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President's Report



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When I moved to Lake Manassas, I would not have thought that I would eventually become so involved in LMROA activity.

My history of involvement with the Association began four years ago when I was asked to try to get a tennis program started with a professional due to my high school, college and Junior Vet tennis experience. I was then asked to chair the first resident controlled Modifications Committee as I had some experience with construction of car dealerships in my former corporate career. Then, after expressing concern to keep our assessments from continually being increased, I decided to run for the Board of Directors and was elected as Treasurer. Now I understand that our community owes a lot of thanks to our former Presidents Rowland Bowers, Bob Hale and Errol Unikel – whether you agree or disagree with everything they did, few can appreciate the amount of time, effort and hard work these men have contributed.

Under the Declaration of Covenants that governs the operation of our community, the developer (Declarant) Lake Manassas LLC relinquished control of the Lake Manassas Residential Owners Association (LMROA) to the owners of residential units on December 31, 2012. We now have a three member all-resident Board of Directors until our next Annual Meeting in September, when, in accordance with our By-laws, we will elect a new five member resident Board of Directors. Our three member Transitional Board consists of me as President, Bob Hale as Vice President and Grete Bravo as Secretary/Treasurer. Bob Hale's knowledge and business acumen and Grete Bravo's fresh perspectives have provided great assistance to me and the community as a whole. The LMROA has made a smooth transition to resident control and, over the next six months, it is our commitment as Board members to continue to strengthen the Association's management and operation, while maintaining our strong financial position.

Our committees are the key component to the successful operation of our Association. To this end, I would like to acknowledge and thank all of the committee chairs and members for giving up their spare time to help run our community and I'd like to comment and update you on activities of these committees and our current financial condition.

Financial

We are currently in better financial shape than in recent years. Our delinquencies are down and our reserves are up. In 2012 we spent approximately \$160,000 out of our reserves to replace and/or repair roads and trails. The community is now 18 years old and we will continue to monitor road repairs and other fixed assets. A Reserve Study will be completed this spring to assist us in an orderly plan to assure dollars are reserved for future repair and replacement of our infrastructure.

Modifications Committee

In addition to their role in reviewing proposed homeowner modification requests (decks, pools, etc.), the Committee monitors all new construction, including the Turtle Point Townhome project, ensuring all construction and landscape features meet with our appearance/structural standards. The Modification Committee members work in conjunction with the enforcement responsibility of the Covenants Committee. It is the essential key to continuing the quality we have come to expect.

Environmental Committee

There are currently 15 proposed landscape projects ranging from replacing dead shrubbery to expanding and renovating much of the common areas in the community.

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President's Report (Continued)

Communications Committee

For more information on the Modifications and Environmental Committees' proposed improvements, please attend our Open House planned for May 8th at the Stonewall Clubhouse. This Open House will give residents an opportunity to view all short and long term plans for the community and is open to all homeowners. We will provide information and solid feedback to homeowners on current matters facing the committees and the community at large, including security issues. If you are interested in knowing what's going on, please plan to attend. More information will be sent via blast email as the date approaches.

What can I say about our Lake Manassas quarterly news magazine besides it is outstanding and provides many answers to questions frequently asked by residents. Come to our Open House and tell us what you would like to see published in future issues of the Lake Manassas Connection.

Community Safety/Visitor Access

We are fortunate in having the level of expertise in this area that we do. The Committee is in the process of evaluating bids to explore the replacements of the non-functioning surveillance cameras with a "state of the art" system as well as proposals to replace the Amsterdam Gate. This work is scheduled to begin in the second quarter of this year.

Budget and Finance

The Budget and Finance Committee is looking at every aspect of our finances and trending experience and making suggestions as to how we can work more efficiently with our dollars.

Swim and Tennis Committee

Committee member Jeff Epstein was appointed as Chairman of the Swim and Tennis Committee upon the election of Grete Bravo to the Board of Directors. The STC will monitor the resurfacing of our tennis courts and the completion of our basketball courts this spring.

Other Items Now under Review

- Proposed repairs at the Stonewall Gatehouse and other possible improvements to enhance its appearance.
- Proposed year-round bathroom facility at the Swim and Tennis Center.
- Proposed continuation of Prince William County Police Patrols.
- Develop a three-to-five year plan to insure we properly maintain our community and look at future capital improvements as our financial condition allows.

As you have suggestions or recommendations, please

email them directly to the appropriate committee chairman and copy our Onsite Manager, Michelle Wingo (see page 2 for email addresses). This will assure your item gets the proper consideration. Also, please feel free to attend scheduled meetings of each committee to make sure your concerns and ideas are made known.

As I get to meet and interact with more chair people and committee members, I realize what an intelligent, hard working, diverse group of people we have. From CFO's, CPA's, and Security Experts along with a large number of retired military people/Veterans, we have the talent available to run a successful community. Lastly, we continually need "new blood" on all committees to implement new projects and suggestions and ensure decisions are made calling upon the talent available from our residents.

Sincerely yours,

Don Minogue

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POOL REGISTRATION:

Pool registration will begin on Monday, April 29th. The onsite office is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. There will be two "after hours" registrations:

Saturday, May 4th from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m., and

Monday, May 20th from 5 p.m. until 8 p.m.

If you registered last year, you do not need to re-register, however, if you were only assigned one electronic key card and wish to obtain a second card, you may do so at no charge. Anyone who did not register last year and wishes to use the pool, must register and pick up your electronic key card in order to gain entry to the pool.

The pool will open on Saturday, May 25th. A blast email will be sent as the opening date approaches with more information.

COVENANTS INSPECTIONS AND SUGGESTIONS:

As a reminder, ongoing regular inspections are performed to ensure that all properties in the community are in compliance with our LMROA Covenants. Inspections are done by our new Lake Manassas Covenants Administrator, Shelly Friend and our Annual Comprehensive Inspections which will take place in April, will be supervised by our management company, CMC.

The LMROA Community Handbook contains useful information covering Design Guidelines, Use Restrictions, Property Maintenance Standards and Enforcement Procedures. The most current LMROA Community Handbook is available on our web site at www.lakemanassroa.com. When you log into the web site, click on **Our Community > For New Members** and you will see the Community Handbook link. You can also log in, click on **Amenities and Services > Architectural Review** and then **Modifications/Applications/Fee Chart** for more specific instructions. Please be sure to correct any violations that may exist on your property. Following are just a sample of a few important inspection items that need to be continuously maintained:

- **Mailboxes.** Approved box color for the old style mailbox is hunter green and the post color is Duron Latex Oyster White. If you need to replace your mailbox, you may wish to contact Main Street Mailboxes at 703.753.5521. Please feel free to call the on-site management office with any questions at 703.753.7745.
- **Yards and Lawns.** Lawn maintenance items such as weed/crab grass control, dead trees and shrubs and edging and replenishing the mulch in your beds need to be continued through Fall.
- **Home exteriors.** Please look at your home and inspect for peeling and blistering paint and rotted wood, staining and green algae. Please power wash and repaint all affected surfaces.
- **Play equipment.** Outdoor play equipment must be approved by the Modifications and Construction Committee. Please obtain your approval before making any purchases.

Remember, maintaining your property on a regular basis not only ensures that the standards of the community are preserved, but eliminates the need for violation notices, hearings and possible fines.

OBEY TRAFFIC LAWS and LOOK OUT for Lake Manassas:

The LMROA Board has asked the Prince William County Police Department to make more frequent random visits within Lake Manassas and to take appropriate action to address speeding, running stop signs, use of unauthorized motorized vehicles and vandalism. To supplement regular police patrols, the Board is utilizing the County's Off Duty Police Patrol Program to patrol our streets, which is a "pay for" service. Please obey the laws of the road. Passing a stopped school bus constitutes reckless driving in Virginia and is punishable by up to 12 months in jail and/or a fine of up to \$2,500. We also ask that all residents report any suspicious activity to either the police or the management office depending on the time and nature of said activity. Let's all be on the lookout and keep Lake Manassas safe.

LEASING A PROPERTY IN LAKE MANASSAS:

All leases must be minimally 12 months in duration. A copy of the lease must be submitted to the management office before the tenant moves in. Without a copy of the lease, your tenants will not be issued vehicle decals, transponders or pool passes. Please have your tenants stop by the onsite office to pick up a copy of the Lake Manassas Homeowners Handbook and Welcome Letter. Remember, tenants are subject to the same residential requirements as all homeowners. *LMROA will contact you as the homeowner for any reconciliation, as needed.*

TRASH REMOVAL:

Our trash removal service is provided by American Disposal. Trash is collected weekly on Mondays and Thursdays, with recycling on Mondays. A special pick up service is available for a fee (white goods, construction debris, etc.), but must be scheduled in advance. Please call American Disposal 703.368.0500 for details and scheduling.

Reminder: Please be sure not to set your trash out any sooner than the evening before collection and the trash cans and containers must be stored out of sight prior to sunrise the day after collection. This includes trash left by a landscaping company. When trash is put out a day or two before pick-up, the overall effect of this is that it presents an unsightly appearance in our lovely neighborhood. On windy days, trash is easily blown down the street making the street and the community a mess. Be a good neighbor and tie it down and please be sure to cover all trash.

