

TLIA NEWSLETTER

JULY 2019

TOWER LAKES IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION



4th of July Edition

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Parking for the July 4th Festivities

The **TLIA Grounds Committee** requests that everyone please, pay special attention to parking regulations around the Fourth of July activities. The goal is to not cause garden/lawn damage to our open lands or neighbor's land when parking cars along street edges. Watch and obey any signs for **No Parking**. Please be, courteous around islands.

Also, please be aware of the TLIA rule that dogs are not allowed on the islands, even on the Fourth of July. The islands and beach are dog-free zones all year and Rest Island is an area where food is prepared and served during the holiday.

We are collecting **PRIZES** for the annual Bingo games played during the TL 4th of July celebration.



Please, drop off gift cards, new (preferred) or gently used games, toys, dollar store items or collectibles to:

the Bolger House 651 Leon Drive

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4th of July "Prize Swap Bingo"

July 3rd Prize Swap Family Bingo & Pot-Luck Dinner!

5:30 - 6:30 pm: Potluck dinner & youth activities hosted by **five BELOW**

6:30 - 8:00 pm: 

Entry fee for Bingo? A gently used or new toy for prizes

\$1.00 & \$5.00 bingo cards available

All players get a chance to be part of the prize swap, and \$5.00 card winners pick from a special prize box provided by **five below**.

POT LUCK! Bring a dish to share. BYOB drinks for kids & adults.

No 4th TENTS WILL BE OPEN DURING THIS EVENT.

*\$5.00 card prizes and youth activity stations sponsored by **five BELOW** in Lake Zurich

TLIA YOUTH COMMITTEE

FROM THIS PERCH

★ BY STEVE BURGOON, TLIA



Over the past few months the TLIA Board has emptied our rented storage unit in Wauconda to save some money for the Association. We have divided the files by function/committee so that we can look back in history to learn from the past. There are some incredible gems – **Maps from the 1930's and 40's; Lake Committee reports – binders of them; Member Services and Tennis reports;**

budgets – all kinds of great stuff.

One of the documents I found from back around 1980 was a letter to the Association explaining the difference between the Tower Lakes Improvement Association (TLIA) programs and services and Village of Tower Lakes (VOTL) responsibilities. This is an age old subject that requires continual reminder.

Until 1966 all services and programs in the community were budgeted and conducted by TLIA. In 1966 the VOTL was established to carry out all municipal activities typically carried out by villages – Building and Zoning, Police, Public Safety, Roads, Stormwater Management. These services are carried out by the VOTL Board and staff and funded by taxes (Village, State, etc.) and fees (road stickers, etc.).

TLIA is the oldest and largest of the three Homeowners Associations (HOAs) within the VOTL limits. The HOA side is where the FUN happens. Since 1966 TLIA has been responsible for maintaining the TLIA Community property -- lakes and grounds -- and all the fun activities – Beach, Boating, Events, Tennis, Youth. TLIA is governed by a 9-person Board and supported by all the committees that run the community activities mentioned previously. TLIA property maintenance and activities are supported by annual dues and activity fees. Non-TLIA members within the VOTL can enjoy the TLIA properties and activities in the Association by becoming a member of the Recreational Family Pass Program (RFPP.) This program is offered annually via a letter and application sent to VOTL residents early in the calendar year.

So, there you have it. VOTL takes care of municipal requirements and TLIA takes care of parks, lakes, and activities for TLIA members. Further details on both organizations are available on the websites: VOTL: <http://www.towerlakes-il.gov/> and TLIA <http://tlia.org>. Additionally, details on VOTL and TLIA are included in the printed version of the Tower Lakes Directory. Lastly, all new members of VOTL are presented a large file of helpful information when Mary Beth Adams, the Welcoming Committee, visits each homeowner shortly after they move into the community. If you are confused on any community programs or responsibilities, you can contact the VOTL or TLIA presidents via any one of the sources mentioned above.

See you all around the lakes and parks this summer...

4th of July Lake Report

submitted by Mitch Coulter and Rich Bahr

Let's begin with saying that the Association has a lot of volunteers working hard to get the lakes and surrounding areas in shape for July 3-7 and beyond!

As of the 3rd week of June, the lake has been treated for all the algae growth seen on the lake at that time. The bloom we saw mid-June was not out of the ordinary based on the rains and nutrients washed into the lake by the rain. Our contractor has made a very "thorough" treatment of the main lake and he estimates the lake to be 90% clear at the surface. He will follow up on the big lake early in the last week of June as he is well aware of the high visibility of our lake during the July 4th week and will be doing his job to keep the lake looking good for the festival.

