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As the snow melts

Now that warmer weather is on the way, there are things you should check and do to be ready for spring.

- ➔Water intrusions into a structure can cause many problems if not corrected. Start checking your basement for high moisture levels. If it feels damp or if water is present, look to see where it is coming from. If it is undetectable, call a professional for help.
- ➔Exterior drainage is noticeable when spring rains get here. Gutters and leaders should be clean and draining away from the structure. Sink holes around a foundation is an indication of traveling water. Grading should be sloping away from the perimeter foundation.
- ➔Wet window sills are usually caused by poor flashing. Visible substance growth on the interior surfaces is usually an indication that there was high moisture levels during the winter months. Contact a mold remediation company for an evaluation if this happens.
- ➔Warped finish flooring is caused by high moisture levels or a water leak. Mold growth is noticed closer to the flooring where moisture levels are the highest. Do not disturb abundant visible growth until it is decontaminated. There are 1/2 million particles on the head of a dime. Mold can be toxic.

Important Dates

The following dates are very important to each member. Please note the following information on your calendar for future reference. These are dates that you must be aware of or respond by each year.

Mailing – Between Sept 1, Sept 15 – General Membership Meeting date, agenda & proposed budget documents.

This mailing will include the date of the General Membership meeting, the agenda and the proposed budget for the coming year. If you don't receive this mailing, it is your responsibility as a member to contact the office and request your documents.

Mailing – Between Jan 1, - Jan 15 - Your bill for the current years dues.

Each year, for as long as you reside in or you own a lot in the LWEPOA, you will receive a bill for your dues sometime between January 1 and January 15th. If you don't receive a bill by January 15, it is your responsibility as a member to contact the office and request a copy of your bill.

Dues Payment Period - Finance Charge Free Period Ends – Jan 31st –

Change to: Your annual dues payment must be remitted and the envelope **postmarked** by Jan 31st. You will be charged finance charges on the unpaid balance starting in Feb and each month thereafter until your dues are paid in full.

Please Note: These dates will remain in effect for each year unless you are notified differently by the LWEPOA Board Of Directors (BOD). It is not the responsibility of the LWEPOA to call you to see if you received the documents mailed to you. It is the responsibility of each member to be aware of the dates and to contact the office in a timely manner (i.e. before you are in arrears) if you have any issues or questions. Remember: *If you don't attend the General Membership meeting to voice your opinion and to cast your vote on the proposed budget and other agenda issues, then please don't complain about the voting results.*

MRV Registrations are due by the end of April

Letters with full instructions were sent to each homeowner. Please refer to the instructions and make sure that you include all required documentation (e.g., insurance, registrations, completed and signed forms, etc.) Stop by the

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office during office hours to pick up your flags. All MRVs must have a current flag on display while in use in LWE.

Return –receipt requested policy

The LWE Certified mail (Return Receipt Requested) policy provides a document tracking capability for the Association. The policy resulted from those occasions when members claim to have “not received”, “never been informed”, “did not agree with” or “lost” original mailings notifying them of dues, rules, fines, violations, or other special correspondence. There are also occasions when correspondence becomes adversarial in nature and the Association is better served by mailing the hard copy documents by Certified Mail. If you decide to not retrieve your Certified Mailing from the USPS, the cost of the mailing will be charged and invoiced to you. If you do pick up your Certified Mail from the USPS, the Association will incur the cost.

Card Games

If you are interested in joining card games (e.g., poker, pinochle, bingo, etc.) in the clubhouse in the evenings, give Mike Antonello at call at 570-689-4960.

Clubhouse Rental

The rental rates are:

- an event with up to 25 people, the rate is \$50;
- greater than 25 people, the rate is \$75.

FOR SERVICES IN OUR COMMUNITY consider patronizing these providers:

Service	Provider	Contact
Carpenter	Jim Molner	570-689-7109
Handyman	Dan Mergler	570-689-0946
Lawn Service	Billy Duda	570-698-0284
Mold Removal	Jim Molner	570-689-7109
Snow Removal	Jim Dube	570-689-2077

These providers are not affiliated with LWEPOA and are listed for your convenience only.

Poaching

In early December, a deer was illegally hunted within LWE and Conversation Officers were notified. Officers are regularly monitoring our neighborhood. It is illegal to hunt within LWE. Fines can be considerable. Always think about the safety of your families and neighbors.



ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE

This is a letter from the [Pike Count Food Pantry](#) that was written to our Entertainment Committee. There was a collection of food for the food pantry at our Christmas Brunch. Thanks to everyone who donated!

“Thank you very much for thinking about our food pantry. Your food donations are very much appreciated at this holiday season.

We are now serving about 80 families in our area of Pike County. Our families range from two adults to families of 8 a total of about 320 persons.

As you can see, we are helping many needy people in our area.

Again, thank you very much for your kind thoughts!”

Pike County Food Pantry
Shirly Haser

PPL Lake Wallenpaupack Workshops

From PPL:

Dear lakefront neighbor,

Last month, we sent out a survey asking for suggestions for how to improve our annual Front-Lot Owners Workshop. We had a huge response and we really appreciate all of the suggestions. We listened and have scheduled the workshop according to the majority of the comments. The large majority thought that a spring meeting once per year would be best and hands down, the request for speakers were Fish and Boat Commission and the local dive teams. See below for our workshop details and the 2 boating classes we are hosting this year. Don't forget to check us out on Facebook at www.facebook.com/PPLLakeWallenpaupack.

