Call for Candidates for LOWA Board of Directors
by Peter Williams, Chairman, Nominating Committee

Having made a considerable personal investment in Lake of the Woods by making a home here for you and your family, one important way you can secure your investment is to serve as a member of our Board of Directors. A three-year term on the Board can be challenging, satisfying, and rewarding. Many of you have backgrounds and experience which make you particularly well-suited to be a Board member. This team is tasked with directing and overseeing programs and activities that are designed to preserve and improve the quality of your properties and enhance the quality of life for all of us in this community.

There is no limit on the number of candidates who may run for the Board, but it is important that the number of applications is one more than the number of vacancies. There will be two vacancies this year, so we are calling for a minimum of three candidate applications.

If you have been thinking about running for the Board, now is the time to take the next step and submit an application. You will find the application form for Board candidacy on our web site LOWA.org and in the documents rack in the Holcomb Building Member Services area. Applications must be returned in a sealed envelope to LOWA, marked for the attention of the Chair, Nominating Committee, and are due by close of business on Wednesday, April 30.

Spring Realtor’s Open House
Takes Place May 18
by Brenda Rogers, Open House Coordinator

Lake of the Woods, a recreational community, may be the best-kept secret on the East Coast. On Sunday, May 18, LOW Association will host the Spring Realtor’s Open House from Noon to 4 PM. The spirit of community is the secret to LOW’s success.

Potential homebuyers are invited to tour homes for sale. If you know of someone who is thinking about retiring, looking for a new or second home, or purchasing their first home, invite them to the Open House. Send them a mailer! Tri-fold mailers are available at both the Holcomb Building and the Woods Center. LOW has gated 24/7 security, two lakes, nine sandy beaches, an 18-hole golf course, fire and rescue on-site, public water and sewer, two swimming pools, six tennis courts, a Clubhouse restaurant and lounge, Fitness Center, Community Center, preschool, Equestrian Center, walking trails, a Campground, a multi-denominational church and so much more. Too good to be true? That’s Lake of the Woods.

Have you been thinking about selling your house? This might be the perfect time to contact a realtor or sell by owner and participate in the Open House. For more information, call 972-8117 or email drogers73@msn.com.

Referendum Amendment Two
Vote Tally Close to Passing
Outcome Could Change
Annual Assessment Due May 1

At the March 19 LOWA Board Meeting and Workshop, the Board reported positive results for Amendment Two (to keep the tenant fee). This Amendment has passed in five of 16 sections, and is very close (two votes) to passing in five more! Sections 2, 5, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, and 18 need between 14 and 40 “yes” votes to pass the Amendment. This Amendment has to pass in all sections in order for it to be effective.

The flip side, if the Amendment does not pass, the Board proposed to end the $1,289 tenant fee and adopt a tenant registration fee of $216. This change could result in an increase of the annual assessment to $1,382 due May 1. The Board will hold a Special Board Meeting on Monday, March 31 at 4 PM in the Community Center to determine and vote on tenant fee versus tenant registration fee. This whole meeting could be dismissed if members who have not voted, would vote between now and March 31. Especially members from the aforementioned sections—those sections have not met the approval standard of 50% +1 voting “yes.” Do you live in section 2, 5, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, or 18? If you have voted please encourage your neighbors to send in their ballots before March 31.

Can’t find your ballot? Call us for a replacement ballot at 540-972-2237 or email us LCole@LOWA.org to get another one.

The Board is less optimistic in Amendments 1 and 3 reaching the required thresholds to pass.
There is much misinformation regarding the three referendum votes swirling around our community. My column is an attempt to provide members with accurate information. The fact that, for the first time in memory, every single one of the Board members is suggesting these changes should tell members that these issues are of importance to Lake of the Woods.

Amendment 1 deals with how we vote, an area which has raised some controversy.

Why do we need to do this? Why is the Board pushing it? The Board recommends you vote for this for three reasons:

1) Our declarations require a 50% plus one vote of lot owners in each section to vote yes in order to change our governing documents. The Board strongly encourages you to vote for a change which will be a 50% plus one vote of all lot owners in the association to approve a change. Example: If we get 1,500 votes to change something, it fails. It will require at least 2,129 positive votes to pass something. This is a very high bar. Failure to vote will remain a no vote. As LOWA’s sections were developed, a restrictive covenants document was filed in the Courthouse for each individual section. The wording differences for each respective section are minor, but they require us to pass a referendum section by section. The sectional restrictive covenants will remain. What will change in an association-wide vote will be if the referendum passes, it changes for all sections. That is why each section must pass this referendum.

2) The way the declarations read now, it is not clear there is only one vote per lot. They can be read to mean each owner signing the deed can vote, which might mean you and your spouse could each fill out a ballot. That has never been our practice here, and we need to make it crystal clear. By voting ‘yes’ to this proposal means that the owners of each lot will have to agree among themselves and submit one vote for their lot, and the Elections Committee will not have to deal in fractional votes.

3) Changing the rules will make sure each vote is equally weighted. Each section has a different number of members. Some have as few as 9 or 16 members while some have over 200 members. So if 15 of the 16 sections pass something, and we have the majority voting for it, a small section with 16 members with just 8 voting against something will thwart the will of the majority. This is wrong.

Another area of controversy surrounds Amendment 2.

What happens if Amendment 2 fails to pass? At the April 2 Board meeting the Board will vote to eliminate or significantly reduce the tenant fee. How does that affect me? The Board will have no choice but to increase the assessment by up to $100, reduce the budget, or a combination of both.

How much does the Association receive from the tenant fee? Annually the Association receives $400,000. Raising the assessment, reducing services, or increasing fees is the only way to make up the difference.

What happens if Amendment 2 passes? The assessment, fees, and services remain the same as they have been in the past.

Why do we have to do this? Recent Virginia Supreme Court Rulings require fees to be authorized in an Association’s Declarations. Lake of the Woods fees are not listed. I encourage everyone to ask your friends if they have ever read and, if they have not, encourage them to do so. If you misplaced your ballot or need a new one it can be mailed to you by calling 972-2237 or by stopping by the Holcomb Building. We have also been asked a couple of times if people can change their vote and the answer is no.

SCARE TACTICS/RUMORS:

Is it true that only a plurality will be required to pass a change? No, it will take 50% plus one of all lot owners voting, not 50% of the votes cast to pass a referendum.

How have we voted in the past? We have voted in the past 50% of the lot owners plus one voting “yes” but not section by section. We will legalize the former voting procedures. We are now making it official.

The Board has a hidden agenda. This is absurd. I challenge anyone to show me where the Board has said something different in any official Lake of the Woods publication. You have been bombarded with lies and innuendoes, such as “The Board is grabbing power,” “The Board is going to annex land,” “The Board wants more control,” and “This is an end-run around senior housing.” Senior Housing is done. The Board has not had one conversation about senior housing since it was shouted down by a vocal minority. Board Members have a three-year term limit and can run again for an additional three-year term. We Board Members are your neighbors, friends, and fellow Association members. You may disagree with our decisions on issues such as spending, rules and regulations, security, and amenities, but after serving on the Board for two and a half years, I can tell you it is impossible to carry out a hidden agenda. Our meetings are in the open, members make comments at the meetings, and we have a great forum in Lake Currents to express your views. Look at the letters this month, and I hope you agree.

The next Board meeting will be on Wednesday, April 2, at 7 PM at the Clubhouse. We hope we get a good turnout so we can hear from you about the tenant fee.

Lake of the Woods Association, Inc.
Board Retreat Agenda
Clubhouse, Wednesday, April 2, 2014

12 PM 1. Call To Order
2. Board Discussion
3. Member Comments
4. Adjournment

Tentative Agenda - Lake of the Woods Association, Inc.
Regular Board of Directors Meeting
Clubhouse, Wednesday, April 2, 2014

6 PM CALL TO ORDER EXECUTIVE SESSION 7 PM
2. OPEN SESSION 2.1. Pledge of Allegiance 2.2. Enter Into Open Session 2.3. Approval of Agenda 2.4. Approval of Minutes: March 19, 2014

*The Board reserves the right to remove, add and/or relocate agenda items as necessary.

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Our Long-Enduring Association
by Phil Rodenberg, LOWA General Manager

Springtime makes me think of LOWA’s Anniversary. On April 21, it will be 47 years since the first homes were built, and the State Corporation Commission accepted our corporate documents in 1967. It will not be long before LOWA is planning to celebrate its 50th Anniversary! How have we endured this long, and what is the secret to our success? From my perspective, there are many ingredients that contribute to our success.

