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JOIN US AT THE POOL!

Pool News You Can Use
by Sharon Forest, Pools Committee

Wow! What fantastic community spirit in Lake of the Woods! As of this writing, with the possibility that LOW will only have use of the Clubhouse Pool for the 2016 swim season due to needed repairs at Sweetbriar Pool, so many users of our pools have been affected – our patrons, swim team, water fitness classes, and swim lessons – who have all come together and compromised so that everyone can have time in the Clubhouse Pool this summer. The Clubhouse Pool will stay open an hour later until 8 PM; swim team gave up an hour of their practice time; and water fitness classes will have only one class on M-W-F from 11 AM-noon. And, there are five lifeguards on duty to accommodate more swimmers!

As of this writing, the only social event we can plan on is the Soggy Doggie Swim, which will be held Saturday, September 10, after the pool closes. There is still a possibility of having the wine and cheese social later in the season. Stay tuned. Thank you to all of you!

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Lake of the Woods Association
Special Meeting of the Membership on Golf Course Referendum
June 13 at 7 PM, Community Center
110 Sweetbriar Park Road
Please return your Ballots by Monday, June 13 at the Holcomb Building or at the Special Meeting at 7 PM

Sweetbriar Pool Status

The Association has three pool repair companies looking at and assessing Sweetbriar Pool. Once all the estimates and the insurance report have been reviewed, LOWA management will be able to make an informed decision on repairs. Members can expect to hear something from the Association before the end of June.
President’s Letter
by Louisa Rucker

Dear Friends,

The Merry Month of May – make that the Rainy Month at 9.2 inches – ended with a flurry of activities which may be of interest to you for the future. The first was the inaugural 2016 Concert on the Point, held the last Friday evening in May. Some 700+ folks attended on land (the parking lot looked like the Fourth of July), and 46 boats were moored around the Point. What fun this was for all in attendance. Mark your calendars now for the fourth Friday evenings in June, July, and August and join in these delightful free-of-charge community events.

The Annual Memorial Day Program given by the LOW Veterans Club was again an eloquent occasion. The President:

Board of Directors, LOW A, Inc.
Vice President:
Directors:

Parades and picnics all along the route. Use of the radar equipment was fascinating. Did you know that the of the names of 33 LOW veterans who died in the past year, accented by a soloist, but joined by all in attendance); and the ever so solemn reading by a guest of the names of 33 LOW veterans who died in the past year, accented by a soloist, but joined by all in attendance; and the ever so solemn reading by a guest of the names of 33 LOW veterans who died in the past year, accented by a soloist, but joined by all in attendance; and the ever so solemn reading by a guest of the names of 33 LOW veterans who died in the past year, accented by a soloist, but joined by all in attendance.

It seems we have valuable employees all over the place. Since Kyle had paperwork to do before his shift was over, and since all was especially quiet in the GM’s office, as I hope to show here, work together as an experienced team. Our covenants inspection system is both proactive and reactive. Inspectors proactively visit every street once a week while they reactively respond to complaints raised by members. The major issue is not LOWA identifying and communicating a violation; it is the response time of lot owners whom we give due process and ample time to correct the violation. Sometimes owners need more time if the problem requires contractor work. Some owners are quick to correct an identified violation, while others are slow or never respond. LOWA then must take more serious measures such as Board-authorized lot cleanups at the owner’s expense or $10 a day fines after proper notice and opportunity to correct.

Here’s my account of my recent ride-along with the inspector who reviews the private lots. It’s 7:30 AM on a Thursday in early June. I’m riding along with Matilde Barone, LOWA’s Covenants/Site Inspector. We start the day in the office reviewing the most recent inspection updates with Erosion and Sediment Inspector Fred Ripley and Administrative Assistant Rachel Johnson who are the Environmental Resources inspection team. I’m impressed by the extent to which each team member has the other’s back. Fred had Matilde’s job for five years and is now in the field working on drainage issues most of the time. Rachel took over the front desk when Matilde moved from there to inspector.

Lake Currents The official newsletter of the Lake of the Woods Association, Inc. (USPS 872-400) is published bi-weekly for its membership. Nonmembers $20 per year (25 issues). Periodical postage paid at Spotsylvania, VA 22553. Visit our web site at lakecurrents@LOWA.org. All contributions must be in electronic form. Our covenants inspection system is both proactive and reactive. Inspectors proactively visit every street once a week while they reactively respond to complaints raised by members. The major issue is not LOWA identifying and communicating a violation; it is the response time of lot owners whom we give due process and ample time to correct the violation. Sometimes owners need more time if the problem requires contractor work. Some owners are quick to correct an identified violation, while others are slow or never respond. LOWA then must take more serious measures such as Board-authorized lot cleanups at the owner’s expense or $10 a day fines after proper notice and opportunity to correct.

Matilde has scheduled five disclosure statement inspections for real estate sales, plus stops at construction job sites, and checks on progress of previously cited lots. She knows all of LOWA’s streets as well as any security patrol officer or longtime resident. She drives every street once a week. You may see her driving a little silver Dodge Neon with a LOWA logo. So when a complaint comes in, it is likely Matilde has already seen it.

See General Manager on p. 5
Agenda (Tentative)
Lake of the Woods Association, Inc.
Special Board of Directors Meeting on
Use of the Woods Center
Meeting Room Spaces
June 15, 2016, Woods Center

9 AM CALL TO ORDER
1. OPEN SESSION
1.1 Pledge of Allegiance
1.2 Approval of Agenda
1.3 Review the Use of the Woods Center Meeting Room Spaces*
2. MEMBER COMMENTS
3. ADJOURNMENT

*All committees, clubs, groups and individual members who use Woods Center are invited to speak to the Board about their needs. The Board will review the Board-adopted Room Use Policy to determine if it should be revised.

LAKE OF THE WOODS ASSOCIATION, INC.
Regular Board of Directors Meeting
June 1, 2016, 6 PM, Community Center

Note: These minutes are unapproved and provided to members for review.

Present
Louisa Rucker, President
Mike Rugless, Vice President
JoAnn Zwickl, Treasurer
Leighton Cumming, Secretary
Jim Hutchison
Larry Morlan
Kathy Genson

Others
Phil Rodenberg, General Manager
Linda Brooks, Recorder (from 7 PM)

Call to Order. With a quorum present, President Rucker called the meeting to order at 6 PM in the Community Center.

1. EXECUTIVE SESSION
Motion by Genson, passed unanimously, to enter into Executive Session at 6 PM for the purpose of addressing matters involving violations of the Declaration of Restrictions and Regulations for which a member, his family members, tenants, guests or other invitees are responsible; and to review attorney-client privileged and confidential communication from legal counsel.

