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NEWS

The official newsletter of Queens Lake Community Association

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August / September 2024

President's Message

This is the season to be grateful for our neighborhood pool. The perfect remedy during this heatwave. We have some other remedies coming up that require your attention, starting with the dam.

Members approved an agreement with York County last year to integrate repairs to the concrete spillway and earthen dam with the current County Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) for stormwater ravines. As part of the agreement, QLCA is obligated to convey a dam easement for necessary construction and ongoing maintenance at no additional cost to the County. Per Article VII of our bylaws, shareholders must approve any disposition of property (similar to the sewer/pedestrian bridge easement).

Also in the works is renovating our racquet courts. The Recreation Committee has obtained estimates to renovate both lower tennis courts and convert the upper court to multiple pickleball courts. Our courts are in poor condition and at the end of their useful life and additional capital funds to facilitate these improvements will also require shareholder approval.

A strategic planning presentation was given on June 15th, led by our Finance Director Tom Cho, and Treasurer Dick Quirin, to ensure sufficient capital reserves to address all our facility needs, including courts, clubhouse, pool, marina and lake within a long-term plan. This effort will be highlighted at our annual meeting in November.

Our facilities are foremost a benefit for QLCA members and guests. But they are also a selling feature, a quality-of-life amenity, and a long-term investment in our neighborhood. Your vote is needed to ensure we keep Queens Lake among the best places to live, retire or raise a family. A ballot initiative will be mailed to shareholders for a special meeting, Tuesday, August 13, 7:30pm at the clubhouse. (A copy of the ballot can be found inside.) Your vote, either in person, by proxy or delivered in advance to the office, is vital. If you're escaping the heatwave or leaving for vacation, don't forget to sign and drop off your ballot before you leave!

Doug Ellis

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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.

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Newsletter Layout & Design:

The next newsletter deadline is September 15, 2024.

Inquiries, articles and ads should be submitted to the QLCA office by email qlca@queenslake.net or newsletter@queenslake.net or by calling 757-229-0973

CALENDAR OF EVENTS & MEETINGS

August 13 - Board Meeting - 6:30pm - Clubhouse
 August 13 - Special Shareholder Meeting-7:30pm Clubhouse
 August 14 - Communications Meeting - 6:30pm - Clubhouse
 August 15 - Clubhouse Meeting - 7:30pm - Clubhouse
 August 21 - Community Affairs - 6:30pm
 August 21 - Ladies Night - 7-9pm - Clubhouse
 August 24 - Adult Pool Party - 7pm - Pool
 August 26 - Marina Meeting - 7pm - Clubhouse
 September 10 - Board Meeting - 7pm - Clubhouse
 September 17 - Membership Meeting - 7pm - Clubhouse
 September 18 - Community Affairs - 6:30pm
 September 19 - Clubhouse Meeting - 7:30pm - Clubhouse
 September 23 - Marina Meeting - 7pm - Clubhouse
 September 25 - Beautification: National CleanUp Day
 September 28 - Fall Breakfast - 10am - Clubhouse
 October 6 - New Member Social - 3pm - Clubhouse
 October 8 - Board Meeting - 7pm - Clubhouse
 October 15 - Membership Meeting - 7pm - Clubhouse
 October 16 - Community Affairs - 6:30pm
 October 16 - Communications Meeting - 6:30pm - Clubhouse
 October 17 - Clubhouse Meeting - 7:30pm - Clubhouse
 October 26 - Trunk or Treat - 5pm - Field
 October 28 - Marina Meeting - 7pm - Clubhouse
 November 02 - Arts & Crafts - 9am - Clubhouse
 November 09 - AutumnFest Smoke-Off - 1pm
 November 12 - Annual Meeting - 7pm - Clubhouse
 November 20 - Community Affairs - 6:30pm
 November 25 - Marina Meeting - 7pm - Clubhouse
 December 7 - Christmas Brunch - 11am-1pm - Clubhouse
 December 10 - Board Meeting - 7pm - Clubhouse
 December 15 - Cookie Exchange - 11am - Clubhouse
 December 15 - Caroling - All Day
 December 23 - Marina Meeting - 7pm - Clubhouse

SPECIAL SHAREHOLDER MEETING NOTICE

Saturday, August 13, 7:30pm, Queens Lake Clubhouse

All members in good standing are welcome.

The purpose of the meeting is to vote on two items:

1. Approving the easement to the dam and spillway needed for the upcoming York County stormwater and dam project.
2. Approving the appropriation of additional funding to accomplish the repair and improvement of the racquet courts.

Board Briefs

May 13, 2024

Motion to approve the April 9, 2023 Board Meeting

Minutes: Sean Askew made a motion to approve the minutes and Monty Fleck seconded. All approved and the motion passed.

Motion: BOD: Chris Schott made a motion to contract with the Paychex company to do Queens Lake payroll. Monty Fleck Seconded. All approved and the motion passed

Also, Chuck Hretz made a motion to contract with Allgood Financial to do Queens Lake bookkeeping and financial statements. Monty Fleck Seconded. All approved and the motion passed

May 13, 2024 (Continued)

Motion: Clubhouse: Chuck Hretz made a motion to accept the American Contract Bridge League special fee arrangement for multiple rentals of the clubhouse. Monty Fleck seconded. 8 Approved / 2 Opposed, and the motion passed.