- Beautiful setting – whether you are looking out the Clubhouse Great Hall windows at a golden sunset over the Main Lake or looking out at your deck to a snow covered tree line, there is always scenic beauty.
- Caring people – we constantly hear about neighbors watching out for and caring for neighbors. LOWA staff members are dedicated and work hard to serve the members.
- Volunteerism – there is a community spirit that endures in small gatherings all over the community. Board of Directors, committee membership, fire and rescue, club service projects, scouting, coaching sports, the list of opportunities for service to others goes on and on.
- Clubs – there is a lot of fun going on all the time from the garden (Garden Club), to the flag pole (LOW Vets), to the lake (Ski Club) to the dance floor (Square Dance Club) and beyond!
- Amenities – we have diverse offerings appealing to many. A golfer may never own a boat, a boater may never ride a horse, a rider may never pick up a tennis racket. Members have their favorites among the amenities, and they all form a wonderful recreational community. It is true the whole of LOWA is greater than the sum of its parts! We have taken good care of our facilities over the years, and our repair and replacement reserve policies and studies will help make sure we always will.

What do you think makes LOWA such a successful large-scale association? Write to me at prodenberg@LOWA.org and let me know.
New Elections Dates Put in Place
by Ruth Hood, Publications Editor

At their March 1 meeting, the LOWA Board of Directors passed a policy resolution that changes the timing of LOWA election procedures. These changes apply to the Bylaws, Article V, Organization, Section A. Board of Directors. See Policy Resolution 2014-2 on LOWA.org on the Governing Documents page.

Below are the dates and how it affects members.

April 30, 2014 – This is the last day for members to submit their application to be a Board member to the Nominating Committee.

August 30, 2014 – Voting for new board members closes on Saturday, August 30 at 1 PM instead of Labor Day. Ballots submitted by mail MUST be received by the deadline or they will not be counted.

September 1, 2014 (Labor Day) – The results of the election will be announced at the Annual Meeting of the Membership.

Early Boat Registration Is Underway

Early boat registration began Monday, March 17. In order to complete the boat registration process, please remember to bring in your homeowner’s insurance declarations page for non-powered boats and the declarations page of your insurance policy for power boats of 25 HP and up. Registration takes place in the Member Services Area located in the Holcomb Building lower level.

Tips from the Pro
by Rea Hargraves, PGA and Woods Center Manager

March 28 LGA Ladies Spring Luncheon, 11:30 AM, Clubhouse
April 5 Blessed Assurance Church Scramble, 1 PM, Shotgun
(All regular play shotguns at 8 AM)
7-11 Ladies Beginner Golf Class, 4 PM and 5 PM
14-18 Ladies Intermediate Golf Class, 4 PM

For all golfers who have a handicap at Lake of the Woods, you must pay your $30 handicap fee prior to Noon on March 30. If you do not, your handicap will be deactivated in our system.

Golf classes are planned which will cover putting, chipping, pitch shots, sand shots, irons, and woods:

Ladies Beginner Golf Classes – April 7 through 11 at the Pro Shop, costing $50/student. Classes are limited to six students. Two sessions will be offered: from 4 PM to 4:45 PM and from 5 PM to 5:45 PM each day. On Friday, we will meet to review what was covered for the week and play the first hole. Sign-up sheets will be posted in the Pro Shop on March 24.

Ladies Intermediate Golf Class – April 14 through-18, the class will cover a part of the game each day. Classes will be offered at 4 PM at a cost of $5 per day. For more information, check in the Pro Shop.

I’ll see you on the course. THINK SPRING!

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Stormwater Management:

Rainwater Harvesting
by Kathy Connett, LOWA Erosion & Sediment Inspector

Better Management Practice (BMP) for rainwater runoff provides outstanding benefits not only for downstream residents and properties, but for the overall environment. So many people ask me how to stop the runoff coming downhill from entering their lot and saturating their yard. Well, its simple. When thinking about stormwater management, there are two important aspects to think about: quantity and quality. The runoff from impervious surfaces such as roofs, paved driveways, concrete patios, and roads is tremendous, and by concentrating runoff into a conveyance system of pipes and channels, we are increasing the quantity and reducing the quality. The goal is to reduce the quantity and increase the quality of runoff entering the lakes and its tributaries. Rainwater harvesting can do just that by collecting the surface runoff from impervious areas.

Before runoff enters the storage unit it should go through a filtration process which removes pollutants and debris. Then it enters the storage unit which could be an above-ground rain barrel attached to your downspouts or an underground cistern. With underground cisterns, the runoff must go through a filtration process to keep the storage unit clean and free of debris. The water is then available for reuse. Rainwater harvesting allows you to reduce your domestic mains water usage by 50%. The water can be reused for irrigation, watering landscapes, washing vehicles, and even used for flushing toilets and washing clothes with the proper plumbing and pump system installed. Most of the costs are upfront and can vary, depending on the type of system.

A rain barrel catchment system is the cheaper way to go to fully collect the runoff from roof tops. Multiple rain barrels would need to be used with an overflow outlet to each barrel. Depending on lot space an underground cistern can be installed to collect most, if not all, of the runoff from roofs and driveways. I recommend an experienced consultant when sizing and installing underground systems. I’m happy to say that several residents in LOW are already being good stewards of the land and using rain barrels. Depending on the color of the rain barrels, ECC may require screening using earth tone colors: green, brown, and/or beige will be the safer choices. White rain barrels must be screened. You can purchase rain barrels from most home improvement stores, or you can make your own as a family project.

Maintenance has rain barrels in stock, which currently cost $80 each, and will be delivered to your home, but not installed on your property.

To find out more about rainwater harvesting, you can contact me at 972-2220.
NOAA Weather Radio

by John Bell, Chair, Safety & Security Committee

The National Weather Service provides continuous broadcasts of weather information 24-hours a day from over 1,000 transmitters located throughout the country. The service is called NOAA Weather Radio (the Weather Service is part of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration – NOAA). The service operates in conjunction with the Federal Communications Commission's Emergency Alert System and broadcasts emergency information for all hazards, not just those associated with weather. A special radio is required to receive the broadcasts, which at any particular location may be on any one of seven different channels.

Broadcasts include current weather forecasts, the outlook for hazardous weather in the next seven days, weather warnings, hourly weather reports, and various other kinds of information. The service includes an “Alert” function that turns on a radio when the Weather Service issues a warning for incoming hazardous weather, such as severe thunderstorms and tornadoes.

Two different transmitters serve Lake of the Woods. One is located near Manassas, broadcasting on NOAA Channel 7 (162.550 MC). The other is located near Charlottesville, broadcasting on NOAA Channel 4 (162.450 MC). Neither transmitter’s signal is very strong at LOW. The Manassas signal is usually better. It may be necessary to move to an outside wall of a building to receive either broadcast.

The regular broadcast from Manassas includes forecasts for Washington, DC, and the surrounding area (includes Northern Virginia), Chesapeake Bay, Tidal Potomac River, and Northern Virginia Mountains. The regular broadcast from Charlottesville includes forecasts for Charlottesville and surrounding area (includes Northern Virginia) and Northern Virginia Mountains.

The hourly weather information contains some differences, such as observations at Orange and Culpeper are only broadcast from Charlottesville. It takes half the time to listen to a repeating loop of the Charlottesville broadcast than it does to listen to a loop of the Manassas broadcast.

The “Alert” function is very valuable. As soon as the Weather Service issues a warning, tones activating radios are broadcast. The receiving radios tune on at maximum volume. Listeners first hear the alarm tones (sufficient to wake anyone from a deep sleep) and then oral information is given about the details and what precautions to take.

Warnings were issued specific to Locust Grove for both the 2012 Derecho and the August, 2011 downburst. There was at least half hour’s warning for the Derecho and at least 15 minutes for the downburst. Both events were situations where persons should have moved away from windows to the interior buildings and remained there until the wind stopped. That advice was given in both broadcasts.

The downside of the alert system is that the broadcasts transmit warnings for anywhere in a transmitter’s service area. This can result in a radio at LOW being turned on for severe thunderstorm warnings in the West Virginia panhandle or Gale Warnings on the Chesapeake Bay. Unnecessary alarms can be partially mitigated by using radios that have NOAA’s “SAME” function. (Specific Area Message Encoding). At LOW, using SAME requires entering a county code in the radio for Orange County. A listener will still receive warnings for events in other parts of Orange County that don’t affect LOW.