Motion by Morlan, passed unanimously, to enter into Open Session at 7:01 PM, and to affirm that the Board met earlier today in Executive Session for the purpose of addressing matters involving violations of the Declaration of Restrictions and Regulations for which a member, his family members, tenants, guests or other invitees are responsible; and to review attorney-client privileged and confidential communication from legal counsel.

2. OPEN SESSION
Motion by Hutchison, passed unanimously, to exit Executive Session at 6:32 PM.

1.3 Pledge of Allegiance

2.2 Meeting Notice and Quorum Confirmation
Secretary Cumming confirmed that a quorum is present and proper notice was sent to all members of record.

See June 1 Minutes on p. 18

Amenities

Member Services/Holcomb
Building: 972-2237
M-F; 8:30 AM-5 PM; Sat. 9 AM-1 PM
Clubhouse: 972-2221
Office Hours: Wed.-Fri., 9 AM-5 PM
Menus: LOWA.org/Amenities/clubhouse
See p. 9 for Hours
Community Center: 972-9680
ECC Office: 972-2211
M-F, 7 AM-3:30 PM

Equestrian Center: 972-2238
Fareways Café: 972-2216
Daily 7 AM-4 PM
Fitness Center: 972-9680
Daily 5 AM-11 PM
Golf Pro Shop (Woods Center)
Daily 7 AM
Reserve a tee time 972-2230
Golf Course: 7:30 AM daily

Main Marina: 412-6552
Ethanol-free gas available
Tues-Fri, 12-7 PM (closed Mondays)
Sat/Sun, 9:30 AM-5:30 PM
Maintenance Office: 972-2223
M-F, 7 AM-3:30 PM
9.9 Leaf/Brush Area:
Daily 7 AM-7 PM

Pool (Clubhouse)
M-F, 12-8 PM; Sat/Sun/Hol, 10 AM-8 PM
Security/Front Gate:
972-2210 or 972-2020
lakeofthewoods.capsure.com
Tennis: Jim 972-8888
Courts available 6 AM to 11 PM
County Waste: 540-727-0887
Curbside trash & recycling collection: Wednesdays
LOW Fertilizer Use and our Lakes
by Dan McFarland, Copy Editor, Lake Currents

A member recently questioned use of fertilizers and pesticide products on
the golf course and common areas of LOW and how their effects on the lakes
are managed, particularly in light of the restrictions placed on homeowner
use of fertilizers. The information provided by LOW and International Golf
Management (IGM) staff members is provided here for the information of all
members who might share those concerns.

All LOW and golf course employees who apply fertilizers to the course
and common areas are certified to do so by the state, and are trained to use
appropriate amounts of the product for the specific situation being dealt with.

The LOW Golf Course follows a State of Virginia-approved Nutrient
Management Plan (NMP). The course met this new statewide standard
more than five years ahead of it becoming a legal requirement, indicating the commitment to safe
application shared by IGM and LOW. Within the scope of the NMP, we know what the soil needs
through regular testing so that unneeded material is not applied. Nutrients that are needed are
applied in the safest form possible.

Our state-certified applicators apply water-safe products in
amounts that are appropriate to
each particular situation, and records are kept detailing each application. The products used are not a human health hazard. The insecticides, pesticides and
fungicides used are receptor cell specific, meaning they only affect the specific organisms they are targeted against. The applications are made with great
accuracy using specialized equipment. Products used on the golf course are
safe and none require that people or pets stay away after the application.

Timing is also an important factor in managing when the products are
applied. A knowledgeable understanding of the chemistry and action of a
product allows the applicator to get the material to the target pest with the least
risk. Additional care is taken on windy days, or when members are in an area
scheduled for application, in which case the application may be delayed.

Golf products are generally used at ultra-low rates. Rates as low as .5
ounces per acre are fairly common in the turf industry.

As a measure of the success of the fertilizer programs used on the golf
course, extensive testing of Keaton’s Lake found none of the materials used
on the golf course, even though the course is in that lake’s watershed and is
in very close proximity to it.

Additionally, water quality testing on Keaton’s Lake showed improvements
in total suspended solids, turbidity and Secchi depth (an accepted measure
of freshwater transparency) as well as reduced algae bloom occurrences.

Those results indicate improvements in water clarity of Keaton’s Lake since
in the 13th Fairway Stream Improvement project was implemented.

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Locust Grove, VA 22508
Dalewater@aol.com

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DANGEROUS TREES ARE OUR SPECIALTY
Residential/Commercial
• Tree Pruning - All Classes
• Tree Maintenance & Preservation
• Hazardous Tree Downs
• Backyard & Building Lot Cleanup
• Stump Removal
• Yard Work
• Mulching
• Fall Clean-Up
• Sidewalks/ Walkways
• Retaining Walls
• Snow Removal
• Estate Clean-Up
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Now is an appropriate time for LOWA members to become acquainted
with eight of our members who have applied to run as candidates for the
2016 Board of Directors election. The Elections Committee is now preparing
to hold our annual video interviews with each candidate. There will be five
open positions on the Board this fall; therefore, we are pleased and excited
to have the following candidates for you to see and get to know:

Carl Clawson
Bob Hoh
Jeff Johnson
Larry Morlan
Brian Sakacsi
Brian Smith
Michael Tait
Jennifer Zukowski

The video interviews will be produced during the second week of June
and are planned for Channel 18 broadcast and on the LOWA website on
Friday, June 24. The interviews will continue to be available on Channel 18
during the month of July. Also in July, members will have the opportunity to
greet the candidates personally during the Independence Day Festival at the
Clubhouse Point following the parade on Saturday, July 2.

The video interviews will be replaced with the LOWA Candidates Forum, which
will be held at the Community Center on Sunday, July 31, at 4 PM. The video of
the Forum will broadcast on Channel 18 and the LOWA website during the month of August through the Annual Meeting of the Membership on Labor Day.

We strongly encourage members to watch the interviews on Channel 18
and attend the Forum to obtain the advantage of hearing the candidates
personally respond to questions asked of them in writing by those of you who are
LOWA members.

The Proxy Ballots will be mailed to you on Friday, July 29. Please
consider your preferences and vote during the election. You have the
privilege of selecting five new members of the Board by returning your ballot,
one vote per lot.

Next Tennis Social
by Ken and Sharon Kaltenmark, Tennis Committee

The second Tennis Social of the 2016 season will be held Saturday, June
11 at the Hollyfield Park courts. Play begins at 9 AM and lasts until about 11 AM,
with serious socializing to follow. This is a social event, all are welcome.
Players at all levels will be attending and playing.

Play is in a round robin format, everyone gets to play. We change partners
every 20-25 minutes. Thus, you will play with a variety of players during the
two hours; a great way to get to meet other tennis players and neighbors.

As in previous years, we ask each player (or couple) to bring a brunch item to
share. We’ll furnish the drinks and tennis balls. The cost is $2 per player.

