

DID YOU KNOW.....

Ladies of the Lake supports the following activities at our Lake. Please consider volunteering to help organize, chair, or co-chair one of these exciting activities. It is a great way to get to know your neighbors. Each activity, and its standard budget allowance, is described in more detail in the Ladies of the Lake By-Laws posted on the Lake Wallkill Community Inc. website.

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES:

1. JULY 4TH CELEBRATION.

At the Office, on July 4th.

The celebration starts with the Pledge of Allegiance and continues with whatever patriotic activities the adult volunteers choose to organize. In recent years, that has been a Color Run around the Lake, assisted by Teen Canteen members manning the red, white and blue cornstarch powder thrown at the runners, and followed by treats for the runners (adults, too!) when they finish the circuit.

2. ARTS AND CRAFTS.

Under the tree by the Well, on a weekly basis in July and August.

The Chairperson selects the weekend day and time and may require parents to sign up to take responsibility for specific weeks. Children age 5 and up are welcome to make a craft. Parents are needed to help also. Supplies are provided for projects and paid for by Ladies of the Lake, consistent with the annual budget. The Regatta Program cover and poster contest are also organized by this Chairperson.

3. STORY HOUR.

On the grass by the Office, on a weekly basis in July and August. The Chairperson selects the day of the week and time, and may require parents to sign up to take responsibility for specific weeks. Geared for the younger crowd, but no age limit. Come listen to stories and learn some songs. Bring a towel and sit a spell. Sing as a choral group on Regatta Saturday and Sunday.

4. STORY HOUR TRIP.

Land of Make Believe, Hope NJ, is the usual venue for this once-per-summer trip, but is not required.

Geared for the younger crowd, but no age limit. The Chairperson selects the venue and the date for this trip (including any rain date) and you must go on that date in order for the

child's fee to be reimbursed by Ladies of the Lake. There are no group sales, transportation or supervision for this activity, so you pay when you go on your own, get a receipt for the child's fee, and return it to the Chairperson for reimbursement by Ladies of the Lake of the child's fee (only). Children may go on more than one trip but only one trip per child per summer will be reimbursed.

5. 7-12 TRIP.

Mountain Creek Water Park is the usual venue for this once-per-summer trip, but is not required.

Geared for the 7-12 year olds but no age limit. The Chairperson selects the venue and date (including any rain date) for this trip - watch for bulletins - and you must go on that date in order for the child's fee to be reimbursed by Ladies of the Lake. There are no group sales, transportation or supervision for this trip, so you pay when (or before, in the case of Mountain Creek) you go on your own, get a receipt for the child's fee, and return it to the Chairperson for reimbursement by Ladies of the Lake for the child's fee (only). Children may go on more than one trip but only one trip per child per summer will be reimbursed.

6. TEEN CANTEEN.

Open to all Teens 13 years old by December 31 of the current year.

Meetings are held weekly, on a night selected by the Ladies of the Lake advisors. The Teens earn "points" by helping out with activities around the Lake, such as Arts and Crafts, Zingo and Lollipop dances for the younger kids and helping to set up for Ladies of the Lake events. If they earn enough points, they get to go to Seaside Heights for a day in August selected by the advisors and the Teens, on a bus paid for by Ladies of the Lake. The group holds various fund-raising activities over the summer (e.g., Burger Burns at the beach) to help pay for other costs of the Seaside trip.

7. TEEN CANTEEN TRIP.

For the Teen Canteen members who qualify point-wise. See the Ladies of the Lake By-Laws (posted on the LWK Community website) for details regarding adult chaperones, etc..

8. ZINGO.

Bingo for kids at the Clubhouse, with age-appropriate prizes and refreshments, paid for by Ladies of the Lake, consistent with the annual budget. Children of all ages may attend.

Wednesdays at 7:30 pm (currently). Teen Canteen members help run this activity and earn points towards the Seaside trip.

9. CHILDREN'S HALLOWEEN.

Held on the Saturday of Columbus Day weekend in October.

Children of all ages dress in their Halloween costumes and trick-or-treat around the Lake in the early afternoon. A children's party is hosted later that day for Lake Walkkill members by volunteers. The Chairperson(s) select the time and activities, which are paid for by Ladies of the Lake consistent with its annual budget, and parents are required to sign up to take responsibility for various activities, including set-up and clean-up.

10. EASTER EGG HUNT.

Children gather to hunt for colorful plastic Easter eggs, stuffed with candy and provided by Ladies of the Lake and/or volunteer donations. The Chairperson(s) will select the date, time, activities and get-together for stuffing eggs.

