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#### FROM THE PRESIDENT

I rarely know how to start one of these letters. I default to remarking on the season. This winter has been, until recently, unremarkable. The heavy rain and the recent snow and cold snap has changed that. During the snow storm I was reminded what a great neighborhood we have all landed in. Friends and neighbors taking care of each other, enjoying each other's company, and children (and children-at-heart) playing in the snow. We are lucky to have the lake and beaches as a unifying common feature without which, we would likely not know many of our Lake Pine neighbors.

Our recent Annual Budget meeting was a couple weeks ago, our 2024 Board is having its first meeting next week, and there are many plans being made and executed to make this year a great one. I often sign off on these letters with the tagline, 'making a mile of memories' and, at the cost of being sentimental, with this being my last year before stepping away from the board for a bit, I want to encourage you all to enjoy what our community and the Colony Club has to offer. A mile-long lake (the 'mile' in a mile of memories), three beaches, fields, and hundreds of neighbors that have shared interests and great stories. Join book club, attend a committee meeting, walk with a neighbor, and say hello to that person you don't quite know yet. We have Lake Pine and the Colony Club because of all of us over the years that continue to band together to make this place what it is. Jump in and enjoy as we all make a mile of memories this year.

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Brian Schkeeper President, Lake Pine Colony Club

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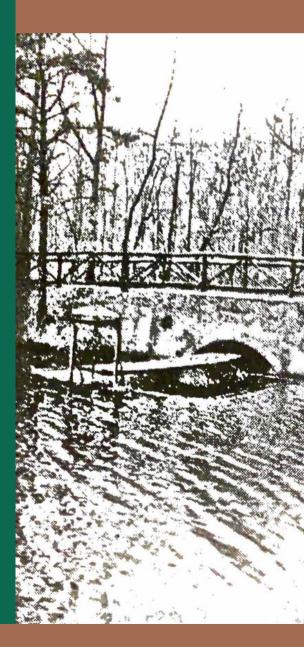
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## **UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS**

<u>Event</u>	Date/Time	<u>Location</u>
Board of Trustees	1/29, 6:30p	Clubhouse
Clubhouse Committee	2/6, 7p	Clubhouse
Souperbowl Party	2/11, 5p	Clubhouse
Lakefront Homeowners Meeting	2/21, 7p	Clubhouse
Board of Trustees	3/5, 6:30p	Clubhouse
Book Club	3/6, <b>7</b> p	Clubhouse
Easter Egg Hunt	3/16, 10a	Clubhouse
St. Patrick's Day Party	3/16, 6p	Clubhouse
Board of Trustees	4/9, 6:30p	Clubhouse
LP Historical Society	4/12, 7p	Clubhouse
General Member Meeting	4/16, 7p	Clubhouse
Cinco de Mayo party	5/3, <b>7</b> p	Clubhouse
Board of Trustees	5/7, 6:30p	Clubhouse
Mother's Day Tea	5/11, time TBA	Clubhouse
Lake Pine Yard Sale	5/18, 8a	Lake Pine at Large
Summer Kickoff Beach Party	6/8, time TBA	South Beach
Board of Trustees	6/11, 6:30p	Clubhouse
Father's Day Fishing	6/15, time TBA	South Beach

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## **MEETINGS AND EVENTS (CONT'D)**

<u>Event</u>	<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
Board of Trustees	7/9, 6:30p	Clubhouse
General Member Meeting	7/16, 7p	Clubhouse
Board of Trustees	8/13, 6:30p	Clubhouse
Adult Party	August, date TBA	South Beach
Lake Pine Days	8/30-9/2	Lake Pine at Large
Board of Trustees	9/10, 6:30p	Clubhouse
Board of Trustees	10/8, 6:30p	Clubhouse
Dock or Treat	10/19, time TBA	Lake Pine
Election of Officers & Trustees	10/24, 7p	Clubhouse
Halloween Party	10/25, time TBA	Clubhouse
Board of Trustees	11/12, 6:30p	Clubhouse
Turkey Trot	11/27, time TBA	Lake Pine at Large
Breakfast with Santa	December, date TBA	Clubhouse
Board of Trustees	12/10, 6:30p	Clubhouse
Annual Budget Meeting	1/7/25, 7p	Clubhouse

## GENERAL MEMBER MEETING MINUTES 5/9/23 10/19/23

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## **BOARD/COMMITTEE UPDATES**

#### **2024 MEMBERSHIP ENROLLMENT IS NOW ACTIVE:**

Click **<u>HERE</u>** to complete online.

2024 Rates (Unchanged from 2023):

Member Dues: \$295/year

#### Senior Member Dues: \$220/year

Required: Basic Dues allow a property to remain in good standing within the Lake Pine Community.

#### Recreational Fee: \$75/year

Optional: In addition to basic privileges, Full Access /Recreational Fees provide all permanent Lake Pine residents with a member tag for use at our lake, beaches, and fields. This fee also includes five guest tags per membership and the option to buy additional daily guest tags for a fee. ONLY Full Access members will have the option to buy Boat Decals and Boat Slips at our beaches. Please note that Lakefront Homeowners must select Full Access membership to use/maintain their dock, as all docks sit on LPCC property.

