

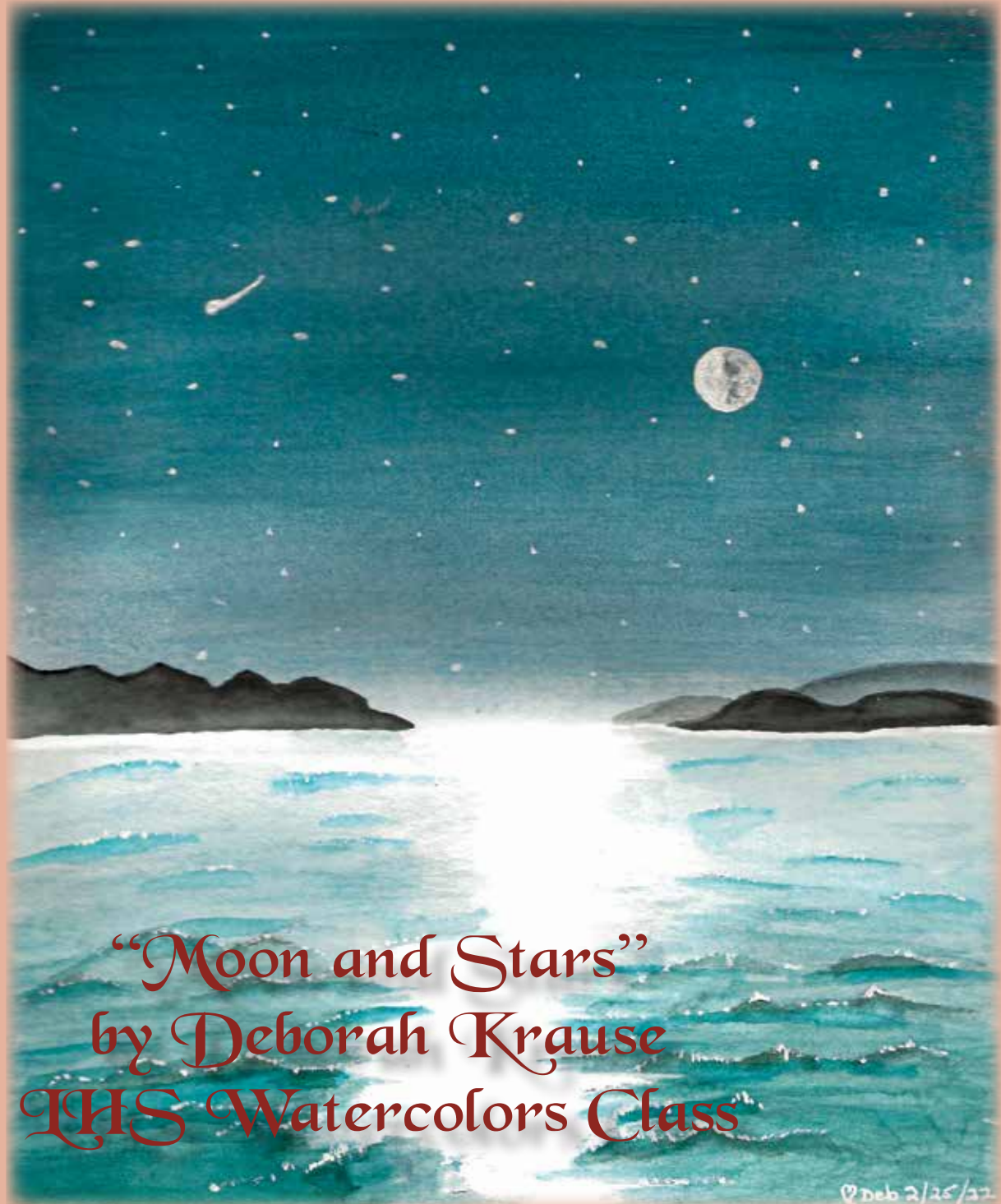
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Paul Krause

As we come to the month of June I can report that the Board of Trustees continues to be about the business of our community. In this issue of the Pride you will find a new Board of Trustees Code of Conduct/Ethics along with Resident Courtesies. It is important that you understand how the Board operates, what is expected of each elected Board Member and what is expected of you as part of Lions Head South.

