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## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

by Bob Perry

Another year has started for the Community Association and again we will set our sights on old goals, we have accomplished, and new ones as they occur.

A few weeks ago I attended a meeting of the Investment Company at their invitation. We discussed the many problems of the past and their causes. Also, how and why they became bigger problems than they should have become. We spoke at length of the different methods of avoiding these pitfalls in the future.

One plan we decided upon was to nip rumors or misinformation from spreading around the lake by forming a joint grievance or information committee. An example of what this committee will be expected to correct can be taken from what happened last Fall: A number of people erroneously believed that the lake was polluted. None of these people were aware that the Community Association has the water tested regularly and these tests showed that the water was fit for swimming. A member of a grievance committee could have been contacted by anyone who was concerned. This person would have been given the correct information and thus have his fears dispelled.

The impression I received at this meeting gives me cause to believe that our association and the officers of the Investment Company will be able to work together for the mutual benefit of everyone at Lake Lackawanna.



## Highlights Of Community Association Meetings

by Hilma Jenus

Both the January and the February meetings were held at the Landgraf home at 2 p.m. on a Saturday afternoon (Jan. 14 and Feb. 11). The families represented at these two meetings were Abdy, Perry, Cece, Wurzbach, Hunt, Landgraf, and Jenus.

George Landgraf was appointed chairman of the Committee on the Constitution, which hopes to present the proposed amendments at the March meeting. The other members are Buddy Dayer and Bob Perry.

Emma Landgraf reported that the Thanksgiving bake sale netted a profit of \$68., and we hope next year to hold it a day

or two before Thanksgiving instead of the Saturday afterwards.

The Recreation Committee planned a dinner at Rock Oak Lodge for Saturday night, January 21, at 7:30 p.m. Twenty-two people attended this event.

President Bob Perry requested that we re-institute the phone-calling system of a year ago to tell people about the meeting dates. Mary Ann Kane, Mary Hunt, and Hilma Jenus called 44 people about the February meeting. We contacted only those people who had ever attended a C. A. meeting. If you were not called, and wish to be notified, please contact any of the three people mentioned.

The membership drive for 1967-68 will begin in May.

John Wurzbach is heading our Beach Committee (since he is Improvements Chairman), and will have a meeting soon.

Our Corned Beef Dinner at the American Legion in Stanhope will be held on Friday March 17, St. Patrick's Day. Tickets will sell for \$1.50 (Adults) and \$.75 (Children). Pies will be served for desert. Ken and Mary Ann Kane will again handle the Easter Egg Hunt.

We are working on plans for the summer dances, but will hold off on details until a later issue.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

by Alice Wurzbach

We thought that the members of the Community Association would be interested in knowing the financial condition of this organization. So we are publishing the following report. Please read it. It's for your information.

During 1966 the Lake Lackawanna Community Association incurred the following expenditures:

Towne House of	
Flowers	\$ 28.30
Insurance	18.00
Tricky Tray Supplies	8.61
Mardi Gras Dance	
Supplies	21.29
Monte Carlo Supplies	52.75
Cleaning Club House	
after Dances	50.00
Basket of Cheer	39.68
Posts for Street Signs	5.97
Recreation and	
Supplies	430.80
Postage for Lack-A-	
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Postcards	7.00
Covered Dish Expenses	46.22
Gala Day Trophies	
and Supplies	97.57
Glasses for Dances	7.42
Last Round-up Tickets	4.50
Donations Emergency	
Squad	20.00
Donation Fire Dept.	20.00
Christmas Party	25.00
Christmas House	
Decorations	50.00
Charges from Bank	4.44
Total Expenses	
for 1966	\$1,088.29
When the Treasurer's books	
were audited on May 2, 1966	
there was a balance of \$480.57.	
Other revenue taken in during	
the remainder of the year was:	
Membership Dues	\$ 139.00
Tricky Tray	207.30
Mardi Gras Dance	146.50
Monte Carlo Night	99.00
Ads in Lack-A-News	36.00
Use of Tables and	
Chairs	5.00
Covered Dish Supper	44.40
Last Round-up Dance	25.00
Income for year of	
1966	\$1,183.27

This left a balance at the end of 1966 of \$94.98.