Please call Sharon or Ken at 972-2616 to reserve a spot so we know how
many players to expect to set up initial pairings. (If you don’t know until the
last minute, come anyway, we’ll fit you in.) Need a racquet – someone there will
likely have a spare to share.

This is a monthly event and everyone
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General Manager from p. 2

it, documented it and sent a notice. She coordinates with the ECC whose members inspect new construction and spot possible violations on their own.

Joe Takacs, committee chair, checks in nearly daily, too.

Disclosures Inspections.
Matilde conducts the disclosure inspections to notify the seller of any outstanding covenant issues before a property changes hands. LOWA has 14 days to deliver a disclosure packet, which includes a number of items required by Virginia law, to the requesting lot owner or real estate agent. Matilde turns around inspections in two days. At the first stop I was impressed by how quickly and thoroughly she observes the condition of trees, driveways, siding, bulkheads, decks, house numbers, etc. She snaps a couple of pictures to attach to the report. A resident comes outside and Matilde quickly identifies us and offers a business card. “We’ve already had our inspection,” the lady says thinking of the buyer’s home inspection. “This is for LOWA,” Matilde responds. When we return to the car, she takes a preprinted page with the address and puts us and offers a business card. “We’ve already had our inspection,” the lady says thinking of the buyer’s home inspection. “This is for LOWA,” Matilde responds. When we return to the car, she takes a preprinted page with the address and fills in her notes while it is all fresh.

Construction Sites. Contractors are active in the early morning. Matilde speaks to a contractor working in Section 4 about a storage pod set on the roadside. It’ll be gone today, he says. The contractor has worked with Matilde on several jobs and knows to shoot straight with her. She will check back, he knows. Matilde says LOW is fortunate to have good builders who know the rules. At a site in Section 6, Matilde sees a full dumpster. She will remind the contractor to get it emptied. Nearby, she is pleased to see the contractor has added stone to keep the mud off the roadway. In Section 10, she notes a dumpster has been set on site and the unauthorized for sale sign she removed the day before is gone. My takeaway: Matilde and Fred are keen that keeps the construction moving along with the least interruption to the neighborhood as possible. This is no small task since LOW lots are typically infill between occupied homes. Our inspectors help the new lot owner’s builder do his job while looking out for the rest of the neighborhood. Not an easy job!

Lot Maintenance.
With an extremely wet May, everywhere we drive the grass has been growing like it got a large dose of Miracle Gro. Matilde checks on a couple of lots where she is preparing to send violation notices. She will give them over the weekend to get it done. Only the Board can authorize a lot to be cleaned up and mowed and the owner’s account billed. She checks on a house with siding issues and another that has two cars with expired inspection stickers.

She shows me a house with a broken garage door and outdoor storage. It is conspicuous. “The next door neighbor calls me every day,” she says. The owner corrects one issue but then another pops up. I can tell she spends a lot of time on this single case.

It’s 9:20 AM and we are back at the office. Rachel reports no complaint calls have come in this morning. Matilde signs her disclosure reports and gives them to Rachel who adds notes to a spreadsheet to send to Janice Stafford, the Assessment Coordinator in the Finance Department handling the disclosure packets. She will do some office work then head back out on the streets.

What is the Environmental Control Committee?
A seven-member body appointed by the Board to approve the exterior portion of building and renovation projects and enforce the restrictive covenants on private lots according to the recorded Declarations of Restrictions and Board-approved Regulations. Any change to the exterior of a home requires ECC approval. The determinations of the ECC are final.

Five Things To Remember
1. Report a covenant violation by calling the Site/Covenants Inspector at 540-972-2211 or by emailing Matilde Barone at MBarone@LOWA.org.
2. Become familiar with the Declarations of Restrictions (aka the Covenants) and the Regulations at LOWA.org/Administration. Click Governing Documents.
3. Visit an Environmental Control Committee meeting. The ECC meets every other Thursday at 8:30 AM in the Woods Center. Please call 972-2211 to confirm dates or see Lake Currents.
4. Remember when you feel you are not seeing progress, that there is likely work being done behind the scenes. Due process, which is every lot owner’s right, takes time from written notice to correction.
5. Be respectful of your fellow lot owners. The two of you may be neighbors for quite a while, and it would be tough for all to have hard feelings remain long after the violations are corrected.
The Pro’s Thoughts…
by Rea Hargraves, PGA and Woods Center Manager

Upcoming Events:
- June 14-15   Ladies Member-Guest
- June 16-15  Senior League Match, LOWA vs. Culpeper
- June 17  Friday Night Couples Event, (Janet Thompson), 5 PM Shotgun
- June 20  All Junior Classes must sign-up by Noon
- June 22  Spring Two-Person Team sign-up end
- June 23  Ladies Team Match, 48 players, 9 AM

Beginner Junior Camps are scheduled for June 27 to July 1 and July 18 to July 22. We will also be having an Advanced Camp on August 1 to 5. If you have a child that would like to attend one of these camps, please sign up by June 20 so that we can order shirts for all the campers. More information is posted in the Pro Shop or call 972-2230 for more information.

On May 20 we held the “Meet and Greet” for newcomers and annual golf members in the Cardinal Room at the Woods Center. We had eight newcomers and 39 annual members participate. Everyone liked the new pro shop and meeting room.

I look forward to seeing you on the course.

The LOWA Pro Shop held two Meet and Greets on May 20 for those new to golf and annual members.

Fire & Rescue Fund Drive

17 New Donors

LOW Donations $7,100
Other $2,095
Total $9,195

If you would like to help support our Fire and Rescue teams, please contact Marguerite Schwab, president of the auxiliary at 972-3681

LOW Fire & Rescue 104 Lakeview Pkwy, Locust Grove, VA 22508

Getting Ready to Celebrate Fourth of July
by Sylvia Zelinsky, Community Operations Manager, LOWA

Believe it or not, we are almost there! LOW will celebrate Independence Day on Saturday, July 2. You will be able to enjoy the parade, flag-raising, festival on Clubhouse Point with rides and treats for your wellbeing, and the Water Ski Club Show as well as fireworks.

Schedule of events:
- Saturday, July 2
  - 10:30 AM Parade from Yorktown Blvd to the Clubhouse
  - 11:45 AM Flag-raising ceremony in front of the Clubhouse
  - 12-4 PM Festival on Clubhouse Point
  - 1 PM Parade Awards on Clubhouse Deck
  - 5-7 PM Water Ski Club Show from Clubhouse Dock
  - 9:15 PM Fireworks from top of Veterans Dam

Sunday, July 3
- 9 AM-12 PM Equestrian Center Open House with $5 Pony Rides

If you are part of a club, organization, committee or are running for the LOWA Board and would like to have a booth at the Festival, to hold a fundraiser or for more exposure, contact the Community Center office at 972-9680 or email to SZelinsky@LOWA.org. There are limited spaces available, so don’t wait! The cost per space is $30; you will have to provide your own table and chairs.