Algae blooms can really happen at any time, but the contractor has been very responsive to the Lake Committee's concerns. 4-5 days after treatment, we should see the algae fall below the surface.

A few other notes:

Electricity should be installed on the bridge, weather permitting, by the 24th, in which case we should be ready to install the water mover shortly thereafter.

The Gander Disbanders have been deployed at the beach rafts and south end of play island.

Silt Removal is under way again – USAV arrived on site Monday, June 3 and after six days of challenging set-up, they began pumping on June 9. They were slightly delayed in getting here due to the weather and scheduling conflicts so with 40 8-hour pump days contracted, the project will likely run thru the July 4th holidays. There are many days when they can pump from 8am-8pm.

They are only dredging the area by the dam and should not interfere with lake access for most residents. Any sediment disturbed will also quickly flow over the dam and not affect the rest of the lake. Their hoses are mostly on the lake bottom along South Hills. Please, avoid all work areas as much as possible. We expect to fill 2 100' x 30' bags at the permitted Kelsey Woods site in this phase. This will be about 500 dry cubic yards when fully dewatered. This is equivalent to 5,000 wet suspended cubic yards of volume out of the lake.

As of this writing the USAV crew has more than a quarter of the area done and the first bag half full. Questions or concerns on the project – Call Rich Bahr 847-471-7525.

(for map of Phase IV Dredge Area and photos, see p. 10)

NEXT MEETING: Monday, July 8

TLIA BOARD

**7:00 PM
VILLAGE HALL**

July 4th Parade - Registration 8:15-8:45 am at Village Hall

Step Off @ 9:00 am

Categories: Patriotic or General



Adult Team
Float
Single Child
Youth Team

Bike
Multi Child
Single Family

Car
Multi family
Stroller

Dog
Powered Vehicle
Wagon

**Wagner Park Raingarden and Wetland Restoration
Opening Celebration – July 4th 2:15pm**



Please join us to officially open the garden and learn more about the positive impacts raingardens are having on our community

TL Youth Got Talent

Saturday July 6, 4:00– 5:00 pm

Rest Island Stage

Stage, microphones, stands, and audience all provided.

You provide yourself, and anything else to showcase your talent!

Spots are limited, so sign up right away!

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[Click here for more info & sign up by July 1](#)

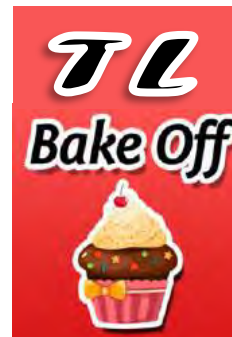
Saturday, July 6

Check-in promptly at 10:00am with **TL Celebrity Judge, Carol Mackey**

on Rest Island

Any type of baked good can be entered.

***Please be sure to note if your entry contains nuts.**



Desserts will be judged on:
 taste
 originality/creativity
 appearance/presentation

Winner receives a 2019 Tower Lakes apron!

Questions: send an email to

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TL Adult Volleyball Tournament Sign-up

Sunday, July 7 at 1:00 pm

Sign up your team of at least 6 players.
 Individuals can contact team captains to join teams
 with less than six players.
 Two women must be playing for each team at all times.
 Sign up quickly!

Only 10 team entries in the tournament

Entry: **BYOB & a dish to share, ie, app, side or dessert**
 Tennis Committee will provide hot dog & brats

Sign Up Here!

Questions: contact Mark Shircel
mshircel@sbcglobal.net



Tennis and Pickleball Tournaments

Wrap up the holiday festivities with a
 friendly game of tennis or pickle!

*Entry: Bring a dish to share ie. app, side or dessert
 and your own beverage





Tennis Committee will provide hot dogs & brats

TLIA TENNIS COMMITTEE

Sunday, July 7
 3:00- 5:00 pm



Reminders for a Safe and Happy Summer in Tower Lakes

-  Bring your **TLIA tags** when you or a guest come to the beach and are fishing from shore.
-  Please note there is **NO FISHING** on any TLIA islands or bridges!
-  Listen to the **Lifeguards**. They are there to ensure your safety, but ...
-  Please keep an eye on your children at **ALL TIMES!**

Thanks, as always, for your cooperation!

