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## **Director's Corner**

I am sure the majority of you are aware of the passing of our president and friend, Dave Roberts. We were gathering at 10:00 for our monthly director's meeting on 11/21/24 and Dave was late. I had a bad feeling in the pit of my stomach because he was always on time. When we received the call, immense shock filled the room. None of us could believe it. I felt my own mortality; he was my age! I am writing this a month earlier than you will read it, but I don't think the shock will be any less in January.

Dave was a constant presence in Fawn Lakes. Who hadn't seen him walking through our community every day? He would always stop to talk or take in your garbage can if you didn't get around to it. He was a regular visitor at the pool although he never went in for a swim, just came to check in. He always volunteered as a pool monitor every year. He loved to talk about his beloved alma-mater, Lycoming College, which I have to admit I sometimes tuned him out! He was honored by the alumni last year during homecoming for not missing a football game in 40 years. He proudly showed off his hat and jacket they awarded him and told me about the plaque they presented him on the field. Twice a year I had to take over for him at the community meetings so he was able to attend the games. I'm glad he saw the last game of the season this year and yes, I heard all about it! Dave also loved shuffleboard. He took it very seriously and was always there every chance he could get. He even got his sister Cathy and nephew to come down to play. I can't believe I'm saying this but I think I will actually miss seeing those Hawaiian shirts of his! In his defense he did clean up nicely and looked very dapper in suits he wore to the Volunteer Dinners. He and I attended the award ceremony at the high school to present the Fawn Lakes Scholarship awards to the recipients this year. I told him he looked very handsome in his suit and I actually made him blush!

Dave was the kind of leader that trusted you to do your job. He assigned me pool management, getting a new roof, pricing and obtaining new insurance and various other projects, and then left me to do it. He was there to back you up if you needed him, but he had faith in you and your ability. He told me he probably wasn't going to run again and wanted to know if I was ready to take over. I wasn't, but I told him I was glad he would be my mentor and I could lean on him for his advice and know how. This was not how I envisioned things turning out. When people say life is too short, believe them. We never know what life has in store for us so listen to the cliches and live your life to the fullest!

I just received my December Fawn Lakes Press and read with sadness Dave's last Director's Corner. He was writing about the memories that were published in the press of Lenny Feather's passing and said, "I hope I am that fondly remembered when I go, but I doubt it." Oh yes Dave, people will be writing their memories of you, and you will always be fondly remembered and greatly missed.

Wishing you all a happy, healthy, and fulfilling New Year

Tracy Barnard, President



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## A Letter from the Editor:

Hello and Happy New Year! I wish all of you, your friends, and family a happy, safe and prosperous 2025. In the last few months the press has printed many 'In Memoriam' tributes including Lenny, Terri and Dave. Many of our residents are still reeling from the losses and are trying to make sense of it all, especially the passing of our FLP president, Dave Roberts.

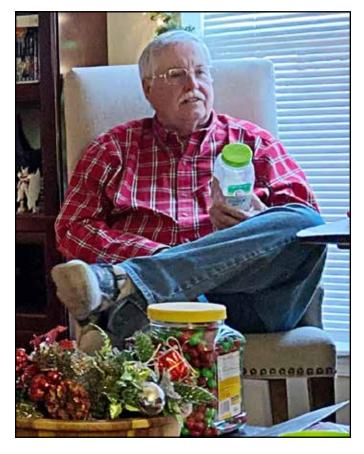
Dave and I did not always agree on issues and once or twice our dueling emails would end in agreeing to disagree. Other times, he was open to another point of view, even agreeing with me! My last interaction with Dave came after I received his December Director's Corner. I was happy to read he revealed information about his family and emailed him to tell him how much I enjoyed reading his column. He said he was glad I liked it. Like many others, I already miss seeing him walking around our community. Rest peacefully, Dave. As the new president of Fawn Lakes, Tracy Barnard said, "Life is short...live your life to the fullest." As editor, I am so pleased there are many tributes to Dave Roberts, proving him wrong when he wrote he doubted he would be fondly remembered. Thanks to everyone who submitted a tribute.

