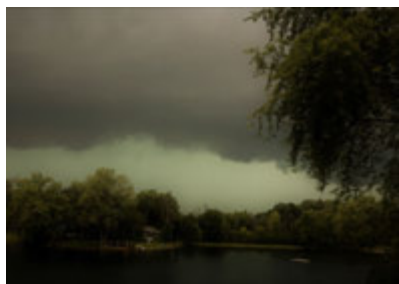
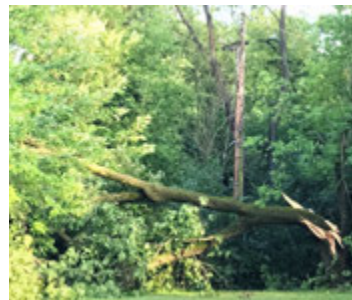




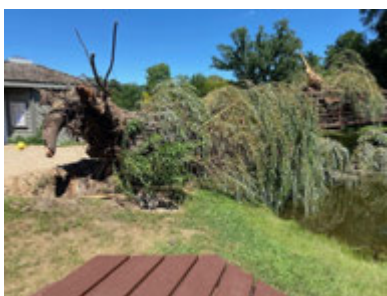
DERECHO DOWNS TREES: PUTS POWER OUT



On Monday, August 11 just before 4:00 pm, the black clouds rolled in and incredibly strong winds blew in. The meteorological term is a Derecho, which is the Spanish word for straight, and that's what they indeed were: severe, damaging winds blowing straight across near the ground at 60-70mph. They were so severe that they knocked down several trees here on the East Side, North Lake and one of our last beloved willows on Play Island, and took out power to more than 88 homes. Most fortunately, no injuries were reported and there was little property damage.



Tower Lakes' Village Board Trustee, Chrissie Mena, very quickly reached out to let residents know that she was in contact with Com Ed and working, on our behalf, to get power restored asap. In typical Tower Lakes fashion, once residents understood that there was a problem,



many reached out to those in need of assistance. Through our Yahoo TL Neighbors group, folks offered their homes for remote work sites, charging stations, use of refrigerator and freezer space, and generators. Once Trustee Mena saw that, she put out an eblast offering to help consolidate resources by gathering information from all those who had items to offer, i.e. generators, large coolers, electric car chargers and other portable power sources and then dispersed that list to the community through another eblast.

Many of us feared long days of power loss with hot, sleepless nights, like we saw with the Derecho of 2008. Fortunately, with a little Trustee assistance, power was restored in less than 48 hours to both the East Side and North Lake despite projections on the Com Ed website that it might be much longer.

We are fortunate to live in a small community where neighbors helping neighbors is truly a way of life. Which is why we are proud to call Tower Lakes, our home.

photo credit: Steve & Chris Burgoon

The TLIA Board needs your help in filling the following positions open for election at the Annual Meeting in January 2021.

- **President**
- **Treasurer**
- **Recording Secretary**
- **Two (2) Members-at-Large**

If you are interested in any of these positions, or have questions pertaining to their duties and requirements, please contact Mary Beth Adams, adams277@comcast.net

no later than October 15, 2020.



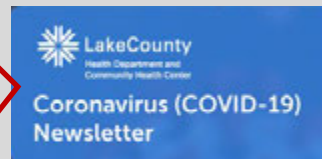
Thank you for your consideration,
The Volunteer TLIA Nominations Committee



NOTE FROM THE EDITOR: PLEASE KNOW THAT DUE TO THE COVID-19 VIRUS ALL TLIA SPONSORED ACTIVITIES ARE CANCELLED FOR SEPTEMBER. CONTINUE TO CHECK YOUR EMAIL AND WWW.TLIA.ORG FOR UPDATES.

SIGN UP TO RECEIVE UPDATES FROM LAKE COUNTY HEALTH DEPT. AND TO FIND A LIST OF NEARBY FREE TESTING SITES.

SEE PP. 4 & 5 OF NEWSLETTER FOR MORE INFO ON COVID-19 IN TOWER LAKES.





FROM THIS PERCH 
by Steve Burgoon, TLIA President

Friends, we have been through three seasons already – winter, spring and summer. Now we are into election season, and this year’s election season is hot and heavy. By the time you read this article, you will have had the chance to watch the virtual Democratic and Republican National

Conventions. For me, it was so strange to see candidates and supporting speeches from homes and empty convention halls without all the signs, hooting and hollering. Please exercise your right to shape our future across all levels of government by voting at the booths in early November or by mail.

