

WINTER, 2011-2012



GREETINGS

FROM THE BOARD AND STAFF OF MARCEL LAKE ESTATES

BOARD MEMBERS

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Dan Zlolkowski
Michael Kyle

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MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

The Board welcomes our new Directors — *Ann Dolan, Dick Hanel, and Mario Sinatra* — and new staff members *Dan Zlolkowski and Michael Kyle*. We welcome you and look forward to working with you in the upcoming year.

Special thanks to all of our staff members for their hard work and dedication in keeping our community well-organized and safe.

We would also like to thank all of our residents in good standing. Paying your dues on time has helped keep our community operating.

As in the past, we will continue to offer payment plans for past unpaid or current unpaid dues. Please contact the office at 828-8244 and we will be happy to assist you.

REMINDER: BOARD MEETINGS are held at the Clubhouse on the 3rd Friday of each month at 8:00PM and we encourage you to attend.

This is a good opportunity for you to meet your neighbors, share your ideas and suggestions, and “get involved”.

WELCOME NEW PROPERTY OWNERS AND RENTERS

The Board and residents of Marcel Lake Estates welcomes all new residents and renters to our community and encourages each of you to "GET INVOLVED".

GONE, BUT NOT FOGOTTEN

We would like to take this opportunity to remember and extend our appreciation to those residents who so generously contributed their time and energy to our community and have passed away.

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DAYS AND HOURS

Mondays & Wednesdays 1-4 PM
Tuesdays 3-6 PM
Thursdays 12-4 PM
Fridays— CLOSED
Saturdays 10am—2 PM

Coming on Saturday, March 3, 2012 at 1:00 P.M.

**BIRTHDAY PARTY
FOR DR. SEUSS**



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN SAVING MONEY??

Residents of our community are in the process of forming a COMMUNITY ENERGY COMMITTEE in order to:

- ▶ Research and advise community residents of significant events that will impact on all of us, such as sewer and electric price changes
- ▶ Find new ways to develop energy buying groups to help reduce prices \$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$

The goal is to help us save money, enrich our community and our homes, and enhance our lifestyles

This Committee will be open to everyone in Marcel Lake Estates: land/property owners; renters; home owners; full and/or part-time residents in good standing. Look for updates on this Committee in our upcoming Newsletters.



BOTTINI FUEL is offering discount pricing for residents of Marcel Lake Estates. In addition, they offer a cap plan, a prepay plan, fixed price for propane, a convenient EZ pay program and a full service plan.

If you are interested in obtaining additional information, please contact Dana Capuano at 845-297-5580 ext. 1308

or at dcapuano@bottinifuel.com

COMMITTEE REPORTS

SOCIAL/RECREATIONAL COMMITTEE

Maria DePalma-Cocozza, Chairperson
Ann Dolan, Co-Chairperson

Guy Cocozza
Mary Hanel
Tracy Hunter
Anne Mattera

Susan Mazza
Rose Rivera
Kathy Sauvie
Elaine Sinatra

SPECIAL THANKS to Euvenia Alvarez for the time and effort put into decorating the entrance to our community for Halloween—it looked great!



SOUP-PER BOWL PARTY
Sunday, February 5th at 5:00 PM
at the Club House
\$10.00 per person

SOUP AND SANDWICHES BEFORE THE GAME
MUNCHIES DURING THE GAME
DESSERT AND COFFEE DURING HALF-TIME
BYOB & SODA



FUN AND GAMES FOR NON-FOOTBALL FANS TOO
Call ANN DOLAN for details & reservations—570-828-2685

► LOW IMPACT EXERCISE FOR SENIORS

If you are interested in participating in an exercise group three mornings a week at the clubhouse please contact Ann Dolan at 828-2685.

► PROJECT LINUS OF PIKE COUNTY

Become a “Blanketeer” and help provide comfort to children who are seriously ill or have been traumatized. Volunteers needed to knit, crochet, quilt or make “no-sew” blankets. Meetings are held at 10:00 AM at Saint Vincent DePaul Church on Route 739 on the third Saturday of each month, except January. Julia Sullivan, Project Linus Coordinator, www.projectlinus.org

IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS:

February 5, 2012	- Superbowl Party
March 3, 2012	- Birthday Party for Dr. Seuss (at the Delaware Township Library)
March 17, 2012	- St. Patrick’s Day Party
May 2012	- Community Clean-Up
July 4, 2012	- Independence Day
September 3, 2012	- Labor Day
October 8, 2012	- Columbus Day
October 31, 2012	- Halloween
November 11, 2012	- Veterans Day
November 22, 2012	- Thanksgiving Day
December 25, 2012	- Christmas Day

SECURITY AND CODE ENFORCEMENT



Your safety is important to us, so:

Please be vigilant and observant. Watch for strangers around your home & the community & report any incidents to the state police.