The Board of Trustees is in the process of updating Architectural Regulations, LHCC Regulations, and Policies, Rules and Regulations. Printed copies should be available for you shortly. One change we made this past month is in direct response to community feedback regarding membership on specific committees. The Board decided to revisit their decision to require that people desiring to serve on Finance, and Insurance, Architectural, Buildings and Grounds, and Bylaws committees be deeded owners. After listening to you the Board in response has revised that policy to include only Finance and Insurance and the Bylaws committees. We believe that the sensitivity and responsibilities of these two committees warrant this restriction. What remains the same is that you must be a deeded owner to be a chair or vice chair of any committee. We realize that no board can ever please everyone, but we are listening and compromising when appropriate. Please bear with us. Your Board is working hard and trying its best to meet the needs of our community. Come out to our Residents Informational Meeting on June 8 at 7 P.M. to hear the latest updates and to interact with your neighbors.

In the meantime, enjoy all that June has to offer. The pool is open and hopefully the weather has warmed up so we can enjoy it. On June 6, the Lions Head South Chorus will present its spring concert, which to me is always a highlight. This year's theme is "Male Icons". Bonnie and the Chorus always do a wonderful job leading us in song. This is a "don't miss" event. Also this month the Men's Club presents the Bob Scott Game Show on June 20 and Ken Schwarz art classes will have their 2nd annual Art Show on June 27. Check your calendar and the bulletin boards in the clubhouse for a full list of events. There is something for everyone to enjoy. Don't miss out. I hope to see many of you at these events.

**See This Community Belongs to Us and
Code of Ethics on pages 4 & 8**

EDITORIAL

Carol Powell

Why we laugh? I just assumed it was because we found something to be funny.

However, I recently read an article that cites all kinds of benefits that have been confirmed by research, including improved blood flow and increased reduction of cardiovascular disease in people who laugh frequently. Some studies suggest that laughter can temporarily lower stress hormones like cortisol and increase pain tolerance, possible through endorphin release. In addition, research has shown that spontaneous laughter can boost your immune system.

Now obviously I am not a doctor or a scientist, but from my perspective, it just can't hurt to laugh! I am married to a guy whose favorite pastime is trying to make people laugh but I am guilty of "moaning" at those classic "dad jokes" at times. Perhaps I should appreciate them more.

So happy summer everyone. You know the number one rule: stay safe, and most importantly, stay well.



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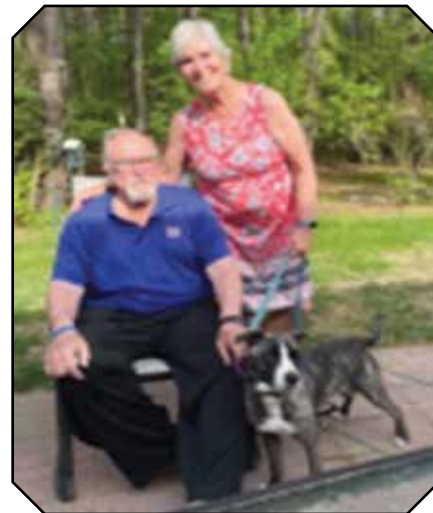


PET CORNER



GINGER

By Deborah Krause



Ginger is the approximately 3-year-old rescue of Debbie and Mike Matulonis. May 10th was Ginger's one-year gotcha day, she came by way of Allfurone Pet Rescue in Toms River. Debbie tells the story this way: "Our Westie, Roscoe passed away. My husband and I had no intention of getting another dog right away so I began volunteering at the rescue. Ginger, whose name was Resilient, was there and I felt a bond with her so I decided to become a foster mom". After two weeks, Ginger worked her way into Mike's and Debbie's hearts and it was decided she needed to become a part of their family. They are very happy with that decision and love having Ginger in their home!

Debbie shares that Ginger and her litter of pups were picked up as strays in Virginia and brought to Allfurone Pet Rescue. As often happens, all of the pups were adopted right away. Since coming to LHS, Ginger has made lots of friends, Belle, Jazzy, Harry, Banjo and Hari. Ginger has a love of life. She loves her walks in the neighborhood, rolling in the grass and running through the sprinklers. Ginger is happy going to any park for a nice long walk. Her favorite parks are Cattus Island Park where she can swim in the bay, Double Trouble Park, and swimming after sticks in Cedar Creek. She also loves making new friends at the dog park.

Mike and Debbie are planning on vacationing in Charleston and Ginger will be traveling with them. They said that she is the first dog that they feel comfortable taking to a restaurant. Ginger is a friendly, happy dog that loves her family and gets along well with their neighbors, Rick and Denise, and their dog, Belle. Debbie says, "There is nothing like the love that having a pet can bring. She has brought such life to the house. If anyone is considering getting a pet I recommend adopting. There are so many animals in need. If you feel you might not have the energy for a young dog there are also so many senior pets in need of a home".