With regard to the Tower Lakes Improvement Association, our election process also began this month. We have nine (9) Board members, each with two-year terms as follows: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Financial Secretary and Recording Secretary and four (4) Members-at-Large. While we have elections every year, we alternate the slates each year for board continuity. At the January 2021 Annual Meeting the current terms expire for these positions -- President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer and two Members-at-Large. The Nominations Committee, under the guidance of Chairperson Mary Beth Adams, has been formed and has conducted its first meeting. The team will present a slate of candidates to the Board at our October meeting with “Meet the Candidates” introductions published in the November and December Newsletters. Official ballots and other annual Meeting materials are mailed to TLIA members in December. Ballots may be mailed back to the committee or voted in person at the Annual Meeting in mid-January.

If you are interested in running for any of these offices, please contact Mary Beth Adams.

See you around the neighborhood #tliallinthistogether

Progress continues to be made on Dues Collection for 2020. Everyone on the Finance Committee is looking forward to getting the remaining homeowners’ names off the Collections report that is reviewed monthly. Those who are still unpaid will be named in future Newsletters.

The TLIA Collections Report outstanding balance as of August 15, 2020 is \$11,830.

The breakdown of this \$11,830 is:

- * \$3,113 is for several years of dues and legal fees from one property that we are taking legal actions against to collect.



- * \$8,643 is outstanding from 11 homeowners who have yet to pay their dues and still owe the community including an additional \$1100 in late fees.

- * \$75 is monies due from property transfer document prep fees.

For those homeowners still unpaid, please, reach out to the TLIA Financial Secretary at dues@tlia.org to discuss payment options.



TLIA Board Meeting
via ZOOM
Monday, September 14, 2020
at 7:00 pm

To request a link ...  



“Michael, Row the Boat Ashore...” 

Once again, it is time for all canoes, triremes, kayaks, dories, boats & catamarans to be removed from TLIA landings.

BOATS MUST BE REMOVED BY THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1 WITH NO EXCEPTIONS!

On Saturday, October 3rd a dedicated team of professionals will arrive to remove any boats left on landings for disposal. Leftover boats will be sold, proceeds of which will go to the Member Services Annual Cotillion and Dance Marathon slated for the colder months. Unclaimed boats with holes will be scrapped according to EPA guidelines.

Questions about the boat removal process may be directed to our toll-free number or memberservices@tlia.org.

**APPROVED MEETING MINUTES
JULY 2020**



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to read full minutes

Call to Order

Steve Burgoon called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.
Approve Meeting Minutes for June: Motion to approve: Mitch Coulter
Second: Mike Mitchell
Ayes: 8 Nays: 0

President's Report

Steve Burgoon

Beach and Trespassing update: Communications between Lake Committee, Chief Sinacore, with assistance of Rick Steffen allows police to go on our grounds to enforce Trespassing violations and if needed the police can issue a warning. If there is a repeat violation, a citation will be issued as required.

At the beach, the Lake County sample taker was at the beach and a dog was there and bit her. Fortunately, the dog did not break the skin so there was no consequence, however, efforts will be made to identify the dog owner.

Committee Reports

1. Financial Committee Report

Tom Kuna and Melissa Covek

a. Expenses:

- i. Copies of the June 2020 Financials comparing budget to actuals for income and expenses are attached for your review. Many categories of income and expenses, particularly Committees, are considerably under budget due to the limited activities in TL due to the pandemic. Although we still have ongoing expenses for beach, grounds, lake, insurance, etc. that continue to be incurred but are currently under budget. The good news is Dues Income as of June 30, 2020 is almost exactly the amount we in as of June 30, 2019.
- ii. Cash Balances for the three TLIA accounts are attached.
- iii. All three bank accounts have been reconciled.

b. Revenue:

- i. We currently have 35 unpaid invoices totaling almost \$25,000.
- ii. Started contacting those who are delinquent, and some have said they would pay this week.
- iii. Need a finance committee decision on how to handle the delinquent accounts.
- iv. Have started legal action against one property who is 3 year in arrears.

2. Beach

Mary Magro

- a. Security lights and cameras were installed at the beach and will be adjusted as necessary
- b. Piers will be installed (when?)
- c. Tags are being checked

3. Communications

Mary Kay Bolger

- a. Jan Bahr published and sent out the TLIA monthly newsletter electronically and Rob Dunbar posted it on the website around 7/01/20; MK Bolger printed out 7 copies and dropped them off at some homes that do not have access to computers. If anyone requests copies of them, we are asking that they contact MK Bolger directly for a hard copy of the newsletter
- b. Caroline Milne and Jan Bahr sent out 25 email blasts - 5 for Communications, 2 for the Board, 4 for Youth, 1 for Grounds, 5 for Beach, 2 for Tennis and 6 for Events.
- c. Everyone please fill out the Google form for future requests of the Communications Committee
- d. MK Bolger updated Andy's List which is posted on the app and the website. She was able to go back to 2015 with some recommendations; the team is still in the process of updating the iContact list which provides the emails for eblasts. Please note many email addresses of non-members and members not in good standing will be unsubscribed to save money and protect our privacy.