COURTEOUS NEIGHBORS: Please do not walk on private property which includes residents' lawns and the golf course. Please keep children and animals off the golf course as this is a safety concern. Golfers retrieving golf balls are allowed to walk in the resident's yards that back up on the golf course.

- **On Street Parking:** Although on street parking is not permitted in Lake Manassas, we do understand there are occasions when temporary parking on the street may be necessary, for example, children's birthday parties and holiday dinners. Please make every effort to have your guests park in empty driveway spaces first. Please contact the Management office to ensure the onsite manager is aware prior to your event. If you or your guest park a vehicle in the street without notice having been given to the onsite manager, you will receive a violation letter. Violations may result in fines of \$10 for each occurrence up to 90 days or cars may be towed. For more specific information regarding on street parking, please see the Parking section of the Use Restrictions of our Lake Manassas Handbook for Residents. Additionally, if you see a car parked on the street after hours, please call Michelle Wingo at 703.753.7745 and leave a voice message at the on site cmc-management office. Or, send an email to mwingo@cmc-management.com. In your message, please include the time of day, location and identify-

ing vehicle information. If possible please send a photo of the vehicle in question.

- **Pets:** During the early morning and late evening hours, please try to reduce the length of time of your dog's barking. Always have your dogs leashed and do not let your cats roam the community...and always be sure to clean up after your pet wherever you are in the community, including grassy areas. Please be considerate of your neighbors.
- **Noise Ordinance Times:** The Prince William County noise ordinance is Monday through Friday from 10 p.m. until 7 a.m. and on Saturday, Sunday and Holidays from 10 p.m. until 9 a.m. If you were to contact the police regarding what you consider to be an inappropriate time for unusually loud noises, they will come out and investigate. But first, speak to your neighbors to explain that the noise is disturbing to you and ask if they would consider doing the work at another time of day.

Thank you in advance for the consideration of your neighbors.

Reminder to Register Guests: In order to expedite guests and vendors through our two manned gates, residents may notify the gate house of all visitors and vendors coming to Lake Manassas prior to arrival. This can be done by utilizing the daily list maintained at each gate house or our Standing Visitor List system that allows you to put frequent visitors on a standing list kept in both gate houses. Thank you for your cooperation.



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Community Information

Route 29 South and I-66 West Interchange -

Currently, two temporary roads carry both Route 29 and Linton Hall Road around the work area for crews to construct the interchange. This summer 2013, Route 29 traffic will be switched to the new structure over the railroad tracks. For more information and a video rendering of the area and current maps and planned changes are available on Virginia's Department of Transportation web site.

Source: www.vdot.virginia.gov/projects/northernvirginia/gainesville_improvements.asp



Tri-County Parkway Location Study

The approved location of the new north-south link connecting Manassas and the Dulles Corridor is the "West Two Alternative." For more information, click the study map at www.virginiadot.org/projects/northernvirginia/tri-county_parkway_location_study.asp

I-66 and Route 15 Interchange - Constructing a new Interchange in Prince William County

This project would reconstruct the interchange at I-66 and Route 15 (James Madison Highway) to relieve congestion, enhance public safety, operations and capacity, and accommodate forecasted traffic demand in the area.

Project cost

Preliminary engineering - \$7 million

Right of way acquisition, relocation assistance and utility relocation - \$12 million

Construction - \$54 million

Total - \$73 million

This project will be financed with federal and state funds. Costs are subject to change since project development is in the early design stage.

Project Schedule

Public hearing - Spring 2013

Design approval - Summer 2013

Advertise project (anticipate design-build) - Late Summer/Early Fall 2013

Begin construction - Late 2014

For more information, go to www.virginiadot.org/projects/northernvirginia/i-66_and_route_15_interchange.asp

Source: www.vdot.virginia.gov/projects/northernvirginia/gainesville_improvements.asp

Brentsville District Website

Mr. Wally Covington, III, who is the Vice Chair, Brentsville District, has "launched

a new website to cover district related news, issues, events and Board of Supervisors' agendas." Go to www.brentsvilledistrict.org where you can sign up for regular updates. You will also find links to services available in Prince William County (PWC). This web site also gives you access to their Facebook page, Brentsville District and their Twitter @Brentsville PWC.

Source: PWC Reports 2013, Issue 1.

Who to Call in an Emergency!!!

Other than 911 calls when someone is in imminent danger, you can call CMC's emergency number 703.631.7200 for emergencies such as potential damage from a tree that is about to fall within Lake Manassas. For other serious matters that require attention, such as an abandoned broken down car in the road, call the on-site management office at 703.753.7745 Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

You Can Post a Help Wanted Ads for Free

If you need help with lawn/garden care, babysitting services, pet sitting or refinishing furniture, etc., you can place a Help Wanted ad on our web site www.lakemanassasroa.com under the links **Buy and Sell > Classified Advertisements**. Then In the box called Item Name, write Help Needed and in the Description Box explain the type of help needed. Or, if you can provide these and other services for a fee you can place a free ad following the same procedure. Be sure to first login on the website.

Where to Get Visitor Passes

Residents can get visitor passes for their guests from the guard at the gate. A visitor pass will allow your guest to

enter the community for a specified period of time. The visitor pass must be displayed on the dashboard of your guest's car at all times.

You Can Get Free E-Books

If you have an e-reader and a Prince William County library card, you can download ebooks from the Prince William County web site. There are thousands of free books available to download at www.pwcgov.org/library.

Source: Prince William County Reports Winter 2012.

How To Get Disposal Equipment Repairs

If your current American Disposal equipment is in need of repair due to normal wear and tear, you can call American Disposal at 703.368.0500 and speak to one of their customer service representatives.

Here are two local (Bristow) Farmer Markets Open Year Round

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Budget & Finance Report

The Budget & Finance Committee met on Thursday, January 24, 2013 at the management office. The December Financial Reports (including the Monthly Financial Report, the Capital Expenditures Report, the Reserve Study and others) were reviewed and discussed.

The next Budget & Finance Committee meeting will be on Thursday, April 11, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. at the on-site management office. Feel free stop by to hear firsthand what we are doing and to share your thoughts/input.

Jim



When you log on to our web site at www.lakemanassasroa.com, click on Our **Community > Committees & Groups**. You will find information about our existing clubs and activities. Also consider starting another activity in Lake Manassas like a book club, dinner club or travel club. If you would like to add another Lake Manassas group or activity on our web site, please contact Michelle Wingo at mwingo@cmcmmanagement.com. You can also publish information about your group or activity to gain more members in future issues of this newsletter, please send your information to newsletter@lakemanassasroa.com



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Communications Report

We are happy to report that there are two residents who recently joined the communications committee. One is the distinguished and illustrious Errol Unikel, our former President of LMROA. The other new member is Shashi Mehta, winner of this news magazine's Winter Photo Contest. His winning photograph was published on the cover of our last issue. Welcome and thank you for volunteering your time to our community.

We are equally pleased to announce that you have provided us with 49 additional email addresses. We are now providing community information by email to 420 of the 544 households in Lake Manassas. So, if you are not receiving blast emails with current information and updates about our neighborhood, please go to www.lakemanassroa.com and register to be added to our Lake Manassas Email Distribution Listing. If we could, we would register on-line for you but we cannot because of a legal technicality - only you can accept the terms and conditions of our web site. If you need any assistance, please contact Shashi Mehta at sm8159@mehtaweb.com.

As a reminder, this spring when you are taking photographs at a graduation, wedding or other significant event, please remember to send one to us for our Resident Spotlight page in the summer issue. Just add a brief note about the event and send it to newsletter@lakemanassasroa.com.

Since our last issue, two communication committee members Norma Jo Greenlee and Kristin Knodt have resigned so they could spend more time on other pressing matters.

We extend our sincere appreciation to them for volunteering their time and contributions over these last few years. With their departure, we now have openings for you to join us.

Come see us at the Communications Committee table at the Open House scheduled for May 8, 2013 at the Stonewall Clubhouse. Look for our blast email with more specific information about this event. Of course, if you are interested in becoming a committee member at any time, please contact Michelle Wingo at mwingo@cmc-management.com.

As always, your assistance with the preparation of this news magazine would also be appreciated. We now have our resident photographer but we still need researchers, writers and editors. You are more than welcome to join us. Please contact me at annejeffery27@hotmail.com.

Residents are always welcome to attend our committee meetings. The communications committee meets on the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m., at the on-site management office.

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Community Safety & Visitor Access Report

The CSVAC has, over the past several months, worked with Securitas (provider of gate guard services) to improve guard performance with increased training and supervision. Training is focused on ensuring that guards comply with the Post Orders, which govern gate operations, the guard's personal bearing, and customer service. Gate Post orders can be found on the community web site. Residents are encouraged to make recommendations for improvements through our community manager's office and the committee chair.

A "Request for Proposals" for the construction of a new unmanned Amsterdam gate has been sent to prospective vendors. A new gate will feature four masonry columns, iron swing gates and fence, barrier arms for daytime operation, and decorative lighting. Masonry columns will be either brick or stone. Timing for construction is pending decisions on the timing and implementation of Town Home construction.

A "Request for Proposals" for new digital security cameras, monitoring, and recording equipment at all gates and the Swim and Tennis Center/Management Office has been sent to prospective vendors. Bid responses are expected by the end of March. A new security camera system will improve deterrence of vandalism and criminal activity.