Remember that the speed limit throughout the community is 15 miles per hour.

Plans are underway to replace our current entrance and exit gates. In the meantime, please do not tailgate through the entrance and exit gates— if you run through and break the gate you will be fined \$179.50

Put only household garbage into the compactor and be sure to close the door. For a small fee, bulk items can be disposed of at the maintenance dumpster. The office can provide you with the bulk rates.

Burn barrels are permitted in the community (as long as there is no burning restriction set by the township)



Pets walked within the community must be leashed and under the owners control at all times.

Pet owners must pick up and properly dispose of their pet’s waste. Owners of pets that create a nuisance in the community will be fined.

Pets— loose or noise complaints
1st Offense: Warning
2nd Offense: \$50.00 fine
3rd Offense: \$100 fine

Loose dog complaints may be filed with PA Dog Warden Jim Rickert at 570-488-9562

EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Ambulance/Fire/Police	911
PA State Police	1-866-780-7299
Met-Ed Emergency	1-800-545-7738
PA American Water	1-800-565-7292

FINANCE/BUDGET COMMITTEE

Maria DePalma-Cocozza, Chairperson
Beverly Hill, Asst. to the Treasurer

Luis Barrios
Nancy Bernard
Linda Heady
Dick Hanel

Sarah McGuire
Terry Sauvie
Elaine Sinatra
Mario Sinatra

This year, the MLEPOA Budget Committee is comprised of two (2) residents (an additional volunteer has not been able to attend meetings to date), six (6) Board members and the Assistant to the Treasurer (staff).

The Committee has been gathering information since November 3, 2011 and has had two meetings with the full committee as of 12/22/11. This year is an especially difficult budgeting process due to the economy and uncertainty regarding CTS and what that may mean to the community.

Please be assured that the Committee is working hard to protect the community by producing a reasonable, balanced budget while keeping dues increases to a minimum. The Committee's last scheduled meeting was on January 2, 2012.

A proposed balanced budget must be presented to the full Board of Directors by February 1, 2012. The Board will then review and revise, as needed and appropriate, so that the final proposed budget can be mailed by first class mail to all Members in good standing by February 15, 2012.

Members may submit questions in writing to the Board or have their questions addressed at the March 16th, 2012 Open Meeting. After the March 16th meeting the Board will make final adjustments to the proposed budget, if needed, and bills will be prepared based on the adopted budget. Bills must be mailed to property owners before April 1, 2012. It is during the month of April that property owners can make arrangements with the office for payment plans. All dues are due May 1, 2012. Payment Plan participants will need to pay their first payment April 15th, 2012. All subsequent payments will be due the 15th of each month until the plan is completed.

COMMUNICATIONS/NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE

Terry Sauvie, Chairperson

Anne Mattera, Editor
Laura Clark

Steve Sutter, Photographer

The Committee is pleased to report that plans are underway to develop a new website for Marcel Lake Estates.

Proposals are being reviewed and we anticipate having our site up and running by the Spring.

Do you have something important to say? Some news you would like to share with the community?

Or perhaps you have an announcement or ad you would like to place in our Newsletter?

If so, we'd love to hear from you. Please contact Terry Sauvie at (570) 369-6966.

JOINT LAKE COMMITTEE (MLEPOA SIDE)

Dick Hanel, Chairperson

Jack Fitzpatrick
Terry Sauvie

Mario Sinatra
John Stellone

On December 7th two hundred sixty five new residents took occupancy in Marcel Lake. The rainbow and brown trout were part of the restocking effort by the Joint Lake Committee, in cooperation with Old Marcel.

We extend our thanks to residents and Community Boards in both communities for making the stocking possible. Photos are compliments of **Steve Sutter** who, along with **Jack Fitzpatrick & Tim Fraenza** from Old Marcel, oversaw the delivery of the trout from Green Walk Trout Fishery in Bangor, Pa.

FYI—Trout season begins in April—

If you will be ice fishing, please remember that according to Fish and Game Regulations,

TROUT MUST BE RELEASED

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