Motion: Communications: Sean Askew made a motion to approve the updated bulk email procedure, with amendments, Chuck Hretz seconded, all approved and the motion passed.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE and BOARD OF DIRECTORS VACANCIES

Interested in serving on your community's Board or Nominating Committee? The Board is currently seeking members in good standing to serve on the Nominating Committee and seeking candidates to fill Board vacancies in November. Directors are elected for a two year term and expected to uphold the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of the Association <https://queenslake.net/documents/qlca/Bylaws.pdf>, attend monthly evening Board Meetings, and oversee a Standing Committee. Contact Cherrie in the office for questions or to serve on the nominating Committee, or submit your name for nomination.

Nominating Committee. At least two (2) months prior to the Annual Meeting, the Board of Directors shall appoint a Nominating Committee composed of at least three (3) Shareholders in Good Standing, none of whom shall be members of the Board. No Shareholder shall serve for more than two consecutive years on the Nominating Committee. The Committee shall nominate persons who are Members in Good Standing to serve as Directors in a number at least sufficient to fill the vacancies on the Board.

Members may also nominate members to run by submitting a written nomination signed by three Shareholders, including a bio on the part of the nominee expressing willingness to run, and be received in the office by October 1, to be included on the ballot.

Please contact the QLCA Office at 757-229-0973 or qlca@queenslake.net

**ATTENTION
PLEASE!**

Projected Traffic Delays during Phase 3 of the Colonial Parkway Rehabilitation Project

For more detailed information, please go to www.queenslake.net Community Affairs Page: Local Service Providers / York County / Colonial Parkway Rehabilitation Project.
Also the NPS Website: <https://www.nps.gov/colo/planyourvisit/colo-parkway-rehab.htm>

Marina

Submitted by Monty Fleck, Director

Dockmaster: Chris Kolloff **Committee Members:** Van Dobson, Jack Dooley, Bryan Edmonds, Monty Fleck, Kate Helwig, Craig Marcuson, Sam Rempfer, John Hilburger and Mike Turkovich.

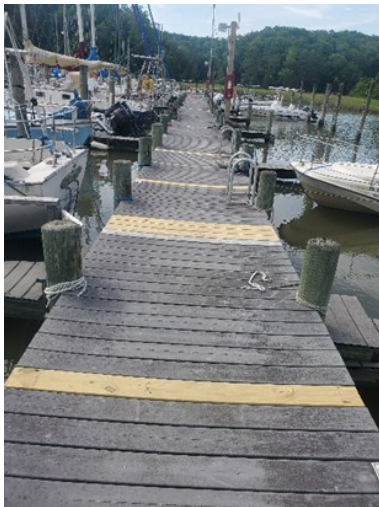
The goal of Marina Committee is to bring marina patrons and all Association members, a safe, clean, welcoming marina that can be enjoyed with family and friends! Enjoy the sunset sitting on our new rocking chairs on the fuel dock.

Committee meetings are held the 4th Monday of every month, 7PM in the clubhouse. As you can see above, we have a dynamic team. If you would like to join us, we'd love to have you!



Please view the Marina page on QLCA's website for up-to-date information including forms, rules, upcoming events and FAQ'S. The link is: <https://queenslake.net/marina> We currently have 7 available slips.

While the permit process is proving to be a lengthy one, we are still hoping to start work in early November on a new Bulkhead to replace our aging one. After that a new pier to the helo-pad (in front of the spillway) so we can rebuild slips we've lost over the years, from taking down the boathouse, and entertaining some boat lifts (funding to be co-opted with interested members). Also, a new bathroom and outdoor shower scored high on the recent Strategic Plan survey, so we hope to have funds left over to start planning that real soon.



During a recent work party at the marina we had over a dozen folks come out and help replace worn out decking and trim back the bushes surrounding the parking lot. Cyphers Plumbing fixed and/or replaced two of our three hose bibs.

Upcoming activities: Having Price Electric out to fix a couple of Pedestals that aren't working properly, volunteers putting new cedar shingles on the gazebo, and Labor Day Party in September.

Come out and enjoy the marina. Walk the docks, try your luck at fishing, launch a kayak or two, or just chat with the boaters.

Finance

Submitted by Tom Cho, Director

Committee members: Bob Evans, Lana Olson, Sean Askew, Chris Hager, Jack Dooley, Rob Loughman, Ted Lynch, Jorie Otterstein, Dick Quirin

No report from this committee for this edition.



The Queens Lake Eagles Swim Team

Please join us this summer to hang out with friends old and new, and share in the spirit of Queens Lake! From ages 4-18, swimmers will be grouped according to their ability, and advanced as they gain new skills. The emphasis of the QL Eagles swim team is to have fun while developing swimmers of all ages and abilities.