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Covenants Report

My spring bulbs are waking up from their winter dormancy and will be sure to bring some cheer in the upcoming months. Many of us too will once again be emerging from our homes to take stock of our surroundings and the change of seasons. For some they will be energized at the thought of upcoming approved patio and deck installations. Others of us might be confronted with repairs that need to be made to our properties such as rotted wood, peeling paint, or hanging gutters. All of us will see the need for the annual spring cleanup in our yards.

As a reminder inspections are ongoing throughout the year but in April the community wide comprehensive inspection begins. The full perimeter of each property is walked and any violations are noted and brought to the homeowner's attention for correction. Common issues include:


- mailboxes that are rusted, have rotted wood or are missing paint,
- mulched beds that lack a defined edge, are down to bare earth or have weeds growing in them,
- lawns that are over 25% weeds,
- bushes and trees that have not been thinned out or trimmed,
- modifications that have been made to properties without approval by the HOA including the removal of window mullions, and
- unsightly accumulations of "junk" on patios, decks and driveways.

The HOA does not want to send violation notices or fine residents so please make it a priority to maintain your property.

This spring the Covenants Committee will be tackling the topic of on street parking and would welcome resident participation at our upcoming March and April meetings. We welcome your constructive suggestions to improve our community.

Cara

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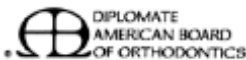
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Environmental Report

The committee will be touring the community again this spring to review all areas of concern and the areas scheduled for landscaping repairs and upgrades as scheduled in the five year plan.

Proposals have been evaluated from three companies for upgrading the landscaping in all areas of the community and recommendations are being made to the Board for approval and funding of the projects. It is anticipated that many of the projects will be started this spring as soon as weather permits. Additional projects will be completed in the fall. These projects will restore and enhance the beauty of our community.

The designs are being coordinated with the committees that are planning the new Amsterdam gate and repairs to the Stonewall Gatehouse.

Our goal is to keep Lake Manassas the premier community in the area.

The next two committee meetings will be on April 6, 2013 and July 6, 2013 at 10:00 AM at the on-site management office.

Allan

Contacts for Specific EC Issues

- Community Areas -Landscaping (East Side)** - Linda Malami and Kathy Rogers
- Community Areas -Landscaping (West Side)** - Harry Jenkins, Ed Orsini and Rose Mary Orsini
- Graveyard** - Harry Jenkins
- Streets and Sidewalks** - Harry Jenkins and Allan Thomas
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Modifications & Construction Report (MCC)

The Modifications and Construction Committee (MCC) has been busy at work reviewing alterations and improvement applications. If you are considering any alteration or improvement to the exterior of your home, you must first gain approval from the MCC. Applications are available at the onsite management office as well as online at the community website at www.lakemanassasroa.com. Michelle Wingo can assist you with any questions you may have with the process. Please keep in mind that modification applications must be filed at least four business days prior to a scheduled meeting in order to ensure the committee has time to examine them and schedule any needed property inspections.

We have met with Diane Basheer and her staff on resolving some minor issues with the townhome development on Turtle Pointe Drive. Look for construction to begin late summer. They are hoping to have models in place by the end of the year. From the looks of the preliminary plans, the development will be an asset to our community.

Diane

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Update on the new town homes.

Basheer and Edgemoore tells us that planning for the new town home section is proceeding well. They expect to be able to provide all of us with more detailed information regarding construction in the next 90 days. We will share that with you in the next newsletter.

In the meantime, if you would like more information on perhaps purchasing one of these new homes, feel free to contact Melanie Green-Karol at Basheer directly via email at: mgreenkarol@basheerandedgemoore.com.

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Swim and Tennis Center Report

We are looking forward to the completion of the repair and resurfacing project in the spring of 2013 and strongly encourage all residents to come out and use our beautiful facilities. We plan to open the pool on Memorial Day Weekend. Please check our community bulletin boards and our web site at www.lakemanassasroa.com for current information about the pool opening, tennis matches and other neighborhood activities.

If you are interested in organizing or planning events related to tennis, basketball or volleyball, the Swim & Tennis Committee would love to hear from you.

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Community Information

Who Owns What and How is it Paid for In Lake Manassas

By Rowland Bowers

The place we know as Lake Manassas was purchased by the Lake Manassas Limited Liability Company (LMLLC) and rezoned as a Planned Residential Community in the 1980's. As with most planned communities, the lands of Lake Manassas are subject to a "Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions," recorded by deed and operated as a Property Owners Association under the laws of Virginia that govern such non-stock corporations. The declaration establishes five separate associations, four of which are part of and operate under the Lake Manassas Association (LMA).

The four other associations under LMA are the Lake Manassas Residential Owners Association (LMROA), the Non-Residential Owners Association -commercial property- (LMNRA); Robert Trent Jones Golf Club (RTJ); and the Stonewall Golf Club (SGC). Each association appoints one member to the LMA Board of Directors. As of January 1, 2013 the LMROA has a voting resident member on the LMA Board.

The logic of an umbrella association (LMA) lies in the need for all the lands and improvements that are common and essential to each association be administered collectively to ensure against default by one association at the expense of the another.

The Lake Manassas Association (LMA)

By virtue of the Declaration and Zoning, the LMA owns and is responsible for maintenance and operation of both community access roads (Lake Manassas Drive and Baltusrol Boulevard), the Baltusrol Gate house and guard service, Turtle Point Drive (the spine road) between the entrance to RTJ and the Stonewall Gate House including the landscaped area and trail

along Turtle Point Drive. LMA also owns and is responsible for all storm water ponds within the residential areas and bordering the Stonewall Golf Course.

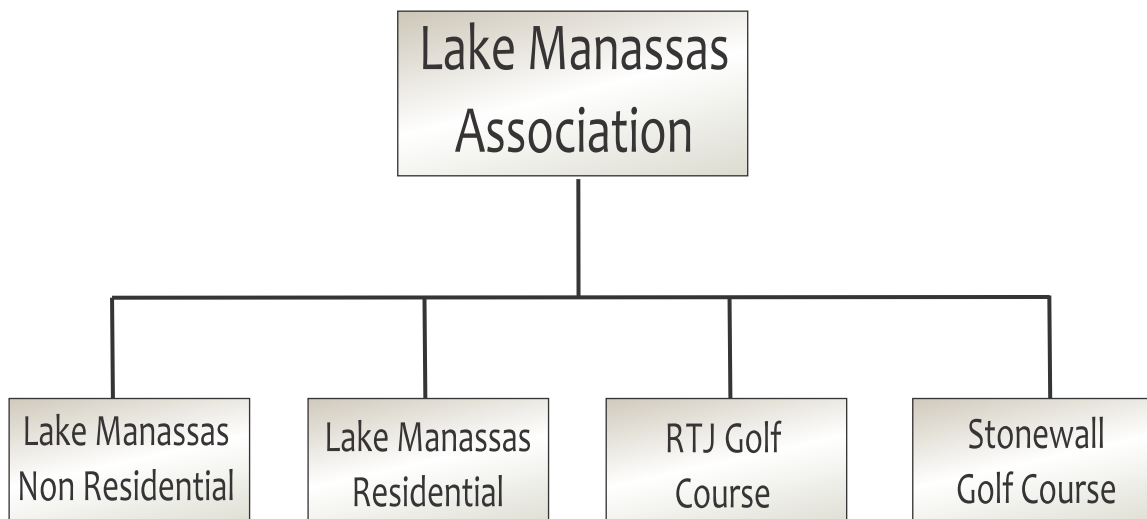
Under the declaration, LMA may also step in and maintain LMROA common areas and improvements if LMROA defaults on this responsibility.

The Maintenance and operational budget for LMA is paid for through maintenance assessment and base assessment levied against the four member associations. For example, maintenance (road and landscape) and operation of Baltusrol Boulevard, gate house and Turtle Point Drive to the Amsterdam Gate is paid for through a maintenance assessment divided among LMROA (40%), RTJ (40%), and LMNRA (20%). Expenses for a third of storm water pond maintenance, maintenance of Turtle Point Drive from the Amsterdam Gate to the Stonewall Gate, and maintenance of Lake Manassas Drive is divided one-third each among SGC, LMROA, and LMNRA.

Approximately 15% of our (LMROA) annual operating budget goes toward LMA operating and maintenance expenses.

The Lake Manassas Residential Owners Association - LMROA

Per the Declaration, LMLLC relinquished control of our homeowners association on January 1, 2013. It is now under resident control. Please the President's Report in this issue.



Who Owns What and How is it Paid for In Lake Manassas *(Continued)*

On the eastern peninsula, the common areas that are under LMROA ownership and management include the Swim and Tennis/Basketball Center, all trails and open space areas within the residential neighborhoods (not including the storm water ponds under LMA), neighborhood roads and landscaped circles and the Amsterdam Gate. We are in the process of securing an easement for the Amsterdam gate from LMA. While we do not own the landscaped neighborhood entrance features along Turtle Point, we do maintain these features through "Services Assessments" levied against the homes in each neighborhood (The Timbers, The Oaks, The Woodlands). The landscaping around the Townhouses is also maintained by the LMROA through a Services Assessment levied against each townhouse. On the western peninsula, the common areas that are under LMROA ownership and management include the Stonewall gate house and guard service, all roads and landscaped circles, the two open space areas at Overlook Ridge and Ransom Oaks Court, a small open space lot on Tuxedo Lane and all retaining walls. The storm water retention ponds and associated open space along holes 5, 6, and 7 belong to and maintained by LMA. The storm water pond at the forth hole is managed by SCG. For all other common open space areas, the cost of maintenance is paid for through a Services Assessment levied against the homes in

each of the neighborhoods (The Meadows, The Willows, The Pines, Overlook Ridge, The Point).