Regards, Janice Conte



## **Memories Of The Former Community President Dave Roberts In Memory**

Dave Roberts was my brother. He grew up in Sparta NJ, graduated from high school and then went off to what would become his cherished experiences at Lycoming College. He loved it there and that carried through to the rest of his life. My brother loved his football, going to more than 400 consecutive games. But more than that he was a good man during his life. He took care of himself, but was always there for me during my ups and downs. He loved his brother and sister-in-law, and nephews in Texas very much and was more than an uncle to my son. He gave as much as he could give to Fawn Lakes, in the best way he knew how. I pray he will be remembered and appreciated. Thank you, Cathy Kenny



## In Memoriam: **David W. Roberts** February 11, 1955 – November 21, 2024

David W Roberts, age 69, of Stafford Township, New Jersey passed away on Thursday, November 21, 2024. Dave will fondly be remembered by all who knew him.

## **Remembring Dave**

One of our saddest days was November 21st when we learned from Dave's sister Cathy that her dear brother had died during the night.

When we first moved to Fawn Lakes Dave was the guy who would pass us when we were out walking and totally ignore us!

As we became friends with Dave things changed. We couldn't shut him up! He would frequently stop in to visit us and solve the problems of the world.

We will miss hearing about decades of Lycoming football news from their most devout alumnus. We will no longer know what movies to watch on the Hallmark Channel. When at the clubhouse with Dave, we will no longer fear for our lives when playing shuffleboard against him.

When Dave became President of the Fawn Lakes Community Association, we learned what a very special person he was.

He worked endlessly to make sure things were run as smoothly as possible. We found out that Dave frequently spent his own money to provide things our community needed, but he did not want people to know this. He helped individuals in need when he could. He never was interested in getting credit for his work.

The more we got to know Dave, the more we loved him. Our community will not be the same without him. We are grateful that we had the opportunity to know Dave.

God Bless Dave and his family.

Walt and Sue Fieger

#### **Memories with Dave**

I got to know Dave on a personal level when I became a Director on the Community Board. His calm and patient approach was easy to work with. His daily walks through Fawn Lakes gave us endless topics for conversation, especially when he filled me in on what my dogs did when he walked by each day. His love for Lycoming College football was legendary, and he could describe (and often did) the games in detail. We shared endless reviews of the current and older batches of Hallmark movies and which of the actresses were the best. He always had good suggestions for what to watch!

His love for his sister and his nephew were evident and he was always glad to talk about them. His tenure as President will be remembered for his balanced views, his fairness and his people skills.

#### In Memory

The memory I'll share is of Dave being elected to the "Board". He volunteered to be a Board member because he thought he was capable of performing any one of the various job descriptions. He didn't realize that the current position holders were happy in their jobs and didn't want to change. So the only open position was "President".

When it was announced that the "newbie" was President, he informed the residents quite clearly that he would be very different than his predecessor.

And he was. He did things in his own way, with his dry humor and sly smiles. I for one, appreciate all he accomplished.

Most definitely he will be remembered and it will be with fond memories.

Rest in peace friend, Claire De Luccia



Dave Roberts was always my go to man when something would bubble up in Fawn Lakes. He had the pulse of the community and I had great respect for him

Paul Schwarz, Clubhouse director

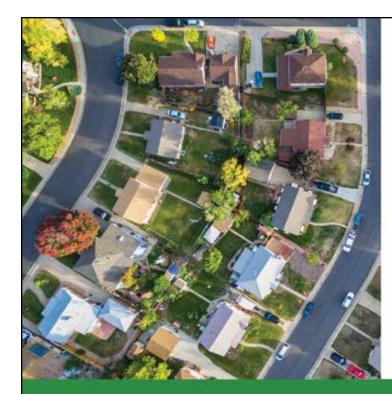
### **Dave Roberts Remembered**

It is very sad to write the following because we have lost an exceptional member of the Fawn Lakes family. I knew Dave Roberts through the Men's Club and he was a voice of reason on many occasions. He was also a champion Sports Trivia participant. Later, when Dave gave me the opportunity to work with the Community Board, I got the chance to witness his leadership. He was a gentleman at all times and an exceptional leader of the Board. He will be greatly missed. What I remember most however, was last summer when we were holding the election for the Board. Dave would retrieve the ballots several times each week and bring them to my house as it was my responsibility to hold onto them until the actual day of the election. I got to spend quite a lot of time with Dave talking about the Board, the Men's Club and Fawn Lakes in general. He had great insight and I learned a lot from him.