TLIA BEACH

4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION SCHEDULE



WEDNESDAY, JULY 3

10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Set-up: Tents, tables, chairs, electrical

Rest Island

THURSDAY, JULY 4

9:00 am - 9:30 am

Parade

Village Hall to Rest Island

10:00:00 am

Tents Open

Rest Island

10:00 am - 7:00 pm

-Tickets, Clothing, Food, Grill Open

Rest Island

10:00 am - 11:00 pm

-Snacks, Bar open

Rest Island

7:00 pm - 11:00 pm

-Bar Ticket Sales

Rest Island

9:45 am - 10:00 am

Flag Raising & Speeches

Rest Island

10:15 am - 11:00 am

*Animal Show - *Animal Quest*

Rest Island

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

Sand Castle Contest/Judging 12:30 to 1:00

Beach

1:30 pm - 3:00 pm

Bingo

Rest Island

2:15 pm

Wagner Pk. Raingarden Dedication

East Boat Landing Parking Lot

3:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Tug-o-War

Beach

3:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Kayak/Canoe Races

Play Island/Lake

4:30 pm - 5:30 pm

Band - *Pancake Boy & Miss Shapen*

Rest Island Stage

7:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Band - *The Guys*

Rest Island Stage

FRIDAY, JULY 5

11:00 am

Tents open

Rest Island

11:00 am - 4:00 pm

-Tickets, Clothing, Food, Grill, Bar Open

Rest Island

Noon - 3:00 pm

Backyard games (bags, water pong, etc)

Rest Island

1:00 pm - 1:30 pm

Donut Eating Contest

Rest Island

7:00 pm

Adult Social - *Latin Dance Lessons & DJ*

Beach

SATURDAY, JULY 6

8:00 am - 10:00 am

Fishing Derby

Rest Island

9:30 am - 11:00 am

Pony Rides & Face Painting

Soccer Field

10:00 am

TL Bake Off

Rest Island

11:00 am

Tents Open

Rest Island

11:00 am - 5:30 pm

- Grill Open

Rest Island

11:00 am - 7:00 pm

- Tickets, Clothing Open

Rest Island

11:00 am - 11:00 pm

- Snacks, Bar Open

Rest Island

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

- Pizza Ticket Sales

Rest Island

7:00 pm - 11:00 pm

- Bar Ticket Sales

Rest Island

11:00 am - Noon

Basketball Shootout

Murray Park

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Bingo

Rest Island

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Home Run Derby

Soccer Field

4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

TL Youth Got Talent

Rest Island Stage

5:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Billy Bricks Wood Fire Pizza (individual pizzas for sale)

By Bridge to Rest Island

7:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Band - *Second Time Around*

Rest Island Stage

SUNDAY, JULY 7

10:00 am

Tents open

Rest Island

10:00 am - Noon

-Tickets, Food, Clothing, Bar Open

Rest Island

10:00 am - Noon

Pancake Breakfast

Rest Island

11:00 - Noon

TL World Cup Soccer

Soccer Field

Noon - 3:00 pm

Tent Take Down

Rest Island

1:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Volleyball

Volleyball Courts

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Tennis Tournament & Pickleball

Tennis Courts

"Because there's no better place to be than Tower Lakes for the 4th of July!"

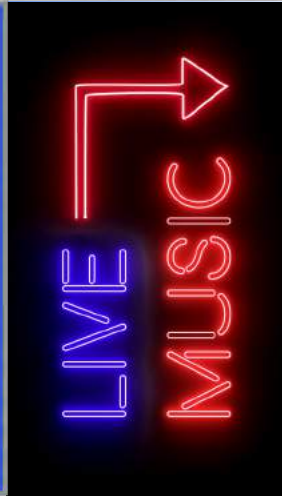
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JULY 4
PANCAKE BOY & MISS SHAPEN
4:30 - 5:30 PM
REST ISLAND STAGE



JULY 4
THE GUYS
7:00 - 10:00 PM
REST ISLAND STAGE



JULY 5
ADULT SOCIAL
7:00 PM
LATIN DANCE LESSONS & DJ JULIO SERRANO
BEACH



JULY 6
SECOND TIME AROUND
7:00 - 10:00 PM
REST ISLAND STAGE



Saturday Night Pizza! July 6 5:30 - 9:00 pm

Handmade wood-fired pizza

by TL's own Pizzaiolo (aka pizza maker) Giovanni Labbate!