Road, sidewalk, and trail repairs are paid for from our replacement reserve which is part of the base assessment shared equally by all home owners.

We hope this article and illustrations clarifies some of the frequent questions we receive about the ownership and management of our common roads, open space, and other infrastructure. The intent of what may seem like a complicated set of covenants and zoning requirements is to ensure that each association manages its property in a way the benefits and enhances the quality of the entire development. The chart and map included with this article delineates the organization of the associations and all divisions of land ownership for each association. For more information please refer to our annual operating budget and the Declaration for each association.

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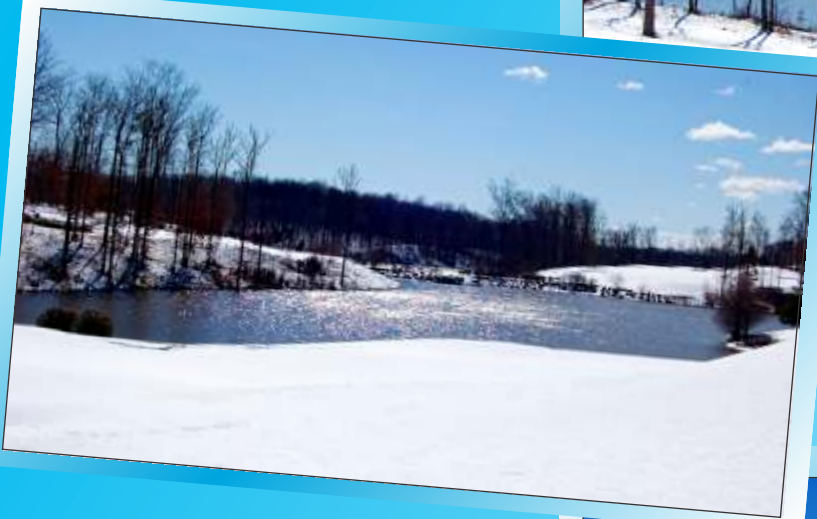
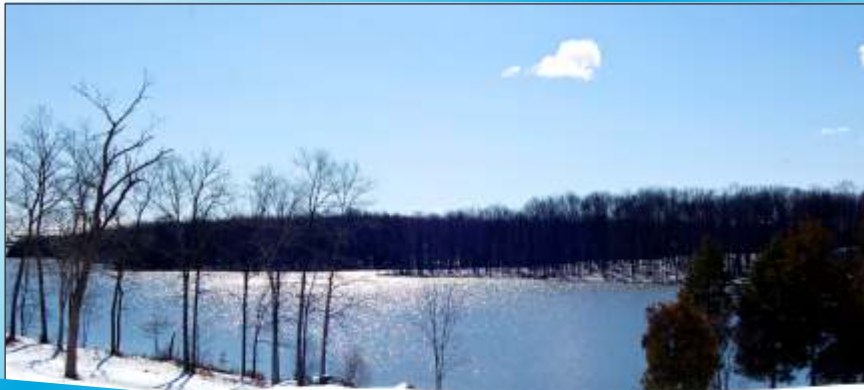
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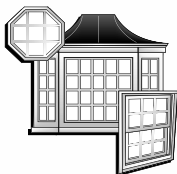
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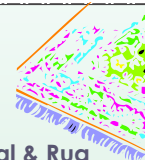
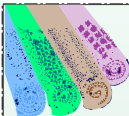
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Time to Think about Spring Gardening

By: Jill Johnson
Master Gardener



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It's official: most local garden centers and plant nurseries open their doors on March 1, and the gardening season kicks off regardless of the weather. What's a little rain, ice, or snow when there are pansies and primroses to plant, seeds to sow! Oh the possibilities. The results of your late fall burst of planting are beginning to show their colors too, with purple and gold crocus dotting the lawn, daffodils, anemones and snowdrops in the borders. Our native witch hazel is blooming now, its sweet fragrance scenting the cool air, and the redbuds and dogwoods are not far behind.

If you haven't begun your garden cleanup, now is the time. Remove debris and leaves from lawn and beds if the soil is dry enough. That new green growth in the garden bed is most likely to be winter weeds like henbit, bittercress, annual bluegrass and chickweed. They're easy to pull now so go for it! Here's a tip for cutting down those sharp ornamental grasses: wear gloves and tie a strap around the bunch for ease of cutting. If you've ever tried to cut them a handful at a time (like me) you'll appreciate this hint. Cut back any other perennials that were left for winter interest in the garden such as sedum and phlox. You can prune roses now too and fertilize. If you've planted Knock Out® roses, you can prune them back to 1/3 their height now. You can also leave them alone. Their ease of care is one reason that they are so popular and often used in commercial landscaping.

I always enjoy looking at commercial landscapes in neighborhoods and shopping centers because one can sometimes see interesting and unusual combinations and the plantings can generally take a fair amount of neglect. One pretty combination that is frequently seen in this area is Crape Myrtle underplanted with Knock Out® roses and ornamental grasses, bordered with liriope. It's not a showstopper, but it is pretty, and it's fool-proof, pest-proof and drought resistant. These landscapes are typically correctly

tended in terms of late winter pruning the roses and cutting back the liriope and ornamental grasses. But often the grievous landscaping crime, called "Crape Murder" is committed. I first heard that term at arborist Peter Deahl's pruning talk at the Loudoun Master Gardeners' Gardening Symposium last year. It's when the Crape Myrtle's top is sheared off evenly, as a way to keep the tree short. It's not only unattractive but it's bad for the tree's health as well. Some people do it because the tree is too tall... a perfect case of right plant in the wrong place. Better to replace the tree than to commit crape murder! Southern Living magazine is hosting its third annual photo contest for the worst example of "Crape murder" and winners will receive an Early Bird Dwarf Crape Myrtle. I'm thinking of entering!

For a specific list of March garden chores, please go to the Loudoun County Master Gardeners website at loudouncountymastergardeners.org and click "Gardening Information", where you will find a long list of hints to get you off to a great gardening start this year.

You'll hear more gardening inspiration and expert advice at our Annual Gardening Symposium on April 6 and 7, at Ida Lee Recreation Center Social Hall in Leesburg. The cast of gardening experts promises to provide attendees a weekend filled with entertainment, horticultural expertise and non-stop gardening talk, as well as some very special vendors. Some of the topics to be covered include Meadowscaping, Bugs and Blooms, Edible Landscaping, Tree Care, Hydrangeas, Ferns, Organic Gardening and so much more. Please visit www.loudouncountymastergardeners.org for more details and ticket information.

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Mother's and Father's Day – The History

The “Mother’s Day” we celebrate today has its origins in the peace-and-reconciliation campaigns of the post-Civil War era. During the 1860s, at the urging of activist Ann Reeves Jarvis, one divided West Virginia town celebrated “Mother’s Work Days” that brought together the mothers of Confederate and Union soldiers. In 1870, the activist Julia Ward Howe issued a “Mother’s Day Proclamation” calling on a “general congress of women” to “promote the alliance of the different nationalities, the amicable settlement of international questions, [and] the great and general interests of peace.”

The modern holiday of Mother’s Day was first celebrated in 1908, when Anna Jarvis held a memorial for her mother in America. She then began a campaign to make “Mother’s Day” a recognized holiday in the United States. Although she was successful in 1914, she was already disappointed with its commercialization by the 1920s. Jarvis’ holiday was adopted by other countries and it is now celebrated all over the world. In this tradition, people present a gift, card, or remembrance to their mothers, grandmothers, and/or maternal figure on Mother’s Day.

Various observances honoring mothers existed in America during the 1870s and the 1880s, but these never had resonance beyond the local level.

In 1912, Anna Jarvis trademarked the phrases “second Sunday in May” and “Mother’s Day”, and created the Mother’s Day International Association. Woodrow Wilson was the President who signed Mother’s Day into law making it an official holiday in the United States.

As the American holiday was adopted by other countries and cultures, the date was changed to fit already existing celebrations honoring motherhood, such as Mothering Sunday in the United Kingdom.

In some countries the date was changed to a date that was significant to the majority religion, such as Virgin



Mary day in Catholic countries. Other countries selected a date with historical significance. For example, Bolivia’s Mother’s Day is the date of a battle in which women participated.

However, Mother’s Day did not become a commercial holiday until 1908, when--inspired by Jarvis’s daughter Anna, who wanted to honor her own mother by making Mother’s Day a national holiday--the John Wanamaker department store in Philadelphia sponsored a service dedicated to mothers in its auditorium. Thanks in large part to this association with retailers, who saw great potential for profit in the holiday, Mother’s Day caught on right away. In 1909, 45 states observed the day, and in 1914, President Woodrow Wilson approved a resolution that made the second Sunday in May a holiday in honor of “that tender, gentle army, the mothers of America.”

