

Tink Wig Times

Fall 2021

Executive Director's Report

Hello to all the property owners in Tink Wig. The summer is over and autumn is upon us. It was a successful time; the weather was good and the pool was very active.

Recent Highlights:

- The board approved refurbishing our pool in the spring. We hired Custom Pools by DeRichie. They are scheduled to start in early April and hopefully we can open it by Memorial Day and on weekends till the pool attendants get out of school. We have the cash in our reserve account to pay for this in its entirety. The cost will be approximately \$250,000.
- The bridge failed the October inspection and requires the bridge to be closed on Nov 5th until further notice. The bridge needs replacement (a repair is more costly). We applied for a grant from Monroe County.
- We are going to apply for a loan for the bridge replacement. The amount of the loan is dependent on the grant money we may receive. We will be notified in late winter if we will be awarded any money. Included in the loan, we plan on adding the cost for renovating the bathrooms in the clubhouse. We are waiting on estimates at this time. A special meeting will be scheduled in the spring for membership approval of the loan. Be sure to vote on this important loan authorization or come to the meeting in person and cast your ballot.
- Few reminders: Dogs are not permitted in the common areas. Please leash and clean up after your pet. Also, garbage cans should be pulled back from the roads by the following day after pick-up.
- There will be no indoor social functions for a while due to covid-19. We are following CDC recommendations.

I am hoping for a dry winter with very little snow. Enjoy your autumn/winter season.

Pat Stephens



3rd Annual Trunk or Treat

Please join us on **Saturday, October 23, 2021, from 6-7:30pm** for our 3rd Annual Trunk or Treat at the Clubhouse Parking Lot!

Once again, we'll be handing out prizes for the best costumes, carved/decorated pumpkin, and decorated vehicle. Come and enjoy some S'mores around the fire pit with the Forest Volunteer Fire Dept.

Treat donations can be dropped off at the office if you're unable to attend but still want to participate.

- **Set-up 4:30-6:00pm**
- **Judging 6:00-6:15pm**
- **Trunk or Treat 6:15-7pm**
- **Fire Pit & S'mores 6:30-end**
- **All vehicles must be in the parking lot by 5:45pm, as there will be No moving vehicles allowed while kids are present.**

Please reach out to lauriespade@gmail.com if you would be interested in joining the committee or have any ideas for events.

Thank you,
Laurie Spade

Lake Report

This has been a great year for the lake. Mother Nature was very kind. Yes, we did have some hot periods and plenty of rain but not enough to upset the water quality. As a result, the blue green algae that plagued our lake last year was not present. Plant growth was under control and the water quality was good. Also, the bacterial preventative treatment applied by Aqua Link was a contributing factor to help control the reoccurrence of an algae bloom.

I am waiting for our lake management contract for 2022. Once I receive it, I will hold a lake committee meeting for review and then present it to the board of directors for approval.

This year the board recommended a voluntary catch and release program to all our property owners who fish the lake. Sunfish and bluegills are exempt from this program. Please practice good fishing etiquette. I am going to present to the board a recommendation to stock largemouth bass in the lake as recommended by Aqua Link sometime next year.

Another recommendation to the board for their approval will be a replacement of the floating dock by the boat launch area. I believe it has served its purpose all these years and it's time for replacement next year.

Photo: Laurie Spade

Tink Wig Lake is a jewel in the middle of our community and has to be maintained. A lot of people use the lake not only for fishing but also for kayaking and canoeing. There is a lot of wildlife to be seen out there and along the shorelines. This year a property owner sent me a few pictures, a green egret (which is a protected species), a green heron, a hawk, and a bumble bee resting on a lily pad.

Get out and enjoy the beauty of our lake.

Gene Stephens

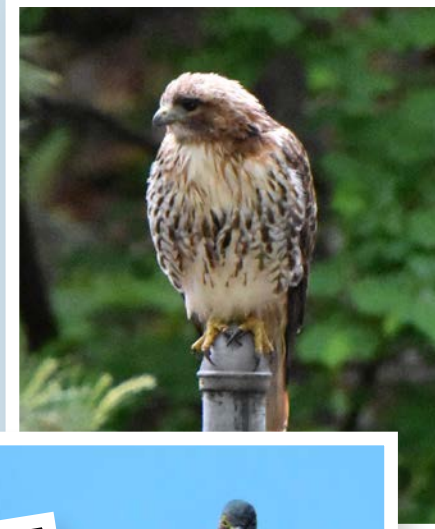


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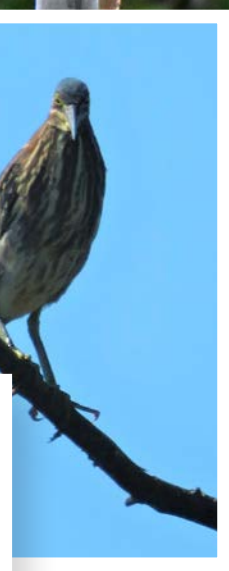