To read the entire July Minutes CLICK on the link at top of page
(Remember, you need a password to access the Members Only side of tlia.org website.)

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CORONAVIRUS CASES IN TOWER LAKES...TIME TO ACT!

It was inevitable, but certainly unwanted, that we incurred a spike in positive COVID-19 cases. With an active and engaged community, we incurred a rash of positive COVID-19 cases. Our Beach Committee reported the first positive case to Lake County Health Department (LCHD) on August 4 and immediately began to collaborate and coordinate with the Village of Tower Lakes (VOTL) leadership and LCHD personnel on actions and communication. Please see the following from the LCHD Summary memo to TLIA President, Steve Burgoon, received on August 21.

“The Lake County Health Department collaborated with the Tower Lakes Improvement Association to conduct case investigations and contact tracing. Sixteen cases of COVID-19 were identified among Tower Lakes’ residents, no deaths reported. Of those who experienced COVID-19 symptoms, the onset of symptoms ranged from end of July to beginning of August. Cases were linked to the informal children’s swim team activities and to the volleyball activities in Tower Lakes. Both events were discontinued on July 30 and July 31, 2020, respectively, and the beach was closed for investigation on August 8, 2020. Findings of the investigation concluded that most children and some adults did not wear masks and had difficulty maintaining social distance during both activities. Some cases attended other events outside of the community while infectious. Additional contact tracing was conducted for exposures that occurred at a park district adult softball league, at a restaurant, and on a children’s baseball league. Through the Health Department’s contact tracing efforts, approximately 120 individuals of various households were identified as close contacts. The Lake County Health Department spoke to 90% of those identified providing public health guidance regarding quarantine, appropriate testing, and answering questions. Recommendations for Tower Lakes Community:

- Tower Lakes elected to close the beach August 8 and will remain closed for the remainder of summer due to a lack of lifeguard staff.
- Individuals with COVID-19 are advised to isolate at home for 10 days from the onset of their symptoms, or if having no symptoms, to isolate at least 10 days from their test date.
- Individuals with COVID-19 are to care for themselves at home and may discontinue isolation under the following conditions: 10 days have passed since symptoms first appeared AND Symptoms improved AND for the last 3 days (72 hours) there is an absence of fever (without the use of fever reducing medication such as Tylenol, ibuprofen)
- Close contacts to confirmed cases are recommended to get tested 5–7 days after the last day of exposure to a case and quarantine for 14 days from the last day of exposure to the case.
- Informal recreational activities run by community residents should follow public health guidance for sports and for schools, including, but not limited to social distancing, masking, temperature checks, symptom screenings, asking about close contact with people diagnosed with COVID-19 and excluding people that say they have had close contact, and exclusion of anyone with symptoms from participation.
- Tower Lakes was recommended to continue to notify the community about cases in Tower Lakes and encourage COVID-19 prevention with the following:
 - o **WEAR A MASK in public and where social distancing is not possible.**
 - o **CLEAN hands often with soap and warm water for at least 20 seconds**, disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces, and avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
 - o **COVER your cough and sneeze with a tissue**, then throw the tissue in the trash.
 - o **CONTAIN germs by staying home if you are sick**, except for medical care, and avoid close contact with people who are sick.
 - o **Get the flu vaccine!**
- It is recommended that Tower Lakes continue to communicate with residents, emphasizing masking and social distancing, even within smaller gatherings of friends and family at home, and seeking medical evaluation and COVID-19 testing if anyone develops symptoms, if they are not severe. Anyone who has been in close contact with someone who tested positive should get tested for COVID-19 and even quarantine for 14 days from the date of contact.”

The good news is that the families with positive cases did a fantastic job of very quickly contacting those whom they thought they might have been in close contact. Those actions were instrumental in limiting the spread to only 16 positive, which remained stable from our first report from LCHD on August 13 to the final report on August 21. The point is that NO NATIONAL, STATE, or LOCAL GOVERNMENT IS GOING TO HELP US AS MUCH AS WE CAN HELP OURSELVES!!!