Origins of Father’s Day - The campaign to celebrate the nation’s fathers did not meet with the same enthusiasm--perhaps because, as one florist explained, “fathers haven’t the same sentimental appeal that mothers have.” On July 5, 1908, a West Virginia church sponsored the nation’s first event explicitly in honor of fathers, a Sunday sermon in memory of the 362 men who had died in the previous December’s explosions at the Fairmont Coal Company mines in Monongah, but it was a one-time commemoration and not an annual holiday. The next year, a Spokane, Washington woman named Sonora Smart Dodd, one of six children raised by a widower, tried to establish an official equivalent to Mother’s Day for male parents. She went to

local churches, the YMCA, shopkeepers and government officials to drum up support for her idea, and she was successful: Washington State celebrated the nation’s first statewide Father’s Day on July 19, 1910.

Slowly, the holiday spread. In 1916, President Wilson honored the day by using telegraph signals to unfurl a flag in Spokane when he pressed a button in Washington, DC. In 1924, President Calvin Coolidge urged state governments to observe Father’s Day. However, many men continued to disdain the day. As one historian writes, they “scoffed at the holiday’s sentimental attempts to domesticate manliness with flowers and gift-giving, or they derided the proliferation of such holidays as a commercial gimmick to sell more products - often paid for by the father himself.”

Father’s Day: Controversy and Commercialism. During the 1920s and 1930s, a movement arose to scrap Mother’s Day and Father’s Day altogether in favor of a single holiday, Parents’ Day. Every year on Mother’s Day, pro-Parents’ Day groups rallied in New York City’s Central Park--a public reminder, said Parents’ Day activist and radio performer Robert Spere, “that both parents should be loved and respected together.” Paradoxically, however, the Depression derailed this effort to combine and de-commercialize the holidays. Struggling retailers and advertisers redoubled their efforts to make Father’s Day a “second Christmas” for men, promoting goods such as neckties, hats, socks, pipes and tobacco, golf clubs and other sporting goods, and greeting cards. When World War II began, advertisers began to argue that celebrating Father’s Day was a way to honor American troops and support the war effort. By the end of the war, Father’s Day may not have been a federal holiday, but it was a national institution.

In 1972, in the middle of a hard-fought presidential re-election campaign, Richard Nixon signed a proclamation making Father’s Day a federal holiday at last. Today, economists estimate that Americans spend more than \$1 billion each year on Father’s Day gifts.

Governor McDonnell Announces Barboursville Vineyards 2013 Governor's Cup ~2009 "Octagon 12th Edition" Named Top Virginia Wine~

Governor Bob McDonnell, who championed major changes to the Virginia Governor's Cup competition in 2011 that made it one of the most stringent and comprehensive wine competitions in the United States, awarded the 2013 Virginia Wineries Association's Governor's Cup to Barboursville Vineyards' 2009 Octagon 12th Edition. By winning this year's Governor's Cup, Barboursville becomes the first Virginia winery to win the award four times. Barboursville also won in 1992 (1988 Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve), 1999 (1997 Cabernet Franc), and 2007 (1998 Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve). The Governor's Cup award announcement was made Thursday evening at the Virginia Wineries Association's Governor's Cup Gala.

Barboursville's award-winning Octagon is a Meritage-style blend of the winery's best Bordeaux varietals. The wine is made only in top vintage years. The 2009 vintage is comprised of 70% Merlot, 15% Cabernet Franc, 10% Petit Verdot and 5%

Cabernet Sauvignon. The wine's tasting notes are as follows: *It has a deep garnet color, with aromas of chocolate, red berries, cranberries, gaining further depth with tar, spice and a touch of forest floor. Dry yet somewhat fruity, medium to full body with a long finish of tannins. A wonderfully structured old world style red blend.*

The 2013 Virginia Governor's Cup Competition was conducted over two weeks of tasting. The preliminary tastings were held over ten days at the Capital Wine School in Washington DC, while the final round of tastings was held at the Jefferson Hotel in Richmond. The Governor's Cup award winner was selected from the 2013 Governor's Cup Case, the top 12 scoring wines of the competition, which were selected from 377 entries of both red and white wines, from 93 wineries.

In addition to Barboursville's 2009 Octagon, the other 11 wines (along with varietal descriptions as appropriate) forming the Governor's Cup Case include:

- Cooper Vineyards – 2010 Petite Verdot Reserve
- King Family Vineyards – 2010 Meritage
- Lovingston Winery – 2009 Josie's Knoll Estate Reserve (Meritage)
- Philip Carter Winery – 2010 Cleve (Petite Verdot, Tannat)
- Pollak Vineyards – 2009 Cabernet Franc Reserve
- Potomac Point Vineyard and Winery – 2010 Richland Reserve Heritage (Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Cabernet Sauvignon, Tannat, Petite Verdot)
- Rappahannock Cellars – 2010 Meritage

- RdV Vineyards – 2010 Rencouv (Meritage)
- RdV Vineyards – 2010 Lost Mountain (Meritage)
- Sunset Hills Vineyard – 2010 Mosaic (Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Petite Verdot)
- Trump Winery – 2008 Sparkling Rose (Chardonnay, Pinot Noir)



At least 10 cases of each wine included in the Governor's Cup Case will be used by the Virginia Wine Board Marketing Office for marketing purposes. A number of cases will be shipped to select wine media, promoting Virginia wines to a larger national and international audience. The award winning wines will be used for educational purposes at Virginia winemaker roundtable discussions to improve overall quality of Virginia wines. Governor's Cup Case wines will also be used by Governor McDonnell on select domestic and international marketing missions and

other events designed to promote Virginia wine and winery tourism.

The Governor's Cup competition, revamped in 2011 at the request of Governor McDonnell, is a result of a partnership among the gubernatorial-appointed Virginia Wine Board (VWB), the Virginia Wineries Association (VWA), which owns and manages the competition, and the Virginia Vineyards Association (VVA). Any wine made from 100% Virginia fruit was eligible for the competition, while ciders and fruit wines had their own category and medalists. All entries included an affidavit with a certification of 100% Virginia fruit and vineyard particulars, including grower names and location, as well as information on alcohol, acidity or basicity (pH), and residual sugar.

The judges were compensated for their time for a rigorous schedule of judging to ensure the competition maintained the highest level of professional evaluation. There were 45 judges in the preliminary round and 15 judges in the final round. A list of the judges along with their bios can be found at www.virginiawine.org/governors-cup. One of the most important aspects of the revised competition is the educational component of the judging. After the competition, regional forums for the winemakers will be held with the judging director. Notes with the judges' blind comments will be shared with individual winemakers, so that they will get direct feedback on how their wines were received.

Barboursville Vineyards is located in the Monticello American Viticulture Area of Central Virginia, in and around the Charlottesville region.

Sales of Virginia wine reached a record high in fiscal year 2012 with more than 485,000 cases, or more than 5.8 million bottles, sold. Virginia currently ranks fifth in the number of wineries in the nation with 230. Virginia is also the nation's fifth largest wine grape producer. According to a recently released economic impact study, the Virginia wine industry employs more than 4,700 and contributes almost \$750 million to the Virginia economy on an annual basis.

For a complete list of previous Governor's Cup winners and further information about the Virginia wine industry, events, tours and tastings, please visit the Virginia Wine Marketing Office www.virginiawine.org or call 804-344-8200.

....This information was extracted from Governor McDonnell's Press Release dated.....2/21/2013



Resident Spotlight



Hannah Chait

daughter of Mark & Lori Chait

The Highland Players gave a fun-filled and lively performance of "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying" in the Rice theater at the Highland Center for the Arts in Warrenton, VA. This musical is based on the book by Shepherd Mead with the same title. Everyone in the cast has amazing talent and Miss Hannah Chait's performance in the lead role as Miss Rosemary Pilkington was superb.

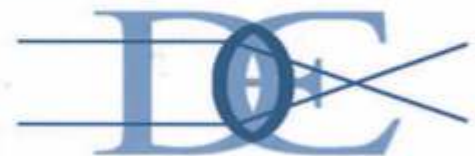
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A Resident Perspective

The *Lake Manassas Connection* was designed to bring residents the info they need on the community they live and have invested in - and to connect neighbors and friends. We hope that you will find the following story interesting and perhaps it will inspire you to want to tell us about a personal adventure or share photos. If you would like to submit please limit your story to approximately one page and send all to newsletter@lakemanassasroa.com. The next deadline, for the Summer, 2013 issue is June 1.

Seventy Sucks

By Mary Bowers

For my seventieth birthday one of my more creative friends gave me a giant lollipop instead of a card. On the attached tag was written, "Seventy sucks, lick the seventieth birthday blahs. Guaranteed to make you feel like a kid again." She knew me well enough to recognize the major funk I was in at the prospect of having this birthday. Certainly, at seventy, you can no longer claim to be middle aged or even senior, now you can only be described as elderly. Most people die in their seventies, and that alone makes it a very sobering birthday. My husband also recognized the major funk I was in and told me he was going to give me a birthday party whether I wanted it or not.

For almost a month I watched him make preparations for the mother of all birthday parties. He found pictures from my past and our past, many of which I did not know existed, he did a power point display of every high point in my life and anything I may have accomplished. He hired caterers, sent out invitations, got decorations, most of which were gas filled balloons tied to banisters and chandeliers and chair backs. He conferred with our two daughters as to what should further be done. I had just gone through two eye surgeries on my left eye, one for a retina detachment and one for cataract removal. This and the remains of over two feet of dirty snow was a very good excuse to nurture my funk and feel sorry for myself.