The Pet Corner is about pets of any kind in our community, this includes reptiles, amphibians, birds, and fish. If interested, please contact Deb Krause by phone or text (201-687-6881) or via email: debkrause@comcast.net





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March 27 –Edging
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AUGUST

August 5 Edging
August 10 Lawn Cutting
August 20 Lawn Cutting
August 31 Lawn Cutting

APRIL

April 16 Lawn Cutting
April 16 Spring Cleanup
April - May - Late Spring w/pre-emergent weed control
23-0-10 – (1005PCR) .25 Dimension (50 LB)

SEPTEMBER

September 10 Edging
September 10 Lawn Cutting
September 21 Lawn Cutting

MAY

May 6 Edging
May 7 Lawn Cutting
May 18 Lawn Cutting
May 29 Lawn Cutting

October

October 8 Lawn Cutting
October 24 Lawn Cutting
Fall Fertilizer w/Lime (TDB/Soil Test)
20-20-10 (50% PCR) (39% Dol Lime) (50 LB)

June

June 8 Edging
June 8 Lawn Cutting
June 18 Lawn Cutting
June 29 Lawn Cutting
Early Summer Weed Control
SFZ Triad Select Herbicide
Halosulfuron (Green Kylling Control)

November

November 9 Lawn Cutting
November 25 Lawn Cutting
November - December
Late Fall Weed Control
Defender Herbicide

JULY

July 9 Edging
July 9 Lawn Cutting
July 20 Lawn Cutting
July 30 Lawn Cutting
Late Summer Weed Control
Triad QC (Medusa Herbicide)
Halosulfuron (Green Kylling Control)

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Board members shall:

1. Strive at all times to serve in the best interests of the association as a whole regardless of Their personal interests.
2. Use sound judgment to make the best possible business decisions for the association, taking into consideration all available information, circumstances and resources.
3. Act within the boundaries of their authority as defined by law and the governing documents of the association.
4. Provide opportunities for residents to comment on decisions facing the association.
5. Perform their duties without bias for or against any individual or group of owners or non-owner residents.
6. Disclose personal or professional relationships with any company or individual who has or is seeking to have a business relationship with the association.
7. Conduct open, fair and well-publicized elections.
8. Always speak with one voice, supporting all duly adopted Board decision regardless, if the Board member was in the minority regarding actions that may not have obtained unanimous consent.

Board members shall not:

1. Reveal confidential information provided by contractors or share information with those bidding for association contracts unless specifically authorized by the Board.
2. Make unauthorized promises to a contractor or bidder.
3. Advocate or support any action or activity that violates a law or regulatory requirement.
4. Use their positions or decision-making authority for personal gain or to seek advantage over another owner or non-owner resident.
5. Spend unauthorized association funds for their own personal use or benefit.
6. Misrepresent known facts in any issue involving association business.
7. Divulge personal information about any association owner, resident or employee that was obtained in the performance of board duties.
8. Make personal attacks on colleagues, staff or residents.
9. Harass, threaten or attempt through any means to control or instill fear in any Board member, owner, resident, employee or contractor.
10. Reveal to any owner, resident or other third party the discussions, decisions and comments made at any meeting of the board properly closed or held in executive session.

I have read, understand and agree to abide by the above stated Board of Trustee Code of Conduct/Ethics.

Print Name _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Revised March 23, 2026

LIONS HEAD SOUTH
WOMEN'S CLUB

Spring Luncheon



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*Tickets go on sale at our May meeting
and will also be sold on May 26, June 1,
and June 8 in the Clubhouse.*

*Contact Joanne Gilmour for more
information.*



LIONS HEAD SOUTH

New Residents - 2026

Murphy, Thomas &.....97 Yorkwood Dr.
Charlene R/S Aversa
Meade, James & Margaret.....18 Meadowbrook Rd.
R/S Mennella
Buquicchio, Marisa/.....109 Lauren Ln.
Shrager, Joey Deed change: Buquicchio Estate
Rynshall, Paul &.....41 Meadowbrook Rd.
Breslin, Jacqueline Deed change: Rynshall
Three Birds of a Feather.....56 Yorkwood Dr.
R/S Noldenburg
Nifoussi, Jan.....22 Abbey Rd.
R/S Chin



ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE

Margaret DeFillipo

THE ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE AND BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS will begin the walk through starting Mid-June and continuing through Fall.

Please inspect your siding, patio, walkways for dirt and mold; all should be cleaned by no later than July 15.

Helpful hint: Mark calendar in early May as a reminder to inspect your own property for any items that may be in violation (check the bylaws) and correct/clean/repair/remove before we begin our inspections. It will save you and our committee time, with written violations and re-inspections.