Dameeqe which receive NOAA Weather Radio are widely available. You can find them at Walmart, Target, Radio Shack, Amazon.com, and many other places. Prices can range from $20 to $100, depending on how much functionality is involved. Above is a picture of my two radios that receive NOAA Weather.

The first radio is made by Oregon Scientific. It only receives NOAA Weather Radio. It includes the SAME function, and is powered by three AA batteries.

The other radio is made by La Crosse Technology. It receives NOAA Weather Radio, AM radio, and FM radio. It has the capability to be awakened by “Alerts,” but it does not have the SAME function. It is powered by a rechargeable battery. The battery is kept charged by a solar cell. In addition, the battery can be charged with a hand crank (1 minute of cranking powers the radio for 30 minutes) or by connecting the radio to a computer with a USB cable. The hand crank on the radio can be used to charge a cell phone when the devices are connected with a USB cable. The unit also includes a flashlight.

Information about NOAA Weather Radio is available on the Internet at nws.noaa.gov/nwr/. (Coffee cup included to provide scale.)
F & R Members Receive Life Saving Award
Press Release

Interim Orange County administrator Bryan David and Supervisors Chairman Teel Goodwin presented lifesaving awards to members of LOW Fire and Rescue at the March 11 Board of Supervisors meeting.

“Orange County values our public safety team and their acts of heroism, and wants to show appreciation for all of these efforts, but especially to those that save a life,” David said.

David went on to say “On December 26, 2013, the Orange County Department of Fire and EMS and the Lake of the Woods Volunteer Fire and Rescue received a call for a cardiac arrest at the 7-11 on Route 3. While employees of the E911 Center gave pre-arrival instructions to the caller, Fire and EMS crews responded to the address. Members of LOW Fire and Rescue arrived and began treatment of the patient. They were followed shortly by staff from the Orange County Department of Fire and EMS, who began advanced cardiac life support treatment. All staff present provided the necessary treatment that allowed the patient to be resuscitated, and ultimately discharged from the hospital.”

Photo by Mary Lelansky

Lifesaving award recipients are, from left: LOW Rescue Driver Richard Gullickson, LOW Rescue Chief Jack Kelley, LOW EMT Chris Wagoner, OC Firefighter/Medic Noah Madden, OC E911 Center Communications Officer Amy French. OC EMT-P (Medic) Roger Wilson is not pictured.

LOW EMS Appoints New Chief
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Jack Kelley, a 22-year volunteer who until May was working the night shift with LOW Rescue, took over as Chief of EMS at the annual Fire and Rescue Banquet on March 1. The Chief oversees the activities of 32 volunteers. Kelley is proud to be working with the capable, experienced, and talented former chiefs who continue to volunteer in the department. He will rely on the expertise of Bud Moody, Benny Taylor, Rick Hooper and Chris Wagner to help keep things running smoothly.

As Chief, Kelley is responsible for maintaining records for each volunteer, making certain that volunteers are up-to-date on their training, and insures members perform skill check-offs and the documentation is there for the Operational Medical Director. These check-offs, which are updated every year, are included in a monthly training calendar. There is also a great deal of work involving ambulance readiness and the associated equipment. Kelley is also responsible for maintaining communication with Orange County Emergency personnel.

Volunteering for EMS is a family affair for Kelley. His daughters Shannon and Christie and their spouses are currently, or have been, volunteers for the LOW EMS department. His 8-year-old grandson, Jonathan, gave an excellent, detailed guided tour of the EMS building. I wouldn’t be surprised to see his name on the list of volunteers in the future.

An agent for Nationwide Insurance for twenty-nine years, Kelley maintained an office in the Wilderness Center near the Wells Fargo Bank. Many times an alarm would go off when he was at work, and his associate, Joy Fletcher, would handle the office business while he went on an ambulance run. On one memorable occasion, an ambulance pulled in front of Kelley’s office with flashing lights and sirens blaring, and a paramedic rushed out of his car to climb aboard (this office was a convenient location to pick-up other EMS personnel). A few minutes later, another ambulance pulled up, also with flashing lights and sirens blaring. The driver called out that Kelley was needed on the run, and so Kelley joined the team. That was a long day—the patient was in Gordonsville and required a trip to UVA hospital.

Kelley has noticed a change over the years in the type of emergencies that the EMS squad has been handling. Previously, there had been many severe motor vehicle accidents in this end of the county. After several deaths at dangerous intersections, the Department of Transportation placed new traffic lights. The first to be installed was at the intersection of Routes 3 and 20. Years later the dangerous left turn used by LOW members in fewer motor vehicle accidents in this area. Current Rescue responses tend to be more for medical issues than traffic accidents.

The Rescue staff used to number 45 to 55 volunteers; today their numbers are down to 32. Recently, there have not been enough volunteers to cover the 24-hour, seven-days/week, 365 days/year schedule that had been the standard for years in LOW. When LOW Volunteers do not have enough members to staff a shift, Orange County Fire and Rescue will staff the shift. When there are no units at LOW because of other calls, Spotsylvania and Culpeper units will cover if they are available.

The squad desperately needs people committed and dedicated to the service of helping others. The department is planning a variety of activities to make residents aware of the activities at EMS and to encourage more volunteers.

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The new Board of Directors for the Fire and Rescue Volunteer unit at LOW took office at the March 1 Fire and Rescue Banquet. The new officers (left to right) Jack Kelley, Rescue Chief; Joe Clontz, Vice President; Matt Fox, Fire Chief; Dick Durphy, Director-at-large; Tom Cornell, President; Bob Schwab, Treasurer; Doug Pope, Secretary; and Benny Taylor, Member-at-large.

The Fire Officers are (left to right) Chris Barrett, Bob Mars, Joe Clontz, Mike Cianci, Andrew Rose, Aaron Lovell, Tom Cornell, Rick Lancing, and Matt Fox.

Pictured above, the Rescue Officers are (left to right) Terry Carlson, Chris Wagner, Mark Ford, Jack Kelley, Steve McInnis, Debbie Krug, Benny Taylor, Steve Calleja, Rick Hooper, Doug Pope, and John Krug.

Picture at left. Three members, who have volunteered for more than 10 years, became Life Members. Plaques were presented by Rick Hooper, standing in background, to (left to right), Andrew Rose, Larry Elben, and Benny Taylor.

Contact us to discuss buying or selling a home. (Personalized market analysis available)

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The Easter Bunny is on His Way
by Mary Lou McFarland, Member, Lake Youth Foundation

Yes, he is on his way! At 1 PM on Saturday, April 19, the Lake Youth Foundation is sponsoring an egg hunt for children at Sweetbriar Park. There will be hunts for three different age groups; for ages 2 and under, ages 3 to 5, and ages 6 to 8. Contact Mary Lou by email at mlfcm@yahoo.com. Please include the first and last name and the age of the child. We can accommodate a maximum of 100 children, so don’t wait to make your reservations. If you have not signed up, you may not come to the egg hunt. We are looking forward to seeing all the children next month.

Day of Hope Luncheon Scheduled
by Nancy Horch, Member, LOW Childhelp Auxiliary

April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month. The first Wednesday in April, April 2 this year, is designated as the Day of Hope. People across the country will light a five-wick candle to recognize the five children who die daily from Child Abuse and the millions of children who suffer from physical and emotional abuse daily. The Members of the LOW Childhelp Auxiliary and their guests will burn a five-wick candle at a luncheon at Fawn Lake on Wednesday, April 2. We will also recite the following prayer:

Childhelp’s National Day of Hope Prayer
Dear God,
Our prayer is for the children, little ones so small, Who suffer neglect, abuse and pain behind a silent wall. Please protect and comfort them; Let Your presence calm their fear. Give them courage to tell someone, Help all of us to hear.
Instill in each one of us to remember them in our prayers. Please give them hope and Let them know a nation truly cares.
For the love of a child. ~Amen.

For members and their guests who wish to attend this Day of Hope luncheon, please respond to Nancy Horch at 972-2599 or send an email to nhorch@comcast.net. Luncheon on March 28. If you have any treasures to donate please bring them to the luncheon.

LOW Community Yard Sale!