Director of Operations for Bricks Wood Fired Pizza Cafe based out of Northwest Suburbs, Italian Chef, and current member of the US Pizza Team, Giovanni was also a participant with the 2017 pizzaovens.com team breaking the 2017 Guinness World Record for the longest pizza made!

A 10 inch pizza with your choice of toppings: only \$13.

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ANIMALQUEST

Education through entertainment

**SPOSED BY
IBJI ORTHOACCESS**

**THURSDAY, JULY 4 10:15-11:00 AM
ON REST ISLAND**

Steve & Jessica Reedy started Animal Quest in September 2011 with about 15 small animals (mostly reptiles). Just over 6 years later, they had grown to over 120 animals of various sizes.



The Quest: animal kingdom. The animal world is far more expansive than can be expressed in words... and even knowing as much as they do about them, there's still more to know yet, with species undiscovered and mysteries unsolved. They seek to share the amazing nature of some of our planet's creatures the best way they know how: through live animals, knowledge, enthusiasm, and laughter.



Come see and pet a variety of animals, including a hedgehog, ferret, snake, tortoise, lizard and bunny.

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Just a Head's Up!

This year, in addition to using tickets at the Food Tents, specialty **TICKETS** will be used for **ALL ALCOHOL SALES** and the Saturday Night Pizza Truck.

Cash & credit cards* accepted for purchasing tickets and TL merchandise.



No personal checks accepted. *\$2 service fee on credit card purchases

APPROVED MEETING MINUTES

April 2019

TLIA BOARD

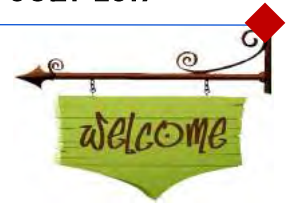
Committee Reports

1. Financial Committee Report (attached) Fran Steffen and Tom Kuna
 - a. Expenses – copies of the April 2019 Financials are attached to the meeting minutes
- i. Audit & Tax Return Update - The timeframe for the audit to begin on Monday, May 20, 2019.
- ii. Auditors have been given access to QuickBooks and estimated 27 hours of work to be done
 - b. Revenue
- i. Last month's April Board meeting we had \$30,287 still outstanding (Dues were due on March 31, 2019).
- ii. As of the May Board meeting, we were down to \$18,787 still outstanding, \$5505 of which is committed to TLIA via payment plans. No contact or response to any communication from 10 property owners.
- iii. Collection efforts will continue.
2. Beach – No Report Mary Magro/Andy Milne
3. Communications Mary Kay Bolger
 - a. Jan Bahr published, and Caroline Milne sent out the TLIA monthly newsletter electronically on 5/1/19; Randy posted it on the website on 5/1/19; Jan sent it to the printers, and it should have been mailed out around 5/1. The balance of the printed newsletters should be in the Village Hall.
 - b. Caroline Milne sent out 11 email blasts - 5 for Youth, 4 for Events, 2 for Grounds
 - c. Caroline Milne also had posters printed for the Family Campout Event
 - d. Invoices and checks have been forwarded to the correct parties for payment/receipts.
 - e. CC meeting on 4/16 where numerous items were discussed - postings on the TLIA sign boards; TLIA We had a CC app; making sure all committee chairpersons are communicating any events that need to be added to the website calendar to both Kristi Nash and the Communications Committee.
 - f. Kathy Pattengale has agreed to help lead the advertisement role to offset the cost of the committee.
4. Events Julie Losinski
 - a. Report on the May 4 Progressive Tapas very successful with ~80 attendees
 - b. Update on 4th of July events/schedule – meeting 5/14 to finalize schedule; Adult social is Friday, 7/5
5. Grounds General John Yancey
 - a. Spring Cleanup a success
- i. Zupansic Park clearing started; South Hills residents are taking responsibility to continue improvement
- ii. trees removed from channel
- iii. General cleanup of islands and boat landings
- iv. Suggestions for next cleanup in Fall: Use signup genius prior to event to get more accurate info on number of people to link to specific projects Fall date not determined yet. Project for Fall will be path rehab to islands.
- v. Bats Park. Getting an estimate for grading, adding topsoil and seeding the area at the volleyball court parking lot where the village road work was completed, and new drains installed. Spoke with the Village and they said to send them the bill.
- vi. Suggestion for follow up projects for makeup days communicated through eblasts throughout the year
 - b. Parks
 - i. and to be delivered to volleyball court in late May along with beach same day.
 - ii. mulch delivered and spread to all parks as needed. Weed control will be done monthly as needed by Lazaro Garcia and crew
 - iii. Barsumian Park wall repair bids will be presented at this meeting. Also bids for rehab of patio and benches will be presented by Mary Beth Adams and Gordon Iverson
 - iv. 2 bids considered for the walls and bids received for the patio area
 - v. John Yancey proposed a Motion to approve spending up to \$8000 for the first phase of updating the Barsumian Park hardscaping to replace the walls. Second by Mike Mitchell. Ayes 7, Nays 0