Coaching Staff

Head Coach Sandi Willard
Lead Assistant Coach Megan Davis
Assistant Coach Elena Evans Assistant Coach Jenny Schuster
Part-time Assistant Coaches:
Noah Fields, Christy Hutto, Sophia Rooks and RJ Willard

Important Dates

Please be advised that the family pool closes at 4:00 pm during home meets

Swim Meet Dates		Other Dates	
July 28 th	Summer Awards Meet" @ Kingswood	July 30 th	Champs Practice (July 30 th -August 3 rd)
August 4 th	VPSU Champs Meet @ WISC	August 4 th	VPSU Champs Meet
		August 5 th	QL Eagles Swim Banquet

Swim Team Coordinators

Felicia Brown-Anderson	qleagles.swim@gmail.com	757-254-8422
Mark Downey	qleagles.swim@gmail.com	757-570-2360
Nancy Jo Hubbard	qleagles.swim@gmail.com	757-784-0204

Please visit us at our new QL Eagles website and sign up for the team!
<https://qleagles.swimtopia.com>

The Queens Lake Eagles Swim Team 2024



Pool

Submitted by John Walters, Director

Committee members: Lana Olson, Robert Reining, Bob Gaschen, Jonathan Croly, Jason Malucci, Felicia Brown-Anderson, Mark Downey, Carl & Mary Clare Sabol, Ted Lynch, Caroline Broun

Mid-Summer 2024 Pool Report

Membership

Swim Team is precisely on target @119 paid swimmers

Pool has already passed our membership target @215 as of mid-July

Operations

Our primary work force is neighborhood 15-17yr olds. We feel there is a benefit in having local & responsible kids from the neighborhood (often as their first job). We have employed Cindy and Micaela Timberlake as supervisors this year, and they are overseen by the committee. Cindy is also teaching group lessons this year, which have been very well received by members.

Another Year of Zero downtime !

Chemical management, mechanical maintenance, supplies, lifeguard hiring/management, communication to members.... It all takes a lot of volunteer time.

Big Project Status:

Adult Pool

The 2023 resurfacing has held up well. This pool continues to be 'easy' to manage since it has lower usage and less sun load. We only use about ¼ of our power and chemical budget on this asset.

The decking concrete sinking/cracking needs to be addressed soon. Proposals are being gathered.

Family Pool

The very large water leak from 2023 was properly repaired in the off season, so chem and water management has been easier this year

Tile/Coping/Resurfacing will be needed in the next 3-5 years (normal and planned)

Bathhouse

Siding/Soffits/Flashing/Drip Edges are all in terrible shape and need to be replaced soon (Target prior to 2025 Season)

Entranceway/fence/upper area

This area needs to be revamped. We are searching for a Landscape Architect help us with a new vision. Can anyone in the community help?

Mechanical Stuff

Everything is working.... And also everything is in a constant process of decaying

VFD drives installed in the past couple years have saved us from at least 4 single-phasing events that regularly kill pump motors.

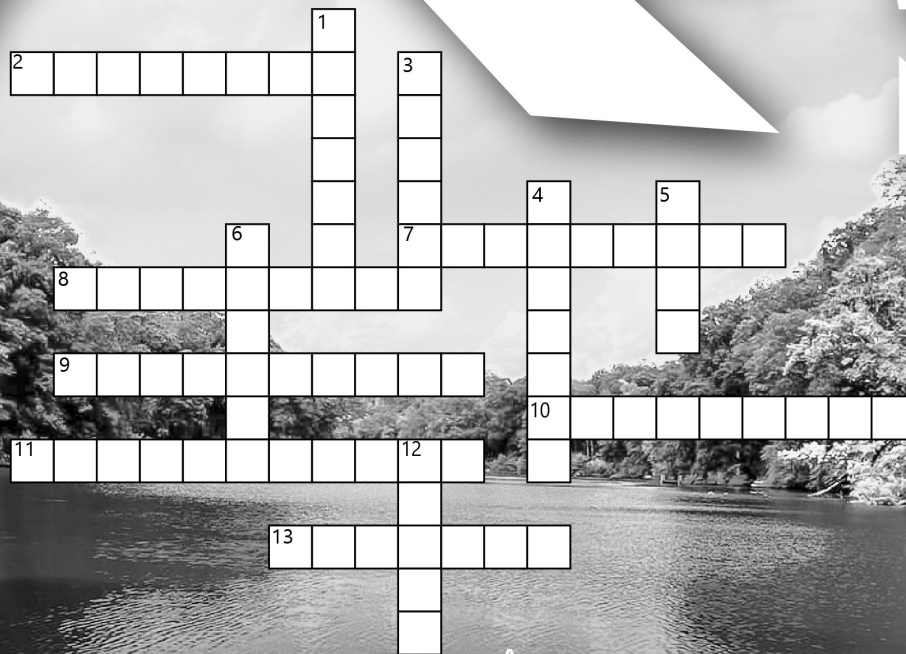
Costs of Volunteerism / Cost

We have a core group of volunteers that carry a heavy load.

If we want to continue enjoying a high-functioning facility without burning out this handful of volunteers, we will need to increase external services from professionals in the coming years.

At a minimum in 2025, we will need to hire a CPO for operations management, and find clever ways to manage other topics.

YOUR DREAMS DON'T HAVE TO BE JUST DREAMS. WHERE'S YOUR NEXT MOVE?



