



Lordship Fathers' Club

21½ Prospect Drive - Lordship

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Celebrating 67 Years!!! 1947-2014



Fall 2014 Newsletter

UPCOMING EVENTS

CLUB MEETINGS

1st Wednesday of the
month - Sept - June
LFC Clubhouse
8:00 PM
Oct 1st/Nov 5th/Dec 3rd

FISHING DERBY

Sat. September 20th
7:00 AM TO 11 AM,
On the bluffs across
from Ivy street

'M' is for MUSIC

Sunday, Sept. 21st
Lordship Community
Church at 2pm

HALLOWEEN PARADE

Sat. October 25th
3:00 TO 4:30
Lordship School field

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

Flower bulb sale
begins October 1st

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

December 13th
9:00am at
Our Lady of Peace

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

LFC Membership - What does it mean?

The Lordship Fathers' Club is currently holding its annual membership drive and requests your support. Annual memberships are active from Sept.-June and represent the largest portion of our funding. Without your membership, the LFC would not be able to host the variety of events we hold each year. In 1947 the LFC formed from a group of civic minded friends and neighbors interested in supporting the children of Lordship. Today, the Club strives to enrich the community with educational, sometimes cultural, and always plain ol' fun events.

Wondering what it means to join the "Lordship Fathers' Club"? Well, the name can be misleading. Decades ago the founding members included the word "Club", but we are far from exclusive; as a matter of fact, we're very inclusive - it's open to *anyone* - Moms, Dads, Grandparents, Aunts, Uncles, or anyone else. There is no membership "process" or "interview". You don't have to know someone else who is already a member. Basically, you just have to renew your membership each year with a small donation. That's it. Of course since you are joining the "Club", we encourage you to attend events and gatherings, or volunteer should you be so inclined, but you are never under any obligation to do either. You may simply be satisfied with having a sense of pride knowing your membership donation dollars support a local organization that for decades has been an important part of the fabric of our community.

As stewards of your donations, the LFC promises to work diligently using the funds in the most cost effective manner possible. Enclosed with this newsletter, please find the LFC 2014-15 annual membership enrollment card. You may make your donation via [PayPal on the LFC website](#), or send us a check along with the Blue Membership Card enclosed.

During Breakfast with Santa this year, a **drawing** will be held using the names of those people who have signed up to be 2014-15 members. The lucky winner will receive a **\$100 gift certificate** to Stop and Shop! As always, the volunteers at the LFC appreciate your support to ensure the traditions continue.

*Your
generosity
makes the
Fathers'
Club
Events
possible!*

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HALLOWEEN PARADE

The Lordship Fathers' Club will kick off another spooky season with its popular Halloween Parade at **3:00pm on Saturday October 25th** at the Lordship School baseball field (directly behind the Fathers' Clubhouse). Last year's Halloween Parade was creepy, kooky and all together spooky; there were witches, fairies, ghosts, ghouls and adorably dressed toddlers. Kids big and small had a blast showing off their costumes to all their friends. The years much anticipated costume contest categories will include five categories: **scariest, funniest, most original, cutest, and best group**. Expect the competition to be fierce – werewolf fierce. The afternoon's fun will be filled with plenty of crafts and games provided by the LFC Sunshine Committee and followed by a candy parade, where each child collects enough sweets to keep Stratford dentists in business for years to come. Bring your cameras to witness Lordship invaded by monsters, super heroes, princesses and kitty cats. It promises to be a screamingly good time.



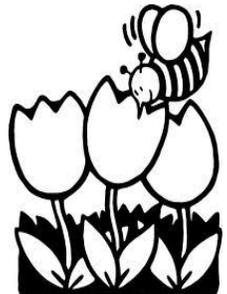
SUNSHINE COMMITTEE CORNER

The ladies of the LFC Sunshine Committee are dedicated to establishing a network of friendly volunteers in our community. The Committee recognizes the significance of bringing neighbors and generations together within our community by reaching out and reminding Lordship residents that they are cared for. Over the past few years, many '**Rays of Sunshine**' have been delivered, including Committee-made baby quilts for the smallest Lordship residents, as well as welcome baskets to new neighbors who have recently joined our community. The Committee has also visited residents recovering from illness and reached out to those in need. If you would like to participate in the Sunshine Committee, or alert the Committee of the need for a '**Ray of Sunshine**', visit the LFC website and take a moment to make a request.