The LOW Veterans Club is organizing the parade. If you are interested in participating in the parade, please contact Larry Eiben at 540-840-5648.

To accommodate these activities (and be safe) there will be road closures. On Saturday morning, Lakeview Parkway (right turn only from the front gate) will close at 10 AM, until the parade is over. Traffic on Lakeview Parkway and Yorktown Blvd will be turned around at Wakefield Drive. Parade participants will line up on Yorktown Blvd. Members who live on Yorktown Blvd, please be aware and plan accordingly.

Show Your Unique Vehicle
by Bill Derryberry

The Independence Day Parade is an opportunity to show your unique vehicle, whether an antique, classic, street rod or custom. Each year we invite owners of these vehicles to participate in the Independence Day Parade. This year the parade will be held on Saturday, July 2.

The cars line up on Wakefield Drive starting at Lakeview Parkway. The cars are placed in the front of the parade; this helps keep some of the older cars from overheating. As the cars pass the reviewing stand, the year, make, model, owner name, driver name if not the owner, any interesting information on the vehicle, i.e., found in pieces in a barn; same type car used by Bonnie and Clyde; took three years to restore, etc. There will be 10 to 12 spaces reserved in the Clubhouse upper level parking lot for display of cars after the parade. Include in your submission if you would like to display your car on the upper level.
LOW Barracudas: Playing All Summer!
by Megan Harlan, LOW Barracudas Board Member

With the recent unfortunate developments at Sweetbriar Pool, some of us have been concerned about the 2016 swim season. But thanks to the work of many dedicated people the Barracudas will be diving into the 2016 season from the deck of Clubhouse Pool. Practices will begin Monday, June 13 at 7:45 AM. Practice times have been adjusted for our new location so please visit lowswim.org for more information about when your child will be practicing. For those families who have not had the opportunity to sign up for the season, please print out your registration forms from the website and get in touch with any of our board members to turn them in. We will also be accepting new registrations the first morning of practice at Clubhouse Pool. Also available the first morning of practice will be our new Barracudas swimsuits and the opportunity to order any of our Barracudas apparel. All orders will need to be in by the end of practice on June 13 to arrive in time for our first meet against Fawn Lake on Wednesday, June 22.

Some things to know for the upcoming season:
• Due to several factors that make Clubhouse Pool inappropriate to host meets, all of our meets will be scheduled at an alternate pool. Due to travel times associated with away meets, no practices will be held on Thursdays. Barracudas will not be selling concessions this year. Any concessions purchased at meets will be helping out the pools that have been generous enough to open their decks to us in our time of need. Our only fundraiser this season will be the Lap-a-thon. Please get out there and ask your neighbors to support the Barracudas.
• While our scheduled “home” meets will not be at our pool, we will still be running it like a home meet. The Barracudas will be providing most of the volunteers just like we would if we were at Sweetbriar, so make sure you have chosen your volunteer position when you register. Please visit lowswim.org or rslswimming.com for training dates and locations.
• For more information on Barracudas Swim Team, for meet dates and times, or for more information about the team pool party, team pictures, and Lap-a-thon, please visit lowswim.org.

Schools Superintendent to Address Civic Club
by Pat Licata, President, Civic Club

Dr. Brenda Tanner, Orange County Superintendent of Schools, will be our featured speaker Wednesday, June 15, at 7 PM in the lower level of the Clubhouse.

Dr. Tanner was appointed Superintendent of Schools in November of 2014. At the Civic Club meeting, she will provide information regarding the programs and services in the school system. In addition, she will discuss ways that community members can become involved in the schools.

Dr. Tanner has over 35 years’ experience in education in Virginia and South Carolina, including six years as Superintendent of Schools in Madison County. She has served as Chief Academic and Chief Personnel Officer for Horry County Public Schools in South Carolina, a district with 31,000 students and 4,000 employees, and as a teacher and administrator in several Virginia school divisions.

The majority of Dr. Tanner’s career has been in PK-12 systems. She has also worked at the college level, teaching in the area of leadership and school administration at the University of Virginia while also directing the Curry School’s school/university professional development curriculum.

Dr. Tanner received her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Elementary Education from Lynchburg College, her Master’s Degree in Early Childhood Education from the University of Virginia, and her Doctoral Degree in Education Leadership and Policy Studies from the University of Virginia. She has written, consulted and presented on a wide range of educational topics. She has also served as a member of study committees working in program evaluation, strategic analysis, and planning.

Dr. Tanner and her husband, Russell James, live in Locust Dale.

Civic Club meetings are open to all and usually last less than an hour including plenty of time for questions at the conclusion of Dr. Tanner’s presentation. Please join us on Wednesday, June 15. We look forward to seeing you there!
Cause 4 Paws Plans Fundraiser
by Mary Kay Wilks, Publicity/Fundraiser, Cause 4 Paws

Cause 4 Paws, a 501(c)(3) non-profit charitable organization supporting feline rescue operations, will be having a fundraiser June 12 at Lake of the Woods Clubhouse. Have a meal at the Clubhouse between 5 and 8 PM and present your server with a donation ticket (see attached or obtain a ticket before the event from any Cause 4 Paws member), and Cause 4 Paws will receive 15 percent of the sale, excluding drinks, tax or tips.

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Format: One “Best Ball” of the Two Golfer Team
Three separate events: Men, Senior Men, and Ladies
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9:30-11 AM Children’s (ages 6-10) Tennis Clinic (HF Courts). Reserve: 972-9680. 9 AM Orange County Board of Supervisors Meeting (Gordon Bldg). Info: orangecountyva.gov.

Wednesday, June 15

Thursday, June 16
9:30-11 AM Children’s (ages 11-up) Tennis Clinic (HF Courts). Reserve: 972-9680.

Saturday, June 18
4-7 PM SARWC Flag Day Meeting and Picnic (CC). Info: Toni 972-0295. 1-7 PM Yard Sale and BBQ Chicken Dinner (4 PM) at Bethlehem United Methodist Church (22325 Village Road, Unionville). Dinner $10 pp. Take out available! 5 PM Trashy Ribs & Brews Festival (Short Street, Orange). Info: visitorangeva.com.

Sunday, June 19
Happy Father’s Day!

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Six Things You Didn’t Know About the Battle of Trevilian Station
by Craig Rains, President, Civil War Study Group

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The battle was fought 35 miles southwest of LOW on June 11 and 12, 1864. U.S. Grant sent General Sheridan’s cavalry to destroy the railroad supply line for Confederate troops in the Shenandoah Valley. If Sheridan succeeded, it could shorten the war by months. The North and South collided on the rail lines at Trevilian Station in Louisa County.