My poor husband finally decided in addition to the party, he would get tickets to the Late Show with David Letterman. "Mary likes Letterman, she tapes the show and watches it after dinner almost every night," he thought. "That will cheer her up." We had gone to see Letterman once before and had a great time at the show and in New York.

The party went off as planned and it was a great mood lifter to see all the friends and family who felt the occasion important enough to go to the trouble to come. The next morning I took the four balloons that had big seventies on them out on the deck and let them go one by one. It was liberating to watch that hated number sail away into the great beyond. I was beginning to feel like my old self. After all, as my brother said, seventy is just a number, what's important is how you feel and staying active and committed to the things you enjoy that stimulate you.

Rowland and I drove up to New York. It was a beautiful day and the temperature was pushing seventy, probably in honor of my birthday. After the very unusual cold, snowy winter we had just come through the gorgeous weather was more than welcome. The hotel was right around the corner from the Letterman Show, and so the next day it was very convenient to pick up our tickets and go out on Times Square to enjoy the city. The very young woman who gave us our tickets asked if we would like "preferred seating." That was something new. That hadn't been asked of us the first time we went to the show. Rowland had mentioned my

birthday when he ordered the tickets, maybe they were going to give us good seats because of that. We were new at being old and we didn't understand what "preferred seating" meant. Of course we would like preferred seating, who wouldn't? We were told to return at a certain time and ask for Lisa.

When the time came we returned to the theatre and Lisa ushered us and quite a few others into the foyer where chairs had been set up. The rest of the people were inside the theatre being "revved up" for the show by very young interns who worked for Letterman. There was yelling and laughter and whistling and clapping and great fun going on in there. I looked around at my companions, they were all OLD PEOPLE. Rowland and I were seated among people as old or older than ourselves. One man had a portable oxygen tank. I felt my funk begin to descend upon me once more. Everyone sitting there was in a funk, they didn't like being separated out from the crowd because they were older. The word, "discrimination" was mentioned. We weren't the only ones who hadn't known what "preferred seating" meant. We began talking among ourselves, noting the irony that Letterman himself is sixty-three. Was he paranoid about having old people in his audience? Did he want to show himself as young and hip and appealing to the young? We could only speculate about what was going on and voice our universal disapproval. I began to talk to the woman next to me. She and her husband had come from Texas to be in New York for his seventieth birthday. It was amusing to find that his birthday was exactly the same as mine.

"It's a sobering birthday, isn't it?" I offered.

"Nope," he said. "I haven't been sober in three days."

We laughed together and I could only marvel at how handsome the man was and what a youthful sparkle he had in his eyes.

"You must be easy to live with," I said to his wife. "Your husband looks very young."

She smiled. "So do you."

"I wasn't fishing for a compliment, I really meant what I said."

"I meant it too."

Then Lisa began lecturing us. She was an attractive blond girl in her twenties with absolutely no idea how to relate to the drooling masses of old people with which she was forced to contend. I felt sorry for her, because I knew long ago I would have been just as clueless. Her attitude was condescending as if we were all plagued with Alzheimer's and every kind of smelly blight an old person can fall victim to.

"Don't make any unusual noises," she admonished.

"She thinks we're going to pass gas," one lady said under her breath.

"There's only one restroom," Lisa cautioned, "so you'll all have to line up."

"What if we don't have to go?" a man asked.

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Seventy Sucks *(Continued)*

The mood had changed in the room. Now we were filled with laughter and rebellion. Lisa sensed it and stopped talking. She was getting far too much sass from this bunch of old crazies.

"If I ever come back to Letterman, and I think I probably won't, remind me not to take the 'preferred seating' option," Rowland said.

"We're vital people," I said, "as vital as Letterman is. He's had quadruple bypass surgery for heavens sake. He's much less vital than we are. What's he thinking doing this to people in his generation who enjoy his show? We're on the same page he is, doesn't he get that?"

"When do they bring the walkers?" someone asked as we all snickered.

Lisa left after giving us all a rather disgusted and bewildered look. I'm sure she did not know what to make of us, and did not know why we felt betrayed as if we'd been lied to and humiliated. When she returned she asked us to follow her, and we were indeed seated before anyone else was allowed in. Our seats were to the far side and on the aisle as if they wanted to be ready for any emergency that could befall people of our vintage. Thankfully, Rowland and I were seated towards the middle of the row and we could see well, those seated close to the aisle were not so fortunate, and their vision was blocked by booms and cameras. Once again we were convinced that Letterman did not want older people in his audience. We were placed so that when the camera panned the audience we would not be seen.

We enjoyed the show and later sat down to order dinner at a nearby Irish pub.

"You missed the excitement," the waiter said. "Some old guy was eating at the restaurant across the street and he choked on his steak. They gave him the Heimlich, but it was too late."

"Wow," Rowland said. "I'll bet they had to close the restaurant."

"Heck no. They called 911, carried the guy out on a stretcher, cleared the table and it was business as usual.

Made me a little sick to my stomach."

"Yeah.," I sympathized. "Old people are easily disposed of in this culture."

After dinner at which neither Rowland nor I ordered steak, we went back to the hotel where we watched the academy award performance of Sandra Bullock in *Blind Side*. We both agreed that she must have bought the award. She was up against Meryl Streep who WAS Julia Child in *Julie and Julia*. Maybe Streep lost the Oscar because she was in her sixties.

Here in America we just do not know what to do with the old. We do not respect the wisdom and serenity that comes from worldliness and experience. Lisa is oblivious to the reality that she will one day be seventy. It is a reality she does not believe in, she's too smug in her youth to get it. I remember those days, and I am here among the old in less time than it takes Letterman to read his Top Ten List.

Rowland and I laughed all the way home, comparing notes and quoting what we had heard people say, enjoying over and over again the insensitivity and downright absurdity we had endured. It was hilarious! I could hardly wait to get home and enjoy that lollipop.

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MS Walk - National MS Society, National Capital Chapter - April 20, 2013. This walk, sponsored by Booz Allen Hamilton, is a fun, family oriented event, taking place in six different neighborhoods in the Washington, DC metropolitan area. You can participate in Washington, DC, Manassas, Reston, Potomac, Oxon Hill, or Bowie. Learn about more upcoming charity walks in the Washington, DC area.

Bay Bridge Boat Show - April 18-21, 2013. Kent Island, Maryland. The show kicks off the boating season each spring with a display of hundreds of new and late model brokerage boats and boat equipment displays.

Smithsonian Craft Show - April 24-28, 2013. This is your chance to buy unique crafts from the most prestigious exhibition of contemporary American arts in the nation.

Bethesda Literary Festival - April 19-21, 2013. Dozens of authors and writers conduct readings, talks and other activities at galleries, bookstores and other sites in downtown Bethesda.

Leesburg Flower and Garden Festival - April 20 - 21, 2013. Leesburg, Virginia. The family friendly event displays landscape designs, gardening supplies, outdoor living items, plants, flowers, herbs and much more!

Virginia Historic Garden Week - April 20-27, 2013. A garden-lovers paradise! This annual event features tours of the gardens at Virginia's most prestigious private homes and public attractions. See lush gardens, stunning architecture, and historic furnishings.

Shenandoah Apple Blossom Festival April 26 - May 5, 2013, Winchester, VA. The annual celebration of spring showcases the blooming apple trees in the Shenandoah Valley with more than 45 events including the Coronation of Queen Shenandoah, the Grand Feature Parade, band competitions, dances, a carnival, a 10K run, Firefighters events and more.

GI Film Festival - May 6-12, 2013. See classic and premier films celebrating the heroic stories of the American Armed Forces includ-

ing a variety of films presented by award-winning Hollywood actors and directors. Participate in panel discussions with soldiers, journalists, authors, and filmmakers.

Bethesda Fine Arts Festival - May 11-12, 2013. See the works of 140 contemporary artists and enjoy live entertainment, children's activities and downtown Bethesda restaurants.

Annapolis Wine Expo - May 11, 2013. Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium, Annapolis, Maryland. The event features wine and food tastings.

National Police Week - May 12-18, 2013. The annual event honors the service of U.S. law enforcement officials. A candlelight vigil and memorial service are open to the public.

DC Design House Tours - Through May 12, 2013. Washington, DC's premiere residential design showcase features a home renovated by the region's top interior designers. Tours are available and raise funds for Children's National Medical Center.

Mount Vernon Wine Festival & Sunset Tour - May 17-19, 2013. An elegant evening of wine, live entertainment, reenactments, and tours of the rarely open cellar vaults of George Washington's Mount Vernon Estate. Advance tickets are required.

Bike to Work Day - May 17, 2013. Join thousands of Washington, DC area commuters by bicycling to work as a fun and healthy way to get to work.

Northern Virginia Fine Arts Festival - May 17-19, 2013. Reston Town Center, Reston, VA. See artwork by more than 200 painters, sculptors, fine-crafters and jewelers. Also enjoy musical performances, festive foods, beer garden, and artist demonstrations.

Maryland Craft Beer Festival - May 18, 2013. Frederick Fairgrounds, Frederick, MD. More than 15 breweries present over 80 different brews. This family-friendly festival features live music by popular regional artists, kids' activities, exhibitors and a variety of food.