Some of the goods will be new, like-new, or just not wanted or not needed anymore.

Items include old clothing, books, household knickknacks, lawn and garden tools, sports equipment, board games and more.

April 12th - Sweetbriar Park Soccer Fields
8am to 2pm
For more information or on how to register, call Sylvia or Sara at 540-972-9680 ext. 2.

Bunny Hop 5K and Help the Food Pantry
by Isabel Haakman, Caddette, Girl Scout Troop 279

Girl Scout troop 279 is hosting a 5K to help collect food for the Wilderness Food Pantry. This event will be held on April 12. Packet pickup is at 7:30 AM on 2533 Germanna Highway, located behind the new Walmart, and the 5K run/walk begins at 9 AM.

Have younger kids? No problem. Make it a fun family day with the kid’s quarter mile “Rabbit Chase,” which starts at 8:15 AM. There will be bunnies to take pictures with and a raffle afterwards. We will be giving away beautiful flowers and gift cards during the raffle.

You can go to eventbrite.com, click on Find Events, and search bunny hop 5K. Registration online costs $10 plus a non-perishable food item, which you bring with you on race day. If you register before March 27, you will be guaranteed a water bottle with our logo on it. Registration onsite costs $15 and a non-perishable food item, and we cannot promise you a water bottle. Remember the non-perishable food items and come join us on April 12, for the Bunny Hop 5K!

LGA News
by Karen Woods, Publicity Co-Chair, Ladies Golf Association

The LOW Ladies Golf Association 2014 season starts in ten days. Here are a few reminders to get us ready for league play. Members must sign up for Tuesday golf no later than Noon on the Monday prior to play. Volunteers are needed to collect sweeps money during the check-in process and to collect score cards to determine the day’s winners and allot the sweeps money. Start time in April is 9 AM. Players are to arrive 30 minutes prior to play. The first Tuesday of the month is Wilderness Food Pantry collection day. Members are asked to bring donations of nonperishable foods to Dottie and Jim Lohr’s van in the Woods Center parking lot.

Our first game, an 18-hole Scramble, is on Tuesday, April 1. This fun event combines 9-hole and 18-hole players in a foursome. This format provides the opportunity to play with golfers of different skill levels. Plan on arriving a bit early so you have time to catch up with old friends, make some new ones, and maybe have time for a bit of practice on the putting green.

Elaine Shirkey, Judy Hall, and Heather Kuzma, co-chairs of the Member-Member Tournament are conducting a silent auction during the Spring Luncheon on March 28. If you have any treasures to donate please bring them to the luncheon.

Easter Brunch
Sunday, April 20th

Featured Menu
Fresh Fruit Display
Elegant Salad Station
Danish, Muffins and Croissants
Generous Omelet Station
Grand Belgian Waffle Station
Applewood Bacon and Sausage
Comed Beef Hash and Grills
Country Biscuits and Gravy
Home Style Potatoes
Vegetable Medley
Smoked Salmon Display
Fried Oysters
Shrimp & Grills Casserole

Carving Station to include:
Oven Roasted Turkey Breast
Cooked to Perfection Top Round
Herb Roasted Pork Loin

$28.00 per person
$10.00 kids 10 and under

Call Elly 972-2221

2 Seating’s
1st Seating: 11:30am - 1:30pm
2nd Seating: 2:30pm - 4:30pm
No Reservations Needed
Limited Seating
No Cancellations after April 9th
**Board Retreat:**
Wednesday, April 2, 12 PM, Clubhouse
(rescheduled from 4/5/14)

**Board Meeting:**
Wednesday, April 2, 7 PM, Clubhouse
Committee Meetings:
March 24 through April 11
Members are encouraged to attend.

**Golf:**
3/24, 3 PM (WC)
**Communications:**
3/26, 3 PM (WC)
**Planning:**
3/26, 7 PM (LLCH)
**Investment:**
3/27, 9:30 AM (ULH)
**Fitness Center:**
4/2, 10:30 AM (LLCH)
**Safety & Security:**
4/2, 3 PM (WC)
**Finance:**
4/7, 7 PM (CC)
**Equestrian Center:**
4/8, 1:30 PM (CC)
**Clubhouse:**
4/9, 1 PM (CH)
**Community & Youth:**
4/10, 7 PM (CR)

**Program Schedule**
Channel 18 is available to Comcast Cable subscribers. Watch for new Amenity Infomercials at the end of most programming
- Icon indicates videos available to be viewed at LOWA.org, after logging in.

**March 21-27**
LOWA Referendum (voting extended to May 3) (20)
“The Importance of LOW Residents Casting their Ballots”
LOWA General Manager Phil Rodenberg discusses three amendments with LOWA Board Secretary Louisa Rucker
2 PM Daily

LOW AARP Chapter 5239 “Enduring Freedom Honor Team” (1:00)
Students Band from Fredericksburg Christian Schools Plays Popular Tunes and Music from World War II Era.
6 AM 10 AM 6 PM 10 PM

LOW Civic Club Presentation (1:00)
“Route 3 Economic Development and Land Use”
Winston Sides, Orange County Economic Development Authority; Nigel Goodwin, Orange County Planning Commission
7:15 AM 11:15 AM 7:15 PM 11:15 PM

LOW Democratic Club “Mental Health Issues and Suicide” (1:00)
Alan C. Rasmussen, Suicide Prevention Specialist, Rappahannock Rapidan Community Services Board
8:30 AM 12:30 PM 8:30 PM 12:30 AM

Orange County Board of Supervisors – March 11 Meeting (2:00)
2:30 PM Saturday
2:30 PM Monday

**March 28-April 3**
LOWA Board of Directors (March 19 Meeting) (3:00)
6 AM 10 AM 6 PM 10 PM

LOWA “Man on the Street” Referendum Interviews (45)
9 AM 1 PM 9 PM 1 AM

Real Virginia (mid-March Report) (30)
2 PM Daily
Notice of Meetings & Events

Saturday, March 22
8 AM LOW Anglers Tournament (CH Dock), Info: lowanglers.webs.com/.
5 PM-7 PM Shrimp Dinner (Lignum Rutian Club). All you can eat, fee. Info: LernerBobL@aol.com.

Tuesday, March 25
1 PM-7 PM American Red Cross Blood Drive (LLCH). Info: Larry 972-9107.

Wednesday, March 26
11:30 AM SARWC Luncheon (CH), Fee. Reserve/Info: Paula 540-538-4193.

Thursday, March 27
9 AM-1 PM AARP Driver Safety two-day course (CC). Fee. Info: Su 540-208-1914.
12 PM NARFE Meeting/Spring Pot Luck (LLCH). Info: Chris, cmelcho@comcast.net.
7 PM LOW Veterans Club Meeting (LLCH). Info: Bob 972-1726.

Friday, March 28
9 AM-1 PM AARP Driver Safety two-day course (CC). Fee. Info: Su 540-208-1914.

Saturday, March 29
8:30 AM-1 PM LOW Lioness Flea Market (LGMS). Info: fclarke32@gmail.com.

Wednesday, April 2
12 PM-4 PM LOWA Board Retreat (CH). Info: 972-2214.
7 PM LOWA Board Meeting (CH). Info: Chris, cmelcho@comcast.net.

Thursday, April 3
5 PM LOWA.org.

Deadline for submissions to the April issue of Lake Currents is March 24.

Deadline for submissions to the April 18 issue of Lake Currents is April 7.

Wi-Fi available at the Holcomb Building, Woods Center, and Community Center.

To reserve meeting space in all facilities: Woods Center, Community Center, Lower Level Clubhouse, and Sweetbriar Park/Pavilion, contact Sylvia 972-9680, or see “Forms” at LOWA.org.

Lions 300 Club
Drawing #10, Round 54
$200 Jerry Davis # 63
$100 Helen Markart # 279

Calendar of Events

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Please refer to meeting room location key on previous page.
Apply Now for LYF Scholarship!
by Diane Hileman, Secretary, Lake Youth Foundation

The Lake Youth Foundation (LYF) will award a limited number of $1,000 and $500 scholarships to graduating seniors who live in Lake of the Woods and have volunteered their time and talents to better their community.

This year LYF is pleased to be offering the “Vicky Shew Scholarship” which acknowledges her generous donation to our organization. Our scholarship committee will also be joined by a member from the Susan Allen Republican Women’s Club and the LOW Lioness Club. Both clubs will choose a candidate from our applicants and award them with a scholarship from their respective organizations.