Lakefront Workshop

Saturday, May 16, 2015

8:30-11:30 a.m.

PPL Wallenpaupack Environmental Learning Center

Presenters: Ledge Dale Dive Team, PPL, PA Fish and Boat Commission and Tafton Water Rescue Team

PPL's Lake Office invites you to attend our annual workshop about what it means to be a lakefront owner on Lake Wallenpaupack. Learn about the history of the lake and our Shoreline Management Policy. We will cover the types of uses that are permitted, our vegetation program, how to find the Project Line and normal high water mark, as well as common violations and myths of the lake. Whether you've lived here for generations or have just bought a home on the lake, we'd like the chance to meet you.

Have you ever wondered what it's like to be a Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission Waterways Conservation Officer on Lake Wallenpaupack? Or do you have questions on buoys, speed limits, boat traffic, noise, etc.? PA Fish and Boat will be on hand to discuss what they do on the lake and answer any of your questions.

New this year! Both volunteer dive rescue teams will discuss what they do on the lake, how they train and how you can help.

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Come see underwater radar images and “dive” into the world of water rescue!

To ensure an accurate count for materials, registration is required by May 13. For questions or to register, contact PPL at 570-253-7063 or lakewallenpaupack@pplweb.com.

Basic Boating Safety Class

2 dates – Saturdays, May 2 and June 6

9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

PPL Wallenpaupack Environmental Learning Center

Did you know anyone operating a personal watercraft needs to carry a boating education certificate? This course is also required for persons born on or after January 1, 1982, to operate boats powered by motors greater than 25 horsepower. The Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission's eight-hour boating safety class gives boaters practical information so they can make more informed decisions on the water.

Students who pass the exam at the end of the daylong course can apply for their boating safety education certificate from the commission. This certificate will enable people to operate personal watercraft. A \$10 certificate fee is payable to the Fish & Boat Commission after class. Must be 12 or older. Please bring your own lunch and snacks for the day. Registration is required. To register, contact PPL at 570-253-7001 or lakewallenpaupack@pplweb.com.

A message from our friends at Lacawac Sanctuary:

Lacawac Sanctuary and Field Station would like to reintroduce themselves to Lake Wallenpaupack homeowners and visitors. We are very excited about our 2015 public program line-up, including Hawley Earth Fest, Lacawac's Amazing Geo-race, Nature Fest, Summer Nature Series, Conservation & Leadership Academy, Free Book Swap and Lake to Lake 8k Race or Woods Walk. Special member rates for programs apply. Visit www.lacawac.org to find information about our events, memberships and sponsors. Since its inception in 1966, Lacawac's mission has been to preserve Lake Lacawac, its watershed, the surrounding forest and historic structures; provide a venue for ecological research, scholarly interaction and the training of scientists; provide public education on environmental and conservation issues; and conserve open space in Pennsylvania. Lacawac Sanctuary is located on the southern end of lake, 1/4 mile from Sterling Marina.

Thanks,

Katie Lester | Manager of Community Relations

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More from PPL:

Dear lakefront neighbor,

We're excited to let you know that we have a new Environmental Center Assistant, Grace Wildermuth, that is staffing the Wallenpaupack Environmental Learning Center and leading some kids programs this upcoming summer that teach them more about our lake environment. For all of the details on these fun programs, please visit our website at www.ppllakewallenpaupack.com and click on News. You can also follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/PPLLakeWallenpaupack. We hope to see you at some programs this year, especially the LakeFront Workshop in May!

'Nature By The Lake' Summer Series for Kids (see flyer or website for full details)

Fishing in the Big Lake (Saturday, June 20th 1-2:30 p.m.)

The Life of a Tree (Monday, June 29th 10-11:30 a.m.)

Nature Trek (Monday, July 20th 10-11:30 a.m.)

Fishing in the Big Lake (Monday, July 27th 10-11:30 a.m.)

Who are our Bird of Prey Neighbors? (Monday, August 3rd 10-11:30 a.m.)

Tracking Lake Wally's Wildlife (Saturday, August 8th 1-2:30 p.m.)

All about Butterflies (Monday, August 10th 10-11:30 a.m.)

Shuman Point Guided Hike

Title: Assisting Threatened Species through Forest Management

Saturday, June 27th, 10AM-12Noon

Join PPL's consulting forester, Paul Kowalczyk and Environmental Center Assistant, Grace Wildermuth on a hike at PPL's Shuman Point Natural Area. Paul will explain how forest management practices, like a recent timber harvest, can provide necessary habitat for wildlife, including threatened species like the Golden-Winged Warbler. He will also discuss the challenges associated with Gypsy Moth defoliation in the region. Grace will talk about the history of the natural area, as well as its present day use and value to the lake.

Meet at Shuman Point Natural Area parking lot at 9:45 AM.

Please dress appropriately and wear proper footwear.

Program is free & registration is required. To register, call 570-253-7001 or email lakewallenpaupack@pplweb.com.

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