Clues

Down:

1. Enjoyed at the marina
3. In QL you are surrounded by...
4. Relaxing activity off bridge
5. Summer fun place
6. Racket court activity
12. Realtor who has lived in Queens Lake for over 20 years

Across:

2. Year QLC was incorporated, 19__
7. Most streets are named after
8. Swim team mascot- often seen here.
9. Best neighborhood in the 'burg!
10. People who you can count on here
11. Body of water that flows with the tide
13. Fun events at the clubhouse



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TRADITIONS

Lake

Submitted by Doug Ellis, Director

Committee Members: George Allison, Patty Bartneck, Russell Campbell, John Farley, Greg Hanson, Rob Miller, Kia and Greg Rippel, Sarah Robison and Chuck Timko

The Lake Committee reviewed proposals for lake management services and annual contract to monitor, inspect the lake and pond. The committee awarded an annual contract in July to Edgewater Services which conducted the first test earlier this month. A lab report is pending. York County Public Works staff and consultants presented stormwater plans, including individual property easements required, July 1 at the clubhouse. County Stormwater Chief, Joe Brogan and engineers answered property owner questions regarding easements and ravine stabilization.

The Committee is working with York Co District 1 Supervisor Doug Holroyd, to coordinate a formal request to Congressman Rob Wittman for federal funding assistance as part of the \$120M Colonial Parkway Rehabilitation Project. AH Engineering conducted a survey which was forwarded to the Congressman's office in support of this request which illustrates parkway stormwater runoff to the Lake. Mr. Holroyd is expected to introduce a resolution in August to support QLCA's initial request for assistance in collaboration with the County and State. Senator Danny Diggs and Delegate Chad Green have also spoken in support of our efforts. Congressman Wittman has been invited to address the community.

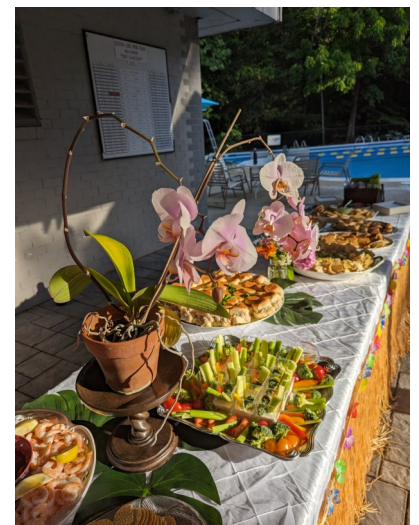


The Lake Committee conducted a watercraft inspection for 2024 Boat decals on June 3rd at all three access locations. Approximately forty personal watercrafts were delinquent; members with identifiable boat numbers will be notified. Boats in violation or abandoned will be auctioned after thirty days after notification. (Virginia law defines "abandoned watercraft" as a watercraft that is left unattended on private property for more than ten (10) days without the consent of the property's owner, regardless of whether it was brought onto the private property with the consent of the owner or person in control of the private property (§ 29.1-733.2). 2024 Boat decals are available at the office. Members can register canoe or kayaks on the website at https://queenslake.net/_documents/lake//Boat_Registration_Form.pdf and decals can be picked up at the office on Monday, Wednesday and Friday 12-3pm.



In response to neighbor complaints, "no parking" signs were installed by VDOT at both ends of the dam road to discourage cars parking on the shoulder. The Committee is also reviewing policies to discourage trespassing on the bridge.

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As stated in the President's Message, the following pages are copies of the two ballot initiatives requiring shareholder approval to be acted upon. The tally of these votes will take place at a special meeting being called on Tuesday, August 13th at 7:30 p.m. in the Clubhouse. A mailing containing these ballots will be sent to all households of QLCA members in good standing as required by the bylaws. Your vote, either in person at the meeting, by proxy, or delivered in advance to the office is vital. The response by a quorum of members is required for these votes to be decided and binding. Thank you for your consideration of this important matter.

QLCA Special Shareholder Meeting/Ballot

A special shareholder meeting will be held at the Queens Lake Clubhouse (234 E. Queens Drive, Williamsburg) on **AUGUST 13TH, 2024 at 7:30PM**. The purpose of this meeting is to conduct the QLCA business listed below in accordance with our corporate bylaws. A quorum of 33.3 % of current shareholders in good standing (137) is required, either in person or by written proxy (below). More detailed information is available online and will be presented during the special shareholder meeting. QLCA board directors will be open to answering your questions.

YOUR VOTE IS NEEDED TO OBTAIN A QUORUM. PLEASE RETURN YOUR BALLOT BY DROP OFF AT THE CLUBHOUSE BY 3PM OR SUBMIT AT THE SHAREHOLDER MEETING AUGUST 13, 2024.

1. APPROVAL OF DAM EASEMENTS FOR STORMWATER PROJECT

Purpose: Approve a permanent easement on each side of the dam road (Rte 716) to York County for construction and maintenance of the earthen dam and concrete spillway.

Details: Allowance of common easement for construction and maintenance is consistent with the 2023 Agreement executed with York County, as part of the Queens Lake Basin Stormwater Capital Improvement Project (CIP), which includes \$1.7M County funds, \$1M State, \$110,000 QLCA one-time payment, and \$20,000 yearly payments by QLCA to the county for maintenance for 20 years.