BULB SALE IN TIME FOR FALL PLANTING

To advance the Sunshine Committee's outreach, the group is hosting its annual Fall Flower Bulb fundraiser selling Dutch bulbs imported from Holland in time for fall planting. A limited supply of bulbs will be available for purchase starting **October 1st** through the first frost or until the supply runs out. The Committee has already received pre-order requests and is confident about reaching its goal of delivering 750+ bulbs to the homeowners of Lordship. If you anticipate a need for brightly colored tulips and/or elegantly tall bright yellow daffodil, please consider purchasing a bag from our Sunshine Committee at the price of **\$1 per bulb**. When the flowers bloom next spring, you'll be the envy of your block, proudly displaying support of the LFC Sunshine Committee! For more info contact Jennifer Silberger 526-6428 or MosaicJenn@optonline.net



LORDSHIP SUMMER PICNIC / RAFFLE / MUSIC

The Lordship Fathers Club held its annual Bash at the Beach picnic and raffle June 21st on the bluffs. Warm sunny skies prevailed, as Lordship families attended the event throughout the day. There was plenty of good summer BBQ food, beverages, and games for the children to enjoy. Thanks to the coordination of LFC's Board Secretary Larry Haadad, the picnic kicked off the 'Bands by the Bluffs' series which was much appreciated by all those who attended. The live music was terrific and we look forward to continuing this next year. The Lordship Fathers Club Sunshine Committee held its annual raffle at the picnic, giving away prizes for ten lucky winners including the 1st Place prize of a 32" LED HDTV flat screen. ***Congratulations to the winners whom were all from Lordship and were noted in our Summer Newsletter which can be found on the LFC website.*** Thanks to the many businesses who contributed to our annual raffle. Residents may show their appreciation to these businesses by frequenting their establishments and mentioning the Fathers' Club.

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THREE PERFECT DAYS

Day 1 (June 21). Wake up and enjoy a leisurely Lordship morning. Around noon, hop on your bikes and take a ride over to the Bluffs, where the weather is spectacular, LI Sound is sparkling as you grab a freshly grilled burger and cold beverage at the annual LFC Beach Picnic. While there, you sit back and relax as the *Larry Haddad Quartet* plays live a selection of groovy jazz tunes. Saxophone. Guitar. Bass. Drums. Swinging. Stay an hour longer than you thought you would.

Day 2 (July 20). After an active weekend, take a break. Grab a pizza or pack some snacks. Head down to the Bluffs at 5pm, just as the sun is getting low and the waves are glistening. This time, you are treated to the rocking jazz of the *George Lesiw Trio*. Awesome! Close your eyes, or better yet, stare at the sailboats drifting by as the band rocks on. Half way through the summer, you realize this is the place to be.

Day 3 (August 24). Summer is ending soon; you're trying to cram some last minute jaunts before the long warm afternoons slip by. A brief glance at the LFC calendar, you're reminded of the live music playing in Lordship's own backyard. Putting the snarling traffic on hold, you pack a picnic (you're good at this now). Head down to the bluffs to soak in the gorgeous rhythms of Brazil as *Sambeleza* serenades the crowd. Bossa Nova. Samba. Perfect. Now if only summer could last a little longer.

No worries, the music continues. The LFC will be back again next June to start all over again. And now that you caught the "music bug", follow the Fathers' Club indoors as the music series - *'M' is for Music* continues on select Sunday afternoons - **September 21, November 16, and December 14.** Concerts will be at 2pm at the Lordship Community Church. Seating is limited, so tickets are available in advance at a suggested **donation of \$10 for adults and \$5 for students and seniors.** Check out the LFC web site for more details and info about the bands!

BE PART OF THE FUN – GET INVOLVED

Interested in meeting new people, spending time with family and friends while supporting the children of our community? Did you know that over forty folks (men and women) volunteered their time with the LFC last year, each playing an integral role in bringing events to the youth here in Lordship? Were you one of them? If you were, you understand how we couldn't have done it without you, and your community has benefited as a result of your involvement. **Thank You!**

If you have thought about volunteering but figured you didn't have the time or weren't needed - you are mistaken. We could always use more volunteers if even for only one event. Can you flip pancakes at the Santa Breakfast, hide Easter eggs, or pass out candy at the Halloween parade? Then you qualify. There's no special training, no long-term commitment, no forms to sign, no classes or meetings to attend. Just sign-up on the **LFC volunteer mailing list** found on the LFC website, and we'll keep you posted on specific volunteer opportunities you may be interested in. It's impossible to commit to a full season of events – but by donating your time and energy even at one event a year, you can make a difference in our backyard.