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## ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT

by Mary Ann Kane

The time of year is here when the warm outdoor sports are in the planning stage.

First on the agenda is the annual Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by the Lake Lackawanna Community Association. This is an exciting event for the children and is an enjoyable thing to watch. The contest is a rewarding one but for a few it is quite disappointing.

The egg hunt will be held on the Saturday before Easter, March 25, at 3:00 P.M. at the Matty Matthews' Memorial Field. Contestants will be divided into four age groups: 1-3, 4-6, 7-9, and 10-12. Three

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prizes will be awarded in each group and special prizes for children having the most eggs.

Everyone is invited, so come out and have a good laugh. Wear your boots because this year's hunt, I'm afraid, will be a snowy one.

P.S. Special thanks to the mothers who donate their time and skill in dyeing the eggs, (some 16 dozen.)

## ARE YOU INTERESTED

by Tony Cece

---In a Trap Shoot?

Now that hunting season is over, most of us will clean our shotguns and store them away, either in a closet or on a rack, until next year.

Rather than let them collect dust and let our shooting eyes lose their touch, I was wondering how many of us would be interested in getting together (say every first Sunday) at a field near here for a trapshoot.

It would be a great way for the young gunners to learn proper gun handling; and for the hunter, a good way to keep in shape, not to mention the fun of busting a few clay birds.

There would be prizes, depending on the turn-out, so if you are interested please contact Tony Cece any evening at 347-1196.

## OFFICERS' DINNER

by Liz Perry

Colorful Rock Oak Lodge in Sparta was the setting this past January 21st for the Community Association dinner. The dinner, held to honor 1966's outgoing officers, was attended by eleven couples from Lake Lackawanna.

George Landgraf, last year's Community Association president, was given a small gift in appreciation of his many services. Other officers for 1966 included Bob Perry, vice-president; Hilma Jenus, secretary; and treasurer Alice Wurzbach. Those present at the dinner were Joe and Barbara Abdy, Harvey and Betty Speer, Ed and Millie Mulvey, Joe and Hilma Jenus, Bob and Liz Perry, George and Emma Landgraf, Jim and Dolly Holly, Bud and Carol Dayer, Ken and Mary Ann Kane, Charlie and Alice Wurzbach, and Harry and Eleanor Bell.

## NOTICES

Would you like to be the director of children's beach and clubhouse activities this summer? A \$300.00 budget and uncounted memorable experiences will be yours. So if you are interested or know of anyone who is please contact Community Association President Robert Perry at 347-3776. You do not have to be a resident of Lake Lackawanna.

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Community Association meetings will be held on the second Saturday of the month at the

Landgraf home on Lake Drive until warm weather begins and the meetings will be held in the clubhouse. If you want to be put on the calling list to be reminded of these meetings please call Mary Hunt at 347-3167 or Hilma Jenus at 347-4145.

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The Community Association would like to express its sincere sympathy to Mrs. Herman Raichle, sons, Herman and Robert, and daughter Mildred on the recent death of their husband and father.

Welcome Spring?

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All you need in order to take out books is a Sussex County library card which is issued to you at the Bookmobile and is ready for use immediately.

It is the Bookmobile that sponsors the Story Hour here at Lake Lackawanna during the Summer months. In case you aren't familiar with it during a Story Hour young girls read stories to any children who wish to listen.

So take a short ride to the Bryam School when the Bookmobile comes and enjoy the many adventures and journeys its books have to offer you.

## BROADEN YOUR HORIZONS

The College of Agriculture and Environmental Science of Rutgers University offers the Sussex County Extension Service to give you the opportunity to learn how to better handle all aspects of family management. The lectures are given in Newton and some people from Lake Lackawanna have already taken advantage of this service.

Ann Currey, Dot Currey, Mary Hunt, and Emma Landgraf have attended the course, Furniture Restoration. This course consisted of five days of instruction on how to restore wood furniture to its original beauty.

