



# Lake Forest News



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March 2021

## President's Corner

Are you tired of shoveling snow like I am? The good news is that Spring will be here before you know it. I am looking forward to having a good time on the Lake this year. A reminder that LFA dues are due by April 7<sup>th</sup> and after that date, a late fee will be charged so try to get them in on time.

As the Covid-19 restrictions begin to change, we can possibly start to rent out the Clubhouse again and maybe have a pasta night following the rules set by the state.

Congratulations to the Mosher Family for winning the raffle for a free LFA membership for 2021. Our website and Facebook will keep you informed of any upcoming events.

Below are important items for you to be aware of:

- **Floating Docks**—With spring around the corner, some of you might be thinking about building a floating dock. If you are, remember plans **MUST** be submitted to the LFA Board for approval **BEFORE** the start of any construction.
- **Volunteers Needed**—We are always looking for volunteers to help us and would love to have you work with us to keep our Association running. This Association is run strictly by people who volunteer (whether it be for testing the water for swimming, maintenance at the beach or Clubhouse, or helping with fundraisers or events) so if you can just spare a little bit of time to help, it will make a great difference for our community. It will also give you a chance to meet other LFA members, especially if you are new to Lake Forest. As we enter 2021, please consider stepping forward to volunteer your time to help us with **our** Association.
- **Membership Dues**—It is a new year so dues are now being collected for 2021. The dues price is the same as previous years and invoices will be going out shortly. All dues must be paid before April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021; otherwise late fees are applied.

<b>Resident Membership</b>	<b>\$180.00</b>
<b>Summer Membership</b>	<b>\$210.00</b>
<b>Senior Membership*/**</b>	<b>\$135.00 (1-5 years Membership)</b>
	<b>\$108.00 (6-10 years Membership)</b>
	<b>\$ 90.00 (11+ years Membership)</b>

**Boat Stickers** \$ 5.00 per vessel whether it is a boat, canoe, or kayak, etc. (Paddle boards do not require a sticker).

\* Senior Membership available to those individuals age 65 or older.

\*\* If any of our lifetime members, who do not have to pay dues, would like to make a monetary donation to help with expenses, it will be greatly appreciated.

**Note: New applications can be downloaded from our website at [www.lakeforestassociation.com](http://www.lakeforestassociation.com).**

Please mail or drop off your checks for Membership Dues and Boat Sticker Fees to:

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Bridgeport, Ct 06606  
(203) 374-4400

[meeka1@optonline.net](mailto:meeka1@optonline.net) if you have any questions

If you would like to update any phone number or email address, please contact Nancy at (203) 374-4400 or [meeka1@optonline.net](mailto:meeka1@optonline.net). If you have new neighbors, please invite them to join our Association. All info is on our website [www.lakeforestassociation.com](http://www.lakeforestassociation.com).

As always, feel free to contact me with any questions.

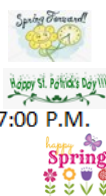
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## Calendar of Events

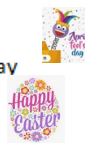
### March:

- 14<sup>th</sup> Daylight Savings Time Begins
- 17<sup>th</sup> St. Patrick's Day
- Board of Director's Meeting 7:00 P.M.
- 20<sup>th</sup> First Day of Spring
- 27<sup>th</sup> Passover Begins at Sundown
- 28<sup>th</sup> Palm Sunday



### April:

- 1<sup>st</sup> April Fool's Day
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Good Friday
- 4<sup>th</sup> Easter
- Passover Ends
- 12<sup>th</sup> Ramadan Begins at Sundown
- 15<sup>th</sup> Tax Day
- 21<sup>st</sup> Board of Director's Meeting 7:00 P.M.
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Earth Day



**50/50 Raffle winner for March meeting:**  
Dave Pavlik (to host next in person meeting).



**Thank You!**  
Healthcare Workers  
First Responders  
Essential Workers  
**Stay Safe**

## From the Desk of our Boat Warden Matt Cohen.....



### Spring can't come soon enough !!!!!

I hope everyone is having a healthy and safe winter. That being said, I also hope everyone is looking forward to another great year of using Lake Forest's beach and lake as much as I am.