Donate Blood to Support Our Neighbors, Community, and Heroes
by Larry Deem, LOW Lions

March is the month when we see the harsh wintery weather start to give way to the gentle warm weather of spring. March is also the month for the next American Red Cross Blood Drive at LOW. The LOW community will be able to make blood donations at the lower level of the Clubhouse on March 25 from 1 PM to 7 PM. Blood donations will be used by the American Red Cross to meet the needs of local hospitals, replenish blood bank supply levels nationally, and possibly for saving the life of an American Hero.

This is all made possible by scheduling an appointment with the American Red Cross to donate a pint of blood to help someone in need. Appointments can be made by visiting the American Red Cross web site at redcrossblood.org to find the latest information on blood donation needs, eligible donor criteria, and how to sign up for an appointment. Appointments can also be also be made by calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767). Appointments let the American Red Cross know you are coming. The LOW Lions Club, sponsoring the blood drives, will also accept and work with all walk-in donors to get them in and out as fast as possible.

The LOW Lions would like to remind everyone planning to donate blood to eat healthy, iron-rich foods and drink plenty of fluids. Drives are also planned on May 27, July 22, September 23, and November 25 of this year.

Please join us for Lunch and Tour!
Thursday, April 17, 2014
11:30–2:00
Tour to follow. For reservations please call Patty Talley by April 10, 2014 at 540-672-1830.

Applicants must have a GPA of 2.5 or higher and plan to attend a four-year college, community college, or trade school in the fall. Qualifying seniors can be from a public school (Culpeper, Fredericksburg, Orange, or Spotsylvania), private school, homeschooled, or Christian school and have Lake of the Woods as their primary residence. Scholarship finalists will be required to complete an interview with the LYF Scholarship Committee.

The application deadline is Friday, April 11, 2014. Applications are available in the Orange County High School guidance department or from our website www.lakeyouth.org.

For more information, please contact Dee Flood by phone at 540-972-1361 or by email at info@lakeyouth.org.
The largest cavalry battle ever fought on American soil took place only 15 miles from Lake of the Woods. It was at Brandy Station in Culpeper County on June 9, 1863. Joe Rokus will bring this event to life with a presentation on what is known as the Battle of Brandy Station at the regular meeting of the Civil War Study Group (CWSG) on Friday, March 28. The meeting at the Woods Center begins at 10:30 AM.

The Confederate Army of Northern Virginia had streamed into the area after its Chancellorsville victory in May, and Gen. Robert E. Lee’s troops began preparing to carry the war into Pennsylvania. They planned to capture horses, equipment, and food, and could possibly also threaten Philadelphia, Baltimore, and Washington, thereby encouraging the growing Northern peace movement. Instead, the Federal cavalry surprised the Confederates on June 9, temporarily interrupting Lee’s plans. Of the 20,000 men involved, 17,000 were cavalry and the “accidental battle” became fierce fighting on horseback that opened Lee’s ill-fated Gettysburg Campaign.

In addition to covering the battle itself, Rokus will include the restored Graffiti House and last year’s key acquisition of Fleetwood Hill by preservationists. He also will discuss several soldiers who fought in that battle and who are ancestors of current Lake of the Woods residents. This presentation was rescheduled from October 2013. The CWSG meeting at the Woods Center is open to anyone with an interest in the Civil War, especially in the activity in and around Lake of the Woods and eastern Orange County. For more information, go to www.civilwarstudygroup.org or contact Civil War Study Group, Inc. Chairman Pete Rainey at 972-9291, or email pete1304@comcast.net.

Country music star John Berry will perform on Thursday, March 27, for Stage Alive at its temporary venue, Eastern View High School, 16332 Cyclone Way, Culpeper VA. (See directions below) The auditorium in Eastern View High School is a little smaller than what we are used to and seating will be limited. But there will be adequate seating for season ticket holders.

Using his tenor voice as a spiritual tool, John Berry is a moving, inspiring performer who has the power to touch the hearts of both his loyal fans and newest concert-goers. John, on vocal and guitar, adds fiddle and back-up vocal to entertain with a celebration of life, love, faith, and good music. Mention his name to just about any country music lover and the response will likely be, “What an awesome vocalist!”

If you have access to the Internet, you may sneak a preview at stagealive.org.

Driving Directions from Lake of the Woods to Eastern View High School:
3. In 2.3 miles turn East on State Rt 666/Greens Corner Rd.
4. Turn left on Cyclone Way, which is the 1st street on the left.
5. Eastern View High School is located at the end of Cyclone Way.

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The Lake of the Woods Church’s Saturday, April 5, concert at 7 PM in the Making Joyful Noise Concert series will feature a group of high school instrumentalists and musicians from Fredericksburg Christian Schools (FCS), under the directions of Greg Reed. Called The Enduring Freedom Honor Team, they perform patriotic tunes and period music, dressed in vintage World War II khaki and Eisenhower short jacket ensembles with authentic insignia and badges, and original visor caps. Chelsea Schaefer, a LOW resident and a senior at FCS, is a member of the Team. Chelsea commented, “I am proud to be in the FCS Honor Band and play at Veterans hospitals and other venues. I am excited that the Enduring Freedom Team can play at my beautiful home church that means so much to me!” In March 2002, twelve members of the high school concert band performed military and patriotic music for a retirement ceremony at the Pentagon. Since then the Team has performed in a variety of venues, including the National D-Day Memorial, in Bedford, VA; Marine Corps Museum; the US Capitol; and numerous military and VA hospitals in Maryland, DC, Virginia, and North Carolina. The students recently rehearsed with the 82nd Airborne Band at Ft Bragg and performed at the new Airborne and Special Operations Museum and the Fayetteville VA Hospital. The vintage uniforms and period music strike an immediate chord with older veterans, and the students have many opportunities to hear veterans’ stories and reminiscences. The music especially draws the seriously wounded soldiers to the hospital hallways when the Team plays. Greg Reed, the Team’s Director, explains that playing in front of veterans groups is the Team’s way of “expressing gratitude” through music for “the sacrifices of our Greatest Generation.”

This show should be a delight for everyone in Lake of the Woods. A cookie concerto reception will follow at which time you will be able to greet the Honor Team. Admission is free; a donation will be taken at the door. Come out on April 5 to One Church Lane, off Lakeview Parkway, for this evening of inspiring music.

The remaining concerts on this season’s Making Joyful Noise series include: Thursday and Friday, April 17-18, The LOW Church Chancel Choir Saturday, May 24, Orange Community Band and Chorus Spring Concert All performances will be at 7 PM. Mark your calendar to enjoy outstanding musical entertainment without having to travel a great distance.
Human Services
LOW Lions/Lioness Wilderness Food Pantry located behind LG Town Center, Rt. 20, 1st and 3rd Thursdays from 9 AM to Noon; second and last Wed. from 5-7 PM; last Sat. from 9 AM to Noon. Clients may come to the pantry two times each month. Info: Betty 972-1872.

Lions Medical Equipment - Durable Medical Equipment is available for temporary loan to those with needs. Lions also gratefully receive donations of used equipment, in good condition, that can be used by others. Please call Noel 972-0018, Dave 972-2125, Florence 972-2505, or George 540-840-2740.

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

The Woods Cares: an AARP program, will run errands and do small repairs, light yard work for shut-ins and caretakers. Free service. Call Marion 972-4085, Gale 972-7436, or Jeanette 972-0726.

Looking for a Baby Sitter? The Lake Youth Foundation has a list of students that have taken their Super Sitter class with lessons in fire, first aid and CPR, practiced handling babies with confidence, and learned fun activities that children will enjoy. The list can be obtained by contacting Sylvia at 972-9680 or email LYF at info@lakeyouth.org.

Alzheimer & Dementia Support Group. 3rd Wed. at 10 AM, Room 210/211. Info: LOW Church 972-9060.

Alzheimer’s Support Group: 6:30-7:30 PM, Culpeper County Lib., 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 3rd Tuesday, By Alzheimer’s Association’s Caregiver Support Groups. Call to confirm group is meeting. Info: Kathi Walker, 825-3100, ext. 3416, or kwalker@msb.org.

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.

Al-Anon Meeting: Every Tues. at 7 PM, LOW Church, Founders Room. Info: Diane, 540-538-7121.