Our Memorandum of Agreement voted upon and approved in 2023 states, "Subject to QLCA membership approval, QLCA will convey, at no cost to the County, all easements upon property own or controlled by QLCA that are reasonably necessary for the County's obligations under this agreement, including, but not limited to, for construction and maintenance of the lake, spillway and dam system (the "Easements")." The permanent easements needed for the dam and spillway construction/maintenance have been identified by the County and can be found in Attachment 1.

More information about the 2023 Memorandum of Agreement and the Collaborative Project with the County can be found on the Queen's Lake website under Community Affairs tab > York County.

Vote 1: Should QLCA convey the permanent dam easement needed for the County, for obligations for construction/maintenance of the dam and spillway, as part of the voted upon and approved 2023 Agreement?

() Yes () No () Proxy (may be designated to another shareholder in good standing):

Shareholder name: _____ Address: _____

(OR)

Proxy name: _____ Address: _____

PLEASE RETURN YOUR BALLOT AT THE MEETING OR TO THE CLUBHOUSE BY 3PM, AUGUST 13TH.



2. REHABILITATION OF RACQUET COURTS

Purpose: To approve additional funds to restore (2) existing tennis courts and convert upper tennis court to (4) pickleball courts. The courts are in poor condition as a result of delamination and surface cracking and past their useful life. See Attachment 2 for visuals of current court condition.

Finances: The Recreation Committee solicited quotes to repave two tennis courts [#2, 3] and convert the upper tennis court [#1] to four pickleball courts. The bid of \$78,000 for all three courts realizes a \$10,000 savings from doing separately. NOTE: The 2023 QLCA member survey results, highlighted pickleball as first for household recreational activity most likely to do.

37,000 (current approved funds from capital reserve)

78,000 (estimate for restoration of courts 1, 2, 3)

-37,000 (current approved funds)

41,000 (needed funds for restoration)

Scope of Work:

- Court #1/single upper court – place new asphalt overlay; place acrylic resurface, place color concentrate, paint line, install pickle ball post, net and anchor (4 playing courts)
- Court #2 & #3/double middle court – Fill cracks (2,000 LF+), place acrylic resurface, place color concentrate, paint lines, install tennis post, net and anchor (2 playing courts).

More information for QLCA members about the racquet courts history, restoration, and project estimates can be found at: <https://www.queenslake.net/special/>

QLCA login: USERID: member / PASSWORD: junespecial

Vote 2: Current budget allocates \$37,000 for court repair. An additional \$41,000 authorization is needed from Shareholders. Should QLCA proceed with court racquet court restoration (Pickleball and Tennis) for Courts #1, #2 & #3?

() Yes () No () Proxy (may be designated to another shareholder in good standing):

Shareholder name: _____ Address: _____

(OR)

Proxy name: _____ Address: _____

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VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT



Volunteer Spotlight: Suzanne Maggio of the Membership Committee.

Suzanne has been Membership Director in the past and is a dedicated volunteer in our community. She helps with all facets of Queens Lake but especially with Membership as she cares deeply about building our community and keeping morale strong. I have asked her to help with brochures, banners, socials and membership housekeeping and she never fails to be there for us. We thank you Suzanne for always following through on any task you are asked of and especially for your bubbly laugh.

Julie Dooley, Membership Director

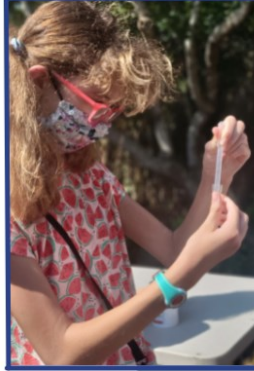

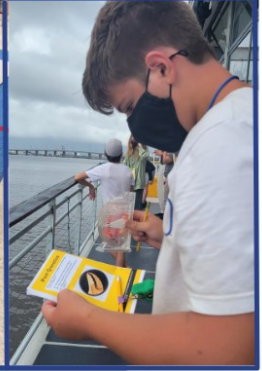


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Session IV – July 29 – Aug 11

Mon. –Thurs. // Makeup Days – Fri.

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Option for one week or two weeks

Fee: One week \$35 , Two weeks \$70 / swimmer

Openings available at 9:15 and 10 am sessions

Signup at Pool on Board behind Sign-in Table

Please indicate whether registration is for one or both weeks

Thank You

ADOPT A HIGHWAY VOLUNTEERS
For Cleaning Lakeshead Drive

August:

John and Lourdes Farley

September:

Sally Hewitt and Robert Reining

Margaret Stuppy - Picker-Upper-In-Chief

**PLEASE LOOK OUT FOR THESE
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Beautification

Submitted by Mike Turkovich, Director

Committee Members: Jean Lien, Susan Sims, Maggie Stuppy, Adrienne McKinney, Jennifer Shima, Emily Edmonds and Lourdes Farley, Michael Adams.

The heat is on, and hopefully everyone is surviving. The lawns and plants are all taking a beating, as well as our water bills. The summer season is a time to plan for the fall. This could include new plantings, cleaning up your property, and knocking out that to-do list.