11. AQUACADE.

Open to girls with advanced swimming ability age 11 and up by August 31st, who are not participating in Jazzbelles, who pass a qualifying swim test, and who are able to make at least 75% of all practices.

This group begins practicing in July at the beach - watch for bulletins - and performs a swimming routine, set to music, at Regatta. Older teens coach the group. Swim suits are paid for by Ladies of the Lake, consistent with its annual budget.

12. BROADWAY BABIES.

Open to boys and girls age 10 and up by August 31, who are able to make 75% of all practices.

This group begins practicing in July at the basketball court behind the Clubhouse - watch for bulletins - and entertains the crowds on Regatta weekend with a great show. Older teens coach the group. Ladies of the Lake pays for costumes and props, consistent with its annual budget.

13. JAZZBELLES.

Open to girls age 7 and up by August 31st, who are able to make 75% of all practices,

This group begins practicing in July at the basketball court behind the Clubhouse - watch for bulletins - and learns the moves to dance on Regatta weekend. Older teens coach the group. Ladies of the Lake pays for costumes and props, consistent with its annual budget.

14. JUGGLING JOKERS.

Open to boys age 7 and up by August 31st, who are able to make 75% of all practices.

This group begins practicing in July at the basketball court - watch for bulletins - and performs a routine using "devil" juggling sticks on Regatta weekend. Older teens coach the group. Ladies of the Lake pays for costumes and props, consistent with its annual budget.

ADULT LADIES ACTIVITIES:

1. CARD PARTIES.

Tuesday nights at 8:00 p.m. at the Clubhouse.

Gather with women friends and family for a fun night of prizes and games as we keep this long-loved tradition alive. Put together a group to host a Card Party on one of the "open" nights, selecting whatever format you would like - a tricky tray, Yankee Swap, bingo, or just refreshments and a 50-50 fundraiser. All proceeds from the Card Parties are used to fund the activities supported by Ladies of the Lake, so please be generous when you attend!

2. REGATTA ACTIVITIES.

Ladies of the Lake is responsible for the sale of food and drinks on Regatta Saturday (the Teen Canteen takes over on Regatta Sunday) and for the sale of Lake Wallkill apparel and merchandise on both Regatta days. Raffles and 50-50s are run as fund-raisers to support Ladies of the Lake activities. The Ladies prepare a sign-up chart for the various Regatta activities that need volunteer support. Please sign up in order to receive your annual pennant!

3. LADIES LUNCHEON.

Join the ladies for a relaxing luncheon outside the Lake, paid for by the attendees. Time and place to be determined by the Chairperson(s).

4. LADIES NIGHT OUT.

Time for the ladies to enjoy a night out together, usually to a dinner-theater venue on a date selected by the Chairperson(s). Bus transportation is organized by the Chairperson(s) and paid for by Ladies of the Lake, consistent with its annual budget. Dinner-theater tickets are paid for by those attending the trip.

5. CLUBHOUSE DANCE.

Open to adults 21 and over only. At the Clubhouse in July. A reasonable entry fee will be charged to cover the estimated costs of the party. Live entertainment (i.e., either a DJ or live combo) will be provided by Ladies of the Lake, paid from the entry fees. Bring your own alcohol drinks (if you want to) and your own food. Non-alcohol drinks and light snacks will be provided by Ladies of the Lake.

6. ADULT HALLOWEEN COSTUME PARTY.

Open to adults 21 and over only. At the Clubhouse on the Saturday night of Columbus Day weekend in October. Be creative and come in costume! A reasonable entry fee will be charged to cover the estimated costs of the party. Live entertainment (i.e., either a DJ or live combo) will be provided by Ladies of the Lake, paid from the entry fees. Bring your own alcohol drinks (if you want to) and your own food. Non-alcohol drinks and light snacks will be provided by Ladies of the Lake.

7. ANNUAL COMMUNITY EVENT.

Whatever the Chairperson(s) choose to organize! In the recent past, this has been a night at a Sussex Miners minor league baseball game and a tubing trip to the Delaware River water gap, all paid for by those attending. The purpose is to have everyone go at the same time so we can be together in community spirit.

8. OTHER ACTIVITIES.

The Ladies of the Lake By-Laws describe other activities that can be organized if volunteers step up to take them on: a Community Yard Sale, Formal Dinner Dance, Vendor Fair, Movie Nights, Adult Arts and Crafts, etc. See the By-Laws on the LWK website for more information.

Ladies of the Lake is dedicated to supporting activities which enhance our Lake community, so please bring your ideas to our meetings and join us by volunteering your time and efforts to continue to keep Lake Walkkill a very "special place."