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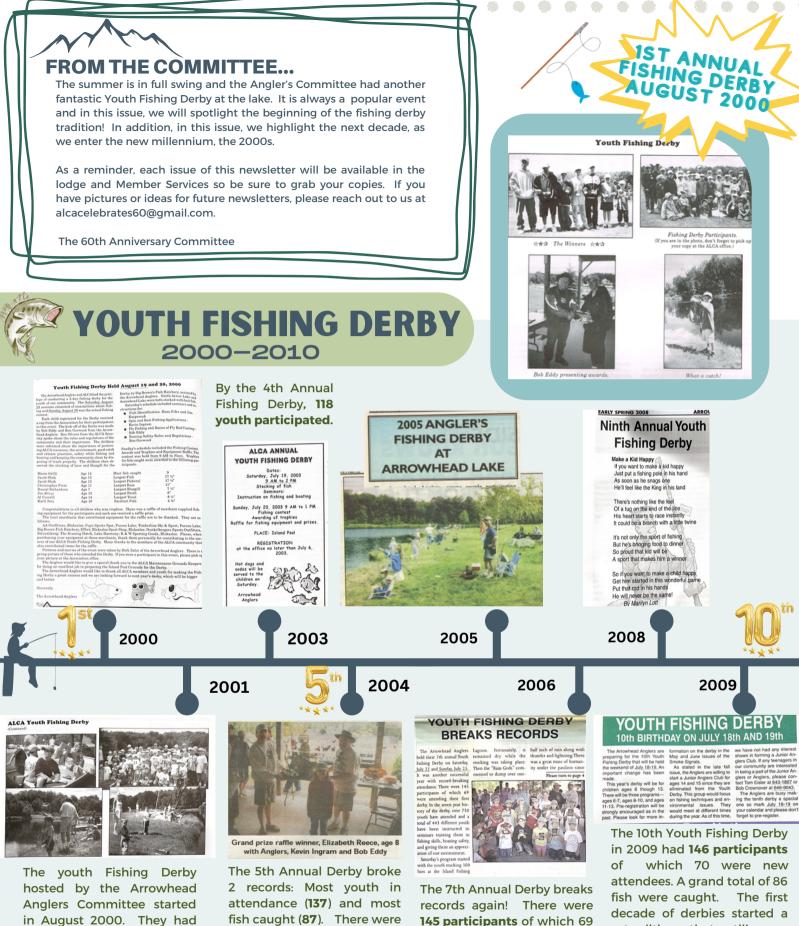
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hosted by the Arrowhead Anglers Committee started in August 2000. They had **44 youth participants** that year and it's been growing ever since. Pictured above: The winners from the 1st Youth Fishing Derby! See any familiar names?



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## DECADE SPOTLIGHT

#### **Renovated existing pools ...**

In 2000, the Board approved the financing for the construction of the new Minisink Pool and game facility. The new larger pool was built to address the overcrowding at our other amenities. The new Minisink pool was dedicated at the beginning of the 2001 season.





In 2007, we broke ground on the new Island Pool and in July 12, 2008, it was officially open!

After 50 years of usage, in 2003, the lodge was vacated due to structural and environmental concerns.





The Lodge was constructed long before Arrowhead Lake Community Association came into existence. In the early 1950s Walter Robbins, owner of Robbins Door and Sash Company of Wilkes-Barre Pa, purchased what is now Arrowhead Lake and the surrounding property. He constructed the Lodge to entertain business guests. Subsequently tax laws changed and the Lodge became a less desirable business asset.

William Robbins, son of Walter, was a teenager in 1952 and recalls going to the Wilkes Barre railroad yards and helping unload Belgium blocks which were used in the construction of the grand fireplace. This is the closest dating of the original center portion of the Lodge. Unfortunately, the Wilkes Barre flood of 1972 destroyed all of the Robbins family records and photographs concerning Arrowhead Lake including those pertaining to the Lodge.

For many years the Lodge was the main administration,

#### In summer 2005, the old welcome center was demolished.

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It contained the reception area, offices for all departments except sewer, storage for all departments, and the Manager's office. Board of Director meetings and committee meetings were held in the main hall as well as private functions. Other rooms were utilized as a T.V. Room, Pool Room with wet bar, Exercise Room, and storage for various clubs i.e. Garden and Arts and Crafts Clubs. In addition there was a three room apartment for emergency use (security snowed in etc).

The main Lodge building is a two story wood frame construction of an estimated 8,150 to 11,200 square feet with parking for 50 cars. The Lodge consists of this main center portion and two wings constructed at a later date. The majority of the building is constructed on an on-grade slab with no basement. The lower level consists of masonry walls and the upper section is timber framed. The upper level of the

center portion contains an impressive truss system supporting the roof and is the location of the grand fireplace.