He is gone way too soon. We are all better because of his contribution to our community. Unfortunately, our community has lost a great member. We need to all do our best to contribute. That will be the best way to remember and to honor Dave.

Bob Sylvia









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## **Dedicated to Dave Roberts**

Dave was a very smart man; Dave and I would talk about a lot of things. We would talk about things that did not matter and things that you know he went to college. Talking about college Dave would talk about the college he went to Lancôme in P.A.; Dave would go to every one of those football games. He would go for the weekend even after he graduated up until he passed.

Dave was well respected in the community by many people. Dave had my respect. He would stop at my house often. Dave would come and sit and say things like what he said in his director's corner how he did not think anyone would write anything about him in the press. I always said to him that is not true, so one more time I want to say that is not true.

Lots of people here care and respect you Dave.

Dave also loved shuffleboard. He would be one of the first people to show up every Sunday.

Dave was very competitive. It was fun to watch some time.

You will truly be missed. I keep thinking I will see you walk down the street and sit and we will talk. Dave you were one of the good guys.

Thank you Activities Director Deborah Paton

## **Ode To Dave Roberets**

It is a strange day in the neighborhood not seeing Dave Roberts doing his daily walks thru Fawn Lakes. Dave was the constant every day as he checked what was new on every road every day. He would report to me what roofs needed attention, who had more bulk trash out today than yesterday, just those pesky tidbits you really did not want to know about but you had to know about! Most of his walks seemed to be quiet ones. He always appeared to be deep in thought; who knows what went thru his mind as he walked so many miles in our neighborhood. Was he planing his next Board meeting, thinking of ways to improve an area of Fawn Lakes or what time did he have to leave for his alumni football game due to inclement weather or holiday traffic? We will never know. What we do know is that Dave was a Mensch..a true stand up guy, a man to admire and a man that was a friend to all. Rest well Dave and watch over your favorite football team.

Cyndy Friedland





## **Remembering Dave**

I first met Dave Roberts more than a decade ago; and like many others in Fawn Lakes I greeted him with a casual: "Hi, how's it going."

This led to many short chats about our lives in general.

In 2017 the Fawn Lakes Press needed someone to replace a volunteer that delivered Elm Road and Dave mentioned he had just retired.

It took only a few minutes to recruit Dave to deliver the Press on Elm Road and accept an invitation to join me at the next Community Meeting.

Dave and I sat at the same table for the next few meetings. During one of them, Paul Cataffo announced he was resigning, and his Director Position would need to be filled; and asked if anyone in the room was interested. Dave gave me an inquisitive look, and I said: "Not me. No way!"

With that said, Dave raised his left hand in the air and said: "You got me if you want. You got me." I asked Dave: "Are you ready for this? They are probably going to make you the President." Dave with his signature chuckle said: "Yea, why not? It will be fun learning all the bylaws and everything."

Before you know it, Dave was Community President and his daily walks up and down every road become one of his trademarks.

I would often join him on his walks during the first few months that he was President and would introduce him to residents that I knew; and it would go like this:

"Hi, this is Dave Roberts. He is our New Clubhouse President. Paul Cataffo retired; so I am hanging out with the New Big Guy today." Then Dave would greet the resident and correct my introduction by saying that he is the New 'Community' President.

When on his walks, Dave took mental notes of every tree, street light, roof, vacant property, and you name it... in Fawn Lakes.

Dave was very versatile and no job was above or beneath him. A few examples of this are: He was the Editor of the Fawn Lakes Press for a short time, he delivered the Fawn Lakes Press, he would grill hot dogs in the picnic area, shop for our holiday picnics, do pool watch, pick up the trash with the Men's Club, referee clubhouse squabbles, and on and on.

Over the years Dave and I had many good and thoughtful conversations on the street and in my home. When it came to history or movies, I could never stump Dave, he was very knowledgeable.