APPLICATIONS UPDATE: Due to calendar scheduling, amount of received applications, committee and administrative review and processing, there has been a revision to resident notification response. Effective as of May 6, 2026, residents will receive notification no later than ten (10) days after the scheduled Architectural Meeting.

As per LHS By-Laws, Article VIII, Rights In The Common Properties, Section 2 Extent Of Member's Easement, Letter 'G', states the following:

The right of the Association through its duly authorized agents or employees to enter upon any Lot during reasonable hours on any day in furtherance of its duties to maintain the premises, enforce the Covenants, the By-Laws, the Architectural Regulations and Policies.

Residents lots which are adjacent to common properties owned by the Association, will also be inspected by the Buildings & Grounds Committee to assure these properties are not being encroached upon.

COMMUNITY AWARENESS

Deb Rodgers

Hi Lions Head South,

Happy June and now the summertime actives have begun. Hopefully we will have some nice weather to walk and/or hike this month. Check the Pulse (search Deb Rod to see my posts with that information) for the list of places to hike and walk outside of our lovely community.

If you were one of the lucky ones, your street has been paved. We look forward to the rest of LHS being paved next year. More information to come when it's available.

We have contacted HMH to have our Health Fair again, should be sometime in October. Still waiting on a date from them.

I've also contacted someone from AARP to come to LHS to do the Smart Driving course (can be done online, when finished you can receive 5% off your car insurance for 3 years). Waiting to hear from him to give us some dates. Yes, I do follow-up with both groups every few weeks.

The following speakers will be attending our residents meeting:

June 8 – Vincent Camporeale – He's the Director of the Ocean County Veteran Services Bureau. So, bring all your questions.

August 10 – Mayor Lisa Crate will be joining us and updating us on what's going on in town.

Have you ever had a Home Energy audit of your home? They offer 2 different types. One is FREE OF CHARGE called Whole Home Energy Assessment. The other one is Whole Home Energy Assessment+ that has a cost of \$49. Contact them at SAVEGREEN.com or 877-455-6564 to find out which one is right for you. This is through New Jersey Natural Gas.

The Farmer's Market at Windward Beach is every Saturday until October 3rd, 8:30-1:30. If you have those grocery bags that keep piling up, grab a bunch to bring with you. You can drop off bags in the box outside of the market. Great way to get rid of them, besides the garbage. If you forget to bring bags, you can get what you need in the box outside the market.

Did anyone go to Brick's Senior Prom 2026? If you did, tells us about it.

SUMMERFEST LINEUP FOR JULY

July 2nd Super Trans Am
July 9th Brit Pack
July 16th 80's vs 90's
July 23rd Suite & Mao Tai

The Brick Recreation Center will be hosting a few bus trips. One is Peddler's Village November 7, 2026, cost

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\$45, registration is open, check their website for additional information. They are also looking into a bus trip to see the Yankees, additional information to follow.

Don't forget to check out the Senior Services Calendar for their many events and programs. You can find the calendar online at bricknj.gov and look for Senior Services. A hard copy is also posted on the Clubhouse bulletin boards in the hallway by the Lion's Den.

I want to mention again a few safety items. When leaving the community, if you're at the light to make the left, PLEASE STOP BY/BEFORE THE WIDE WHITE LINE AND NEXT TO THE SIGN "STOP HERE ON RED". It's difficult for the people making the right to see past you if you pass the white line.

Please pickup after your pet. Most do, but we haven't taught the wild animals to clean up after themselves. So, if you see it, please be kind and pick it up. I don't have a dog and I've picked up little presents that an animal deposited.

In April the town had a company come out and put up vertical poles, also known as traffic bollards by the offices on Beaverson, to prevent no left turn either in or out of the first driveway coming from Brick Blvd. Everyone thought it was a good idea. They were only up for about 3 days when someone took them out with their vehicle. For your safety and the safety of others, please make the right out of those driveways and go to the light to do the u-turn. It's for everyone's safety.

Our next meeting will be June 10, 2026 @ 10am.

Until next month, Happy Father's Day and wishing you all happiness and peace in the coming months.

COUNTRY CLUB

Chuck Florio

As of this writing we have 97 members. Our second drawing winner was John Gries from Lions Head North.

We are pulling a lot of new golfers from the street and our course is in good shape. Men's golf league began the first Thursday in May. We are waiting approval from the Board of Trustees for our Starter program.

Our first meeting was held on April 20th in the Lions Den. We had some lively debate and Mike Voto joined us as our new liaison. Good luck Mike!



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GARDEN CLUB

Carmela Ferraro

Can it be that Summer is on the way? As of Sunday, June 21, it will be official! Hopefully, all the up and down temperatures are over and we can look forward to a great summer.

