



Lake Forest News



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President's Corner

Well I have good news for everyone-- the boat docks are open. We had a beach cleanup on Saturday, April 24th and I'm happy to say that the beach will open on Saturday, May 1st and the bathrooms will also be open at this time. Please follow all the Covid guidelines.

To open up the beach, a lot of hard work went into getting it prepared. I'd like to thank Don Rastelli, John Hammond, Sr., John Hammond, Jr., Mark Hammond, Matt Cohen, Giacomo Gates and Nancy Teixeira for all their help. I would also like to thank Ken Popic for his help during the last few weeks for starting to clean up. A big thank you for donations received — Betsey Meyer for her donation of cleaning supplies and to John O'Neill for his donation of leaf bags. Also, thank you to Brad and Gaby Topar of big Little Sanitation for donating the dumpster for us to throw all our trash out. And let's not forget Matt Cohen and his crew that painted the docks and got them in the water for our enjoyment.

Below are important items for you to be aware of:

- **Floating Docks**—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.
- **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 that have not been paid will now incur late fees.

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

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.

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

Nancy Teixeira
165 Lakeside Drive
Bridgeport, Ct 06606
(203) 374-4400

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. If you have new neighbors, please invite them to join our Association. All info is on our website www.lakeforestassociation.com.

We will hold our monthly Board of Director's meetings at the Beach starting with our May 19th meeting at 6:00 P.M. All members are welcome to attend to listen or voice any concerns they may have.

I am looking forward to having a fun and safe summer on the Lake as I hope everyone else is. It was a long winter that's for sure. If you live on the Lake and see any debris floating near your property, please pick it up if you can. It would help us out tremendously. As always, feel free to contact me with any questions.

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Calendar of Events

May:

- 5th Cinco De Mayo 
- 9th Mother's Day 
- 11th Ramadan Ends 
- 15th Armed Forces Day 
- 19th Board of Director's Meeting 6:00 P.M.
- 31st Memorial Day 

June:

- 14th Flag Day 
- 16th Board of Director's Meeting 6:00 P.M.
- 20th Father's Day 
- First Day of Summer 

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



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



Thanks to Tom Graves for painting the docks.

As Fishing and boating seasons are here, please remember that all boats must be equipped with a personal flotation device suitable for each occupant. **Children under the age of fourteen (14) are required to wear personal flotation devices at all times and must be supervised by members while using boats and paddle boards. No exceptions.**

As a reminder, Lake Forest is strictly catch and release for all species.

20 Most Beautiful Places to Visit in Connecticut

Connecticut, also known as “The Constitution State”, “The Nutmeg State”, “The Provisions State” and “The Land of Steady Habits”, offers some of the most beautiful and spectacular sights and places to visit! Just browse through these awesome pictures and be amazed by it’s beauty. I had a lot of fun picking them out, let me know if you know of any places I could add...

1. Silver Sands State Park (Source: Jay Yuan / shutterstockSilver Sands State Park)

Visiting Silver Sands State Park is a must for anyone who wants to experience Connecticut at its most beautiful. With a wide range of activities, such as swimming in Long Island Sound or the bird sanctuary of Charles Island, Silver Sands State Park is also located very close to the similarly superb Walnut Beach. Heron and egret rookeries are found at Charles Island, which can be reached by foot when the water is at low tide. The snowy owl and the rough-legged hawk are among the birds that can be seen at the bird sanctuary.

2. Wadsworth Falls State Park (Source: Jennifer Yakey-Ault / shutterstockWadsworth Falls State Park)

Wadsworth Falls State Park – which is sometimes just called Wadsworth Falls – is one of Connecticut’s most beautiful natural locations. The falls themselves are a 1.25 mile hike away from the main entrance to the park, but the trek is not a difficult one and the views of the 30-foot falls are well worth a little effort. There are also many picnic and swimming facilities at the park. Grills for use in cook outs make Wadsworth Falls State Park particularly popular in the summer.