ACTIONS TAKEN

- As a reminder, to slow the spread of the virus, the Board published the following actions on August 7:
- We closed the Beach at 2 PM on Saturday, August 8. **There are no Lifeguards on duty; Swim at your own risk**
 - TLIA Events Committee Summer Concert Series was postponed.
 - TLIA Youth Committee Back to School Bash and Kindergarten Meet Up were cancelled.
 - Activities at the TENNIS and VOLLEYBALL COURTS will be monitored for number of players and social distancing. If participants are not in compliance, the courts will be closed.
 - National, State, and County guidance are not laws and we cannot enforce the guidance. TLIA is a private association and cannot legally mandate actions that can slow the virus. We can only establish fines for violating Association rules, which is unrealistic to manage and enforce.

Therefore, we need to do this the old fashioned way; DO THE RIGHT THING, if not for yourselves, then do it for you friends and neighbors.

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Until further notice:

When on TLIA property we ask you to follow the LCHD guidance quoted in the summary memo to TLIA from Lake County Health Department especially **WEAR A MASK ON ALL TLIA PROPERTY.**

Fishing only on TLIA shorefront, not on homeowner shorefront

YES = on the water, from Boat landings, Rest Island, Toy Island, Murray Park, etc.

NO = Bridges, Shoreline in front of any homeowner property, or Play Island (the Beach)

When out exercising, it may be difficult with a mask but either deal with it ...

...or carry it with you and use common sense below

~Switch sides of the street if you approach someone on the same side

~If you need to cough do it into your sleeve and away from anyone

~If you approach someone from behind pass them with over 6' of distance

~If in a group event, maintain 6' distance and mask up when observing

Bring disinfecting wipes with you and use before and after if you access these facilities

Playground equipment

Porta Potty

Water Fountains

WATCH OUR TLIA MESSAGE BOARDS FOR TIPS AND REMINDERS



Katie Brandt and Tim Valicka 412 Oxford Road

Katie and Tim moved here from Palatine. Katie grew up in Tower Lakes on the west side as part of the Landa Family. As a child, Tim had lived in Country Club Estates. Katie is a Speech and Language Pathologist at Kirk School in Palatine. Tim works as a golf course Assistant Superintendent. Lukas is 9 years old and entering third grade at North Barrington School. He enjoys playing video games, biking, swimming, and is learning to fish. Look for the family on your walks and tell them about the best fishing spots in Tower Lakes!

Jack and Maria Milik 273 W. Lake Shore Drive

Jack and Maria lived in Lake Barrington and then moved to Lake Barrington Shores. They have been looking for the perfect lake home and finally found it in Tower Lakes. Jack is in IT security and technology. Maria is a special needs advocate and an interior design consultant for commercial businesses. They have two sons attending Barrington High School. Leo is 17 and a senior pursuing his Eagle Scout badge. He also loves horseback riding, swimming and boating. Joey is 14 and starting his freshman year. He is very knowledgeable about technology. The family will be renovating the home and moving in soon. Stop and say hello to the Miliks and their dog, Rosie!

John and Karen Terhesh 104 E. Lake Shore Drive

In this lovely weather, John and Karen have moved into their beautiful home on East Lake Shore Drive overlooking the lake. They have lived in many places, most recently Cleveland. Karen is an accountant and John is a director for a nursery growing trees and shrubs. Both are very active all year round. They are part of the Chicago Curling Club in Northbrook in winter and hike and backpack the rest of the year. Their most exciting trip was backpacking Isle Royale in Northern Michigan on Lake Superior. Ask them about their adventures when you see them!



WANTED: We are currently looking for another Communications Committee member: full or part time! If you are in high school or graduated awhile ago, have decent writing skills and are looking for a little something to do to help out in the community, this may be for you. Periodically, we need someone to write up an article, based on a current need or may be a human interest article...again on a month to month basis. Feel free to contact Communications with any questions...We look forward to hearing from you!

communications@tlia.org

A FEW REMINDERS: **Andy's List** is a Google doc filled with recommendations that TL resident, Andy Milne started about 10 years ago. It contains numerous vendors/suppliers/contractors, etc. that are all TLIA members used and approved.

Push Notifications: The TL Directory app also offers "Urgent Alerts." In the past this has focused on Beach closings and Mosquito Applications but can be used for any pressing info that needs to be dispersed to our members.

iContact List: The Communications Committee is also in the process of cleaning up our iContact list. This is the email data base that contains all the email addresses that receive our eblasts, including the Newsletter. To save on administrative costs and to protect our members' privacy, we will be removing those email addresses of people that are not Members in Good Standing. So ,make sure you pay your TLIA dues so you can always know what's happening in your neighborhood!

