



December 11, 2023

## **Annual Meeting of Lakeridge West Community Association Saturday, January 20, 2024, 1 to 3 pm**

**Location: Old Bride Civic Center  
1 Old Bridge Plaza (Route 516)**

Dear Neighbors,

Please find time to join us at our annual meeting; your presence is important as we design the organization's strategic plans and need your input. The Board of Trustees is working diligently to ensure a smooth operation and best use of the community facility.

The agenda of the annual meeting includes:

- A Look Back at 2023
- Financial review and presentation of 2024 budget
- A discussion and vote on plans for repairs at the facility.
- Election of New Trustees

Enclosed with this mailing is a nomination form for residents interested in serving on the LWCA Board of Trustees. Currently, there are two positions up for election; trustees Teresa Rafferty and Tim Honig are running to retain their board seats. If you wish to be nominated, please submit the nomination form with one signature per household and send it to the address on our letterhead or email it to [pool@lakeridgewest.org](mailto:pool@lakeridgewest.org) by January 14, 2024.

This Board has been actively seeking your input into its decision-making and providing transparency for homeowners. We have made multiple calls for volunteers for committees, single events, and season long projects. No contribution is too small, this organization is run by homeowners who are all volunteers, and we want and need more of you to help divide the work and make the organization successful. If you have time and talents to share, please thoughtfully consider doing so and reach out to us at [pool@lakeridgewest.org](mailto:pool@lakeridgewest.org).

**THIS LETTER ALSO SERVES AS YOUR OFFICIAL NOTICE OF THE 2024 ANNUAL ASSESSMENT, WHICH WILL REMAIN AT \$650.**

The **Annual Assessment** directly supports the maintenance and activities of our **Community-Owned Lakeridge West Swim and Racquet Club**. This assessment provides the only funding for

the operation of our facility - our major expense is pool management. Additional expenses include monthly charges for lighting, other utilities, liability insurance, facility & ground maintenance, and minor repairs. Your prompt payment of 2024 dues will enable the Association to continue our operation and continue to address long-term facility issues.

For your convenience, the Board of Trustees is offering multiple options for paying your Annual Assessment:

1. By credit card through Member Splash, our management information system. The Username for your Member Splash Account is your house number and street i.e., 39Cymbeline (no space). Select pay by **credit card** in the full amount.
2. By check; log into your Member Splash account (username is your house number and street, i.e. 39Cymbeline (no space). Select pay by **check**, print out the invoice, and send it, along with your check, for \$650 to LWCA, PO Box 395, Old Bridge, NJ 08857.
3. By check in two installments, the first in the amount of \$325 due on March 1, and the second in the amount of \$325 due on April 1. If you choose this option, log into your Member Splash account (username is your house number and street, i.e. 39 Cymbeline (no space), select pay by **check**, print out the invoice and indicate whether this is your first or second installment. Send this, along with your check, to LWCA, PO Box 395, Old Bridge, NJ 08857.
4. By Zelle in one or two installments [treasurer@lakeridgewest.org](mailto:treasurer@lakeridgewest.org) please include your name (first and last) and address (number and street name) in the memo field.

In accordance with the bylaws, failure to pay the assessment in full by April 1, 2024 will result in a \$50 late charge. In accordance with the Rules and Regulations (view [www.lakeridgewest.org](http://www.lakeridgewest.org)) the Board may impose other penalties to resolve delinquent accounts. We anticipate your cooperation and support, accounts not paid in full by the start of the swim season will result in denied access to the pool.

With the credit card, zelle, or check option, residents who pay in full by April 1 will receive 20 daily guest passes for either children or adult use throughout the summer (no more than ten guest passes per household may be used on any given day). Guest passes will be added to your Member Splash account and honored at the pool check-in station for use throughout the summer.

Additional guest passes can be purchased online through Member Splash or at the gate for \$5 per day; homeowners who still have the previous blue books or yellow punch cards can also receive credits for those passes.

With guest passes included in your Assessment, children and adults not residing in the resident's household will be required to use paid daily guest passes. Homeowners should check their Member Splash accounts to assure the accuracy of immediate family members who live at your residence (all others will use guest passes). On your Account page in Member Splash, in the section "Members" click on the "ADD MEMBER" button to add/delete the residents of your household. Provide name, member type, date of birth (this is necessary to assure that unaccompanied children meet the minimum age requirement), email and phone.

Please confirm that all email addresses in Member Splash are current if you wish to receive notices of activities, events, our monthly newsletter, and other items of importance.

**If you are a new resident in Lakeridge West**, instructions for creating a Member Splash account may be found at: <https://lakeridgewest.org/forms-%26-publications>. Please open the pdf document "Member Splash New Account set-up". You may also contact the Board at [pool@lakeridgewest.org](mailto:pool@lakeridgewest.org) for assistance. The system requires each residence to create an account using a specific format username and to select a password of your choice.

Many good wishes to you and your family this holiday season. If you have any questions about this letter or any other concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us [pool@lakeridgewest.org](mailto:pool@lakeridgewest.org).

Sincerely,  
LWCA Board of Trustees

Karen Paton, President  
Teresa Rafferty, Vice President  
Tim Honig, Recording Secretary  
Caralyn Stevenson, Treasurer  
Steve Bonavita, Trustee, Grounds and Facilities  
Terence Monaghan, Trustee, Grounds and Facilities  
Brenda Rollings, Trustee, Activities  
Sal Parascandola, Trustee-at-Large  
Gina Talamo, Trustee/Grounds & Facilities

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[www.facebook.com/groups/lakeridgewest](https://www.facebook.com/groups/lakeridgewest)  
Questions? Email [pool@lakeridgewest.org](mailto:pool@lakeridgewest.org)

Enclosures  
2024 nomination form  
2023 Annual Meeting Minutes (reverse side)

LWCA 2023 Annual Meeting  
Held January 28, 2023 1-3  
At the Good Shepard Church

- Assessment Vote
  - Members entered and were asked to cast their vote on the assessment for 2023. Vote results were announced at the end of the meeting, this vote was short of quorum.
- Board Member Vote & Installation
  - The following members were installed as trustees to a 3 year term. They were the only candidates
    - Steve Bonavita
    - Sal Parascandola
    - Cara Stevenson
    - Gina Talamo
- Approval of Minutes
  - Minutes from 2022 were approved by membership
- Survey Results
  - Board presented survey results. Survey was sent out via mailing, on facebook and in multiple emails. 74 total respondents out of 191 homes or 39% answered the survey.
- Budget
  - The 22/23 budget was presented and approved
- Capital Improvements
  - The board presented projects completed in 2022 including parking lot electric, tree trimming and fence repair.
  - The board discussed plans for future projects including retaining wall, garage door maintenance, parking lot repairs, tennis court removal, security cameras, field drainage, kiddie pool repairs, addition of pavilion/gazebo.
- 2023 Pool Season
  - Board discussed the progress on 2023 pool management negotiations, looking at cost reduction and potential change in hours.
  - Reviewed guest memberships, guest pass policy, party policy
- Volunteers & Committees
  - Board made a plea for volunteers
- Q&A
  - Board conducted a Q&A session fielding questions from members.