

Newcomers and Old Friends



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

From the Board:

We were heartbroken to cancel the Music Bingo event for our monthly January meeting. However, the weather forecast on Saturday midday was forecasting the heaviest snow during the hours of our meeting. The Board felt we needed to err on the side of caution and cancel the meeting for the safety of our members. And the storm turned out to be a nothing burger, but we had no way of knowing that. We hope you understand! Music Bingo has been rescheduled to a Tuesday night, April 15 from 5:00-7:00 pm. We hope that you can join at Ashlawn Clubhouse us for an evening of music, fun, and fellowship. Sara Davenport will play a round of 60's music and a round of 70's classic rock! We will have normal announcements and handle a little business as well. Please plan to join us!

February 2025



Board Members

Denise Maier, Chair
Diane Allen, Vice Chair
Jean Shore, Treasurer
Meg Dunham, Secretary
Carol Sorber, Activities
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Money Matters



Balance: \$6,356.74.00 as of 01/30/2025

Jan Deposits: \$40.00

Expenses: \$0

We have 432 members, with 302 returning and 130 new members this year.

Join Us! Anytime throughout the year. We are open to any resident of LMOA.

Sign up at monthly meetings or mail a check made out to LMNOF for \$10 per person to:

Jean Shore, Treasurer

7 Jefferson Drive

Palmyra, VA 22963

Please include name, address, email address, and phone numbers for each person so Jean can include you on our active roster. She will send you a confirmation of your payment by email. Our roster is private (only accessible by the Board (and not shared outside of our group.

Come join the fun!

Upcoming Programming

Sunday, February 16

A Visit from Thomas Jefferson

Please plan to join us as Mr. Jefferson himself makes an appearance at our meeting. He will provide us with a brief presentation and take your questions for a lively interactive conversation. This would be an especially interesting meeting for our History Groups. **We will take donations for Fluvanna SPCA at this meeting. Look for an email about specific donations the week of the meeting.**

Sunday, March 16

Nesting Abroad, Al and Sue Mink

Ever wonder how to travel like a local? Join us for this fun presentation as the Minks share their experiences with us as they “Nest Abroad” in various countries three months of each year. And they do it for as much as a cruise.

Tuesday, April 15 (change of date/time)

Music Bingo with Sara Davenport

Social Time at 5:00, Meeting and Bingo 5:30-7:00. No experience or knowledge of music required. Sara will play 30 second to 1 minute clips of music and you will mark it off your bingo card. Don't know the song, she will tell you. Prizes will be given for first place on each round and small prizes for 2nd and 3rd place. Heavy snacks will be provided as this is during the dinner hour.

May 18

Programming TBD

Have an idea for a meeting? Share it with us.

We will vote on a new officers and bylaws revisions at this meeting. Please plan to attend.

*******June 6*******

**“MARGARITAVILLE” END OF THE YEAR PARTY
Cunningham Creek Winery, 6-9 PM**

Join us for an evening of good music with the Boomerangs, dancing, heavy hors d'oeuvres, wine margaritas, good time with friends, and photo booth! A good time will be had by all. Dig out those Hawaiian shirts and get ready. **Wahoo BBQ will be catering this event for us!**

Meet Mr. Jefferson

February 16 Meeting Presenter

Mr. Thomas Pitz has been performing as Mr. Thomas Jefferson since 1987 and considers it an honor and a privilege to bring one of America's greatest historical figures back to life for audiences ranging from first graders to medical school faculties. Since 2011 he regularly presents Mr. Jefferson to the visitors to the **Mt. Rushmore National Memorial** during their famous Fourth of July celebration. As a graduate of Mr. Jefferson's University, he is well aware that John Adams' dying statement, “Jefferson lives” is as true today as it was on July 4th, 1826. *Further information may be found at www.mr-jefferson.com*

The Board is looking for volunteers for the bi-annual bylaws review and for a nominating committee to choose new officers for the next board year. Please consider volunteering for one of these committees.

The timeline for action is as follows:

February – March

Form committees (3 for each)

Bylaws review defaults to the Board if no volunteers

April

Bylaw changes presented to the membership for consideration.

Candidates presented to the Membership at the monthly meeting

May

Bylaw changes voted on by the membership
Candidates for office for the next board year voted on at the meeting

Actions will pass with a majority vote of those in attendance at the May meeting.

Activity Corner

The following groups still need leaders: Book Club 8, Day trippers 2, Fun with Food 9, History Group 16, & Theatre Goers 2. No leaders stepped forward by the end of January. These clubs will be closed for the remainder of the year and no further sign ups will be offered.

We are happy to announce that Cherie Eyre has volunteered to organize Sunset Cruises during the summer months. We will begin taking sign-ups at the February meeting. We will need captains to volunteer their boats. Currently, sunset cruises will be once monthly (date TBD) May – September, weather permitting.

Thank you to all the small group leaders that continue to volunteer and keep the fun going for our members!



Fun with Food II is off to a great start for 2025! They had all their members present and two guests. The food was GREAT!

Facebook

Newcomers and Old Friends Of Lake Monticello

Please Note: Our FB page is limited to posts from the board and to pictures and posts about small group activities. We encourage small group leaders to post their activities/information/photos regularly to share the fun we are having!

We are at a record number of users to our page. You can join any time after dues are paid. Thank you to our small group members and leaders for continuing to post pictures of your activities.



Singles Group paint party! There is some talent in this group. Amazing job ladies.

Keep posting pictures of your groups having fun!