

# Newcomers and Old Friends



L A K E M O N T I C E L L O

August 2024

Welcome to our very first monthly newsletter for Newcomers and Old Friends of Lake Monticello 24-25! We are an all-inclusive social club for residents and social members of Lake Monticello. Whether you are a Newcomer to the neighborhood looking to connect and make friends, or a long-time resident (an old friend) looking to get involved after many years, WE WELCOME YOU! Our organization supports a monthly social gathering on the third Sunday of each month September through June, with a break during the summer months of July and August. We host many small groups of varying interests for members to join and develop smaller, closer friendships. If you don't see a club that interests you, just say the word and we will open a new small group. Membership is \$10 per person per year to allow for programming, participation in small group activities, and administrative costs throughout the year - you will not find a better \$10 deal anywhere! The new board is excited to lead this organization for the next year and looks forward to a successful year meeting new neighbors and friends! Please let us hear from you with ideas and suggestions!!

## 2024-2025 Officers

Denise Maier, Chair  
Diane Allen, Vice Chair  
Jean Shore, Treasurer  
Meg Dunham, Secretary  
Carol Sorber, Activities  
We can be reached by  
emailing:  
LMNOFBoard@gmail.com

## Summer Membership Drives

**Bunker Bistro**  
Tuesday, August 6, 5-7  
Wednesday, August 14, 5-7  
Sign up early, meet the new  
board, be entered into a raffle  
for prizes (must be present at  
the first meeting to win), and  
get started with us for the year.

## Facebook

Join us on FB at Newcomers  
and Old Friends of Lake  
Monticello  
Must be a paid member each  
year for access  
Small Group Leaders: Please  
post pictures of your  
activities

## Our First Monthly Meeting

This meeting will be our annual Activities Fair with all active small groups represented by their leaders. You will have a chance to meet several group leaders and sign up for small groups that interest you. Plan to be there, grab some yummy snacks, meet new people, or mingle with old friends!

Sunday, September 15, 2024 3:30 Social Time 4:00-5:00 Meeting Ashlawn Clubhouse  
Please bring any eyeglasses you would be willing to donate to the Lion's Club! You will be entered into a prize raffle.

## WE WANT YOU!

We are looking for cheerful greeters for monthly meetings. We seek happy faces to greet members as they arrive and assist in orienting new members to the venue. We are also looking for volunteers to host a monthly/semi-monthly appetizer/coffee gathering for new members. You can volunteer for as many or as few events as you like. Many hands make light work! Please contact Denise Maier, Chair at [LMNOFBoard@gmail.com](mailto:LMNOFBoard@gmail.com) if you might be interested in joining our fun team!

### JOIN US!

1. You may join our fun group by cash or check at one of our early sign up events.
2. You may send a check to our Treasurer, Jean Shore, at 7 Jefferson Drive, Palmyra, VA 22963.
3. You may sign up at any regular monthly meeting at Ashlawn Clubhouse.
4. Under Construction: We are testing a new app that can be used to pay annual dues, sign up to volunteer, and pay for special events. More later as the year gets started! Stay tuned....

### Mark your Calendars!!!

**24-25 Meeting Dates**  
**September 15, 2024**  
**October 20, 2024**  
**November 17, 2024**  
**December - no meeting,**  
**Happy Holidays!**  
**January 19, 2025**  
**February 16, 2025**  
**March 16, 2025**  
**April 13, 2025 (2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday due to**  
**Easter)**  
**May 18, 2025**  
**June - End of Year Party TBD**

### Community Caring

Let's support our local community! We hope you will find it in your heart to support local causes and organizations as you arrive to enjoy monthly programming. We will offer raffle prizes at each meeting for those that bring a donation.

First up: we are collecting school supplies at both of our early sign-up events on August 6 and 14. Grab some supplies and drop them off when you come to sign up and meet the new board! Help the kids/teachers of our community as they go back to school.

Second Up: Our first meeting in September will be an eyeglass donation for the Lion's club. Please drop off any extra eyeglasses when you arrive at the meeting. The Lion's Club is the largest donor of eyeglasses in the world! Help people see!

We will have a raffle for prizes for those that donate! Thank you for supporting our community partners!

## Active Small Groups

Available to paid members each year. Current members should pay membership dues annually to continue to participate in open, active small groups. Please contact Activities Chair Carol Sorber at [LMNOFBoard@gmail.com](mailto:LMNOFBoard@gmail.com) to join. Don't see what you like, start a new club! A brief description of each club can be found on the LMOA.org website under "Organizations".

<u>Groups</u>	<u>Leader(s)</u>
Advanced Hikers	Susan Fournier
	Alan Aldag
All Things British	Dan and Robin Hamby
Beer Group	Fred Lyne
Birdwatching Group	Judith Carlisle
Board Games	Patty Marcinkowski
Book Club 6	Evette Lamka
Card Club	Nancy Reynolds
Community Services	Joanne Mein
Computer Club	Needs a Leader
Cycling Club	Meg Dunham
Day Trippers	Robin Hamby
Dementia Support Group	Sue Liberman
Double Deck Pinochle	Annette Minnis
Easy Hiking	Tim and Robyn Consroe
Euchre Card Club	Jim and Karen Kabat
Family History Group	Meg Gore
Film Club	Scott Mein
French Club	Mary Dempsey Lowry
Gardening Club	Irene Schlanger
	Jen Gilligan
Fun with Food 8	Needs a Leader
History Club 16	Needs a Leader
Learn To Play Bridge	George Coussoulos
	Burt Marks
Me, May, I Card Group	Debby Pence
Men's Poker Club	Rowland Carlson/Duncan Nixon
Mexican Train Dominoes	Patty Marcinkowski
Neighbors Caring/Sharing	Sharon McLaughlin
Non Fiction History Book Club	Larry Strauss
Out to Lunch Bunch	Needs a leader
Photography Group	Mark Vyrros
Running Club	Conor Webb
Singles Group	Shannon Allen
Sip and Savor 6	Jennifer Campbell
Sports Fan Club	Scott Mein

Sunset Cruise  
Theater Goers  
Wine Group 8

Needs a Leader  
Needs a Leader  
Mary Hart

This is an initial offering of small groups and will change throughout the year as new groups are opened and new leaders are established.