There will be more Bass tournaments this coming year and some new boating activities that should be fun for all. Look for future announcements of these events. Just a quick reminder while winter is still with us: **Ice sports and activities are permitted at participant's own risk.**

### 33 Things to Do in Connecticut This March

- 1. Fly in the sky.** Float through the early spring sky with one of Connecticut's hot air balloon companies! Make unforgettable memories at [Aer Blarney Balloons](#) and [Berkshire Balloons](#)!
- 2. Take in sights of nature.** All across Connecticut, hikers are coming out of their homes to celebrate the first day of Spring on March 20th. Ring in this new season with a nature walk through one of Connecticut's [top hiking trails](#) or get away with these [great towns for hiking](#).
- 3. Skate your heart out.** Visit one of Connecticut's indoor roller rinks and test out your ability to stay under pressure on wheels. Plan a trip to [Ron-A-Roll Indoor Roller Skating Center](#) in Vernon, or [Middletown Roller Skating Park](#) – all levels of skaters are encouraged!
- 4. Climb, swing, and zip.** Have you ever wondered what it'd feel like to swing through the jungle like a monkey? Try out the world's largest indoor ropes course in New Haven. [IT Adventure Ropes Course](#) has many adrenaline pumping activities for all participants, no matter their age!
- 5. Go window shopping.** Enjoy Connecticut's spring weather by taking in a leisurely day of window shopping at one of the state's many lovely [walkable town centers](#) or these [great towns for shopping](#). You'll never know what you'll find around every corner.
- 6. Get grounded.** Spend a day de-stressing by practicing yoga in a blissful new location: a salt cave. Try a yoga class at [Salt Cave of Darien](#) or meditation-based yoga at [Soulshine Salt Cavern](#) in Durham for a whole new level of relaxation.
- 7. Take a stroll.** Enjoy the newly spring weather and take a relaxing stroll of one of Connecticut's many charming [towns](#). From the rolling hills of [Kent](#), to the quaint oceanside town of [Stonington](#), explore all the hidden gems Connecticut has to offer.
- 8. Sip some liquid inspiration.** Coffee is known to fuel and energize the brain – explore a new coffee shop to get your creative juices flowing! Small, medium, or large, discover your perfect cup of joe at [Higher Grounds Coffee Shop](#) in East Haddam, [Cheshire Coffee](#) in Cheshire, [Dom's Coffee](#) in Avon, [JavaHut Cafe](#) in Guilford, or [Molten Java](#) in Bethel.
- 9. See eagles, osprey & seals.** March is a perfect time to watch wildlife. See birds and seals aboard R/V Spirit of the Sound's [Seal Spotting & Birding Cruises](#) or plan ahead to observe osprey and eagles on RiverQuest's [Spring Osprey/Eagle Cruises](#).
- 10. Read the rare, digitally.** A popular spot to sift through the pages of hidden treasures is at the [Beinecke Rare Book & Manuscript Library](#) in [New Haven](#). While the library is closed due to COVID-19, the digital library is sure to fascinate any reader.
- 11. Take a historical tour.** Tour one of Connecticut's many [history museums](#) including the [Keeler Tavern Museum](#) in Ridgefield, [Greenwich Historical Society](#), the [Hill-Stead Museum](#) in Farmington, [Florence Griswold Museum](#) in Old Lyme, [Mystic River Historical Society](#) and more.
- 12. Get creative.** Take a trip to [Fired Up](#) in Branford and paint your own pottery! Or, try their virtual pottery classes. If you're feeling like trying out a different type of medium, check out [Muse Paint Bar](#) in West Hartford.
- 13. Go on the (antique) hunt.** Connecticut is filled with fascinating vintage treasures waiting to be found. Start your treasure hunt on the [Antiques Trail](#).
- 14. Dine in unique locations.** Taste a few of Connecticut's best cuisines, in some of the most unexpected locations. Enjoy a craft beer in a repurposed engine room, authentic barbeque in a gas station, Mediterranean entrees in an old library, and many more [unique dining experiences](#)!
- 15. 'Tis the season: maple edition.** Did you know that March is maple sugar season in Connecticut? Celebrate the sweet liquid gold at maple syrup farms like [Lamothe's Sugar House](#) in Burlington and [Sweet Wind Farm Sugarhouse & Farm Stand](#) in East Hartland, or even try the [Tap-A-Tree Maple Sugaring Program](#) at [Amblar Farm](#) in Wilton.
- 16. Try out 1, 2, or 3 new cocktails.** Sip on The B's Knees cocktail and Spicy Passionfruit Margarita while safely journeying along Connecticut's signature [cocktail trail](#). For extra fun, be sure to make [reservations to stay over](#) to continue on the trail the next day!
- 17. Sample some chocolate.** Prolong Valentine's Day and take a trip down the [Chocolate Trail](#) to find the best goodies for your loved ones (treat yourself while you're at it!).
- 18. Enjoy craft breweries.** Connecticut's craft beer scene is growing. Visit these destination [breweries](#). Many even offer curbside pickup or delivery!
- 19. Taste Apizza heaven.** Stroll downtown New Haven and pop in to try the [#1 pizza in America](#). While you're at it, sample the six different Connecticut pizza spots that rank in the nation's top 50.
- 20. Be a foodie fan.** Love Iron Chef or Diners, Drive-Ins, and Dives? Many of the best celebrity chefs actually have [restaurants in Connecticut](#) that are fun and easy to check out – and delicious too.
- 21. Support restaurants with takeout.** If you feel like staying in and staying cozy, you can still #SupportCTbusinesses by ordering [takeout or delivery](#) from stellar restaurants across the state.
- 22. Celebrate the Irish way.** Want to feel the warmth of the Irish this St. Patrick's Day? Find a hefty pint of Guinness [Connecticut's many Irish pubs](#), or take-home a traditional Irish feast the whole family will savor.
- 23. Have serious fun.** With bumper cars, laser tag, black life mini golf and more, [Nomads Adventure Quest](#) has 65,000 square feet of fun for kids of all ages. Plan a family outing for memories that will last.
- 24. Become Sherlock Holmes.** Grab your magnifying glass, detective hat, and come together as a family to crack the code that's needed to exit one of Connecticut's many escape rooms! Can you escape from [Mind Factory Escape Games](#), [Mystified Escape Rooms](#), [Mission Escape Games](#), or [Wigwam Escape](#)?