Payments may be made by credit card (online fee) or by check (no fee). Checks should be mailed or dropped off to the LPCC Clubhouse's locked USPS mailbox: Lake Pine Colony Club c/o Membership Committee 2 Chestnut Road, Medford, NI 08055

Per the current by-laws, the deadline for membership dues is **February 15th**. Membership will not be confirmed until we receive your payment and membership packets will be delivered by April.

#### **ADVERTISE IN THE PINE NEEDLE**

Advertise your business in the Pine Needle! Rates for 2024 are below - email your ad or any questions to lpccpineneedle@gmail.com.

# issues	Full Page	Half Page	Quarter Page	Business Card
1	\$70	\$40	\$25	\$15
4	\$240	\$135	\$80	\$40

## 2024 BUDGET - APPROVED BY MEMBERSHIP 1/9/24

		2023 Actual		2023 Budget		Variance		2024 Budget - Approved	
Income									
Membership Dues & Fees	\$	135,924	\$	137,538	\$	(1,614)	\$	133,040	
Clubhouse Rentals	\$	39,075	\$	34,000	\$	5,075	\$	30,400	
Total Miscellaneous Income	\$	3,214	\$	750	\$	2,464	\$	3,80	
Total Income	\$	178,213	\$	172,288	\$	5,925	\$	167,243	
Deductions									
Operating Expenses									
Insurance	\$	20,137	\$	22,792	\$	(2,655)	\$	25,47	
Taxes	\$	218	\$	285	\$	(67)	\$	42	
Beach & Grounds Committee	\$	33,093	\$	37,792	\$	(4,699)	\$	35,66	
Lake Front Committee	\$	13,910	\$	19,306	\$	(5,396)	\$	19,52	
Legal/Professional Fees	\$	49	\$	8,550	\$	(8,501)	\$	5,00	
Finance Committee	\$	6,125	\$	6,300	\$	(175)	\$	6,67	
Communication Committee	\$	842	\$	600	\$	242	\$	60	
Social Committee	\$	8,315	\$	9,000	\$	(685)	\$	9,25	
Membership/Hospitality Committee	\$	3,053	\$	4,500	\$	(1,447)	\$	6,07	
Clubhouse	\$	22,380	\$	29,413	\$	(7,033)	\$	31,63	
Total Operating Account Expenses	\$	108,122	\$	138,538	\$	(30,416)	\$	140,31	
Allocations to Funds									
Lake and Dam Fund Allocation	\$	15,400	\$	15,000	\$	400	\$	15,10	
Capital Account Allocation	\$	19,100	\$	18,800	\$	300	\$	18,80	
Total	\$	34,500	\$	33,800	\$	700	\$	33,90	
Total Expenses & Allocations	\$	142,622	\$	172,338	\$	(29,716)	\$	174,21	
Net Income	\$	35,591	\$	(50)	\$	35,641	\$	(6,970	
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Expenses of Special Funds	-	100	~	12 000		(11.020)			
Lake and Dam Fund - Reserve Expense	\$	180	\$	12,000	\$	(11,820)	4		
Capital Fund Expense Total	\$ \$	27,584	\$ \$	30,000 42,000	\$ \$	(2,416) (14,236)	\$ \$	31,30 31,30	

#### 2023 Actual vs Budget:

- Income was greater than budgeted by \$5.9k

- Operating expenses were less than budget by ~\$30k

- Dam and capital project expenses were less than budget by \$14.2k

## a mile of memories



#### Congrats to Turkey Trot winner Ian Takamoto!











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HOLIDAY LIGHTS DECORATING CONTEST CONGRATULATIONS TO THE JONES FAMILY 2023 KOSZOWSKI CUP WINNERS











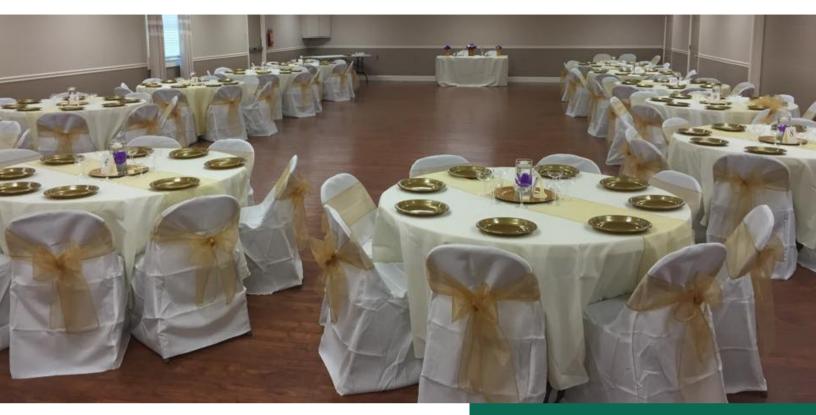




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## CLUBHOUSE RENTALS



The Lake Pine Colony Club clubhouse is available for rent to both residents and non-residents. It is the perfect size for celebrating that special family occasion, hosting a company function, or for holding training classes such as karate or arts and crafts.

Tables and chairs and use of the kitchen which includes two refrigerators, two microwaves, and a brand new six-burner professional oven are included in the rental price.

#### CONTACT US TODAY

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#### **MEMBER RATES**

Friday - \$375 Saturday - \$425 Sunday - \$375 M-Th - Contact Us

\$250 Security Deposit Required

### FEATURES

- ✓ 137 folding chairs
- ✓ 7 8'-long tables
- ✓ 16 58"-round tables
- ✓ PA System
- Parking
- ✓ Full kitchen