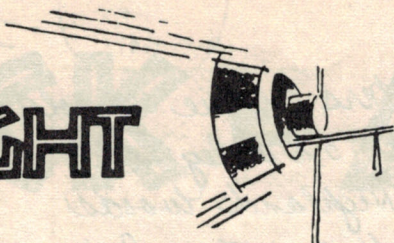
Hilma and Joe Jenus attended a workshop for Income Tax preparation and they found the instruction quite helpful.

On March 8, Pat Speer and Hilma Jenus attended a lecture about children's clothing. This discussion dealt with the points to be considered when buying and making clothing for your children.

Other instructions planned for this season are: Making Decisions, April 4 and 11 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Couture Touches, April 13 from 10:00 to 2:30 p.m., and Family Life-The Young Parent, April 12 and 26 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

If you are interested in attending or have any questions please call Hilma Jenus at 347-4145.

# YOU'RE IN THE SPOTLIGHT



by Barbara Abdy

This year the Community Association's vice-president is Tony Cece, a newcomer to Lake Lackawanna. He and his wife Elaine moved here from Roselle Park last June with their two children Lori 6 and Jeff 2.

Tony is employed by Kahant Electrical Supply Co. in Randolph Township as a sales trainee.

High school sweethearts, Tony and Elaine were married eight years ago while Tony was a paratrooper with the 101st airborne division. They spent their first years together living in the southern states of Georgia, Kentucky, and Tennessee.

see where Tony was stationed.

In recent years Tony has been enjoying an active sports life. He has won several trophies for go-cart racing in Pennsylvania, but Tony is proudest of his impressive hunting record. In the past six years he has bagged five bucks. Last year Tony shot two: a 4 pointer in Maine and an 8 pointer in New York State. In 1963, however, he got his biggest trophy, a 9 point, 230 pound buck.

Tony and Elaine say they enjoy country living especially breathing the healthy pollution free air of Sussex County.

## Editorial

by Barbara Abdy

Lake Lackawanna has a Community Association for those people who want to make their community a better and more vital place in which to make their homes.

However, some of us pay our dollar annual dues and then just sit back, relax, and wait to enjoy the summer activities at the club house or read about our neighbors in the issues of the Lack-A-News. However, few people attend the monthly meetings to help get things done or to offer their opinions and suggestions; they leave the work up to the other members and then complain that there is nothing to do or that the activities aren't interesting.

So now that another year has begun and some of us have already broken one or two resolutions we made back when 1967 was a few days old, let's think about adding another good intention to that list: attending the Community Association's monthly meetings.

Remember, a community is only as interesting as its members!

## FROM THE INVESTMENT COMPANY

by James C. Hockley, Pres.

Having pulled through a blizzard and some sub zero weather this winter, I gather most of us at the lake are (for a variety of reasons) anxiously awaiting the arrival of Spring.

Can't you just hear the tall tales our summer visitors will hear at the cookouts around the lake: how the sea gulls came in to clear the lake bottom when the water was low; how we chopped chunks of solid ice from the roof gutters; how we thawed out the frozen water lines; how we bundled ourselves up like astronauts to run out to the mail box (only to find it empty); how we ran down the battery of the car getting it started, and as for shoveling snow - well! You can be sure with each telling, as we move our lawn chairs from the rays of the burning sun into the shade, that the tales will grow taller.

But looking ahead we have many things going for us that should make for a good summer. The first, of course, is the new dam. This will retain much more water in the lake and with a normal amount of rainfall we will have a better grade of water. Also a new and more thorough weed control method

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is in the making.

The beach area is to be extended and a large permanent float has been installed in deeper water to provide for better swimming and diving. If our money holds out a picnic area contiguous to the beach area is planned.

As for the club house, some landscaping in the front with an enlargement of a better lighted parking area in the rear will enhance its outward appearance. Some touching up of the building will not only make it more usefull but more attractive as well.

All of these things cost money and labor but with your cooperation and financial support we can all help to make this the kind of a community we can enjoy and be proud of.

Yours for a glorious spring and a happy summer (if ever it comes.)