**25. Plan a day trip to the tropics.** Receive a truly tropical experience by heading into the [Butterfly Enclosure](#) at the [Connecticut Science Center](#)! Experience 40-50 different species of magnificent and educational butterflies free flying right above your head. See <https://www.ctvisit.com/articles/33-things-to-do-connecticut-march> for the remainder of this list.

### USEFUL NUMBERS

For Noise complaints/loud music—issues with college students.

- Bridgeport Police Non-emergency number (203) 576-7671, if true emergency, call 911.
- Call Sacred Heart Public Safety Office at (203) 371-7995. They have their own security patrol on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday from September to the beginning of May. The college pays for the extra patrol/response from Bridgeport PD in our area. Patrols are not used during the summer so if you have an issue, contact Dean Larry Wielk at the number listed below.
- Call the Dean of Sacred Heart—Dean Larry Wielk at (203) 371-7916 (let him know how many times the same houses have been reported to Police and the same problems exist).
- For other issues with city services—abandoned vehicles, illegal dumping, tree issues, blight public works, etc., or to report a concern, go to [www.bridgeport.gov/Bridgeport](http://www.bridgeport.gov/Bridgeport) 311.

Contact any of the following if you have specific questions/concerns:

President	Cliff Roberts (203) 414-4858 cliff_bpt1@yahoo.com
Boat Warden / Boat Stickers	Matt Cohen (203) 243-3219 mcohen@snet.net
Keys/fobs for beach	Nancy Teixeira (203) 374-4400
Club rentals	Michele Barnes (203) 371-7671
Sunshine	Lorraine Tobin (203) 372-3044
Newsletter	Karen Pavlik karen.pavlik123@gmail.com
Dam	Bill Barfield (203) 243-3958 WilliamBarfield@icloud.com
Membership	Nancy Teixeira (203) 374-4400 If you see a new home has been purchased in LFA, please contact her so we can welcome them and ask them to join our association.