It was a strange battle. Was cavalry fighting as infantry? Was infantry riding as cavalry?

At one point, George Custer’s cavalry was surrounded, just as it was later at Little Big Horn. Was Trevilian Station “Custer’s First Last Stand?”

Come hear about ancestors of two Civil War Study Group members who were in this battle and learn of the outcomes for each. Was Custer really best friends at West Point with a Confederate general who would face him in battle here? That general’s great-grand-nephew will be at the meeting to answer the question.

Some say Trevilian Station was “the largest all-cavalry battle of the Civil War.” Some say Brandy Station was “the largest cavalry battle of the war.” Who is right? Be there and cast your vote. CWSGI President Craig Rains will present the facts and you may draw your own conclusions.

Everyone with an interest in history is welcome. For more info, Craig Rains, 972-2844 or civilwarstudygroup.org.
Member of 12 LOW Community Lake Currents
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by Karen Woods, Publicity, Ladies Golf Association

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The Member/Guest Tournament will be held this coming week. Debbie May will be hosting a social event on the eve of the tournament, June 14 from 3:30 to 5:30 PM. The shotgun start will be at 8:30 AM June 15, and participants will be able to enjoy a Continental breakfast from 7:30 AM. The awards luncheon following the tournament will be at the LOWA Clubhouse.

The Lady Hawks are the LGA’s traveling team, which represents LOW in the Ladies League of Virginia. Our women compete against seven area clubs in Match Play events for cumulative points throughout the season. The tournament will be held this coming week. Debbie May will be hosting a social event on the eve of the tournament, June 14 from 3:30 to 5:30 PM. The shotgun start will be at 8:30 AM June 15, and participants will be able to enjoy a Continental breakfast from 7:30 AM. The awards luncheon following the tournament will be at the LOWA Clubhouse.

The Farm Team and the PALS Group are in full swing but you still have time to join in the fun. Contact Nancy King for information about the Farm Team at 972-0948. Contact Janet Berge for information about PALS at 972-8112.

Five National Garden Club Awards
by Karen Kovarik, Publicity Chairman, LOW Garden Club

The LOW Garden Club has received a spring shower of awards, ribbons, and certificates honoring the accomplishments of our members. A total of 25 awards at the district, state, regional, and national level recognized the talents of individual members working together within committees to enhance not only our LOW community but also surrounding communities. We are one of only two clubs in Virginia with a membership of more than 100, and that membership supports multiple projects to meet any interest a member may have or wish to develop. Our awards reflect that variety. At the Shenandoah District level, blue ribbons were awarded for our Arbor Day tree planting, our yearbook, and our scrapbook: at the state (the Virginia Federation of Garden Clubs) level, a purple rosette (the bluest of blue) was awarded for our Standard flower show in 2015; at the South Atlantic Region level, for our club newsletter and for our National Garden Week participation.

Finally, at the national level, we earned five awards for our “Bee Inspired—Cook With Herbs” cookbook, for our efforts in the restoration of the Blue Star Memorial Garden in Orange, for our newsletter, for our efforts in the civic beautification of the gardens in LOW, and our flower show received another purple rosette.

By the way, a few copies of that award-winning cookbook featuring herbs remain for sale at $20 each and may be obtained by calling Dan at 972-0153.

Our next meeting will be Monday, June 13 in the Great Hall of the Clubhouse at 1 PM, with light refreshments and fellowship following the meeting. Neale Stuart-Merriman will present a program on orchids, a subject rich with possibilities as there are over 28,000 varieties.
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“Man of La Mancha” Auditions
by Marion Pronk, LOW Players

Auditions for “Man of La Mancha” are this weekend: Saturday, June 11 and Sunday, June 12, at 2 PM in the Community Center.

“Man of La Mancha” is a 1964 musical written by Dale Wasserman, with music by Mitch Leigh and lyrics by Joe Danton. The Players are eager to get back on our stage and bring to our community this lyrical, humorous, and haunting play. Thus we need you! There are major roles for adults of all ages, especially adult males and a singing role for a rather young man whose age can be from 20 to 40. The major role of Miguel de Cervantes will be played by Bob McGrath.

If you wish to audition for a major role, please select one of your favorite Broadway hits and bring a clear copy of the music that you will be singing as our music director will accompany you. No boom boxes, please. People who wish to sing in the ensemble will have a pleasant time gathering around the piano and being instructed by our music director.

All shows and rehearsals will be in the Community Center. Performance dates are October 14, 15, 16, 21, 22, and 23. Rehearsals are Sundays from 2 to 5 PM and Mondays and Tuesday from 7 to 9 PM.

Please check our website: LOWplayers.org or call Marion at 972-0808 for additional information.

Poker Walk
by Norma Ervin, Alzheimer’s Facilitator

Join us Saturday, June 18 for the third Poker Walk To End Alzheimer’s at the Clubhouse Beach at 9 AM. This event will raise awareness and funds for dementia care, support and research. Monday, June 20 is the longest day of the year and we want you to put your passion to good work on June 18. From sunrise to sunset, honor those who face dementia and Alzheimer’s with strength, heart and endurance. Together, we can end this terrible disease, the sixth leading cause of death in the United States.

This is an easy walk around Clubhouse Point, down around the walkway below the dam and back to the beach. Along the way you will be given cards. On return, the best hands will win prizes. We ask for a $10 donation to walk or you may come and donate to the cause. Checks should be made payable to the Alzheimer’s Association. Children and dogs walk for free and are welcome. No crossing Lakeview Parkway. The Walk will be canceled for heavy rain or thunderstorms. Call Norma at 972-0652 for any questions.

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**Fundraisers**

June 30, last day to donate shoes/sneakers for the Children’s Academie Relief Foundation. Cameroon, Africa. There is a box in the Clubhouse for new shoes/sneakers for infants to 13 year olds. The footwear goes to the children in the Maumu Village. Info: Jackie Wilson, 540-842-0397. LOW Directory. The current Directory is on sale for $10 at Member Services area in the lower level Holcomb Bldg. Sales benefit F&R. Information: Mary Lee Hensel at mhensel59@gmail.com.

**Bargains!** The Lions/Velona Bldg. is open for sales and drop-offs on Saturdays each month from 9 AM to noon. For furniture pick-ups, call John at 972-1187; for Velona sales, call Dan at 972-4531; for selling furniture, call Norm at 540-205-5529 or Stan at 412-9885.

**Cause 4 Paws.** We are in need of volunteers, cat food, and monetary donations. Proceeds benefit feline rescue. Donations are tax deductible as we are a 501(c) (3) charity. Info: LA, 972-4960 and Darlene, 972-8038.