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

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

Cross Blood Drive. 4th Tues. every other month. LL Clubhouse from 1-7 PM. To give blood, you must be generally healthy, 17 years of age or more, and weigh at least 110 pounds. The next blood drive will be March 25. Info: Larry 972-9107.

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

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

Free Medication Assistance for OC residents on limited incomes with no prescription coverage, 18 yrs and older, taking brand name medications long term. Info: Pat Lucey, 825-3100 ext. 3012.

Notices
March 25 and April 1, Story Time Tuesdays at the Wilderness Library: 10:15 AM, Toddler Time, 15-20 minutes of stories, fingerplays, nursery rhymes, and music for children ages 18 months to 3yrs old with a caregiver. 11 AM, Preschool Storytime, 30-45 minutes of stories, action rhymes, music, and crafts for children 3 to 5 yrs old with a caregiver. All storytimes are drop-in, registration is not required. For more information call: 854-5310.

March 27, Hospice of the Rapidan has scheduled its next series of four Volunteer Training classes. Classes will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays at Hospice of the Rapidan, 1200 Sunset Lane, Suite 2320, Culpeper. No prior experience is required and the training program is free of charge! Info and/or application: Ruth Pavlik, Director of Volunteer Services at 825-4840, email rpavlik@hotmail.com or visit www.hot.org.

Through April 11-12, AARP Foundation Tax-Aide volunteers (AARP) will provide free tax return service to low- and moderate-income taxpayers, especially those 60 and older. Fridays 10 AM to 2 PM, and Saturdays 9 AM to 2 PM. Located in the lower level of the Clubhouse. By appointment only; through April 1. Call 972-0350.

May 3-7, Orange County will commemorate the 150th Anniversary of the Battle of the Wilderness with special tours, encampments, and activities. For more information, please visit www.visitorangevirginia.com.

In addition, the Friends of the Wilderness Battlefield will offer living history programs and guided tours at Ellwood Manor from May 3-4. Details are available at www.FoWB.org.


May 18, LOW Spring Realtors Open House, Sunday, 12 PM-4 PM. Info: Brenda 972-8117. (See article on p. 1.)

Lost or Found Pets. A Facebook page has now been set up for posting lost or found pets in LOW. facebook.com/LOWostandfoundpets.

Hearing Aids/Eyeglasses Recycled: Place unused hearing aids and eyeglasses in LOW Lions boxes at Wells Fargo Bank, Wilderness Pharmacy, LOW Hair Studio, LOW Security, and Dr. Stephen Lord in Orange.

The Lions Club is seeking wheelchairs and attached equipment for wheelchairs. Contact Noel, 972-0018 to donate items.

Fundraisers
March 22, Lignum Ruritan Club is having a Shrimp Dinner from 5-7 PM. All you can eat. $18 adults; $9 children 6-12; Under 6 free. To benefit Service Projects. Info: Bob, LernerBobL@aol.com.

March 22, Montpelier 5K Race – Proceeds benefit the Montpelier Foundation. Packet pickup and race day registration begins at 7 AM. The Kids Fun Run begins at 8:30 AM with the 5K race beginning at 9 AM. Register online at www.montpelier5k.com/Registration.aspx.

March 29, The Lake of the Woods Lioness Club will hold its indoor Flea Market on Saturday, March 29, at the Locust Grove Middle School from 8:30 AM-1 PM. There will be 40 vendors featuring baked goods, food concessions, crafts and attic treasures. All profits will go to the club’s Lioness Benevolent Fund to support both local and national charities.

March 29, Cause 4 Paws, Come see us at the Lioness Flea Market from 8:30 AM-1 PM, at Locust Grove Middle School. We are still 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: Mary Kay, 809-2156 or CC, 972-7902.

April 5, Friends of Wilderness Battlefield (FoWB) is supporting the Annual Park Day 2014, nationally sponsored by the Civil War Trust and HistoryTM. On Saturday, April 5, from 8:30 AM-1 PM, FoWB in overall partnership with the Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania National Military Park will host the Annual Park Day event at two battlefields: The Wilderness and Spotsylvania Court House. Volunteers are needed to spruce up the parks in preparation for the celebration of this year’s Sesquicentennial! For more information or questions, please contact Mark Wakeman at 540-760-5948 or battlefield@FoWB.org. Registration is required.

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 AM-11 AM. Info: Ann, 972-4338 or Sherri, 412-9854.

Bargains, Bargains, Bargains! The Lions/Velona Bldg. will be 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, 972-4531; for buying/selling furniture, call Norm, 540-205-5529 or Stan, 412-9854.

LOW Directory - On sale for $10 at Member Services area in the lower level Holcomb Bldg. Sales benefit F&R. For directory changes or additions, please email LOWDirectory@comcast.net.

Lake Currents March 21, 2014
Eighteen letters were submitted to ViewPoints and 17 have been printed.

Lake Currents prints all ViewPoints submitted that meet ViewPoints Guidelines. The comments and opinions offered by individual members do not necessarily reflect the views of the Association. Letters for publication should be limited to 175 words or less, be submitted by a member in good standing with the association, and emailed to LakeCurrents@LOWA.org. Letters are published as submitted and not subject to editing, except where required to conform to Board approved guidelines. Letters must include writer’s name, lot and section number.
History of Banjo Presentation
Press Release

On Sunday, March 30, at 3 PM the James Madison Museum welcomes guest speaker Dr. Dena Jennings, physician, author, musician, and crafts person. Dr. Jennings will present an interactive overview of the elusive history of the banjo and its journey through time from the heart of Africa through the Caribbean and to North America. Folk and traditional music have been a strong influence in Dr. Jennings’ life. She taught herself to play guitar at an early age and learned percussion as a young woman. After discovering the work of Mike Seeger, Elisabeth Cotton, and Addie Graham, the banjo seemed a natural fit. Dr. Jennings began building banjos and gourd instruments and took an apprenticeship with premier luthier, Jeff Menzies of Ontario.

Dr. Jennings opened her first studio and retail interactive center in Canada where she focused on the history of the banjo and its African and Caribbean roots. In 2013, Dr. Jennings moved her studio to Orange, Virginia. The museum is located at 129 Caroline Street in Orange. Admission is free, reservations are required. RSVP at 672-1776 or by email at info@thejamesmadisonmuseum.org. Freewill donations will be accepted.

Dr. Jennings will present an interactive presentation called “Folk Music in Motion: The banjo is a story of Africa to North America.” The event is free and open to the public. Following Dr. Jennings’ presentation, Dr. Dena Jennings will be available to meet, talk, and sign copies of the book. Commemorative Banjo Merchandise will also be available for sale.

Consumer Side of Affordable Health Care
by Chris Melcho, Program Chairman
National and Active Retired Federal Employees

Members gathered at the Lower Level Clubhouse for the February 26 meeting of NARFE Chapter 1885. The speaker for the meeting was Bob Blancto, MPA. Mr. Blancto, President of Matz, Blancto and Associates, currently serves as the National Coordinator of the Elder Justice Coalition and Executive Director of the National Association of Nutrition and Aging Services Programs. His talk included specific additions to previous health care rules: an annual wellness visit, more preventive care (immunizations and screenings for diabetes, prostate exams and Pap smears), kids can remain on your policy until age 26, financial help is available. A question and answer session followed the talk.

The next bus trip to Charlestown will be June 19. Plan now to join the group as they venture to Hollywood Casino at Charles Town Races. Watch future Channel 18 broadcasts for more information. Contact Mary Ryan at 972-9392 to make your reservation.

The next meeting will be March 27 at Noon at the Lower Level of the Clubhouse. This is our spring Potluck, so members are asked to bring their favorite dish to share with others. Our speaker will be David Snell, NARFE Director of Member Benefits Services, and as always, everyone is invited.

CodeRED, OC’s Upgraded Emergency Notification System
by Nicola Tidey, E-911 Center Director

Orange County has upgraded its emergency notification system. Effective immediately the county will be using CodeRED, which replaces DeltAlert. This new emergency and mass notification system will allow us to send you urgent messages. CodeRED will be used to alert you of natural disasters, including severe storms, tornadoes, floods, or man-made disasters, such as chemical spills, bio-hazards and Amber Alerts. Orange County citizens can add multiple contact modes or select the best contact method for themselves. The system allows you to select from the following methods of delivery: a voice call to your home and/or cell phone, email, text message or through TDD/TTY devices.