The Garden Club is in full swing for the season. With Lucy Coburn as our leader, we anticipate a fun and fruitful year.

Our first two meetings of the year dealt mostly with assignments for members such as gardens, seasonal decorations, and watering and weeding schedules. Our membership has declined and many are doing double duty. We are hopeful that new members to the community will step forward and join our group. There was also discussion regarding the frog pond area at the rear of the Clubhouse. The Building and Grounds Committee is seeking input from the Garden Club for the future renovation of this area. A committee will be formed for this project.

SMALL THINGS WE CAN ALL DO TO HELP SAVE THE MONARCH BUTTERFLY?

- **Don't use pesticides in your own garden.** Many pesticides contain glyphosate, an herbicide that kills milkweed. Without milkweed, the Monarch butterfly would cease to exist.
- **Spread the word.** Educate others about the Monarch butterfly decline and encourage them to take the steps to protect this delicate species.
- **Learn more.** Many organizations such as Save Our Monarchs and Monarch Watch are dedicated to researching and communicating the plight of the Monarch butterfly.

Lions Head South has taken a big step to aid the Monarchs by establishing a butterfly garden. Benefits of this garden include helping all pollinators while also adding to the beauty of our community.

TIPS FOR JUNE GARDENS

- Check all plants, especially those in planters, daily for water needs. Water in the mornings and use mulch to prevent evaporation in gardens.
- Remove spent flowers from annuals, pinch back leggy plants and apply a slow-release fertilizer.
- Clematis and wisteria vines should be trimmed back after they bloom.
- Check roses for black spot and powdery mildew. Treat accordingly. Pick off Japanese beetles by hand and drown them in soapy water.
- Remember, to help control mosquitoes, clean birdbaths frequently and check for standing water. Female mosquitos need only a teaspoon of water to deposit their eggs.

FUN DAYS IN JUNE

- June 12 - Red Rose Day (funny this isn't around Valentines Day)
- June 11 - National Corn Cob Day (too early for us to enjoy Jersey corn)
- June 22 - National Onion Rings Day (Yummy)
- June 27 - International Pineapple Day (lucky us they are always available)

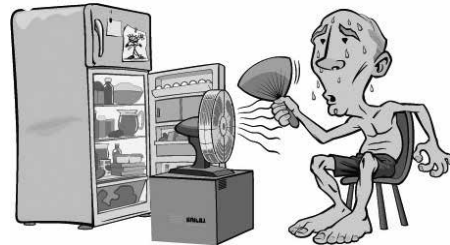
It seems there is a day for everything. And don't forget Father's Day on June 21.

We meet the second Wednesday of each month. Our next meeting is July 8, at 10:30 AM in the Lions Den. Won't you join us?

MAINTENANCE PAYMENTS

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		9:00 WGA	9:00 Men's Golf League	
9:30-11:00 Ticket Sales	9:30-11:30 Watercolor class	9:30-11:30 Acrylic Paint Class	11:00 Chair/Mat Yoga	
	1:00 Indoor Slingers Shuffleboard	1 & 7 cards/Mah jongg	1:00 Men's Indoor Shuffleboard	1:00 Women's Indoor Shuffleboard
	1:00 Crochet, Knitting & Needlework		1 & 7 cards	1:00 Crochet, Knitting & Needlework
	1:00 cards/Mah jongg			
	7:00 LRC – 6/16	7:00 Rummy Cube		
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RESIDENT'S INFORMATIONAL MTG –
June 8th – 7 pm. Guest speaker: Vincent Camporeale – Ocean County Veteran Services

ADMINISTRATION ACTIVITY OFFICE:
Hours: 8:00 – 1:30 p.m.
Administration Office Phone: 732-920-9099

2:00 PM MOVIE MATINEE	3:00 PM Website 7:00 PM LHCC Mtg	11:00 AM Welcoming 3:00 PM Social	11:30 AM Women's Club - Crab's Claw Inn	10:00 AM Lions Pride Review	5:30 PM Men's Club-Bob Scott Theatre
21 FATHERS DAY	22 9:00 AM Bd of Trustees-Std Comm	23 6:30 PM Book-a-holics	24 9:00 AM Men's Club Exec Bd 12:00 PM Book Club - Luncheon Tuscany	25 10:00 AM Election Committee	26 10:00 AM LHS Art Show
28 1:00 PM Recreation - Fun Day at the pool with a DJ	29	30 GARBAGE	May 2026 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 Jul 2026 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31		