**LOW Lioness Book Sale.** Used books will be sold on the last Saturday of each month from 8:30 AM-3:30 PM at the Ferris Bldg. Proceeds go to the Benevolence Fund. Book donations are accepted at our book sales and on Mondays and Thursdays from 9:30-11 AM. Closed in December and January. Info: Ann, 972-4338; Sherri, 412-9854; or Helene, 412-0798.

**Cars for Homes.** Donate your car, boat, RV, trailer. Proceeds go to Orange County Habitat for Humanity. Call 677-277-4044, and they will pick up. All donations are tax-deductible.

**O.C. Humane Society.** Dog and cat related T-shirts for sale, call Betty at 972-3820. Proceeds benefit the animals of Orange County. Donations to OCHS are tax-deductible, we are a 501(c) (3) charitable corporation and donations can be mailed to OCHS, P.O. Box 852, Locust Grove, VA 22508. Website orangecountyhumane.org and Like us on Facebook. Thank you for your support.

**Human Services**

**Al-Anon Meeting:** Every Tues. at 7 PM, LOW Church, Founders Room. Info: Tom, 540-661-2128.

**Alcoholics Anonymous:** Meetings are held at LOW Church, 7 PM, every Mon. (Rm 505), Wed. (Cabins), and Fri. (Rm 505). Info: LOW Church 972-9060.

**Alzheimer & Dementia Support Group:** Third Wed. at 10 AM, Room 210 LOW. Info: LOW Church 972-9060.

**Alzheimer’s Support Group:** 6:30-7:30 PM, Culpepper County Library, 271 Southgate Shopping Ctr. FREE. Learn tools needed in each stage of the disease to support both care partners and those diagnosed. Open to all. Meets third Tuesday. By Alzheimer’s Association’s Caregiver Support Groups. Call to confirm group is meeting. Info: Kathi Walker, 825-3100, ext. 3416, or kwalker@rcsdb.org.

**Healing Hearts Grief Support Group:** Tues., 7 PM, LOW Church Library. Weekly support group for anyone grieving the death of someone close. Please call Lynn, 972-7714, before attending.

**Looking for a Baby Sitter?** The Lake Youth Foundation has a list of students who have taken their Super Sitter class with lessons in fire, first aid and CPR, practiced handling babies with confidence, and learned fun activities for children. Info: Diane, 972-8634, or email LYF at info@lakeyouth.org.

**LOW Lions/Lioness Wilderness Food Pantry:** Located behind LG Town Center, Rt. 20, first and third Fridays from 9 AM to noon; second and fourth Wed. from 4-6 PM; last Sat. from 9 AM to noon. Clients may come to the pantry two times each month. Mail contributions to Lions Wilderness Food Pantry, P.O. Box 605, Locust Grove, VA 22508. Info: Dave, 972-9657.

**LOW Lions Medical Equipment:** Durable Medical Equipment is available for temporary loan to those with needs. Equipment can generally be picked-up and returned 9 AM noon on Saturday mornings at the “Lions Building” near LOW Trash Compactor. Lions also gratefully receive donations of used equipment, in clean and good condition, that can be readily used by others. In case of immediate needs, please contact Noel 972-0018 or Dave 972-2125.

**Lyme Disease Support Group:** 7 PM. Meeting every other week at 106 Mt. Pleasant Drive. RSVP Info: Terry 570-228-7415.

**Orange County Free Clinic:** Offers primary medical care and prescription assistance to the uninsured in OC. Medical care available Mon., Wed. and Fri. by apt. and on Tues. evenings (walk-in). 13296-A James Madison Hwy, Orange. Volunteers needed. Info: Dorren Brown, 672-0793.

**Red Cross Blood Drive:** Fourth Tuesday every other month in the lower level Clubhouse, from 1 PM to 7 PM. To give blood, you must be generally healthy, at least 18 years of age, and weigh at least 110 pounds. The next blood drive will be July 26. Info: Lalli, 540-241-9426.

**Seeking Counseling?** The LOW Church offers free counseling by appointment. We care. Info: Church, 972-9060.

**The Woods Cares:** An AARP program, will run errands and do small repairs, light yard work for shut-ins and caretakers. Free service. Call Jeanette, 972-0726, or Ed, 724-523-5255.

**Thinkin’ About Quittin’?** Free, individualized stop smoking program. Culpepper Regional Hospital, 829-4190.

**Rappahannock Rapidan Community Services Care-A- Van** will provide transportation to health care (including picking up prescription medications) and legal appointments for senior citizens (over 80) and persons (over 18) with physical disabilities. Available Monday-Friday with minimum of 48 hours notice. Free Service (but donations are encouraged) Call 540-825-3100 ext. 3358 or 3013.

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This year marks the 239th anniversary of the adoption of the United States flag on June 14, 1777, by the Second Continental Congress. The Lake of the Woods Democratic Club will celebrate the birth of Old Glory at 5 PM Wednesday, June 15, at its annual Flag Day Picnic at the Community Center.

Eileen Bedell, the Democratic candidate for Congress from Virginia’s 7th District, will be our special guest speaker at the picnic. Bedell is a native Virginian who has practiced law in central Virginia for 20 years. She is a graduate of the College of William and Mary and the Marshall-Wythe School of Law. She and her husband Colin have two children.

Everyone is welcome at the picnic without regard to political affiliation. There will be fried chicken and a groaning board of other all-American fare, such as potato salad, pasta salad, baked beans, casseroles, side dishes, homemade desserts and beverages. Tickets are $7 per person. Children under the age of 12 are admitted free. There will be a door prize and a raffle featuring two large gift baskets.

For more information visit the club’s website at lowdemocrats.org.

Water Fitness at the Lake
by Carol Greeney, Water Fitness Instructor

Water work-outs are the best! The benefits of exercising in the water are many—the resistance from the water enhances each and every movement that one makes, there is little impact on one’s joints and the water keeps one cool and comfortable during the work-out. If you haven’t tried water exercise, this is a great time to start.

As many of you know, we are down to one pool here at the lake this summer. Sweetbriar Pool will likely be out of commission for some time, therefore all pool activities will be taking place at the Clubhouse Pool. The Clubhouse Pool will be shared by the Swim Team, the Water Fitness Program, Swim Lessons, Lap Swimming and Open Swimming. Whew! But with everyone involved making some adjustments, all programs will proceed.

The Lake of the Woods Water Fitness program begins Monday, June 13, and continues through Friday, August 26. The one-hour classes will be held at the Clubhouse Pool on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 11 AM. The cost for a season pass is $125 and the daily drop-in fee is $7 per class. Season passes are limited to a first-come, first-served basis. To guarantee a place in the class, please make a check payable to Carol Greeney for $125 (Water Fitness on the memo line) and mail to 222 Monument Drive, Locust Grove, VA 22508. Season passes will be distributed the first day of class. All participants must complete a registration form which will be available at the sign-in table before class. All equipment is provided.