## OUR FRIENDS IN FLA.

by Barbara Abdy

Don't tell me these Northern New Jersey Winters are too much for some of our friends in Lake Lackawanna to bear? It looks like it from the people who have fled to Florida, sometime during the long, cold Winter season, leaving the rest of us behind to dig out of snowfall upon snowfall.

Among the families who made the southern trip were Keeto Big Mountain, his wife Carol, and their daughter Noel. They hurried down to Florida before Winter hardly got started to spend the Christmas holidays with Keeto's brother Arthur and his family who are appearing in a show there during the Winter. But when the Big Mountains returned home they found mounds of snow to shovel through to get to their house. Serves them right!

Talk about perfect timing, Betty and Harvey Speer must be in good with the weather man. They left to tour Florida in February just before the big blizzard hit our area and they returned home just as the last bit of snow was melting and the mercury in thermometer was rising.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Bilney Wintered in Ellington Florida where they have their brand new trailer parked. I guess they will be deserting Lake Lackawanna every year from now on to

bask in Florida's warmer climate.

The Al Jarvis' also felt the urge for a change of scenery. They toured Florida this Winter stopping off to visit a while with the Bilneys and the Enders.

All kidding aside, I hope everyone enjoyed their Winter vacations. I can only say "wait 'til next year" when, maybe, some more of us will be able to join you.

## YOU'LL FIND A WELCOME

by Pat Speer

"You'll find a welcome" at the Ladies' Club. Since it is difficult to extend a personal invitation to every woman in our community to join our group why not come to our meetings and meet your friends and neighbors over a cup of coffee.

The next meeting will be held at Marge Wurzbach's home on Thursday, March 23 at 8:00 P.M. If you have any questions about the meetings please call one of the officers:

Pres. Lee Smith	347-0705
V.P. Rose Cogswell	347-1259
Sec. Pat Speer	347-4393
Treas. Pearl Haug	347-2861

## NIBLICK NOTES

by Betty Spear - 347-2300

We need your help!

We've been trying to trace way back into the past to find any information on previous Lake Lackawanna Golf Champs but we weren't very successful. So please call us if you can help fill in any of the vacant years.

1931 thru	
1936	Walter F. Thomas
1937	Vernon H. Warner
1938	J. Lawrence Fisher
1939	Donald S. French
1940 thru	
1941	Wilbur R. Bloete
1942 thru	
1945	Hans G. Vesterdal
1946	
1947	
1948	Hans G. Vesterdal
1949	
1950	
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1954	
1955	
1956 thru	

1958	Joseph Matuska
1959	Joseph Jenus
1960	John Mycock
1961 thru	
1966	Joseph Jenus

This would be a nice record to have so if I do get a complete list, we'll publish it in a later issue.

Special note to "A" fliters - watch out for Greg Matthews this year; his mother presented him with a gold-plated putter for Christmas.

Anyone for golf? Ed Smith is wondering where everyone went. It doesn't look like the snow has slowed him down any.

Try as I may, I just cannot think golf in February. I'll have more to say next time.



HI THERE!

## CHRISTMAS DECORATION WINNERS

by Barbara Abdy

Two snow falls early in December transformed Lake Lackawanna into a winter wonderland. Adding to the scenery were the cheerful Christmas decorations seen on many homes around the lake.

The Friday before Christmas three judges from Brookwood, Robert Kellow, Bill Omerod, and Rodger Vories made a tour of Lake Lackawanna to choose three homes whose Christmas decorations were outstanding.

First prize was awarded to Sal Timpone whose house on Richmond Drive sent out holi-

day greetings with candles shining brightly from every window.

Second prize was won by Bob Poth's new Cape Cod home on Heminoer Drive which was outlined with gay lights and had its picture window decorated with red Christmas ornaments.

Third prize went to Ed Nelson whose lawn on Richmond Road was adorned by a cross outlined with Christmas lights. The Nelson's also lightened the mailman's load by cheerfully decorating their mail box.

But perhaps a grand prize should have been given to old Mother Nature who added the snowy white background to everyone's decorations.

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