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LORDSHIP SMARTS

In February 2015, the Lordship Fathers' Club will sponsor LORDSHIP SMARTS, an all science and math exposition in which every student from Lordship (grade K-12) is invited to participate. By promoting creativity, ingenuity and communication through science, each child can experience how 'science can be fun' and be given an opportunity to express their sense of pride and accomplishment derived from participation. The community is invited to gather and appreciate science. Students who participate in **LORDSHIP SMARTS** receive a certificate, with prizes awarded to the top three exhibits in each of the following categories:



Invention, Science through Art, Scientific Experiment, and Scientific Display. It is never too early to start thinking about this year's upcoming science expo, which will be conducted at Lordship School on Friday **February 6th, 2015.** An informational packet and guidelines can be found on the LFC website.

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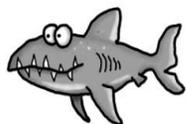
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FISHING CONTEST !!

Some would agree the best fishing of the season is between late summer through early fall. With the temperatures and mosquitoes tapering off, the Lordship Fathers' Club will host its annual Fishing Derby on the morning of Saturday, Sept. 20th during the incoming tide. Participants should plan to meet at Russian Beach, with the official contest conducted from 7:00am - 11:00am; a variety of baits will be supplied. Check in early at the LFC table, on the beach near Ivy Street, and be the first to pick up some complimentary coffee and donuts. First, second, and third place prizes distributed to those participants who catch the longest fish. Bring your lucky lure and we'll see you on the beach!



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KID'S CORNER

As summer comes to a close, we invited a few Lordship children to share insights on a variety of questions; Here's what they had to say...

1. What animal best describes you?

- ✓ "Gorilla – I like to make funny sounds" – **A.H. Kindergarten**
- ✓ "Cheetah – I am fast" – **B.C. Grade 2**
- ✓ "Dolphin – I love to swim" – **C.R. Grade 4**
- ✓ "Dog – because I can communicate with them" – **M.B. Grade 4**

2. If you could only eat three foods for a month, what would it be?

- ✓ "Lamb chops, Clam pizza, any cereal with sugar" – **B.C. Grade 5**
- ✓ "Eggs, Ham, Salad – especially lettuce" – **J.H. Grade 2**
- ✓ "Arabic Bread with Laughing Cow cheese" – **A.H. Kindergarten**
- ✓ "Grapes, Spaghetti, and Eggs w/ketchup" - **M.M. Grade 2**
- ✓ "Pickles, Apples, and Cold Spaghetti" – **C.R. Grade 6**
- ✓ "Pancakes, pizza, cotton candy flavored ice cream" - **B.C. Grade 2**
- ✓ "Cheeseburgers, carrots, and milk" **J.S. Grade 2**

3. What are some things you learned this summer?

- ✓ "Learned how to Paddle Board" – **C.R. Grade 4**
- ✓ "Learned to be careful around Bears in the Wild" - **M.S. Grade 6**
- ✓ "Learned how to computer program" – **B.C. Grade 5**
- ✓ "Learned how to swim the Butterfly Stroke" – **C.R. Grade 6**
- ✓ "Learned how to share better" – **A.H. Kindergarten**
- ✓ "Learned how to play tennis" – **M.B. Grade 4**

4. Finish this sentence "Someday I will _____?"

- ✓ "Play second base for the Boston Red Sox" - **D.M. Grade 4**
- ✓ "Go to Hogwarts in Universal Studios Florida" – **C.R. Grade 6**
- ✓ "Build a real computer game" – **B.C. Grade 5**
- ✓ "Become a First Grade math teacher" - **M.M. Grade 1**
- ✓ "Be the First Woman President" - **M.R. Grade 5**
- ✓ "Be a 4th Grade Teacher" – **C.R. Grade 4**
- ✓ "Be on the Women's Olympic Hockey Team" – **M.S. Grade 4**
- ✓ "Be a soccer player for the Team Brazil" – **J.H. Grade 2**
- ✓ "A Marine Biologist – but not with squid" – **M.B. Grade 4**

STAY CONNECTED TO THE LFC

Visit the LFC website to add your email address to our growing list of **subscribers** and receive periodic updates on LFC happenings!

FRIEND US ON FACEBOOK!

The Lordship Fathers Club has established a Facebook page. Friend us today to stay connected with upcoming LFC events.