If you have any questions regarding the program, please call instructors, Carol Greeney at 972-6739 or Fay Potter at 412-2549.

Come Picnic with AARP
by Charlotte Baker, Publicity, AARP Chapter 5239

June 20: A fun day with good food and great people! The annual AARP picnic will be held at the Lion George Lewis Pavilion in Sweetbriar Park at 11:30 AM.

Hamburgers, hot dogs, beverages, plates, and utensils will be provided by AARP. Members whose last names begin with letters between A and N are asked to bring desserts between 11:15 and 11:30 AM. We all look forward to this special event, meeting and greeting old and new friends and enjoying wonderful food.

Don’t miss it!
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2.3 Approval of Agenda. Motion by Hutchison, passed unanimously, to approve the Agenda.

2.4 Approval of the Minutes of May 18, 2016 Board of Directors meeting. Motion by Cumming, passed unanimously, to approve the minutes of the May 18, 2016 Board of Directors meeting.

3. REPORTS

3.1 Report from Orange County District 5 Supervisor:
Supervisor Lee Frame reported that the Board of Equalization received 11 appeals from property owners to review their property tax reassessment; of those, 9 resulted in a change. Nigel Goodwin has resigned from the Planning Commission. Jim Hutchison has volunteered to fill the vacancy starting June 2.
The BOS met with 2 engineering firms yesterday to discuss future plans for addressing public safety communications, radio, Broadband and fiber optic needs for the County.

3.2 Report from Orange County Sheriff: No report available.

3.3 Report from Allied-Barton Security:
Chief Scott Walker reported that the May statistics were not yet available. The Concert on the Point was well-attended with about 700 people and 46 boats. Regular boat patrols have started for the season. Security cameras have been installed at the Woods Center and Community Center.

3.4 Report from LOW Volunteer Fire & Rescue, Inc.
President Simon Gray reported that in May there were 530 calls for EMS service in the County, 134 of those from LOW. Volunteers have logged 1500 service hours year-to-date.
The Fire Department had 45 calls for service, which included call-outs for vehicle accidents. A tentative date of October 2 has been set for the Fire Department’s annual Chili Cookoff. The Department will be holding another Adaptive Water Ski event this Saturday on the main lake.

3.5 Report from Orange County School Board
Representative Jim Hopkins reported that the last day of school this year is June 10. On June 11 the high school will hold graduation ceremonies at 8:30 AM, or in case of rain, at 11 AM in the Fieldhouse. Superintendent Brenda Tanner will be speaking at the Civic Club meeting on June 15. Mr. Hopkins revealed that because of a $15k donation from Wells Fargo to the schools this year, the School Board was able to double the number of Innovation Grants to Orange County educators from 15 to 30.

3.6 Reports of Officers
President Rugless reported that she had a “ride along” recently with the Security staff as they did their rounds, and now has a better appreciation of all the daily duties and responsibilities. Vice President: In an effort to correct and clarify misinformation circulating in the community, Director Rugless summarized the purpose of the Golf Referendum and the advantages it will bring without placing any limitations on the golf course use by residents.

Treasurer: No report.
Secretary: No report.
A. Presentation from Friends of Lake of the Woods. (FLOW)
FLOW President Jim Walsh presented GM Phil Rodenberg with a check for $1650, which was donated to install enhanced lighting for the new bar area at the Woods Center.

B. Referendum Update
Secretary Cumming reported that as of May 26, 1994 Referendum ballots had been received. She encouraged members to return their ballots as soon as possible if they have not already done so.

C. Committee Changes
Motion by Rugless, passed unanimously, that the Board approve the following Committee changes as listed on the Committee change list dated June 1, 2016:

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D. Committee Liaison Reports: No reports.

3.7 Report from the General Manager
A. April Financials
In April, we collected $37,825 in current year lot assessments, which brings assessment income to $5,498,179, or 98.3% of the FY2015-16 lot assessments billed. As of April 30, we have a favorable variance to budget of $329,552. We are completing the fiscal year with a 1.7% delinquency rate. He briefly reviewed the income and expense summary and performance of several of the Cost Centers over the past year.

B. Lakes Management Report
Water testing for E. coli completed in April at all beaches found levels to be below state thresholds and safe for swimming.

C. Sweetbriar Pool Assessment
A report on the usability of Sweetbriar Pool has not yet been received. The General Manager expects to have a report from our insurance company, AIG, by mid-June. Working with the Activities Director, the Swimstastics and Barracudas Swim Team instructors have agreed on a new schedule to accommodate their activities using the Clubhouse pool, and hours at the Clubhouse pool have been extended for general member use.

D. Other Business
An inventory check on May 2 revealed 19 canoe/kayak/sailboats using the boat storage racks without current LOWA decals. Owners are being notified of compliance regulations. The RV/Boat Storage Lot is also undergoing annual inspection.

Equestrian Center staff and LOWA management met with LOW Church personnel to obtain permission to cross Church property should an emergency at the stables require evacuation of the horses by a route other than Tally Ho Lane. Management will work to secure a Memorandum of Understanding.

At the request of the Board, the General Manager and Asst. GM Dave Heiser provided an update on the Woods Center renovation project.

3.8 Committee Reports
A. Community and Youth Activities
Chair Candace Clevenger reported that having four new members on the Committee this year has brought in new ideas and allowed them to plan family events for the summer. The first event will be an “End of the School Year” cookout on June 10 from 6-9 PM at Sweetbriar Park.

4. Member Comments on Business Agenda: No comments.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS.
There was no unfinished business.

6. NEW BUSINESS

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Attention LOWA Members:
LOWA is offering two golf course lots for sale

Two lots on the 600 block of Mt. Pleasant Drive (Section 1 Lots 27A and 27B) both back up to the 16th Fairway. Each lot is $28,000. Lot 27A has a water connection available.

Interested?
Contact the General Manager at 540-972-2214.
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6.1 Consideration of Accepting the Slate of Candidates for the 2016 Board of Directors Election.

Motion by Cumming, passed unanimously, that the Board accept the slate of candidates submitted by the Nominating Committee for the 2016 Board of Directors election as follows: Carl Clawson, Bob Hoh, Larry Morlan, Jeffrey Johnson, Brian Sakacsi, Brian Smith, Michael Tait and Jennifer Zukowski.

6.2 Consideration of Authorizing $8000 for the Woods Center Fire Suppression System Additions and HVAC Conduit Additions, Funds to Come from the Repair and Replacement Reserve Fund.

Motion by Zwickl, passed unanimously, that the Board authorize $8000 for Woods Center Fire Suppression System additions and HVAC conduit additions, funds to come from the Repair and Replacement Reserve fund balance.

