



Cranberry Lake Community Club

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Greetings Cranberry Lake residents,

I started writing this on "Twosday" (2/22/22) and it is very fitting that this is my 2nd summer as CLCC President. I hope that you and your families are well, and you are thinking about warmer weather, fun times, and lake time. If you are not currently a member, or were in the past and fell away, or just never gave us a chance, I welcome you to review what we have to offer and consider joining our CLCC family. The CLCC Board of Governors have been working all winter addressing important topics for the Lake and the Club. We all continue to work hard as we are preparing to deliver another great summer for you, the kids and everyone in-between.

If you are reading this letter online, it means you received the postcard directing you here where you can get all the information needed to sign up for the 2022 season. On the Welcome Page of the CLCC web site you have links to pay your dues, apply for employment, request a boat slip, view the calendar, and more. All of this is available online for you to access and action or if you prefer you can print all the forms to your local printer and mail in your information if you so choose. This is different and we recognize that however this is a way we can control and reduce costs all while making the process more efficient for the BOG.

As you go into the membership dues page you will notice a couple of changes:

- 1) The first is the increase to the dues. This is due to the increase in COLA (Cost of Living Adjustment published by US Social Security Administration). As per our bylaws, the CLCC increases its dues based on the COLA rate published by the SSA in October of the previous year. COLA for 2021 was 5.9%. This rate has been applied to the 2022 CLCC dues.
- 2) The other change is the introduction of a convenience fee. The convenience fee is a charge passed on to members for the privilege of paying for dues using an alternative payment method that is not standard. The convenience fee is not a charge for using your credit card, but rather for the convenience\privilege of using our online option. It should be noted that the Club paid fees in the amount of \$3,000 in 2021 on membership dues paid online. If you decide that paying the convenience fee is not for you, we understand, and you always have the option to print the membership form and pay by sending in your payment via mail. The choice is yours.

The Club finances are in good shape, and we have some much-needed money to spend on some much-needed maintenance. Just like any kid that finds that dollar on the beach and they want to spend it right away at the snack shack (more on that in a little bit), the BOG feels the same way, however we are struggling to spend it. We have 4-5 major maintenance projects at the Clubhouse we have been trying to get scheduled, however with the current job market it is making it extremely difficult to retain a

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contractor to do the work we need. The BOG is still working to find these contractors, but if you know a builder/roof person or a chimney repair person please reach out to anyone on the BOG.

The calendar is packed with classic events, new events, comeback events – there is something for everyone. The Club will be offering discounted Lifeguard training for those at age to lifeguard or needing a recertification-more to come on this as we get closer to summer. The CLCC snack shack will be back this summer.! There is a plan in the works to have it opened more regularly and offering snacks including some healthier snack options.

As every year, we have so many regular maintenance items which we require and ask for volunteers throughout the year. Please be on the lookout for those needs as we will use social media to ask for your help. Volunteers start with the BOG and extends to all our members as we are a community that works on volunteers.

As we start to get teased with warmer weather, that spring and summer feeling starts to come to the surface. We have a few more weeks to get through but summer 2022 is not far away. Be well and stay safe. See you all soon!

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Len Sadowski". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a small dot above the 'i' at the end.

Len Sadowski
Cranberry Lake Community Club President

CLCC Welcome Page: <https://www.cranberrylakecc.org/welcome>