Dave Roberts was truly an asset to Fawn Lakes and I am pleased to have known him.

Respectfully, Frank De Serio

## A Very Thorough Observation

During the seven and a half years of his tenure, Dave Roberts as Fawn Lakes

Community President guided the following accomplishments made by the

Directors, Volunteers, and Volunteer Groups in the Fawn Lakes Community.

Starting with:

Clubhouse "dedicated in name" to the previous Community President Paul Cataffo.

Clubhouse roof and the other two roofs in the pool area were replaced.

New Security System Installed and constantly updated. All new carpeting installed throughout the clubhouse. Pool Table refurbished.

New Shuffle Board table added.

New Gas ranges and a new updated sink and faucet. New 75" & 43" TV's added.

Ping Pong Table added

P.A. System added.

Computers, printer, and shredder added.

New Emergency Generator System added.

PARKING LOT REPAVED AND RELINED.

PICNIC AREA DRIVEWAY EXTENDED.

Problem trees removed from the Clubhouse Common Grounds.

BURNERS IN PICNIC AREA REFURBISHED.

New shed with a new refrigerator and updated electric.

Numerous new picnic tables and existing tables refurbished.

BOCCE BALL COURT REFURBISHED.

BROKEN FENCING REPLACED IN POOL AND PICNIC AREAS.

All Swimming Pool Maintenance is up to date after numerous upgrades.

All drainage around the Clubhouse and Pool Area has been corrected.

First to bring and keep the Clubhouse Bank Accounts to over \$100,000.

AND ENDING WITH:

Many many more!

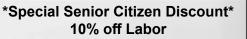
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## **Condo 1 Memories**

I didn't know Dave well at all, but on his daily walks around the neighborhood, I'd occasionally see him take someone's emptied trash cans back up the drive for them, or stop to chat with dog walkers and others out for a stroll. It was comforting to realize that the fellow at the top of the Fawn Lakes volunteer organization was a thoughtful, observant and caring person who was obviously concerned about furthering the welfare of our community. I think that's also true of the others I know who are actively involved as volunteers running our neighborhood. We're lucky to have all of them looking out for us, and Dave as the congenial leader will be missed by us all.

Suzi Hoffman



I was the Community Secretary during Dave's tenure as Community President. He was a pleasure to work with because he was a very humble person never looking for any recognition for the many things he did behind the scenes. He was almost never critical of the directors because he felt that they knew what they were doing. If he was asked, he would give his opinion and then offer his help. I never heard him say a cross (or cuss) word or lose his patience. That is a real rarity in this day and age. The two passions that I was aware of that he possessed were that he loved old movies (just read this movie quote of the month) and Lycoming Football, which he followed faithfully doing its season even if they lost more than they won. We'll miss you, friend.

Michele Reichert, Former Secretary of Community Association



Seeing Dave walk while wearing his Hawaiian shirts and stopping to say, "Hello" will be the things we will miss most. Joe and Dave enjoyed talking trivia and old movies. They were also football fans, and every weekend Dave would go and watch his team play. Dave was honored on the field for his many attendances. It was a proud day for him! Also, before the start of the monthly community meetings, Dave always read a 'quote of the day' and then commented with his thoughts about the quote he had chosen. Dave cared a lot about our community and he will be remembered fondly.

Gerry and Joe Eroh

## In memory of David W. Roberts

Dave Roberts... what a guy! I was FLCA treasurer under Paul Cataffo and remember when Paul retired from the board. Dave stepped up and offered to serve on the board and fill Paul's vacant seat. I don't think he expected to immediately be appointed President. But he accepted the appointment and in doing so, began his legacy. Some examples that I recall are:

- Implemented an increase in the monthly fee paid by the three condo sections to ensure our finances would remain on a healthy footing. It remains unchanged to this day.
- He would take over writing checks and making deposits when I was absent from the area. We would keep in touch by phone call and email so I could post and reconcile the books.
- Acting as announcer/host of the men's club's "Nite at the Races" and naming the horses with a specific theme for each race.
- Starting each monthly meeting with "Quote of the Day." I've never met anyone with such an encyclopedic mind when it came to movie plots and dialogue.
- His love for Lycoming College and their football team. His unblemished string of game attendance for decades was unrivaled.
- Instituted the "Lifetime Service Award" to recognize an individual's volunteerism over a span of years.
- His daily walks through all the streets of Fawn Lakes. Not only his daily exercise, but he was able to keep a handle on the neighborhood goings-on.
- His continual sunny disposition. I can't remember him ever being in a foul mood.