7. Member General Comments: One member noticed there is graffiti at Sweetbriar, and also suggested an upgrade of road signage directing residents to the park, and improving the aesthetic appearance and signage at the entrance road to Sweetbriar Park.

8. Director Comments

Director Cumming explained the fine points of members assigning the Referendum vote to a proxy. Director Morlan thanked Lee Frame for his thorough reporting on County business.

9. Scheduled Meetings

• Special Meeting of the Membership: Monday, June 13, 2016 at 7 PM in the Community Center. Topic: Golf Referendum.
• Special Board of Directors Meeting: Wednesday, June 15, 2016 at 9 AM in the Woods Center. Topic: Use of Space at the Woods Center.
• Regular Board of Directors Meeting: Wednesday, June 15, 2016 at 2 PM in the Community Center.
• Regular Board of Directors Meeting: Tuesday, July 19, 2016 at 7 PM in the Community Center.

10. Adjournment. Motion by Zwickl, passed unanimously, to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 PM.

Leighton Cumming, LOWA Secretary
Wine Talk
by Joe Szadvari, Sommelier

Reviewing wines over a wide spectrum is part of my responsibility to those who read this column. Some of those wines reviewed go beyond “the ordinary”, both in complexity and price. We all like to save money, yet want great value in what we buy. Here are some wines that “tick all of the boxes” at varying price points.

Vasco Sassetti, Brunello di Montalcino, Tuscany, Italy, Vintage 2009 – The Tuscan hill-town of Montalcino produces great wines, made from the local dialect “Brunello” grape (means “the nice dark one”), and for us, known as Sangiovese. This dry red wine contains aromas of smooth oak and dark fruit especially cherries. Great flavors of dark fruit, tobacco, and hints of smoke and licorice complete an incredible mouthful of flavors. The firm tannins in this wine allows this wine to cellar very well for another 15 years. At least one hour of aeration is required to ensure the tannins “smooth out”. Be advised that this wine was made un-filtered, so be careful of the sediment in the bottle. Price: About $40 a bottle.

Firebrand Chardonnay, California, Vintage 2014 – Notice, this wine is not specific to any particular place in California (e.g., Napa Valley). However, if you like wonderful aromas of tropical fruit and vanilla, this wine is a steal. Flavors of smooth oak, vanilla, and tropical fruit burst from this wine. It is full-bodied, thus creamy in texture. Pair this wine with mild cheeses, roast chicken, lobster, or grilled fish. Price: About $10 a bottle. A true bargain!

Angeline, Pinot Noir Reserve, Sonoma, California, Vintage 2014 – Several Pinot Noirs are made by Angeline – look for this one with the distinctive black label. What a mouthful of raspberry, with hints of vanilla and touches of dark chocolate on the finish! Raspberry is very apparent in the wine’s aromas. This is truly an elegant bottle of wine and one to serve with salmon, grilled ham, roast pork loin, or just relaxing and sipping. Price: About $17 a bottle.

Chateau de Nages Buti, Rosé, Costieres de Nimes, France, Vintages 2014 and 2015 – Both of these vintages have produced beautiful flavors of red cherry and melon, with a hint of raspberry. A light aroma of red cherry is quite inviting. This is a great summer alternative to white wine and has a distinctive black label. What a mouthful of raspberry, with hints of vanilla and touches of dark chocolate on the finish! Raspberry is very apparent in the wine’s aromas. This is truly an elegant bottle of wine and one to serve with salmon, grilled ham, roast pork loin, or just relaxing and sipping. Price: About $17 a bottle.

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June Concert on the Point
by Donalda Lovelace, LOWLINC Board Member

Please join LOWLINC at the June 24 Concert on the Point, where we will be serving as the Hospitality Committee. Stop by our table to talk to our volunteers about LOWLINC services and how we might be able to support you. LOWLINC is dedicated to enabling older residents of Lake of the Woods to continue living safely and independently in their own homes and in our community for as long as possible. Clearly, remaining at LOW requires transportation support, assistance with everyday minor household needs, getting your mail, changing a light bulb, walking your dog or a friendly reminder. But for a truly independent and high-quality life, relationships are paramount: to be with friends, talk with someone about mutual interests, and join in events like Concert on the Point. These are just some of the ways that LOWLINC might help you. Call us at 1-855-LOWLINC for more information and to learn about our current offer of two months free membership when you join this year.

We will be conducting a 50/50 Raffle Fundraiser which will provide you an opportunity to not only hear really good music and have fun with friends, but also to win money. What could be a better evening!
Early this month, Nigel Goodwin, the District 5 representative to the Planning Commission and the Germanna –Wilderness Steering Group, resigned. He will be moving out of the area, prompting his resignation. Mr. Goodwin has been a valuable contributor to discussions about land use in the county and proposed development along the Route 3 Corridor. He will be missed. Jim Hutcheson has been appointed to replace him on the Planning Commission.

Recently, the Supervisors were briefed on the Board of Equalization (BOE) actions after the reassessment that was done last year. Out of a total number of 20,254 reassessments that were done, there were only 11 (0.05 percent) appeal applications to the BOE. Of those 11, nine were for residential properties and two for commercial properties. Eight of the 11 appeals resulted in reduced assessments and three had no reductions. These nine assessments were reduced a total of $395,500. Out of a total assessed real estate value in the county of about $4.6 billion, the reduction represented only .009 percent.

This small number of changes, the reassessment process seems to be working as intended. Of the 11 appeals, eight were for residential properties and three were for commercial properties. Eight of the 11 appeals resulted in reduced values, with a total reduction of $395,500, which is a small percentage of the total assessed value.

The Supervisors received a briefing from a representative of “Impact Virginia 2016” a project of the Baptist General Association of Virginia. Impact Virginia is a youth mission involving teenagers in hands-on community service projects. This year about 140 teenagers of different religious affiliations will come to Orange County from July 10-16 to work on construction and renovation projects for low-income homeowners. The projects are supervised by adult construction coordinators and involve home safety, warmth or dryness. They have identified 11 projects in the county that include roofs, ramps and other construction. Over $25,000 of donated funds will be spent on these projects. The teenagers will be housed in the gymnasium of the Locust Grove Middle School and make use of the school’s cafeteria. The construction will have to meet building codes and some of them will require building permits. The representative requested a county waiver of about $500 in building permit fees which the Supervisors granted.

Several citizens have questioned why the county sends out the personal property tax returns every year. These are the forms that list your vehicles, furniture, electronics, and personal belongings. The cost of printing and mailing these forms is significant. The county’s tax assessor, Lee Frame, explained that these forms are necessary to ensure that the county has accurate information about the value of personal property in the county. Without these forms, it would be difficult to assess the true value of personal property and accurately bill residents for their share of the property tax.

Lee Frame, District 5 Supervisor

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