Speaking of planning and cleaning up, the Beautification Committee, along with Queens Lake, will be participating in National CleanUp Day on Saturday, September 21, 2024. National CleanUp Day will bring together those who love the outdoors and nature to help clean up trails, parks, beaches, and other natural communal spaces. The observance encourages people to make an effort to reduce littering and to recycle so that the nature around us remains clean and free of garbage. Keep an eye out for event details and join your community and country in cleaning up the great outdoors.

Speaking of cleaning up your community and outdoors, did you know:

"A poorly manicured lawn can give a bad first impression to potential buyers. Good landscaping can make a huge difference in the value of your home; just make sure you don't get carried away. You don't have to spend excessively on premium landscaping. An appropriate yard facelift can happen for just a few hundred dollars and increase the value of your home by 5-10%.

Make sure your grass is neatly cut and green, replacing dead patches with sod from your local box store. You should also trim any trees and prune your shrubs. And, if needed, plant a few new shrubs to replace dead plants or fill in blank spaces. It's also vital that you pull up weeds, remove dead foliage, and put down a new layer of mulch. Every little bit helps.

Watch for updates and emails from your beautification committee over the next weeks for more details on these and upcoming events. The next Beautification meeting will be held August 27th at 7pm at the clubhouse. New members are always welcome to join.

Maintenance

Submitted by Chris Schott , Director

Committee Members: Blake Kolwalzky

No report from this committee for this edition.

Yoga



Thursdays 6:00-7:15pm, Clubhouse
along with a synchronous Zoom class.
(ID:89474663016, password:yoga)

Classes are \$10; first class free.
Contact Mary Joyner (mjyoga101@gmail.com)

Support Group



The Widow/Widower support Group meets
and discusses topics of interest, meets for
lunch, and participates in various outings.

New group members are welcome.
Call Sheila Myers at 757-220-0965.

Clubhouse

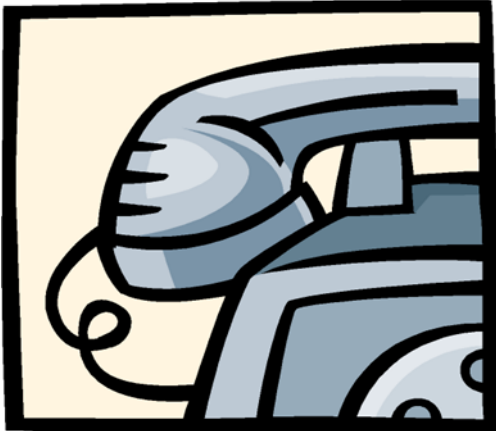
Submitted By : Chuck Hretz, Director

Committee members: Chairperson: Jorie Otterstein. Ann Brown-Hailey, Barb Timko, Bev Webb, Cherrie Begley, Chris Schott, David Dafashy, Emily Edmonds, Julie Dooley, Kevin Hall, Leslie Stacks, Melanie Houle, Tom Houle, Kym Hretz, Patricia McDermott, Sally Hewitt, Sarah Robison, Stephanie Moser, Susan Adams, Susan Maggio, Tom Cooper, Chris Cooper, Tom Coffey

As we enter the second half of this year, there are many events ready for the variety of folks. Please watch the Facebook page and emails. August events include Ladies night, a QLCA Pool Party. The fall community breakfast will happen in September. Please plan on attending one of these events and or join/attend one of the 2 recurring groups at the clubhouse in the Narrative Neighbors book club and the new Mom's of Queens Lake club. Please look these up on Facebook and join if you are interested in participating.

The clubhouse will continue the much needed facelift by painting the exterior and replacing the trellis at the front of the clubhouse. These items will complete the facelifts for the clubhouse and next year the tables should turn toward correcting a humidity issue that has been around for years.

As always, it is a great pleasure being your clubhouse director. Feel free to let me know how we can better support the community.



Calling all businesses in and around Queens Lake Community! We are in the process of creating a new Queens Lake Community Association Directory for 2025-2026. This directory is used by over 400 Queens Lake Members and will be distributed at the Annual Meeting in November. If you are interested or know of anyone who may be interested in advertising please contact Cherrie at the office M-W-F 12-3 (757-229-0973) or online at <https://queenslake.net/membership/QLCA>

Communication

Submitted by Sean Askew, Director

Committee Members: Cherrie Begley, Derek Bramble, Jack Dooley, Leah Duckworth, Robert Gaschen, Kate Helwig, Sally Hewitt, Kym Hretz, Jean Lien, Suzanne Maggio, TJ McGuire, Lana Olson, Julie Dooley, Jennifer Shima

In the ever-evolving landscape of digital communication, finding effective tools to streamline and improve QLCA outreach and engagement efforts with members is difficult and crucial to success. As director of the Communications committee, I asked Jack Dooley to lead the effort of finding a tool for QLCA to use. While we are still in our pilot, the successful implementation of Constant Contact for QLCA marks a significant advancement in our communication capabilities, thanks largely to the outstanding efforts of Jack. There are other folks involved with Constant Contact and developing emails, but Jack has shouldered most of the load.

