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February/March 2017

President's Message

Happy New Year Queens Lake

The new Queens Lake board has started its work for 2017. In the coming weeks, each committee will hold meetings to plan for the coming year. Our Queens Lake facilities require the continual effort and support of many volunteers. If you have ideas to improve any facility or would like to volunteer your time, please contact the office or the board members listed in this newsletter.

Although it's cold, the pool and tennis committees are already at work planning for the 2017 season. If you haven't visited these facilities lately come by and check them out this year. The new lake management company continues to monitor and maintain the health of our lake. Please encourage your non-member lake front neighbors to join the association

The Marina has slips available for rent. You do not have to live in the neighborhood to rent a slip. If you know someone looking for a place with easy access to the York River let them know about our marina. It would be great to have all slips rented by the start of summer. Information on slip rental can be obtained on www.queenslake.net or by calling Chris Kolloff at 642-7019.

The clubhouse and membership committees will continue hosting social events for residents through the year. Check the website and email for details. Please come out and enjoy these events.

Thank you to all the committee members, board members and volunteers who contribute their time to make Queens Lake a great community.

The West side sewer project started last year and will continue throughout the coming year. The contractor has been working on the side streets and will be moving on to West Queens next. Construction of the pedestrian bridge adjacent to the dam should be completed in the next month. As the county and contractor moves through this project, the web site will be continually updated to keep residents informed.

All the best for the coming year,
Bob Gaschen, President, QLCA

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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 April 15, 2017. Inquiries, articles and ads should be submitted to the QLCA office by email QLCA@widomaker.com or to Cherrie Begley at cbegley@widomaker.com. Office 229-0973 or H: 253-0357.

Valentine's Day Ladies Luncheon

**Join us Thursday February 9th
11:30-\$1 per person-RSVP**

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Jan Snook 229-1119 or Joan Swanson 253-2811**

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

Feb 9-Ladies Luncheon-11:30-Clubhouse
Feb 14-Board Meeting- 7pm- Clubhouse
Feb 18-Soup Social-6:00pm-Clubhouse
March 14-Board Meeting-7pm-Clubhouse
April-Easter Egg Hunt
May 5-Cinco De mayo-Clubhouse
Spring & Summer-Ladies Nights coming
June 3-Member Social
June 24-Queens Lake Day
Oct-Seafood Fest
Oct-Halloween Party
Nov 4-Arts & Craft Show-9 to 3-Clubhouse
Nov -Tree Sale
Nov-Santa
Dec-Christmas Brunch

Yoga - Clubhouse

Yoga-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

Finance

Submitted by John Kueser: Director

The year-end financials are being finalized by Lana, but it was a solid year financially for the association. The easement payment by the county and expense savings at the pool and marina enabled us to be significantly better than budget for the year.

We had a meeting about the capital reserve study and updates are being made to DMA for them to make a few modifications. We should have a final version of the reserve study over the next few weeks. The reserve study is used to provide us guidance on our long-term planning for our capital spending, so the extra time being taken is to help ensure a more accurate long-term guideline.

Committee members: Gordon Angles, Bob Evans, Beth Parziale, Lana Olson, and Ted Lynch.

Communications

Submitted by Leah Duckworth: Director

Newsletter: Jean Lien and Cherrie Begley have been working on acquiring ads for the newsletter. Most from last year are continuing for 2017. We have 3 full page ads for 2017. Williamsburg Landing, John Sadler with Chesapeake Wealth Management, and Realtor Susan Smith. Our ads bring in more money than it costs for the newsletter. Please give our advertisers a call when you need work done.

Website: There is nothing to report on the website. The committee has not yet been finalized and thus has not met.

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

September 13, 2016 Board Briefs

Members' Forum: Storm water management issues in QL were discussed. QL can address our concerns to VDOT about the impact of storm water on QL when interstate 64 is widened. Storm water runs from all around us and interstate 64 and into QL causing erosion and sediment that fill our lake and pond. Tom would like to see a small group from QL meet with engineers from VDOT. The National Park Service has met with VDOT with concerns about storm water.

Sewer project: The QL pre-construction meeting with York County is coming.

The finance committee met last night to discuss the 2017 budgets and capital plans. The capital reserves study with DMA is still in the works. Modifications for the general reserves have been sent back to DMA and the marina has been put in contact with them to develop the marina reserves.