I'm sure others have similar memories of their interactions with Dave throughout the years. His sudden and untimely death shocked and saddened Renée and me, and our sincere condolences go out to his sister Cathy and family. All of us in Fawn Lakes have lost a dear friend and colleague. May he eternally rest in peace.

David Pawlishak







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11 -9:30 Door's open -10:00 condo 2	10 -Recycling	9 -Garbage	8 -6:00 Potluck	7 -9:30-10:30 Exercise class -11:00 Line	6 -6:oo Men's pool	-12:00- 5:00
Meeting -		-10:30 doors open 11:00 Men's Club Meeting -1-4 Domino's	Potiuck	Dancing -1-4 Mahjong -12:30-4 cards		Shuffleboard
18 -9:30 Door's open -10:00 condo 3 Meeting	17 - Recycling - 12:00 BINGO	16 -Garbage -1-4 Domino's -12:00 Women's Do's Lunch at La Cabanita Mexican Restaurant 621 E Bay Ave Manahawkin	15 11:00 Book Club	14 -9:30-10:30 Exercise class -11:00 Line Dancing -1-4 Mahjong -12:30- 4 cards	13 -6:00 Men's pool	12 -12:00-5:00 Shuffleboard
25 -9:30 Door's open -10:00 Community -	24 -Recycling	23 -Garbage -1-4 Domino's	22	21 -9:30-10:30 Exercise class - 11:00 Line Dancing 1-4 Mahjong 12:30-4 cards	20 -10:00 Activities Meeting - 6:00Men's pool	19 -12:00-5:00 Shuffleboard
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#### **Condo One**

Happy New Year !! Here's to a productive 2025! Hopefully we will have a mild winter and before we know it spring will be around the corner.

Kindly check your property insurance policy. We are Condominiums not

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## Happy New Year 2025

New Year's Resolution #1: Practice the best way to change a '4' into a '5' on a check.

Reminder: All Maintenance Fees have increased and are due January 01, 2025.

Saturday, January 11, 2025 at 10:00 A.M. is the next scheduled meeting for Condo A-2 at the

Paul Cataffo Memorial Clubhouse.

There are two computers, a printer, and a shredder in the small back room of the Clubhouse that are available to all Fawn Lakes Residents in good standing. The desktop computer by the window has Microsoft Word. WI-FI password is: fawnlakes100

Fawn Lakes Condominium A, Section 2 Rules and Regulations:

#2. Alterations, replacements, additions, modification or changes to the common elements or to any outside or exterior of any unit are prohibited by the Master Deed of Condominium A, Section 2.

# 3. Structural modifications to, or alterations of, the interior of any unit is prohibited by the By-Laws of Condominium A, Section 2 without prior written approval, by motion or resolution of the Trustees...

Residents that need Condo A-2 to fix, change, or look into something must send a letter to Fawn Lakes Condo A-2, P.O. Box 1511, Manahawkin, NJ 08050 with an 'Attention' to one of the following people with details.

All Maintenance Fees: Treasurer, Marie Barrella, 609-276-1078.

All building and ground issues including snow: Trustee, Jack Moore, 609-290-2236.

All mortgages, refinancing, and sales: Trustee, Laurie Regars, 561-301-6418.

All remembrance and get well cards: Alternate Trustee, Kathleen Hedden, 609-384-4184.

All scheduled meetings and meeting minutes: Secretary, Chris Gural, 215-439-0476.

All insurance, bylaws, other communication and other inquiries: Trustee/President, Frank De Serio, 551-404-0440.