June 2026

Monthly Planner

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 10:00 AM Buildings & Grnds	2 6:00 AM ELECTION DAY 9:00 AM Architectural	3 11:00 AM WGA Meeting - C/C 11:30 AM Men's Club 7:00 PM Finance & Ins	4	5	6 12:30 PM Spring Concert
		GARBAGE	RECYCLE			
7	8 9:00 AM Bd of Trustees Mtg 7:00 PM Resident's Informational Mtg	9 10:00 AM Women's Club Exec Bd 11:00 AM LHCC Comm Mtg - C/C 4:30 PM Recreation GARBAGE	10 10:00 AM Community Awareness/Sec 10:30 AM Garden Club 1:00 PM Clubhouse	11 9:30 AM Travel 10:15 AM Combined Activities	12 5:30 PM WGA Friday Night - BINGO	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20

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LIBRARY

Janet Pedersen

Hello to all our neighbors and friends here at Lions Head South,

The LHS Library Staff and I have been confronted with an ongoing issue during the past few months which requires us to enlist the help of all here who use our wonderful LHS Lending Library.

Our staff has been having problems with residents looking through our library shelves, removing books to study them more closely, and then returning them anywhere on the shelves except where they belong. This has been occurring more and more frequently, with books not being put back in their proper alphabetical order by author and also being shelved far away from their proper place among similar “colored dot” areas. For example, books with orange dots or blue dots are put onto shelves containing all green or yellow dots. As you can imagine, this creates much extra work for our library staff and much confusion for other residents attempting to find books by certain authors. Jigsaw puzzles have also been moved and put back in a disheveled manner causing the library to appear messy and disorganized.

So may we suggest that if you take a book off a shelf and during your search you are not sure where it should be returned, please then put that book in the “return book” diagonal shelf section and let our staff return it to its proper location within the library. In the same way, if you remove jigsaw puzzles from their original location and are not sure where they belong at the end of your search, please place them in the return book section if space allows or on the large library table for our staff to return. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Everyone’s aid in keeping our LHS Library running smoothly is always appreciated and, from all our LHS library staff ... Happy Reading!



LIONS HEAD SOUTH CHORUS

Bonnie Luton

I just want to let everyone know that the Lions Head South concert will be held on Saturday, June 6th at 1:00PM in the Lions Den. Doors will open at 12:30, and you will need a ticket to attend.

Tickets are free and will be available on Monday during the month of May from 9:30-11:00 in the clubhouse. These dates will be announced in future robocalls. Residents and guests are invited to this event, but please remember that tickets will be distributed to RESIDENTS ONLY the first two Mondays.

Our theme this year is “Male Icons”. We will want you to sing along with us for a few songs, so tune up those vocal chords! Light refreshments will be served after our concert.

Come and listen as we sing songs paying tribute to our much loved “Male Icons”.

MEN’S CLUB

Rich Szymanski

We had the Brick Police give a presentation at our May luncheon. We still have 15 members that haven’t paid their 2026 Dues. If we don’t have a resignation or a firm payment by June 1st, you will be placed on Resigned In Good Standing Status. You will be reinstated upon payment of 2026 dues.

We are also looking for folks to sign up for a day at Monmouth Park. We can do standard admission (\$7) or if enough people sign up on the Men’s Club Bulletin Board, we can rent a picnic area (\$35). You can bring a cooler with wine and beer (prefer cans over bottles). We’ll need a count by the end of June to be able to make the best choice.

Tickets for the Bob Scott Game Show Night will be on sale Monday’s thru Monday, June 15th.

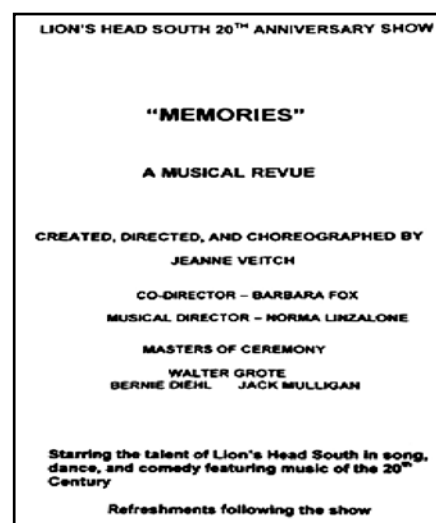
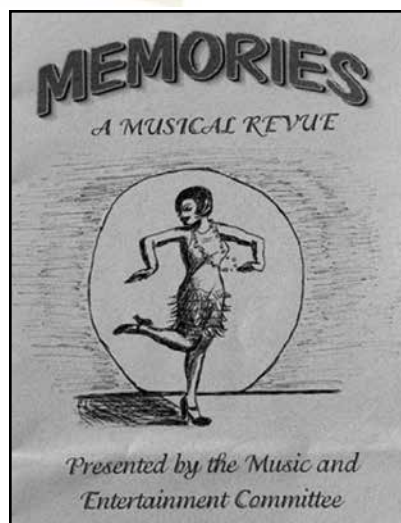
Let’s keep the ball rolling and enjoy each other’s company at the pool and playing your favorite games (shuffle board, golf, pickle ball etc.) and activities (bingo’s, social events) and just taking an evening walk.



