguard squad this summer season! Many of our favorite faces will be returning this summer to keep our kiddos and families safe, and we have a few new faces on the guard stand, too! We have a core group of 8 guards, with a couple sub possibilities in the mix as well.

Returning this year

#### **Luke Schmidt**

LITW resident & Swim Team Coach-Kenston High School Senior

#### Hannah Cooper

Bainbridge resident & LITW Swim Team Coach- Kenston High School Senior

#### Cavla DiBernardo

Bainbridge resident & LITW Swim Team Coach - Edinboro University Sophomore

#### **Emma Thatcher**

Chagrin Falls Resident - Chagrin Falls High School Senior

#### Lillie Engle

Auburn Resident - Notre Dame Cathedral Latin Junior

New this year

#### **Connor Ward**

LITW resident - Kenston High School Sophomore

#### Jack Miller

Bainbridge resident - Kenston High School Sophomore

#### Savannah Brent

Chagrin Falls Resident - Chagrin Falls High School Junior

We have a great group of young men and women to manage one of our most valued assets in our community!

#### **Pool Hours**

Mon-Thurs 12-8 p.m. Friday-Saturday 12-9 p.m. Sunday 11 a.m. 12 p.m. adult only swim Sunday 12-8 p.m.

Closing at 5:30 p.m. for swim meets: June 6, 11, 13, 20 & July 19

Can't wait to see you at the pool this summer! -Jill

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#### **Chagrin Relays**

Saturday, July 20 @ the Chagrin Valley Recreation Center. Stay tuned for more details.



#### **Water Aerobics**

Classes this summer will start the week of 6/3/24.

Mondays evenings 7:45 to 8:30 pm Wednesday evenings 4:00 to 4:45pm



Summer means more LITW residents out and about enjoying our beautiful neighborhood and all its amenities! Please look out and slow down for pedestrians and bikes - especially our children. Let's work together to keep everyone safe!



We want to take the opportunity to offer kudos to our LITW graduates. You did it!! Wishing you all a bright and successful future!

#### **Jonathon Moss**

Kenston High School

Attending Kent State University

Jonathon, we are so proud of you and know you will go on to do amazing things in your life. Enjoy the adventures of college.
Love you!

Mom, Pete, Olivia and Elizabeth



#### **Matthew Nidy**

Kenston High School

Attending Miami University

Studying Environmental Earth Science

Congratulations, Matthew! We are immensely proud of the person you've become. As you step into the next chapter of your life, remember to stay true to yourself, embrace challenges, and chase your dreams relentlessly. We believe in you always. Here's to the exciting journey ahead! Love, Mom and Dad

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#### **Camp LITW**

June 17-20 -- 4 days of fun! Ages 4-11 11am to 3pm at the LITW Pavilion. Cost is \$20 per day per child.

The children participate in games, arts & crafts and various activities. Snacks will be provided.

Camp Counselors are Alison Schmidt, Evie Ward, and Caroline Pixley.

## **Registration and Questions**Please contact Alison Schmidt (216) 318-4925

#### From the Editor

Spring has sprung, and summer is on the way! I hope you enjoy all LITW has to offer...grilling with friends and family, hopping in the pool, paddling on the lake, biking and walking through the neighborhood, or sitting by a bonfire roasting marshmallows.

There are also loads of opportunities at parks throughout Geauga and Cuyahoga counties.

Take some time to smell the roses, meet your neighbors, and rest and relax.

Cheers!

#### **Lilly Mills**

Kenston High School

Attending Colorado State University

Congratulations on all your hard work and now onto the next chapter!



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#### **Tommy Garvey**

College

Kenston High School Attending Hope

Congratulations, Tommy! We love you! Mom, Dad, Connor and Brendan

#### **Serafina Novak**

Kenston High School

Attending Clemson University

English Language & Literature Pre-Law Track

We are incredibly proud of you, Serafina! Know without a doubt that you were made for great things. Here's to your next adventure!

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Mom, Dad and Marcus