Fishing Derby



Winners!!

There are some excellent fishermen in TL! Congrats to the winners:
Largemouth Bass: Jack Van Black - 21.5"
Bluegill/Sunfish: Leo Koszulinski - 10.5"
Catfish: Gabe Galovich - 13.5"
Crappie: Bryan Galovich - 13.5"
Northern Pike: Bryan Galovich - 31"



Thanks to all who submitted entries for the TL Youth Committee Summer Fishing Derby! The TLYC will reach out soon to coordinate getting your prizes delivered.

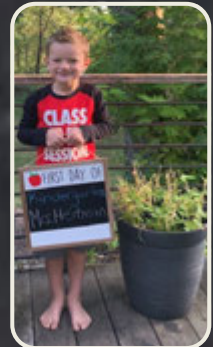
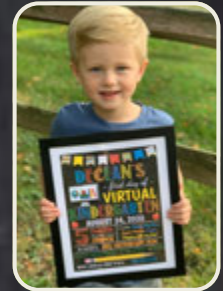
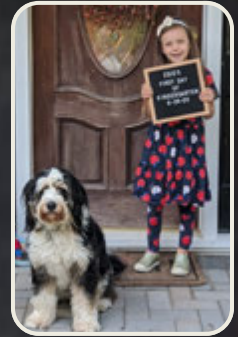
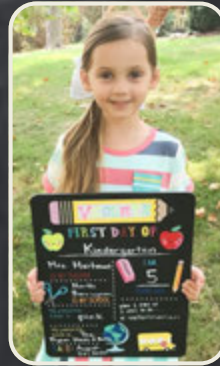


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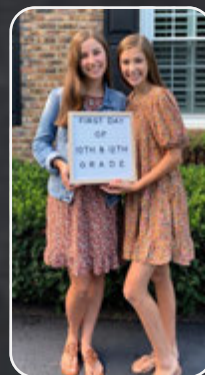


Congrats to all Tower Lakes kids starting
A NEW SCHOOL YEAR!

We hope you have a wonderful year.
Good luck to all!! --Your TL Youth
Committee



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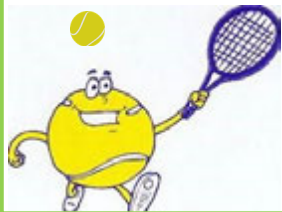


Tennis and Pickle Ball Round Robin Tournament

All ages, levels and genders are encouraged to join in.

Monday, September 7 @ 1:00 pm (NO Rain Date)

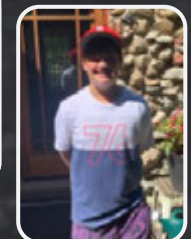
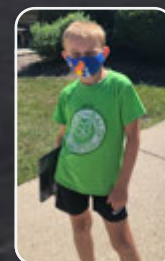
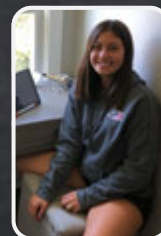
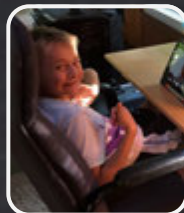
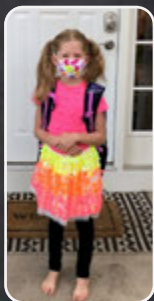
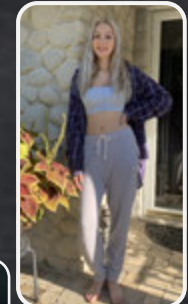
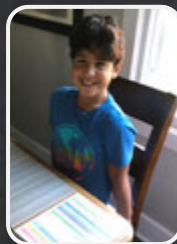
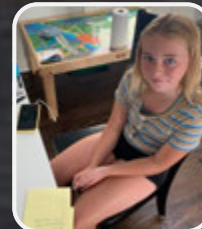
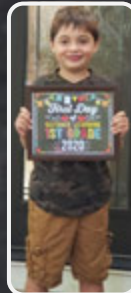
- New Tennis Balls will be provided for each game
- All refreshments will be single serve wrapped snacks and drinks.*
- We will adhere to the State of Illinois Social Distancing Guidelines.
- Everyone will stay six feet apart when not on the courts, waiting to play, and of course will stay at least that distance while on the courts.
- We will have antibacterial hand soap and wipes for use.
- No need to sign up - just come out!



*We will NOT be grilling any food and there will NOT be any requests for people to bring any food.

TLIA Tennis Committee

Congrats to MORE Tower Lakes kids starting A NEW SCHOOL YEAR!



Contact Youth@tlia.org for a link to all 1st day photos

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