meet YOUR NEIGHBORS

TOM SPINELLI

By Deborah Krause



Carmine (Tom) and Nancy Spinelli moved to LHS in January of 1987, after a big snowstorm delayed their move south by a week. First let's share the story of his 'name change'. Growing up on Staten Island all of his friends shortened his given name, Carmine to 'Carmy'. At his first job, a co-worker asked his name, and he gave the name everyone had called him growing up; she replied that she didn't like the name and called him 'Tom'. The name stuck and even Nancy never called him by his given name, Carmine. Tom retired from being a customs inspector in June 1986; Nancy and he had looked at homes in the Poconos but always enjoyed the Jersey Shore. So they began looking for homes along the shore. The first place they visited was LHS, but not all the homes had yet been built. They looked at a model and then visited the spot on Thames Place where their new home would be built. Nancy loved the cathedral ceiling of the model and the sound of children playing outside at the middle school where their new home would be built.

Nancy and Tom immediately got involved in the activities at LHS. They were on the Recreation Committee for 3-4 years. Nancy loved to sing and dance so they joined the Music and Entertainment Committee, and took part in two of the three musical shows done in the early 2000's. The titles of the two shows were "Memories" and "Broadway". Look for more information about these musical shows in the next edition of The Pride. During these shows Nancy would sing and dance and Tom would perform a couple of 10 minutes skits for the audience. Around 2006 Nancy developed Alzheimer's. Tom took care of her for eight years at home and she passed away on May 9, 2014 at 82 years old. Tom and Nancy were married for 58 years. Tom related many good memories of his years living here at LHS. He speaks warmly of the friends he has here, and although he is not as active as he once was, he loves to hear about what is going on in his friends' lives.

Tom has 3 children, Karen who lives in Toms River, Louis in Staten Island, and John lives in Schenectady, New York. He has three grandchildren and one great granddaughter. In earlier years, Tom was a proud delivery person for The Pride and is a long time NY Yankees fan. He remembers fondly the block parties that the residents of Thames Place had in the cul-de-sac during the summers of 1987 -1997. Tom will be 99 years old on November 15, and as he would joyfully say, "Let's Celebrate".

If you have a neighbor whom you think would be of interest to our residents, please let me know and I will contact them. Here is my contact information: Deb Krause by phone or text (201-687-6881) or via email: debkrause@comcast.net



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RECREATION COMMITTEE

Bob DeFeo

The month of June signifies beginnings and endings. Our children, grandchildren, and even great-grandchildren are finishing school and moving on to a new phase in their lives. The other ending we are wishing for is the end of unsettled weather, less rain and a string of warmer days.

The best beginning is the summer, which is here and recreation is in full swing. Both bocce and outdoor shuffleboard have several weeks of games done and tennis and pickleball courts are in full swing. Also, the pool is now open daily and we hope the weather cooperates for a successful summer.

We celebrated Memorial Day with ice cream on the weekend and we are looking forward to our first LHS Fun Day, with hamburgers, hot dogs and a DJ. More details to follow. We hope everyone can officially kick off the season. We are also looking forward to our second annual Kids Fun Day of July 25th. Please note this is a change of date.

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SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Diane Defeo

Our Stand-Up Comedy night on April 11th was a great success! The comedians were funny and everyone had a good time! We look forward to bringing them back in the future. As of this writing, our Cinco de Mayo event took place on May 3rd, and a great time was had by all attending.

Looking ahead, our summer outdoor Luau Party event will be held on Friday, July 10 from 5-8 pm in the fitness club parking lot. In case of rain, it will be moved indoors. Enjoy live music by the Coastal Vibe band and a buffet of fried chicken, pulled pork sliders, hot dogs and salad. For dessert, we've booked Mr. Softee for our ice cream sundae bar. All this for \$30 per person!! Feel free to BYOB and bring a chair or two as we have a limited number of chairs available. This event is very popular and sells out quickly! Tickets will go on sale during June - more information to follow. If you cannot make it to ticket sales, please email me at mommydif@yahoo.com.

Looking ahead, save the date and start planning for our second outdoor event - our Fall Fest event will be held on September 20 and our popular Halloween party in October.