As a new notification feature, the County of Orange will also send alerts to subscribers of the CodeRED Mobile Alert app. The Mobile Alert app provides users geo-based public safety alerts that impact them at their current location. The app provides an additional method for the County of Orange to communicate messages to not only local residents, but also to those traveling through the area.

All you have to do is follow the link provided and the steps listed below. With the information that you supply, we are able to launch email, text messages, and voice calls to our Contact Groups. Please use this link https://public.coderedweb.com/CNE/A2B335D5859A to receive critical communications. Your contact information will remain private; it will only be used for notifications from Orange County.

Note: if you have signed up with DeltAlert we do have your information on file; however, all residents are encouraged to create a new profile and review their information with CodeRED.

Shelter Announces Upcoming Rabies & Distemper Vaccination Clinic

The Orange County Animal Shelter will be sponsoring their semi-annual Rabies and Distemper Vaccination Clinic on Sunday, April 6, from 1 PM to 3 PM at Booster Park under the pavilion. Rabies vaccinations will be offered at the discounted price of $10, or combo packs of rabies vaccinations with distemper for $25.

Dogs are to be on a leash or crated at all times, and cats are to be on harness or in appropriate pet carriers at all times.

The Animal Shelter asks that you please bring a current certificate for those who desire a 3-year rabies vaccination instead of a 1-year vaccination. This event is open to everyone in Orange County, as well as surrounding counties. Cash or check will be accepted for payment. Orange County Dog Licenses will also be available for purchase.

Please contact the Animal Shelter at 540-672-1124 for more information or with questions.

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Wine Talk
by Joe Szadvari, Sommelier

Well, even at my age, I am still humbled by different or newly-found wines. Some of my recent discoveries are described below – you might want to give them a try.

GWC, Assyrtiko, Santorini Island, Greece, Vintage 2012 – Assyrtiko is not a well-known grape variety. This is a very young, lightly dry, white wine, with great balance (i.e., acidity, sugars, alcohol, and tannins). Though citrusy, hints of apple and tropical fruit are apparent in the aroma and on the palate. It is light enough to serve as an aperitif or even a dinner wine. Santorini Island, the birth-place for Assyrtiko, is one of many Greek islands, producing wines even before The Crusades! Decanter wine magazine rates this wine at 94 points – a bit of a stretch, but still worth every penny. Price: About $13 a bottle.

Rio Madre, Graciano, Rioja region, Spain, Vintage 2012 – This is a most unusual, but very pleasurable dry red wine. International Wine Cellar rates this wine at a very surprising 90 points. If you are a fan of Merlot and other “softer” red wines, you’ll fall in love with this one. The Graciano grape produces richly colored and perfumed wines. They are elegant and contain aromas and flavors of dark fruits, a hint of acidity and a nicely balanced finish. Most dry reds from Rioja (i.e., wines made from Tempranillo and Monastrell), at this price point, are more intense and less elegant in style. This is a sure-fire dinner wine, and can take on grilled meats and heavier cheeses too. Price: About $13.

Tenuta del Portale Aglianico Reserva, Aglianico, Basilicata, Italy, Vintage 2007 – Another dry red wine using a very unusual grape variety – Aglianico del Vulture from the Basilicata Region. It has begun to rival the great Tuscan reds made from Sangiovese and produced at the same level of complexity and intensity. It’s inexpensive, yet complex and highly rated (92 points by Wine Spectator). This wine’s “nose” displays notes of honey oak, wild herbs, blackberry and leather complete this great wine. Any red-sauced dishes will easily be complemented by this beauty. Price: About $20 a bottle.

Nostrada Rosé, Tempranillo, Taragona, Catalunya Region, Spain, Vintage 2012 – A great example of a Spanish dry rosé. It is clean and refreshing with a lovely flowery “nose”, with flavors of un-sweetened strawberries, cherry, and a hint of spice. Not many Spanish rosés are available to us in this area, plus a chance to try one made from the Tempranillo grape is a genuine joy. This is a great wine to select for use as an aperitif or to serve with lighter appetizers. Price: About $9 a bottle.

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Two weeks ago Orange County hosted a ceremony announcing that Green Applications, a business that does textile printing will be located in our county. The announcement was made by Governor McAuliffe with representatives from Orange County and Gordonsville welcoming the new business. The company’s printing operations will be located in the former American Press building in Gordonsville.

Orange County beat out locations in New Jersey and Florida for this business. Orange County provided $100,000 in cash and $400,000 in tax and permit fee waivers as an incentive to bring the business to the county. Offering the tax waiver is a no brainer since the county would not receive increased property and machinery taxes from a vacant building. The Town of Gordonsville offered $40,000 in incentives and the Governor matched all incentives with a $540,000 grant from the Governor’s Opportunity Fund. Virginia will also provide incentive funding and services to support the company’s retraining efforts.

Green Applications is committed to investing 9.75 million dollars in building upgrades and new equipment over the next three years. This should bring about $165,000 in new annual tax revenue to the county and recoup our investment in about three years. Additionally, Green Applications is committed to hiring 323 new employees at an average wage of about $17 per hour. This is an annual payroll of over 10 million dollars per year which will provide additional benefits in county tax revenue as well as some employment opportunities for Orange County citizens.

The executives from Green Applications were impressed with how rapidly the whole project came together. With coordination from the commonwealth, the Central Virginia Economic Development Partnership, the Orange County development staff, the Orange County Economic Development Authority and the town, the project came together in a couple months. In recognition of how fast everything was done Green Applications made some t-shirts printed with “Virginia is for closers.” You may see me wearing one. If you are interested in seeing their operations that was shown at the ceremony and also has a video explaining their operations that is shown at the ceremony and also has provisions for job application.

The Sheriff’s Office exceeded their fundraising goal for the new K-9 dog. Their goal was $14,000 and over $16,000 was raised! These funds will be used toward the purchase, training, and supplies of a new K-9 dog that the Sheriff’s Office hopes to have in service by this September.

If you have questions about county government or want to let me know your feelings on specific issues, you can contact me at leeframe@orangecountyva.gov.

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**Join the Tourism Team!**

The Orange County Department of Tourism is searching for friendly, outgoing folks to join our Volunteer Travel Counselor team. Tourism is a successful industry in Orange County, and every year we welcome thousands of visitors who come for our compelling history, award-winning wine, exceptional local events, first-class accommodations, outstanding dining choices, and exciting outdoor recreation. Fairly unique among Virginia visitor centers, our visitor center is staffed through a dedicated group of nearly 40 volunteers, which allow us to greet so many visitors.

As a volunteer travel counselor, you’ll likely be the first face a visitor sees when coming to Orange County. You’ll help direct them to attractions that will interest them, meet great people from all over the United States and beyond, and learn more about your county. You do not need to know everything there is to know about Orange County to help our visitors. In fact, one of the biggest benefits is that you will learn just as much as the visitors you help. That said, other benefits include complimentary annual volunteer appreciation trips, catered luncheons, and other goodies. The time commitment is minimal. We ask for just one four-hour shift once a month and you can be scheduled regularly or fill in as a substitute.

If you are interested, please contact Jayson Woods, the Services Coordinator for Orange County Tourism, at 540-661-5324. We hope to see you soon!

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with details of the increased needs in these two areas. A budget presentation is available on the Orange County website.

3.2 Report from Orange County Sheriff’s Office
Major LaCasse reported that during the month of February there were 2072 calls for service in Orange County. There were 67 warrants issued, 729 civil papers served, 41 transports, and 185 traffic summonses. In LOW, there were 50 calls for service, 74 civil papers served and 35 traffic summonses written on Route 3. There were four calls for service from Walmart.

Events of note during the month included a stolen purse at Walmart, three bomb threats at local schools (two of those cases were solved), and an Amber Alert issued for a missing five-year-old abducted by a family member who was found in Maryland.

Director Hutchison encouraged members to sign up for the Code Red program on the Orange County website so they can receive emergency information when urgent situations arise in their community.

3.3 Report from Allied Barton Security
Chief Scott Walker reported that in February staff received 226 calls for service and issued 81 traffic summonses. Incidents for the month included 15 animal complaints, 41 “suspicious activity” calls, eight motor vehicle accidents, five reports of vandalism, nine incidents of sledding/walking on ice, increased ATV activity, one DUI, and three reported thefts, two of which were at mail pickup sites. There were 11 calls related to possible drug activity.