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Letter from Forest Volunteer Fire Department

Greetings,

As fall is rapidly approaching we hope that everyone had a safe and enjoyable summer. It was a pleasure to talk to you all at your summer board meeting and I just would like to remind you we are always looking for volunteers here at the Forest Volunteer Fire Department. It doesn't matter if you are full time or part time or if you are young or older, we have a place for you here at Station 81! If you are interested in joining a dedicated family-oriented team we encourage you to reach out to us on our website at forestfirerescue.com or call (570) 226-3491. As we approach the fall months we would like to remind you now is the time to get your heating units serviced and your chimneys cleaned as well as checking the batteries in your smoke detectors. While we hope you never need our services, know that our first priority is the safety of the residents of Lackawaxen township and we strive to provide you with the best emergency services possible. In closing I would like to thank you for your support and remind you to check with your homeowner's insurance to make sure they are using our current ISO rating of 3-3y to make sure you are getting the best rates possible.

Be well,

Tim Knapp

Chief Forest Vol. Fire Dept

2021 Annual Picnic

The Annual Picnic was held on July 3rd and was well attended. It was the first event this year. Community members got to enjoy a variety of food, DJ, kid's fishing derby, and basket raffle.

We raised approximately \$3,200 from the basket raffle and 50/50. Thank you to all who donated items and volunteered that day.



A Colorful August

To wrap up the summer, the **Children's Social Committee** hosted a Tie Dye Party and Hot Dog lunch! We had a great turnout and even the weather held out. It was a huge success and I'm sure we'll host it again next year. Thank you to my volunteers for helping with set-up, clean-up, and grilling!



“You Are Here” Honesdale Outdoor Art Project

If you've visited Main Street in Honesdale recently, you may have noticed some colorful art panels lining the street! The 35 public art installations, led by the Wayne County Art Alliance, were created by local artists and each features 2 head-sized cut outs so visitors can immerse themselves in the art and share snapshots and videos on social media (#waynecountyarts). Each piece will be auctioned off now through October 17, 2021. For more information, visit waynecountyartsalliance.org.



Bridge Update & Closure

There was an inspection on October 5th that revealed the bridge has deteriorated and requires closure. The bridge will be closed on Nov 5th until further notice to all vehicles. The foot path will remain open for pedestrians.

The grant application has been submitted. The determination process will be completed sometime in January through March. If awarded, funds will be available in the summer.

Stephen Christopher



Not just the Junk File



“It is a good habit to look in both the junk and the deleted files once a week to see if there is anything going there automatically that you really need”

Many of you are aware that emails from some senders or with specific content go automatically to the junk file on your email account. There are also times depending on the type of email you use when emails will automatically go to the Deleted file or Trash file. I personally have had this happen with emails sent from Tink Wig HOA. I cannot tell you what email types (gmail, Hotmail, etc.) do this. For me it was Hotmail. It is a good habit to look in both the junk and the deleted files once a week to see if there is anything going there automatically that you really need. Even if you can't do it that often, try to do it periodically. For each email system there are generally settings or processes that you can use to force these emails to go to your inbox. Google searches provide good information as to how to manage these email situations.

We will also investigate to see if there can be a different mechanism to send the Tink Wig HOA emails to minimize the times they would go to junk or auto delete.

Chris Qaddoumi

Treasurer's Report Sept 30, 2021

Honesdale National Bank Checking Account Balance - \$293,716.73

Honesdale National Bank Capital Improvement - \$29,309.73

Honesdale National Bank Social Committee Account - \$14,432.86

Dime Reserve Account - \$237,666.82

Upcoming Board Meetings

All board meetings are the second Sunday of the month (except Mother's Day) in the Clubhouse at 10am. All members are welcome to attend.

November 14, 2021

December 12, 2021

No meetings – January and February

March 13, 2022

April 10, 2022

May 14, 2022 (Budget meeting)

May 15, 2022

June 12, 2022

July 2, 2022 (Annual meeting & Picnic)



Committee Corner

We are always looking for volunteers. If you're interested in volunteering or joining any committee, please contact the office to be put in touch with the committee chair.

Architectural:
Gene Stephens

Bylaws:
Pat Stephens

Children's Social:
Laurie Spade

Clubhouse:
Mo Qaddoumi

Communications:
Laurie Spade

Compliance:
Doug Roberts

Lake:
Gene Stephens

Long-range Planning:
Rick Haan

Pool:
AJ Manzione/Bob Luciani

Roads:
Allen Freschi

Social:
Martha Spreen/Karen Thompson

Website:
Chris Qaddoumi

Stay connected with us!

Have an idea for an article for a future edition of the Tink Wig Times? Email us at tinkwig.communications@gmail.com

Join us on the [NextDoor app](#) to keep up with what's happening in the community and in Lackawaxen Township (ask to join the TWPOA group).

All questions can be answered by calling the office at 570-685-7800 during office hours.