Phan's Lawn Care cleared both sides of the dam down to the water's edge. Micah from Easton Outdoors said he would check the mowing situation at Princess Pond and make sure his crews are clear on the work that should be done.

Dates are set for the Arts and Craft Show, Seafood Fest, Trunk or Treat, Christmas Brunch and a new addition, a cookie exchange. Over the summer months, the committee hosted a Ladies Luncheon and a well attended Ladies Night.

Trying to get speed reduced on Lakeshead while the dam is closed. Tom met with the National Park Service staff to make a plan for the cut through to the parkway to make Lakeshead safer.

The green color of the lake is normal for this time of year and the water quality is improving. Working on the Holcomb path to the lake and new boat racks will be built.

A motion was made and approved to allow non-residents to purchase a self-propelled ramp pass. The cost will be \$50.00 for the remainder of 2016 and \$75.00 for 2017.

A motion was made and approved to allow 10 fishing passes to non-residents on a first come, first serve basis for \$100.

A motion was made and approved the revised Slip Application with corrections suggested by the Board.

A motion was made and approved revised Marina rules.

The membership committee has sent certified letters to members with outstanding dues. Committee members are working on the Directory and ads.

Pool budget numbers are looking positive. Getting the pool ready for winter. Bar-b-Q was well attended. Kiosk is finished.

Researching credit card processing for the website.

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October 11, 2016 Briefs

The accountants review for 2015 is complete.

The capital reserve study draft is attached for your review. The budget worksheets for 2017 are also attached for review .

Beautification committee keeps cleaning limbs and trimming.

The Clubhouse had a roof leak during the storm this weekend. Three roofing contractors will come and check the roof.

Website will be updated and out of date news deleted.

There will be a meeting on 64 widening. Creekside Landing is interested in partnering with us on 64. There was a discussion on organizing a Neighborhood Watch Program. Still working on a pass through for foot traffic with the park service.

Clarke Aqua Management has moved the Queens Lake mapping to November to determine the amount of curlyleaf pond weed that has sprouted from existing turions in the lake bed. Clarke will also be conducting rake tests in various locations to identify all different species of plants growing in the lake.

A motion was made and passed to allow Limited members fishing with a boat for a fee of \$200.00 and fishing from the dock \$100.00 and to add Limited Member to the Boat Registration form.

A motion was made and passed for revisions to the Marina Rules.

Membership committee is obtaining ads for the member directory.

Pool budget numbers are good.

More research needs to be done for QL to use the website for charging. Will research WIX for this process.

Bylaws committee will be set up next year.

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November 15, 2016 Briefs

Committee Directors

The President asked Board members to decide which facility they would like to oversee. After a discussion facility Directors were chosen.

<u>Position</u>	<u>Term</u>
<u>a. President / Pool (Bob Gaschen)</u>	<u>2018</u>
<u>b. Vice President /Finance (John Kueser)</u>	<u>2017</u>
<u>c. Beautification (Laura Nanartowich)</u>	<u>2017</u>
<u>d. Maintenance/Playground (Andy McNeil)</u>	<u>2017</u>
<u>e. Clubhouse/QL Day (Emily Edmonds)</u>	<u>2018</u>
<u>f. Communications (Leah Duckworth)</u>	<u>2018</u>
<u>g. Community Affairs (Tom Rooks)</u>	<u>2017</u>
<u>h. Lake (Lynn Maltinsky)</u>	<u>2017</u>
<u>i. Marina (Chris Ferguson)</u>	<u>2018</u>
<u>j. Membership (Suzanne Maggio)</u>	<u>2018</u>
<u>k. Tennis (Jeff Anderson)</u>	<u>2018</u>

Cherrie Begley: Corporate Secretary

Lana Olson: Corporate Treasurer

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POOL

Submitted by Bob Gaschen: Director

It's been a quiet few months for the pool. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped make the Christmas tree sale this season a very successful event. The pool finished the financial year in positive territory.

Upcoming dates: Pool Committee will meet last week of January and mid-February.