Thank you to my dedicated committee for all their help in making our events a success and to all of you for attending them. If you've never been to one, come on out and have some fun. It's a great opportunity to meet your neighbors!

WOMEN'S CLUB

Deb Rodgers

Hi everyone,

I hope everyone enjoyed Mr. Donatello's presentation of The Women of Brick.

Hopefully you were lucky enough to snag a ticket to our Spring Luncheon @ the Crabs Claw Inn. Will write more about our experience next month.

Are you new to the community and don't know anyone? Come join the Women's Club the third Wednesday of each month (no meetings July & August), doors open 11:30am. Your first meeting is free. If you had a nice time and want to join, dues are \$30 per year. We always have lunch, dessert and a speaker or fun activity. If interested, please contact Maryann Evon or Deb Rodgers so we have an accurate count for lunch and seats. Need additional information, contact Deb Rodgers.

In the closet in the Clubhouse lobby are 2 orange bins. Throughout the year we will be collecting all types of clothing for the homeless. Once the bins are filled, Reverend Steve is called to do a pickup. If you have donated to the cause, we thank you. Any questions, please feel free to contact me.

We are always looking for a speaker or fun activity to do at our meetings. Feel free to let myself or the Women's Club Executive Board members know if you have any ideas.

Until next month, Happy Father's Day and happy socializing!!



WORDS OF AFFIRMATION

Deborah Krause



The Crocus flower is known as the harbinger of spring; they are the first to bloom, often sprouting boldly out of the ground during the last snowstorm of winter. As people, we all hope to have someone in our life like this hearty and resilient perennial. They may pop in and out of our lives but when they do we feel blessed by the conversations we

have with them. They are warm and gracious and we enjoy being around them. They seem to know exactly what you need to hear and know when you most need to hear their wisdom. Because of their well-developed listening skills, they have the confidence to pass on words of affirmation to others. I think this quiet self-assurance comes from their attitude about life. They look at all kinds of problems of living in this world and then with confidence, tell themselves, 'I can handle this ... I'll find a way to make the situation better ... I'm not going to feel sorry for myself, I will move forward and embrace the journey'. These are people who no matter what life throws at them use the situation to learn and grow. Then they

develop strong friendships with those who need to hear words of affirmation.

My first teaching job was as a 7th grade science teacher in Metuchen, New Jersey. By New Jersey standards, Metuchen Middle School was small only two grades, but it was the right place for me to learn the art of teaching. There were two very different people who saw me through this new learning experience. One was an English teacher nearing retirement and the other was a young principal. The English teacher always had time to listen to me, and her words of affirmation still brings tears of gratitude to my eyes even today. The principal was always short and abrupt, but on a Friday after my last period class I went to him to talk about a boy who was acting strangely during last period. He thanked me and everyone left for the weekend. Later that evening he called me to tell me that he had gone to the boy's home and to always trust my intuition.

Hopefully my story brings to mind some people who have been or are currently trusted friends. Perhaps it is time to reconnect and spend some time with them. Think about those who have shared words of affirmation, just when you needed to hear them. As Eleanor Roosevelt once said, "Many people will walk in and out of your life, but only true friends will leave footprints in your heart". True friends are not just companions in good times, but steadfast supports through life's challenges. So remember the crocus flower and its willingness to be the first to sprout when the spring comes, find someone who needs to hear affirmation and be someone who is willing to share affirmation.

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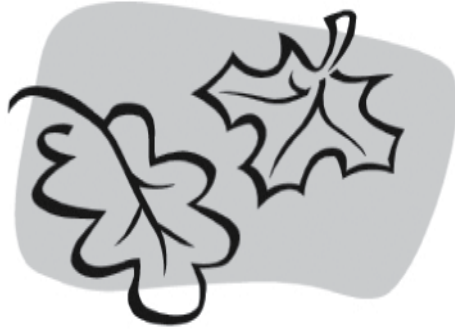
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A camera with a zoom lens will allow you to get closer to the play. Try to think ahead of the game to get prepared for the actions. For example, if there is a runner on first with less than two outs, there's a good chance there will be a play at second base, either a steal or double-play attempt. You can zoom in and focus on second base before the play starts so you're ready when the action happens. If you chase the ball around the field you probably won't get the best shots.

It can be fun to take images of the fans as well. There are always plenty of children enjoying a day at the stadium. Buster, the BlueClaws' mascot, and the stadium crew are always entertaining as well.

That's it for this month. As always, you can send me an email at bill@kirmsphotography.com if you have any photographic questions. If you'd like to see more of my images, visit my website, www.kirmsphotography.com. Keep shooting and trying to improve your images, but most importantly, have fun with your camera.



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