3. Greenwich (Source: James Kirkikis / shutterstockGreenwich, Connecticut)

The largest town on Connecticut’s Gold Coast, Greenwich is named after a borough in London and has previously been named among the Best Places to Live in the United States. The Greenwich International Film Festival is one of the town’s most popular annual events, while the Bruce Museum and the Audubon Center are also worth visiting. Greenwich Avenue is a must for anyone who has a passion for shopping.

4. St Mary’s By The Sea in Bridgeport, Connecticut (Source: LBSimms Photography / ShutterstockSt Mary’s By The Sea In Bridgeport, Connecticut)

St Mary’s By The Sea in Bridgeport, Connecticut

5. Gillette Castle Park (Source: Collins93 / shutterstockGillette Castle Park, East Haddam, Connecticut)

Gillette Castle looks just like a medieval fortress and it is certainly one of the most visually interesting buildings to see in the state of Connecticut. Gillette Castle State Park was originally the home of the actor William Gillette, who was best known for his stage portrayal of the detective Sherlock Holmes. Today, the castle – which was called Seventh Sister – is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Gillette Castle is also a Viewpoint Exhibit Host Site.

6. Old Saybrook (Source: Edward Fielding / shutterstockOld Saybrook, Connecticut)

Old Saybrook is one of Connecticut’s most historic places, and one of the state’s most beautiful locations too. The Lynde Point Lighthouse is one of the most stunning landmarks in the town, while the Katharine Hepburn Cultural Arts Center and the General William Hart House are among the most popular tourist attractions in the area. Spending a relaxing day at Harvey’s Beach is one of the best things to do in Old Saybrook, or anywhere in Connecticut, while families will love playing a game of Mini-Golf at Saybrook Point, which boasts breathtaking scenery.

7. Stonington (Source: Allan Wood Photography / shutterstockStonington, Connecticut)

Located on Connecticut’s beautiful coastline, Stonington is a great place to visit to get away from the hustle and bustle of modern life. Home to some of the state’s most historic buildings, such as Capt. Nathaniel B. Palmer House, Stanton-Davis Homestead Museum and the William Clark Company Thread Mill, Stonington is known for its intensely relaxing atmosphere. Stonington Vineyards and the town’s Old Lighthouse Museum are well worth visiting.

8. Shore Line Trolley Museum (Source: Frank Hicks, aka Hicksco2 (talk) (Uploads) / WikimediaShore Line Trolley Museum)

One of the best things to do in East Haven is definitely to spend a few hours at the Shore Line Trolley Museum. Exhibits on trolley history in the visitors’ center are surprisingly fascinating, but the highlight of the museum is undoubtedly the chance to take a ride on restored trolleys along its 1.5 miles of track. Around 100 vintage transit vehicles are housed within the museum and all of them are beautiful in their own special way.

9. Iwo Jima Memorial (Source: Evan El-Amin / shutterstockIwo Jima Memorial, Connecticut)

No first-time visit to Connecticut would be complete without taking a detour to the US National Iwo Jima Memorial. The memorial was both conceived and designed by Dr. George Gentile, who was the founder and president of the Iwo Jima Survivors Association. Some 6,821 Americans lost their lives fighting on the last strategic stronghold before the planned invasion of Japan and among the features of the memorial park is an eternal flame dedicated to those brave soldiers.

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

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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.

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10. Saville Dam (Source: Jennifer Yakey-Ault / shutterstockSaville Dam, Barkhamsted, Connecticut)

Saville Dam at Barkhamsted Reservoir has a case to be named the most beautiful man-made structure in the state of Connecticut. The dam, which is named after its chief engineer, Caleb Mills Saville, is the primary water source for Hartford, Connecticut. The views that can be enjoyed from the dam simply have to be seen to be believed – they are absolutely glorious and unforgettable.

To see the remaining places, please visit (<https://www.thecrazytourist.com/most-beautiful-places-to-visit-in-connecticut/>)



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 311.