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

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TENNIS

Submitted by Jeff Anderson: Director

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Community Affairs

Tom Rooks: Director

Several residents responded over Christmas break to report a petroleum product sheen on Queens Lake that was in the vicinity of the construction work on the dam. The source was grease being pushed off the construction barge by rain. Because the spill was going through the spillway and into Queen's Creek, the USCG national response center was notified and a spill incident report was filed. The construction company was notified and shortly afterwards the barge creating the spillage was removed from the job site. In subsequent reports about the lake, the sheen has dissipated.

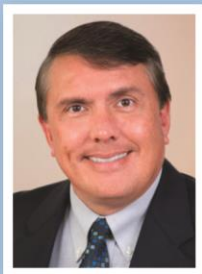
In support of an idea from a resident following the recent accident with personal injury on Lakeshead Dr., a work order was placed/requested through VDOT to add or improve the guardrails on the road if they are unwilling to lower the posted speed limit. VDOT is still processing the request.

After reaching out to VDOT customer service regarding phase III of the I-64 expansion, their response was that the first planning meeting will likely be held in May and that there will be a public feedback period following the meeting.

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

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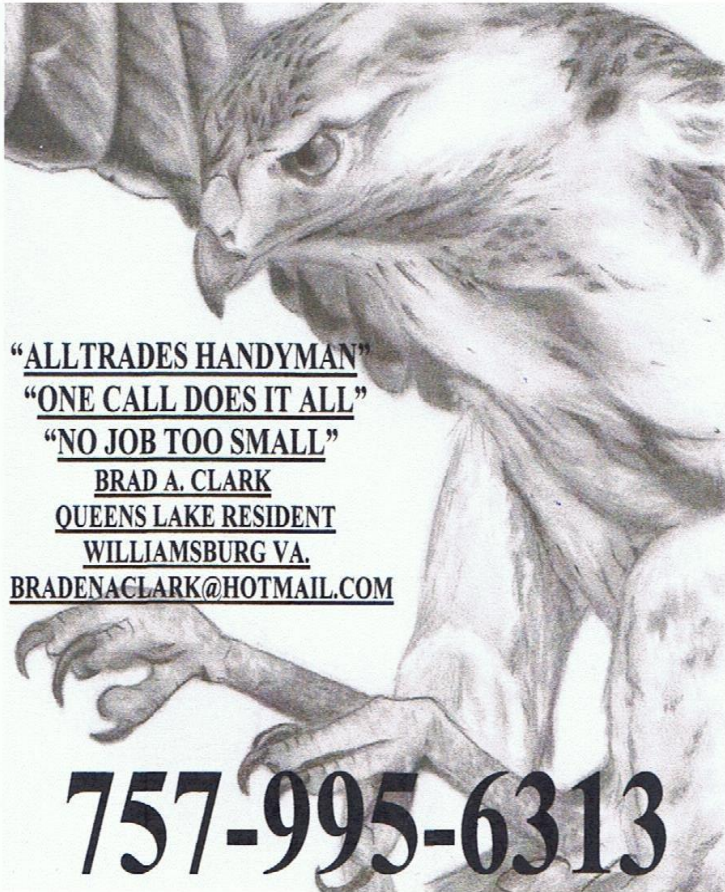
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Beautification

Submitted by Laura Nanartowich: Director

Thanks once again to the wonderful QLCA Beautification Committee volunteers for making the neighborhood sign beds look so festive for the holidays. Committee members also picked up debris and trimmed bushes after several periods of rough weather. The remaining stumps behind the clubhouse have been ground and the area has been re-planted with evergreens.

It's time to begin planning for spring cleaning. York County will pick up yard debris for \$25 from residents that use the garbage collection service. Call 890-3780 to arrange a pick-up.

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

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CLUBHOUSE

Submitted by Emily Edmonds: Director

The Clubhouse continues to bring in frequent rentals, with weekly rentals for Bridge and Yoga. Minor repairs were handled by member volunteers to replace light bulbs and security system batteries. Many thanks to all who keep the Clubhouse clean, well lit, and trimmed on the exterior.

The Committee continues to ask members for involvement with events, you can help with just one, every little bit helps! Also, a huge thank you to all the committee members who continue to volunteer countless hours and keep returning for more!

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

CHRISTMAS COOKIE EXCHANGE



MARINA WORK DAY

MARINA

Submitted by Chris Ferguson: Director

2017 slip fees are still being received. Slip renters were thanked via email for getting their payments in before or at the deadline of January 1, 2017. We notified those with outstanding balances that there is a \$25.00 per week late fee and that late notices will go out in February.