After approximately 50 years of usage, the Lodge developed several structural and environmental concerns which caused then General Manager Howard Silkin to issue the following memorandum on February 8, 2003: "As of this date the upstairs of the Lodge is closed to any use. A large sag has been noted in the floor in the main room and must be inspected by an engineer."

Spected by an engineer." On February 17, 2003. Howard Slifkin issued a second memorandum: "Based upon the findings of the structural inspection performed or February 14, 2003, we hav determined that the Lodg should be vacated immedi ately... Please take all meas ures necessary to ensure the the structure remains vacate at all times."

The Lodge has been va cated since this memorandur denying ALCA of its main con munity center.

#### The new Welcome Center ...

On March 3, 2005, ALCA received the final permits for the construction of the new Welcome Center. A temporary trailer was placed in the parking lot until demolition of the old building and construction of the new building was completed. The Welcome Center, now called Member Services was completed and opened in December 2005 and brought the entire operational staff under one roof.



#### Hurricane Ivan causes damage...

The remnants of Hurricane Ivan dumped almost 7 inches of rain from September 17-18, 2004. This heavy rain caused Trout Creek to flood ultimately collapsing the Owassa bridge. Owassa Drive at Trout Creek was closed for a year as crews worked to restore the bridge. Exactly one year later, September 17, 2005, the Trout Creek Memorial Bridge was dedicated to the brave men and women in our military and police and fire departments.



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# **DECADE SPOTLIGHT**



Summer Activities became Recreation Guide this decade. Pictured here: Various covers throughout the decade. 2008 MEMBER ALCA 2007 MEMBER ALCA

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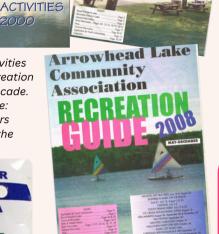
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Pictured to the left: Various beach tags from the 2000s. This is the last decade of beach tags before wristbands

#### Liberty Homes was an active builder in the 2000s.

Pictured to right: The Liberty Homes advertisement from 2000s for new construction. Lakewood is a popular model.







Pictured to left: Liberty Homes floor plans from their website.

In the August 2008 issue of **Better Homes** and Gardens. Arrowhead Lake was mentioned as one of the top 10 places to buy a second home!



## WHAT HOME WAS **BEING BUILT THIS DECADE?**



Pictured to the right:

This Chateau home was built by Liberty Homes in 2004 and current owners Brad and Sara Landis purchased it in 2017. They love that Arrowhead Lake provides their family yearround enjoyment! Being close to ski resorts, ice hockey on the lake, and an awesome sledding hill! They love the ability to utilize golf carts around the community and the number of pool facilities and lake beaches to choose from.

Pictured to the left: This Lakewood 2 home was built by Liberty Homes. Bill and Darcy Lucas built their home on Moshannon Drive in 2005. They chose Arrowhead Lake because of the amenities and the multiple lakes. Bill and Darcy are very active in our community. Bill was the first weekender to be president of the board. He served for 9 years (3 terms). Darcy entertains us in several singing groups like Solid Gold, Cabaret, and Rozelle's group. She has also served as chair of the Recreation Committee. Say hello when you see them volunteering at the lodge.

Chateau

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# Join us! TALENT SPOTLIGHT

# Phil and Dori Whitehurst

Phil and Dori Whitehurst started playing pickleball during a visit to the Villiages in Florida about 30 years ago. They heard a strange noise and investigated to find people playing a very strange game that resembled tennis but on a smaller court. They borrowed paddles and balls and were hooked ever since. When they returned to their home in Havertown, they found a group of players and started to grow pickleball in their community They were successful in growing to over 100 people and eventually gaining township support to convert tennis courts into pickleball courts.

Then, 8 years ago, they moved to Arrowhead Lake and they met Leah Tierney who had brought pickleball from Havasu, Arizona. With her, they began playing at Minisink using the tennis nets which are taller than pickleball nets. Gene Melleno, a high school physical education teacher, volunteered to coach them and they started tournaments on weekends. Lessons were provided by Gene to kids, adults and families. A few years later, they approached Elmer Money about playing indoors at the clubhouse. Unfortunately, then the clubhouse was torn down.

Dori talked up pickleball at every recreation committee meeting. They continued to play at Minisink on tennis courts. Arrowhead gave them 4 temporary nets. About five years ago, the Minisink courts had to be resurfaced. DPW painted the lines required for pickleball and Rich Chung persuaded Arrowhead to buy us four sturdier nets on wheels that are moved into place on the tennis courts when we play pickleball 7 reserved mornings a week. The nets are there whenever anyone else wants to play. Now, Minisink is a combination tennis/pickleball facility and ALCA community members of all ages have been joining in the pickleball events!