Respectfully,

Frank De Serio, Jack Moore, Laurie Regars,

Marie Barrella, Kathleen Hedden,

Chris Gural, Barbara Gaspar

## Fawn Lakes Condo A-3

#### A sincere wish for a Happy and Healthy New Year to One and All!

As we are all aware, we lost a valued, exceptionally dedicated, and in my opinion greatly underappreciated member of Condo A-3 and our community at Large in Dave Roberts. Dave and I are both former Sussex County boys from Northwest Jersey and shared several acquaintances in common. Dave was also one of our first Elm Road neighbors to welcome my wife and I into the community and impressed us early on with the spirit of volunteerism for the Fawn Lakes community at large. In the words of an old song by Joni Mitchell; "...you don't know what's you've got 'til it's gone". This community is a better place for his having been among us, and I for one will miss him.

The sale of 48 Sycamore Road has been completed and Sandy Speer is the new homeowner. Please welcome her into our community. We also understand that 28 Sycamore Road will be for sale following the recent passing of our longtime resident Catherine Hagaman.

There will be no Condo A-3 General Meetings in January and February. The regular Condo A-3 Monthly Executive Meetings will continue on a slightly modified schedule with a remote conference call to accommodate those members sojourning in warmer climes.

The 1st quarter HOA fees are due this month at the new rates for 2025 as per the letters sent out to all homeowners last quarter by our Treasurer.

If you did not receive your letter, please contact Dave Pawlishak for a copy.

Late fees will apply if not received by the 15th of the month.

If you HAVE NOT paid all or some part of your \$1200 Special Assessment for 2024 you are officially LATE and interest will be applied until the 2024 Special Assessment is Paid in Full.

Trustees: Tom Garris, Fred Soper and Ken Bayne Assistant Trustees: Walt Fieger and Tom Behrens Treasurer: Dave Pawlishak, Assistant Treasurer: Claire

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Secretary: Beth Garris



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## **Happy January**

Hope your Holiday was Happy!

Happy New Year. Prayers for Health and Happiness for the New Year!

I have learned so much this year about the Fawn Lakes Womens Club. I hope I can use this knowledge to

make the next year even better.

We will be starting the New Year with our new officers . I look forward to working with them

Linda Freedman Vice President , Claire Deluca Secretary , Mary Carol Dickenson Treasurer.

I thank Sue Fieger Vice President , Susan Schwartz Secretary, Marge Odell Treasurer.

They were all so helpful, and I couldn't have done it without the years of experience of Marge.

Many of the women volunteer their time (like Kathy, Helen. Donna Marie etc)every year without

question. We appreciate you! I thank the volunteers who offer our breakfast. I am thankful for the

women who join us and share their hearts and their time. We are all about giving charity and also

having fun together

We will meet again, as always the first Thursday of the month (January  $2^{nd}$  at 930)

We will discuss our upcoming months ahead Come join us and make us even stronger Happy Holiday and Happy New Year Sandie Levine

President Fawn Lakes Womens Club

## "Doe's" Lunch Club

Ladies, are you ready for 2025's dining kickoff? Our first excursion is scheduled for a trip to Bay Ave. right here in Manahawkin.

Check your calendars for Thursday, January 16th at 12 noon. Plans have been made to gather at "La Cabanita Mexican Restaurant" 621 E. Bay Ave., across from the bowling alley. The "in driveway" is just after you pass the front of the building.

Please call Claire, 609-994-8874 prior to Jan.12 to get your name on the reservation list. The restaurant wants a total count for set-up.

Your cooperation is appreciated. Thank you.

## **Palentines Day Lunch**

The Social Lunch group will have its one year celebration on Friday, February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025! It's 'Pal' entines Day. Come have lunch with your pals, besties, neighbors, and acquaintances. Menu and sign up sheet will be posted in the February FL Press and on the wall in the clubhouse. New participants are always welcome. Social lunch is a stress free, reasonably priced get together for a simple lunch. It started with a Valentines Day lunch for those non-romantic friends to get together and celebrate with each other. It was a social success and the attendees decided to continue meeting every other month. Come join us in February when we gather again.



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## **Bingo!** Friday, Jan. 17<sup>th</sup> 12 Noon start

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## Men's Club

On behalf of the Men's Club, I would like to wish all of you a happy and healthy New Year. By now we hope that you have had a wonderful Christmas or Hanukkah.