ALL MARINA FORMS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE QLCA WEBPAGE

Projects:

1. Boathouse silting. We have 3 bids from 3 different firms to conduct the bathymetric study we are considering. In order to reduce our costs, the marina committee will most likely play a pivotal part in preparing the JPA/permitting process.
2. Kayak/SUP racks. We will be inviting our self-propelled folks to a meeting in February to discuss improvements to the kayak facility.
3. Rebuilding the awning over the gas dock that collapsed after the last snowstorm. Actual construction will take place in the spring/early summer. Volunteers will be welcomed and appreciated.
4. 2nd Annual Marina Day Clean-up/ 2nd Annual Marina Day DTBD.
5. Improving/ replacing the pump-out station. There is government money available to help cover the costs.
6. York County has granted us permission to remove a diseased tree from the property. The job will be awarded to the lowest bidder. Fee to be discussed/ approved by the board.
7. Abandoned sailboat "OASIS". Taking ownership of this vessel and having to deal with its disposal might fall on the marina's hands.

Next Marina Committee meeting to be held in February.

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

Snow caused damage at the marina.



Membership

Suzanne Maggio: Director

The volunteers of the membership committee continue to welcome new neighbors and help to grow our community and membership. We are actively seeking additional members especially on the West side. Please reach out to me if interested. We have few committee meetings, a fun group and many hands make for light work. The committee will have its annual planning meeting the first part of February.

Due to the holidays and inclement weather, there has been a delay in filing the deeds and one delinquency in York County. This will be done in the next two weeks.

Many of the 30 and 50 year commemorative cups still need to be delivered to our tenured members. The committee will continue to make these deliveries. Many membership directories have not been picked up and are still available in the clubhouse, so please stop in to pick up yours.

Committee Members: Kate Helwig, Stacy Harris, Leah Duckworth, Gale Gutierrez and Lisa Legaspi

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Mya Fields phone # 347-601-6512

add: Kathy Devanny phone # 871-1014



HOLCOMB LAKE ACCESS VOLUNTEERS

Lake

Submitted by Lynn Maltinsky: Director

Lake Management: Clarke Aqua Management conducted mapping of Queens Lake and rake tests back in November. A new crop of curlyleaf pondweed was found in all parts of Queens Lake which sprouted from existing turions in the lake bed. This year's crop is not as dense as it was last year but will require another whole lake treatment. The cost of the treatment will be \$22,745.00.

The Virginia Dept. of Game and Inland Fisheries did a shock test of Queens Lake back in November. We will be receiving a full official written report on their findings. The game officials were amazed at the number of different species in Queens Lake as well as the total numbers of fish and the general health of the fish. They identified, bass, crappie, gizzard shad, red ear, blue gill, carp, shiners and eels.

Holcomb Boat Access: The project is about 90% complete with only path edging to be installed and another boat rack constructed.

Dam and Spillway: With the construction of the foot/sewer bridge the dam and spillway has received additional attention from the community. Many residents have called to report various problems such as erosion, broken shoulders, holes in the dam from old tree roots, etc. These problems have already been identified and reported to VDOT and York County but only a few had been addressed and work orders remain open on the rest. Bruce Keener has volunteered to be the point person for dam issues both maintenance and construction related so we have a single person to contact and be the go between with the contractor, York county, and VDOT. Bruce works in the construction industry with Corman Construction and with his knowledge and experience it should make communication easier and help us insure that the work is completed properly.

Boat Stickers: New and improved boat registration stickers are now available when you renew your membership.

Oil Slick: On December 23 & 24 a film of oil was detected in different areas of the lake. The oil film appeared to originate from around the construction barges so York County was called and water samples were taken by Reed and Associates. No harmful levels of petroleum were detected in any of the three water samples.

Committee Members: Rick Toth, Richard McCluney, Bruce Kenner, Ralph Wilson, John Hilburger, John Blommel, & Craig Marcuson. **Access Path Volunteers:** Gerry Mauer, Lynn Maltinsky, Anne Rose, Sue Roberts, & Jeff McKinney.

Maintenance/Playground

Submitted by Andy McNeil: Director

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SEAFOOD FEST



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