3.4 Report from LOW Volunteer Fire & Rescue, Inc.
Vice President Rick Hooper reported that in January there were 43 calls to the Fire Department, 21 of these inside LOW. In February, Rescue had 58 calls, 25 of which required hospital transport. He mentioned that a house fire on Tall Pines yesterday took over 4-1/2 hours to get under control, even with assistance from other area fire departments. He thanked the neighbors in that area for contributing food and warm beverages to the 17 firemen who were working the fire in very cold temperatures.

3.5 Report from Orange County School Board,
Representative Jim Hopkins said the tax increase proposed in the next year’s budget is not yet final, but the school system needs to bring educator salaries up to their appropriate levels to make up for a lack of pay increases over the past few years. Reopening the dormant Middle School remains a second priority in the proposed school budget for the coming year.

3.6 Reports of Officers
President’s Report - President Walsh emphasized the need for all members to return their Referendum Ballots and take part in making decisions that affect them in their community. Although over 2000 ballots have been returned, more are needed to insure the true wishes of the community are expressed.

Vice President’s Report: No report at this time.
Secretary’s Report: No report at this time.
Treasurer’s Report: Treasurer Rugless reported that the assessment delinquency rate has dropped from 5% down to 3.9% since last month. He expects we will reach the average 2% rate by April 30.

A. Executive Session Actions
Motion passed unanimously to restrict access to LOW of three individuals until their fines are paid in full.

B. Committee Changes
Motion by Anderson, passed unanimously, that the Board approve the following Committee changes:

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C. Committee Liaison Reports. No reports at this time.

3.7 Report of the General Manager, Phil Rodenberg
A. January Financials = In January we collected $123,538 in current year lot assessments, which equates to 94.2% of the FY2013-14 total billed assessments. As of January 31, 2014, the budget summary statement is showing a positive variance of $136,117. Director Kelly noticed that the Cash and Investment sheet format had been revised, and requested that the Finance Department and Investment Committee return to the previous format to insure clarity relative to separate fund balances.

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B. Lakes Management Report – The Environmental Resources Manager has issued the 13th Fairway RFP with a bid deadline of March 24, 2014, and on track for a contract award decision by the Board at their April 2, 2014, meeting. July 7 through September 8, 2014, is the most favorable construction window proposed at this time.

C. Golf Irrigation Project Report - Although the project is 90% complete, it was necessary to delay work due to inclement weather causing wet ground conditions and cold temperatures. Nutt Construction will resume work on the project by mid-March.

Mr. Rodenberg also reported that due to vandalism to the T-ball field at Hollyfield Park, it was necessary to install bollards around the field. This project was completed by LOWA’s Road and Grounds crews and is expected to deter any future joy-riding on the field.

A mulching contract was awarded to WLC, Inc. of Locust Grove for $40,000. The company will start work in March to reduce the overflow of vegetative debris at the 9.9 dump site.

IT Coordinator Mark Witham has upgraded some computer workstations at the Holcomb Building, saving the Association $2740 when compared to the alternative of purchasing new computers.

Mayberry has been hired as our new Controller in the Finance Department, replacing Rhonda Pellicano who is leaving. The position of Accounting Coordinator also needs to be filled. Thirteen LOWA employees attended an Effective Business Writing Course at Germanna Community College in February.

LOWA will be hosting a kick-off reception for the Orange County/Route 3 Master Planning Charette on Sunday, March 2 at the Clubhouse

3.8 Committee Reports

A. Fitness Committee - Interim Chair R. C. Haring narrated a slide presentation providing key financial information on Fitness Center operations and conservative projections for future growth. Included in the review was information on equipment, space available, families and members served, current income and future income projections, and a review of the Five-year Capital Plan, particularly as it relates to proposed expansion at the current location.

B. Legal and Compliance Committee - Chair Jack Spadarro provided a mid-year summary of the LCC activities and accomplishments. He reported that 650 summonses have been adjudicated since last fall, 487 (75%) of those for traffic violations. Twenty-seven of these were flagrant violations forwarded to the Board for further action.

Administrative tasks included making recommendations on disorderly conduct to the Board, suggesting minor changes to the LCC Charter, addressing a persistent canine issue, revising internal SOP’s, developing detailed specifications for the work of the LCC clerk, and adding a post-docket review to their Executive Session review process. A three-member subcommittee is developing standard procedures for working with LOWA staff on unregistered tenant issues. The Committee is currently reviewing the fine structure for possible updating.

4. Member Comments on Business Agenda

One member spoke on the subject of extending the Referendum deadline.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5.1 Consideration of Approving Amendments to the LOWA Bylaws Regarding the Elections Process. (Policy Resolution 2014-2)

Motion by Rucker that the Board adopt Policy Resolution 2014-2 regarding the Elections Process, effective immediately.

Motion by Kelly, passed unanimously, that the Board amend Resolution 2014-2, changing the language under Article V.(3) Nominations by striking the entire paragraph and inserting the following: “A Nominating Committee shall be established by the Board of Directors whose duty shall be to prepare a list of nominees for the position of Director. The list of nominees must be received by the Board no later than the Monday before the mid-May Board of Directors meeting. The Board will approve the list of nominees at the mid-May meeting.”

Vote on the original motion as amended passed unanimously.

Note: By consensus, the Board also agreed to a modification of the wording in Paragraph 4 of Article V.5, as suggested by the General Manager.

5.2 Consideration of Approving Amendments to LOWA Regulations on Disorderly Conduct. (Policy Resolution 2014-3)

Motion by Hutchinson that the Board adopt Policy Resolution 2014-3 regarding Disorderly Conduct, effective immediately. Vote: Yeas: Hutchinson, Delio, Kelly, Rucker and Rugless. Nay: Anderson. Motion passed 5 to 1.

5.3 Consideration of Segregating Reserve Funds into Three Separate Categories.

Motion by Rugless, passed unanimously, that the Board approve the following motion regarding LOWA Reserve Funds:

“Reserve Funds will be recorded and accounted for in three distinct funds as designated by the Board of Directors; namely: 1) Repair and Replacement Reserve (a single, pooled fund encompassing Replacement, Roads, Dams and Lakes); 2) New Capital Reserve; and 3) Contingency Reserve.

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1 Consideration of Approving Amendments to the Legal and Compliance Committee Charter.

Motion by Rucker, passed unanimously, that the Board approve the proposed amendments to the Legal and Compliance Committee Charter.

6.2 Consideration of Sending to the Rules Committee Proposed Changes to LOWA Regulation XVI: Environmental Control and Construction Procedures Regarding Roof Regulations.

Motion by Rugless, passed unanimously, that the Board send to the Rules Committee proposed changes to Regulation XVI: Environmental Control and Construction Procedures, regarding roof regulations.

6.3 Consideration of Authorizing Final Funding for the Clubhouse Bathroom/Parlour Renovation Project.

Motion by Kelly, passed unanimously, that the Board approve final funding for the Clubhouse Bathroom/Parlour Renovation Project in the amount of $11,000, funds to be taken from the Replacement Reserve Fund.

6.4 Consideration of Extending the Referendum Ballot Deadline.


7. Member General Comments

One member with career security experience encouraged the Board to fund the purchase of security cameras at the mail stations. Another member was concerned about the extension of the Referendum deadline.

In deference to the number of young children attending the meeting with parents, President Walsh provided extra time outside the regular order of business for parents to speak on the topic of equitable scheduling of the Sweethbriar soccer field for two local soccer leagues, OPA and OSA.

Following extensive member comments, President Walsh directed the two leagues to work out an agreeable solution among themselves to avoid any Board action that might not be acceptable to either party. Mr. Cotton of OPA agreed to make every effort to meet with representatives of OSA in the coming week in order to arrive at a reasonable solution to field time scheduling.

Mr. Cotton offered to help revitalize the Community and Youth Activities Committee, which in turn could advise the Board on this and similar issues, as appropriate. Director Hutchison offered to serve as liaison if enough volunteers are found to restore this Committee to active status.

8. Scheduled Meetings

• Regular Board of Directors Meeting and Workshop: Wednesday, March 19, 2014, at 2 PM in the Community Center.

• Regular Board of Directors Meeting: Wednesday, April 2, 2014, in the Community Center.

Executive Session: 6 PM, Open Session: 7 PM

9. Adjournment: There being no further business, motion by Hutchison, passed unanimously, to adjourn the meeting at 12:40 PM.
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