By the time you read this we will have had our annual Christmas lunch and we will have had our December Clean-up. We hope that you have been able to participate in the community events including our great Thanksgiving Pot-luck Dinner and the Lighting of the Christmas Tree.

We have started a new tradition by getting involved in the Toy Drive operated by Manahawkin's Recreation Department. We plan to expand our involvement next year.

We also renewed a prior tradition by having the Choir from Southern Regional Junior High School entertain us at the lunch.

Regretfully, we lost a dear member of our club and a great leader of our community with the passing of Dave Roberts. We extend our condolences to his sister Cathy. The community lost a formidable member. We hope that you will support Tracy as she takes Dave's place as President of the board. It's a difficult task but one that Tracy is well prepared to handle.

We hope to expand our membership in the coming year and to be able to expand the number of events we offer. We will be working with the Women's Club in putting on the Holiday Picnic's.

Our next meeting will be on January 9. If you are not a member, or a past member who has not been able to participate, please feel free to join us.



Wednesday, January 8th @ 6 p.m.

What will you bring to the table?

Please bring enough for 6 - 8 people

# **Beverages will be provided**

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## Winter Favorites!





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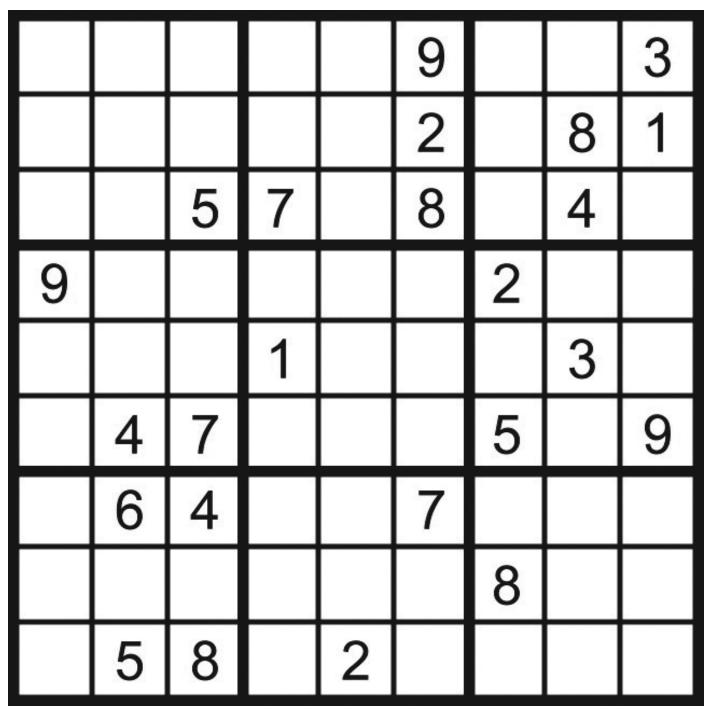
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The cold weather makes it hard to get motivated to go outdoors and shoot, but there are some great photo opportunities to be had in winter. Make certain you dress for the cold and watch for ice!

Even when there is no snow, icy ponds make great subjects. Look for ducks, geese, or seagulls standing on the ice. Ice also makes for great reflection images. Many normal scenes take on a new meaning in the cold of winter

After a snowfall, there are great shots everywhere. The challenge with snow shots is getting the proper exposure. A bright snowy scene

tricks your camera into thinking there is too much light, so the camera will cut back on exposure. This makes the snow in your images look gray. If you know how to set your exposure compensation, increase the exposure by 1 stop to brighten the snow. If your camera has "scene" modes, use the one for snow or beach.

The bare leafless trees make nice silhouette shots and are very good for black and white photography. They are especially effective with a sunrise or sunset behind them.



That's it for this month. As always you can email me with any photographic questions at bill@KirmsPhotography.com. If you'd like to see more of my images you can visit my site at www. KirmsPhotography.com. Remember to keep shooting and trying to improve your images, but most importantly, have fun with your camera.



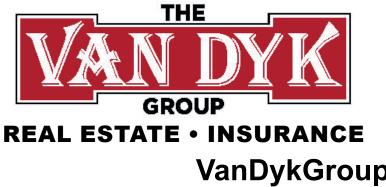
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