His desire to help and his strategic vision were instrumental in tailoring the platform to meet our specific needs ensuring a seamless integration process. Jack's dedication is evident as he continues to create the emails you see each week all while having responsibilities on other committees at the same time. He developed our templates, trained our team to utilize the system effectively and created a communications request form to formalize the process.

His enthusiasm and positive attitude inspired confidence in the new system and, as a result, QLCA's communication with members has greatly improved, enhancing our engagement and outreach efforts.

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to Jack for his above and beyond contributions. Thank you, Jack, for your unwavering commitment and for making a lasting impact on our community.

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Queens Lake Day

Submitted by Chuck Hretz

Oh my goodness, what a great day this QLD was. We should start calling it Queens Lake Day week!

We started on Sunday before QLD with an Olympic themed scavenger hunt and ended on QLD evening with a Greek food feast.

There were so many things in between.

We should acknowledge the magnitude to put on a long community day that celebrates all of our diverse neighborhood. This year every director and committee contributed to our fantastic party.

There were over 50 people that assisted in accomplishing this feat. Many behind the scenes. A neighborhood coming together to celebrate each other is not a common occurrence. AND BOY DID WE NAIL THIS THING!

Gold medals, pool party, sponsors, volunteers, face tattoos, cornhole, music, dunk tank, field games, morning run, teen parties, trivia night, fishing tournament, scavenger hunt, self opportunities.....the days/weeks were endless, hosted by neighbors and committee directors and members that make our community the best!

Making memories for our QL family! That is what it is all about. Thank you for making memories for the participants and volunteers!

Some of the fun being had by all during Queens Lake Day 2024





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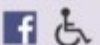
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General Recreation

Submitted by Bruce Keener, Director

Committee Members: Beverly Webb, Burt James, Carlos Tricoche, John Harding, T. J. McGuire, Linda Waldron, Peter Schweitzer, Lana Olson, Denise Fleck

The Recreation Committee thanks all the attendees at the special meeting held this June for a discussion on the Tennis Courts condition and options to renovate the courts back to good playing condition.

The tennis courts have been a challenge for the past three to four years for the Recreation Committee. This year, we conducted an extensive Request for Proposals to determine options for restoring the courts. Seven different tennis court contractors visited our courts and offered their recommendations. All of our visitors found our courts in poor condition and beyond its lifespan. Their recommendations ranged from a complete rebuild (\$350,000) to a simple resurface (\$60,000) with no warranty. Costs have risen sharply post-Covid and added to the challenge.

The middle double courts (Courts 2 & 3) are original courts built in the 1960's. The upper single court (Court 1) and lower single court (Court 4) were built in the 1970's. However, records indicate the construction for the single courts were plagued with poor contractors and quality. The lower single court (Court 4) has suffered structural failure and settled more than 8-inches in one corner and therefore not financially repairable now. Court 1 has developed some uneven settling and has severe cracking in its surface, adding cost to its restoration. Court 2 and 3 are still level but the asphalt subbase is deteriorating due to age. Full replacement will be needed in the future as noted in the five-year reserve study.

The Recreation Committee has received bids from 4 contractors and thoughtfully reviewed their recommendations and costs. As well as restoring the racquet courts to good playing condition, the Recreation Committee would like to expand Pickleball access in Queens Lake. In both options, Court 1 would be restored and dedicated to Pickleball play with 4 courts available.

The Recreation Committee, with input from the BOD and Finance Committee, recommends the following proposal:

Restore Court 1 with another asphalt layer, new playing surface and add Pickleball color, posts and nets for 4 courts and resurface Courts 2 & 3 for tennis in a combined project this year. The projected cost is \$77,989
The current 2024 budget allowed \$ 37,000 for court restoration and conversion to Pickleball this year. An additional \$ 40,989 is needed to restore and resurface all three courts plus bring Pickleball to Queens Lake this year.

By combining repairs for all three courts this year, shareholders could realize a savings of \$ 10,841 in overall expense from spreading the project over two years. The additional funding for this option will be put to a vote of the membership of Queens Lake in an upcoming ballot question. The Recreation Committee asks you to vote YES on the upcoming ballot..



Pictures showing significant delamination of the surface of Courts 2 and 3 which will be addressed in the proposed repairs

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Northern Cardinals VA's State Bird LOVES safflower and sunflower seeds and nesting in thick shrubs & hedges. Want Cardinals? Don't clear cut your yard! Fun Fact: Male Cardinals LOVE to feed other birds including female cardinals, their young and sometimes even other bird's young! What a Dad!



Eastern Bluebirds Abundant in QL. Drawn to feeders w/meal worms, suet & "no-shell" seeds. Very Likely to use Nesting Boxes Think of these iconic insect eating birds and choose to limit use of pesticides in your yard. As bugs go, so do bluebirds! Fun Fact: Bluebirds may nest up to three times from late February to August!



Woodpeckers QL is home to all prevalent woodpeckers of VA including: Downy, Hairy, Red-Bellied, Flickers, Sapsuckers, Pileated & Red-Headed Woodpeckers. All eat Suet & Nuts. All benefit from the presence of both healthy & decaying trees for nesting cavities and food sources!