[Click here to read the the complete minutes](#)

Jeff Kernohan & Cathy Eckel 120 South Hills Drive

Jeff and Cathy have moved to their lake home here from Hinsdale. Jeff does consulting work in the field of security risk management to provide training for counter terrorism and for sports entertainment venues. Cathy is a financial manager for IT at a Tadeka pharmaceutical company. Mike is a huge fan of all types of music, rides motorcycles and longboards. They both love international travel, kayaking, gardening and spending time with family and their two dogs. They are anxious to meet their neighbors and to volunteer in our community.

**Mike & Sarah Meyer 25421 N. Barsumian**

The Meyer family moved here recently from Grayslake, but are originally from the area. Mike grew up in Lake Zurich and Sarah is from Inverness. Sarah is a senior pricing analyst at Essendant in Deerfield. Mike is a software engineer for Impact Networking in Mettawa. Their five-year-old daughter, Quinn will be starting kindergarten at North Barrington in the fall. Three-year-old daughter, Amelia will attend Atonement Preschool. The family loves to ski in Colorado, be outside with family and friends, listen to live music, and play the guitar. They cannot wait for our July 4th celebration here in town!

Water Slides and an Ice Cream Truck!

What better way to spend a Summer Day?!



August 17

3:00 PM

Soccer Field

Bring sunscreen, towel & cash for ice cream!

TLIA YOUTH COMMITTEE

TLIA SUMMER SOCCER SUNDAY

Starting Sunday, June 30

Meet 10:30 am at ...

the Soccer Field.

Bring cleats, shin guards &
a light and dark colored jersey.

Hope to see you on the field!

Questions?

Contact Steve Burgoon

president@tlia.org

TLIA



We thank outgoing Board Members
Vice Chair Mary Kate Harazin
& Brooke Rowley
for their consistent effort and
dedicated years of service to the Foundation.



We also would also like to announce the results of
our recent election for Board officers:

Chair: Kathleen Leitner

Vice Chair: Bob Glowaki

Secretary: Jan Bahr

With thanks to the previous Chair:

Missy Sandberg

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2019 Tennis Schedule and information

Please note: Tennis Courts are reserved for the following activities
June - September

Activity	Contact person	Activity	Contact person
•Adult Tennis Lessons Friday 7:30 am - 11:30 am Saturday 8:00 am - 10:30 am	Pat Covek	•Ladies RR Tennis Monday 5:30pm - dusk	Jeannie Mitchell
•Youth Lessons Monday - Thursday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm	Bridget Lacson	• Adult Mixed Doubles Friday 5:30 pm-dusk	Pat Covek
•Mens RR Tennis Sunday mornings 9:00 am - noon Wednesday evenings 5:00 pm - dusk	Jack Johnson	● PICKLE BALL Tuesday/Thursday 5:30 pm - dusk Saturday 5:30 - dusk	Dave Derita

See info in this newsletter for on details of 4th of July Tennis and Pickle-ball mixed Round Robin

Inquiries can be sent to:

Patricia Covek,
Tennis Chairman tennis@tlia.org

SEE 2019 RULES
& REGS RECENTLY
POSTED AT THE
COURTS!

TLIA TENNIS COMMITTEE

Kindergarten Playdate for those kids enrolled in 2019-2020 school year!

Come meet new friends who are also starting Kindergarten in the fall!

Sunday August 18- Aram Park (West Side) - 11:00 am

- Snacks will be provided
- Questions: youth@tlia.org
-

Register
HERE! (for name tags)

TLIA YOUTH COMMITTEE



continued from p.2 Lake Report



Phase IV Dredge area near dam



Permitted silt bag site near Kelsey Woods



Thanks to the Kildare Family for once again bringing Holi to Tower Lakes!
P.S. Nice job on the weather!



Tower Lakes Holi Celebration 2019



Photos by Jessica Washington, Pati Schaefer, Jen Gray, Surbhi Kildare & the Cheslers.



To see all photos: [CLICK HERE](#)





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