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Designated Courts Court 1: Beginners & Lessons

Tues & Thurs: 4pm – 6pm Beginner Lessons Mondays at Court 1

Daily: 9am - 11am

Court 2 & 3: Open Play Court 4: Challenge Court

All Abilities Welcome!



By now you have probably heard about the pickleball craze!! Pickleball can be described as a combination of tennis, ping-pong and badminton. Nearly **48.3 million** people played pickleball last year making it the fastest growing sport.

And here at ALCA, it is no different, thanks to Dori and Phil Whitehurst, Jeff and Jean Hayfield, and Barbara Murphy! Picklers, varying in ages and skill level, can be seen at Minisink Pool 7 days a week.

Murph

When Pickleball started in Arrowhead, Barbara knew she had to see what it was all about! A wonderful teacher from NJ, Gene Melleno, started pickleball lessons and instructed many in the community on rules & scoring! Gene was so patient but Barbara still was not sure about this game! She loved playing tennis and this seemed like a betrayal to the tennis world! Now, all these years later, she no longer plays tennis; pickleball is her game! She says "its fun, fast, and we laugh! No one gets the score right!(Especially me) In fact, I'm not allowed to say the score". Now, Barbara plays all yearround! She plays in her hometown Merrick NY. and Florida, plus she has played with her granddaughter and her friends at the University of Pittsburgh. You could say she has an addiction to pickleball! And so it is with gratitude that she remembers Gene for bringing Pickball into her life!

Barbara'

Tell and Jean Haylelo

Jeff and Jean Hayfield started playing pickleball at ALCA 4 summers ago. The following year, Jeff applied to USA Pickleball (USAP) to become the 1st Ambassador for Monroe county. His ambassador duties include being the county point of contact through USAP, promoting the sport throughout the county, helping new programs get started, and offering lessons and clinics, etc.

At ALCA, Jeff and Jean have played a prominent role in creating the pickleball programs available today. They offer free beginner lessons on Monday mornings to the Arrowhead community. They helped reserve the 4 courts at Minisink pool They have at least 95 people using thr ALCA Team Reach app with new players joining every week. Courts are very busy on weekends and the Hayfields are excited to share their love for picklebal here at ALCA. They welcome all to join the FUN!



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## **AN ARROWHEAD LAKE LOVE STORY**

Kevin and Till (Zeigler) Cahill

Kevin Cahill and Jill Zeigler met in Arrowhead Lake in 1997 when they were both 13. His parents, John & Eileen Cahill and her parents, John & Jeannene Ziegler built homes in Arrowhead in 1989. Both sets of parents are now full time residents. Kevin and Jill, the youngest of three in their families, were fortunate to spend their summers in ALCA. They didn't meet until 1997 as his family frequented Beach 3 and hers at Beach 2.

At age 14, Kevin worked for Recreations at the Mini Golf course at the old Minisink Pool which was called 'the new pool' back then. It was shaped like a kidney bean and had a diving board, bathhouse with saunas and a game room upstairs. He became a lifeguard but his Irish skin didn't do so well in the sun so after one too many burns and he switched back to Recreations as the Sports Director of Day Camp which was held at the old Clubhouse.

Jill worked at the concession stands until she was old enough to get certified as a lifeguard at age 15. Her first year was at 'the new pool' and she knew of Kevin but they didn't talk. She would admire him from the lifeguard stand while he was working mini golf (little did she know, he was admiring her from the mini golf shack!) Around the age of 15/16, everyone would hang out at the Beach 2 courts at night, until security would kick them out. Kevin and Jill ended up having a large group of friends at the lake and each dated other people from their friend group.



Kevin and Jill at 15 years old attending a Sweet Sixteen party for Christie Simone at the clubhouse.



## SAVE THE DATE JOIN US IN CELEBRATING!



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Kevin and Jill didn't start dating until they were 28. In 2015, Jill moved into his house in Philly. She was working at East Stroudsburg HS North as a School Counselor and as the ALCA Aquatics Director in the summers! He was, and still is a Philly Detective. Jill now works at Pennsbury HS in Bucks county and as a private therapist at Bucks County Anxiety Center. They bought a home in Holland, Bucks County in 2016 and got engaged soon after at The Mountain Top Lodge in Pocono Pines, one of their favorites places in the Poconos. They have so many lifelong friends at the lake and many of their friend's parents still have a house here or are full timers. Since ALCA was such an important part of their story, they were married at the Lodge on July 22, 2017 and they just celebrated their 6 year anniversary. It was a great night that included fireworks over the lake.

Since their wedding, Kevin and Jill had two boys; Owen age 5 and Finley age 3. They also bought a home of their own in ALCA in 2020 right next to Jill's parents house (Now known as the Ziegler compound!). They hope to give their boys the same summers they had growing up, with both sets of grandparent as an added bonus!





July 22, 2017: Jill and Kevin Cahill's wedding day at Arrowhead Lake and reception in the lodge

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