National Asian Heritage Festival - May 18, 2013, 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Celebrate Asian Pacific American Heritage Month with an Asian street fair in the heart of DC. Enjoy live entertainment and interactive displays.

Gaithersburg Book Festival - May 18, 2013, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. The festival includes both national and local acclaim that will address and interact with readers at a free all-day, outdoor event set on the grounds of Gaithersburg's City Hall. The festival will also include writing workshops, exhibitors, book sales, book signings, children's entertainment and activities, food vendors, and a Coffee House featuring poetry readings and musical entertainment.

DC Dragon Boat Festival - May 19-20, 2012. Thompson's Boathouse Center, 2900 Virginia Avenue, NW, Washington DC. Sponsored by the Chinese Women's League of Washington, DC, the event features dragon boat races on the Potomac River, cultural performances and hands-on activities.

Marine Corps Historic Half, 10K and & Semper Fred 5K - May 19, 2013. Fredericksburg, VA. The 13.1 mile Historic Half course runs from the retail hub of Central Park through Fredericksburg's historic downtown with impressive landmarks and splendid scenery. The new Historic 10K traverses the final 6.2 mile portion of the Historic Half course. Also new in 2013, the Semper Fred 5K (3.1 miles) becomes a point-to-point run incorporating the challenge of Hospital Hill.

Taste of Arlington - May 19, 2013, noon-5 pm. Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA. Enjoy a lively street festival, complete with local entertainment, children's activities and, of course, lots of food!

Sunset Celebration at Mount Vernon - May 25-26, 2013, 6-9 p.m. George Washington's estate is opening its doors for a special evening event. Stroll the lantern-lit grounds and enjoy 18th-century music, dancing, and colonial games.

Delaplane Strawberry Festival - May 25-26, 2013, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sky Meadows State Park, Delaplane, VA. The annual festival includes live entertainment, children's games, pony rides, hayrides, a petting zoo, a 5K fun run, a raptor exhibit, antique cars, food, crafts and strawberries.

Rockville's Hometown Holidays - May 25-27, 2013. Rockville, MD hosts a three-day street festival in celebration of Memorial Day with live music, children's entertainment, a parade and more.

Blue Angels Airshow - May 22 and 24, 2012. Annapolis, Maryland. The Blue Angels perform at the United States Naval Academy.

*F*estivals, Fairs, Garden Shows & Expos

April 18 6:30 pm - Hava Nagila (The Movie) - Jewish Community Center of Northern - Virginia, Fairfax.

27 10:00 am - Great Grapes Wine Arts and Food Festival - Reston Town Center.

28 11:00 am - 5th Annual Earthday at Loudoun Family Festival - Clyde's Willow Creek Farm, 42920 Broadlands Blvd - Broadlands, VA.

May 11 10:00 am - State Arboretum of Virginia Garden Fair - State Arboretum of Virginia - Boyce Garden Fair is a huge plant and garden supply sale held every - Mother's Day weekend on the grounds of the State Arboretum of VA.

June 1 Virginia Wine Country Half Marathon Doukenie Winery, Purcellville. This event is hosted in Loudoun Country, Virginia, one hour west of the nation's capital. The course runs through the Virginia countryside.

7 10:00 am - Celebrate Fairfax! Fairfax County Government Center.

8 2:00 pm - Tinner Hill Blues Festival. Cherry Hill Park, Falls Church

27 7:00 pm - Serenade! Washington, DC Choral. Festival - Strathmore, North Bethesda

April 13 10:00 am - Virginia Fly Fishing and wine Festival - Waynesboro, VA

May 18 10:00 am - Virginia Wine Festival, Charlottesville, VA

June 29 10:00 am - Hogging Up BBQ & Music Festival / KCBS Competition - Frederick County Fairgrounds, Clear Brook, VA

30 1:00 pm - Independence Day Family Tea Tudor Place Administration Building - Washington, DC

July 4 8:00 am - Let Freedom Run 5K & Firecracker Dash - Fairfax Corner Shopping Center - Fairfax, Virginia

4 10:00 am - Baltimore July Fourth Celebration - Baltimore's Inner Harbor - Baltimore, MD

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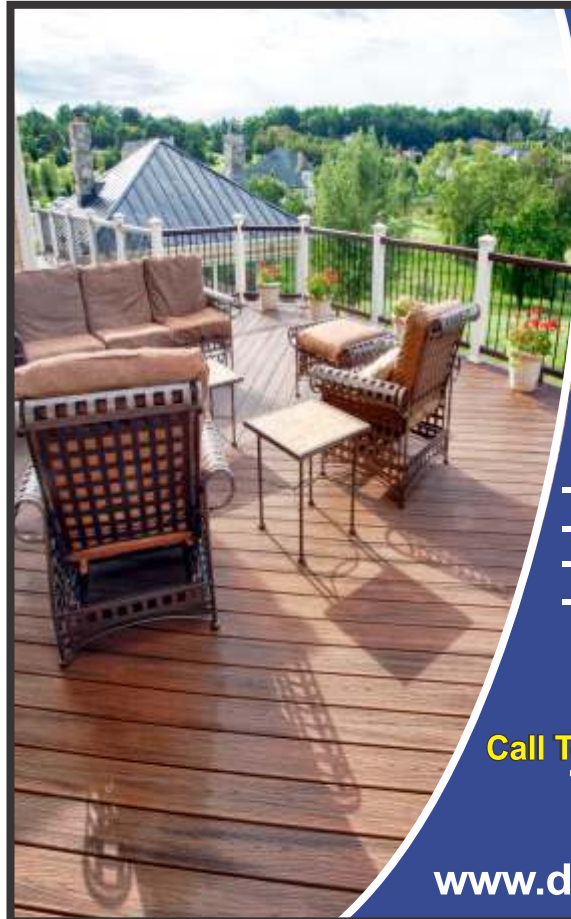
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Hylton Performing Arts Center: www.hyltoncenter.org

April 21 Mutual of Omaha's Wild Kingdom,
Starring Peter Gros
April 27 As You Like It
May 4 Dr. Ralph Stanley and The Clinch Mountain Boys
May 5 Lila Downs

George Mason University Center for the Arts:

www.cfa.gmu.edu

Center for the Arts Concert Hall - 4400 University Drive - Fairfax, VA

April 19 - 21 Virginia Opera: The Marriage of Figaro
22 The Vision Series: Fast Food Kids: Youth and the
Changing Food-Landscape of Family, School,
and Everyday Life
28 The Acting Company: Of Mice and Men
May 4 Les Ballets Trockadero de Monte Carlo

DAR Constitution Hall: www.dar.org/conthall

1776 D Street, NW - Washington, DC

May 13 7:30 pm - Guts and Glory: An Evening with
Anthony Bourdain

Kennedy Center Opera House: www.kennedy-center.org

270 F Street, NW - Washington, DC

May 8 7:30 pm - Hemmingway: The Sun Also Rises
June 4 7:30 pm - Ballet Across America III: North
Carolina Dance Theatre, Ballet Austin & Dance
Theatre of Harlem
July 9 7:30 pm - The Book of Mormon

Greater Reston Arts Center (GRACE): www.restonarts.org

12001 Market Street, Suite 103 - Reston, VA 20190

April 19 Reston Art Adventure
25 Appetite For Art

The Alden:

1234 Ingleside Avenue - McLean, VA 22101

April 20 Gustafer Yellowgold Show
May 1 Morning Movies: "American Graffiti"
4 Pushcart Players Production: Red Riding
Hood and Other Stories
5 Concerts at the Alden: Young Soloists
8 Lecture Series: Out of the Ashes
11 Furia Flamenca: Flamenco Meets Jazz
12 Grey Seal Puppets present Barker Bill's
Wagtime Revue!
15 Classics of the Silent Screen: "The Beloved
Rogue"
19 Concerts at the Alden: Jehshua Karunakaran
24 FREE Family Movie: E.T. the Extra Terrestrial

Warner Theatre: www.warnertheatredc.com

513 Thirteenth Street, NW - Washington, DC

April 20 7:00 pm - Ron White

Ford's Theatre: www.fordstheatre.org

511 10th Street, NW - Washington, DC -

...through April 30 - One Destiny: Learn about Lincoln's assassination from two men who were there. Actor Harry Hawk and Ford's Theatre co-owner Harry Ford revisit the events of April 14, 1865.

...through May 18 - Hello Dolly!

...through May 29 - History on Foot: Detective McDevitt

Verizon Center: www.verizoncenter.com

601 F Street NW - Washington, DC 20004

April 16 7:00 pm - Capitals vs. Toronto Maple Leafs
29 7:30 pm - Rihanna Diamonds World Tour
May 11 - 12 7:00 pm - Taylor Swift - The Red Tour
June 2 4:00 pm - Mystics vs. Atlanta Dream
14 7:30 pm - New Kids on the Block:
The Package Tour
22 8:00 pm - Bruno Mars Moonshine Jungle Tour
23 7:30 pm - One Direction - 2013 World Tour
July 6 7:00 pm - Mystics vs. Seattle Storm
29 - 31 8:00 pm - The Mrs. Carter Show World Tour
starring BEYONCE'
August 3 7:00 pm - Justin Bieber Believe Tour
4 4:00 pm - Mystics vs. Los Angeles Sparks

Piedmont Symphony Orchestra (PSO):

www.highlandcenterforthearts.org/calendar

597 Broadview Avenue, Warrenton, VA

April 21 PSO Concert - Glory, Fantasy, Cinderella
June 16 PSO Concert - Tchaik This Out!