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Membership

Submitted by Julie Dooley, Director

Committee Members: Rebecca Cho, Emily Edmonds, Deb Ellis, Stacy Harris, Melanie Houle, Suzanne Maggio, Denise Fleck and Kym Hretz

Homes are selling within days in Queens Lake! We are seeing a generation of families eager to be in this community and I often ask myself why. If I go back to when my husband Jack and I were looking for a home, I will have to say that it was a feeling we had while driving through the neighborhood. Loving the fact that each home was different from the other, rounding the corner to the tennis courts, clubhouse and pool and then landing on the marina and lake view. We were sold.

Currently we have 417 homes in Membership. Since January we have had 15 new members join QLCA. Many of these new members have joined membership because they want to be a part of our community as well as for the enjoyment of our amenities. If you see any new neighbors, please welcome them to the neighborhood. We will eventually make our rounds to welcome each and every household.

Amenities and what they promote for a community; it's a feature of a property that makes it more valuable to potential buyers. Amenities enhance physical and mental well-being, promote community, support work-life balance and offer convenience. Our amenities also contribute to the uniqueness and identity of Queens Lake. It takes members to maintain these amenities and QLCA thanks everyone for their continued support.

Our Hawaiian Luau, Membership Social was a huge success this year. It took place poolside on Sat. June 1st on a beautiful evening with approximately 150 members in attendance. We had delicious food, a charcuterie table, photo booth, fun activities and live acoustic music by our member Michael Fagan. Thank you goes out to the Membership Committee and others for making this event something we look forward to each year.

Has any information changed in your household since the last 2023-2024 Directory was distributed? If your name, phone number or email address has changed please let the office know. The office is located at the Clubhouse or you can call Cherrie at 757-229-0973.

Welcome New Members

Ryan and Sarah Carey
108 Will Scarlet Lane

Ian and Beverly Roberts
316 Nottingham Road

Joseph and Amanda VanRooyan
273 Princess Place

Christopher Mayer and Clair Stevens
110 Saxon Road

Ezra and Samantha Rodrigues
104 Holcomb Drive

Fabio and Kristen Racco
100 Holloway Drive

Robert Wilkinson
109 Sheriffs Place

Duane and Maria Gibbs/Berrocal
319 Nottingham Road

Linda and Richard Freilich
124 Will Scarlet Lane

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Community Affairs

Submitted By : Sarah Robison, Director

Committee Members: Patty Bartneck, Leah Duckworth, Lourdes Farley, Dana DeJager, Patrick Garman, Melissa Seek
Special Projects Volunteers:

Trex Plastic Film Recycling-Chris Cooper, Lourdes Farley, Todd Bruner, Paul and Becca Marcus
Utility / Roadway Liaison-Patty Bartneck, Leah Duckworth, Skip Ferebee, Sarah Robison, Melissa Seek
Widow/ers Support Group Coordinator-Sheila Meyers
Woodland Education- Cynthia Abbott

Two neighborhood items of note:

1. The Trex Plastic Film Recycling will return in August. So far, Queens Lake has completed 2 plastic film challenges recycling 1,920 lbs of plastic film in 18 months. This also earned us our 2 new Trex benches located in the kid's park. More information about Trex Plastic Film Recycling can be found on the Community Affairs tab on the QL website. The recycle team wants to recognize and thank Paul and Becca Marcus for their recycling efforts over the last 2 challenges. We wish them well on their move to California! To continue our recycling efforts, which are volunteer based, the recycle team is looking for new volunteers to join the team. Reach out if interested.

2. Neighborhood solicitation has been a topic of interest lately. Without solicitor's permit from the Sheriff, solicitation is prohibited in York County. If you want to lessen the solicitation at your residence you can post a "No Solicitation" sign or sticker. This notification applies to any solicitor, permitted or not. You can find "No Solicitation" signs or stickers like the one shown below at most hardware stores or online.



Volunteer Spotlight: I want to give a special shout out to Lourdes Farley from Community Affairs. Lourdes works diligently to promote the betterment of the neighborhood through acts of kindness. She collaborates with the Beautification committee to ensure our Lakeshead Bulletin Board area is always decorated for seasonal enjoyment. She routinely provides county updates to inform folks of local happenings. Most recently, when asked to support the flag raising ceremony during QL Days, Lourdes and her husband went above and beyond by purchasing a new flag for QL to replace our old one, effectively demonstrating the pride we have in our neighborhood and country. Having neighbors like Lourdes, who gift us with acts of kindness and service is what makes Queens Lake a special place to live. Thank you for being you, Lourdes.

Thank you to all stepping forward in a variety of ways to protect and progress our QL community.

With gratitude,
Sarah Robison, Community Affairs Director, communityaffairs@queenslake.net

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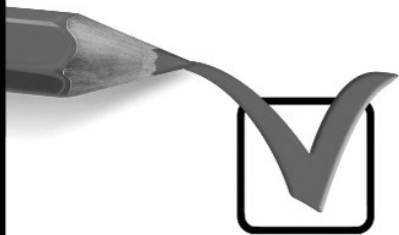
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