Wolftrap: www.wolftrap.org

1551 Trap Road - Vienna, VA

May 24 8:00 pm - A Prairie Home Companion with
Garrison Keillor

The Barns at Wolf Trap

April 18 Melissa Manchester
19 Paula Cole
20 Andrea Marcovicci
24 Joe Sample
25 John McCutcheon
26 Robbie Schaefer
May 3 - 4 26th Annual Evening of Comedy

Filene Center at Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts

...through June 1 The Mikado
June 7 - 8 Rock of Ages
14 Celtic Woman
15 Bill Cosby
16 Wolf Trap's 24th Annual Louisiana Swamp Romp
23 Happy Together Tour 2013
27 The Temptations & The Four Tops
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July 2 BUDDY - the Buddy Holly Story 13
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8051 Horse Shoe Bay Court	\$599,950	\$599,950	59	16
8223 Roxborough Loop	\$650,000	\$659,900	1	9
8116 Crooked Oaks Court	\$650,000	\$647,900	98	15
Real Estate UNDER CONTRACT				
8012 Kamehameha Place	NA	\$453,000	118	17
8215 Sneed Loop	NA	\$599,000	5	8
15510 Tuxedo Lane	NA	\$659,900	45	8
16009 Tryon Way	NA	\$749,000	35	11

Area Activities & Events *(Continued)*

Jiffy Lube Live

May 18 Luke Bryan
 June 6 Brad Paisely
 July 27 Dave Matthews Band
 28 Dierks Bentley
 August 8 - 17 Jimmy Buffett

DC Improv - Washington, DC

May 2 8:00 pm - Moshe Kasher
 23 8:00 pm - Godfrey
 31 8:00 pm - Lavell Crawford
 June 13 8:00 pm - Frank Caliendo
 July 11 8:00 pm - John Witherspoon

Great Meadow Foundation:

May 4 10:00 am - 5:30 pm
 Come enjoy the 88th running of the world famous Virginia Gold Cup steeplechase race, Saturday, May 4, 2013 at Great Meadow in The Plains, Virginia. The Virginia Gold Cup is a grand spring tradition as well as a fixture on the social calendar. Run in Fauquier County since 1922 and attended by over 50,000 spectators, this race is one of the largest and most popular sporting events in the greater Washington metropolitan area. Race day features six hurdle and timber horse races, Jack Russell Terrier races, tent, tailgate and hat contests, and vendor booths for shopping.

Saturday evenings: Twilight Polo

Sundays: Trail ride and Rocketry Sport Launch

July 4th Celebration:

The fact is, it is a tremendous day for a superb value. It would be worth it for the fireworks alone, but there is a tremendous list of activities included once you are inside the park. At 4 pm, the gates open to PEV's laser tag, rock wall for climbing, pony rides (\$5), moon bounces, bands on the sound stage, and of course, the famous rain machine! Throughout the day, a choreographed helicopter air show performs with polo exhibitions and rocketry demonstrations too. The grand finale comes at twilight with one of the metropolitan area's biggest fireworks shows!

Exhibitions

National Geographic Exhibitions:

...through May 12 Birds of Paradise:
 Amazing Avian Evolution
 ...through July 12 Beyond the Story:
 National Geographic
 Unpublished 2012

Kreeger Museum

Through Mon, July 1

The installation of two new sculptures on the Kreeger grounds by WSG members Martha Jackson-Jarvis and Dalya Luttwak. Sculpture on the Grounds is a continuation of The Kreeger Museum's commitment to exhibit and collaborate with Washington artists and organizations.

Tudor Place Historic House and Garden

March 5 through October 1
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Katzen Arts Center at American

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4400 Massachusetts Avenue, NW
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 May 5 3:00 pm Russian Bel Canto

COMMUNITY CLUBS

Bunco

Contact: Terry at 703.855.4372 or miyb@aol.com

Time and Date: 7:00 PM - 9:30 PM on the last Wednesday of the month, except holidays

Location: Rotated among players homes voluntarily. The hostess provides a light and easy buffet at 7:00 PM and dessert in between two games. With 12 members in the group, you only need to be the hostess less than once a year since we do not play in July and August.

Description: When a player cannot attend, they contact a substitute to play in their place. Substitutes are always welcome. The object of the game is to have the highest score at the end of six rounds of play, one for each number on the dice. One player at each table keeps score. Players move from table to table after each round. Each round consists of players rolling the same number as the number of the round. For example, in the first round, the

Mah Jongg

Contact: Suzanne at 703.727.5775 or swbrooks@comcast.net

Time and Date: 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM on Thursdays, Weekly

Location: Rotated among players homes voluntarily in Lake Manassas and other communities. Note: The hostess only needs to provide bottled water for the players.

Description: Mah Jongg, which originated in China, is played by four players using a set of 136 tiles based on Chinese characters and symbols. Each player begins by receiving thirteen tiles. In turn players draw and discard tiles until they complete a legal hand. It is a game of skill, strategy and calculation and involves a certain degree of chance. We play according to the National Mah Jongg League rules.

Hand & Foot

Contact: Suzanne at 703.727.5775 or swbrooks@comcast.net

Time and Date: 7:00 PM - 9:30 PM on Tuesdays, Monthly

Location: Rotated among players homes voluntarily. Note: The hostess only needs to provide bottled water for the players.

Description: Hand and Foot is similar to the Canasta card game of the rummy family of games and believed to be a variant of a card game called 500 Rum. It can be played by 2, 3, 4, 5 or 6 players, or played by four in two partnerships. Players attempt to make melds of 7 cards of the same rank. When all the cards in your hand are played, you continue on to play all the cards in your foot and then be the first to "go out," which ends the game. The highest score after four plays wins the game.



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Dinner - Grafton Street - www.graftonstreetva.com

7380 Atlas Walk Way - Gainesville

Dinner - Nora Taste of Lebanon - www.norarestaurant.com

14674 Lee Hwy - Gainesville

In Warrenton

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www.ironbridgewines.com - 29 Main Street - Warrenton

In The Plains

Girasole Restaurant - girasole-panino.com

4244 Loudoun Ave - The Plains

Forlano's Market - www.forlanos.com

6483 Main Street - The Plains

The Rail Stop Restaurant - www.railstoprestaurant.com

6478 Main Street - The Plains

In Culpeper

It's About Thyme - www.thymeinfo.com

188 East Davis Street - Culpeper

Foti's Restaurant - www.fotisrestaurant.com

219 East Davis Street - Culpeper

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If so, please send a photo and up to 250 words about their interests, accomplishments, future plans and dreams. The deadline is May 1.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
APRIL	1	2	3	4 7pm Communications	5	6 10am Environmental Committee
7	8 5pm Modifications & Construction	9 7pm Swim & Tennis Center	10	11 6:30 pm Budget & Finance	12	13
14	15 7pm Covenants	16	17	18	19	20
21	22 	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
MAY			1	2 7pm Communications	3	4
5	6	7	8 6:30 - 9:00pm OPEN HOUSE 	9	10	11
12 Mother's Day	13	14	15 5pm Modifications & Construction	16	17	18
19	20 7pm Covenants	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
JUNE				7pm Communications		1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10 5pm Modifications & Construction	11 7pm Swim & Tennis Committee	12	13 5:30pm LMROA Board Mtg 6:30 pm Open Session Stonewall Golf Club - Tentative	14 Flag Day	15
16 Father's Day	17 7pm Covenants	18	19	20 6:30 pm Budget & Finance	21 Summer Begins	22
23 30	24	25	26	27	28	29

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
JULY	1	2	3	4 Independence Day	5	6 10am Environmental Committee
7	8 *Modifications & Construction	9	10	11 7pm Communications	12	13
14	15 7pm Covenants	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

Community Management & Committee Meetings

Note: All committee meetings will be held at the on-site management office conference room.

Budget & Finance Committee:

Meetings are typically held on the fourth Thursday, every other month at 6:30 pm. However, these dates may shift based on availability of committee members so please watch the web site calendar and the bulletin boards at the entrance gates for the latest information. The next meeting is currently scheduled for Thursday, April 11 at the on-site management office.

Communications Committee:

Meetings are held on the first Thursday of every month at 7 pm. The dates will be May 2, June 6 and July 11, 2013.

Community Safety/Visitor Access Committee:

Meetings will be held every other month. The upcoming meetings will be held during the first two weeks of April and June at 6:30 pm. Please watch the web site calendar and the bulletin boards at the entrance gates for the latest information.

Covenants Committee:

Meetings are held on the third Monday of every month at 7

p.m. The dates will be April 15, May 20, June 17 and July 15, 2013.

Environmental Committee:

Meetings are held quarterly on the first Saturday of the month at 10 a.m. The next meeting date will be July 6, 2013.

Modifications & Construction Committee:

Meetings are held on the second Monday of every month at 5 p.m. The dates will be May 15, June 10 and July 8, 2013.

New Development Committee

Meetings are held on an "as needed" basis. Please watch the web site calendar and the bulletin boards at the entrance gates for the latest information.

Swim & Tennis Center Committee:

Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of every other month at 7 p.m. The next meeting date will be June 11, 2013.

LMROA Board Meeting

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