

The Lake

September | October 2026
Newsletter



September

- 5** **Fitz and The Tantrums Concert**
Followed by
Fireworks
7:00 pm



Labor Day
September 7
Guests welcome all day
Regular guest fees apply

- 8** **LMVA Special Meeting of the Delegates and Board Meeting**
7:00 pm
- 17** **Senior Party Boat Cruise**
10:00 am

- 20** **Yacht Club Annual Regatta**
1:00 pm

- 26** **Oktoberfest**
4:00 pm-
8:30 pm

- 29** **Senior Party Boat Cruise**
10:00 am



- 18** **Yacht Club Fall Regatta**
1:00 pm

- 23** **Senior Party Boat Cruise**
2:00 pm

- 27** **LMVA Board Elections**
7:00 pm
Preceded by 6:00 pm
Social Hour

October

- 13** **LMVA Board Meeting**
7:00 pm

November

- 2** **Red Cross Blood Drive**
11:30 am-5:30 pm

Lake Erie

October 17
5:00 pm-8:30 pm
New Guest Limit and Fees

See page 5 for details



North Beach

Beginning Sept 8
Daily
8:00 am-10:00 pm

North Beach Grill

Sept 5 Concert
11:00 am-9:00 pm

Sept 6 and 7
11:00 am-5:00 pm

Beginning Sept 12
Saturdays | Sundays
11:00 am-5:00 pm

Beginning Oct 1
Special Events Only

East Beach



Sept 5
Concert
10:00 am-
10:00 pm

Sept 6 and 7
10:00 am-
7:00 pm

Beginning Sept 8
Closed for the season

East Beach Snack Bar

Closed for the season

Clubhouse Rental Office

By Appointment Only
Clubhouse@
LakeMissionViejo.org

Membership | Billing
Daily
8:00 am-5:00 pm

Lake Services | Beach Bag Store
Daily
8:00 am-
5:00 pm



The Dock House | Boat Rentals
Daily
8:00 am-7:00 pm

Beginning Sept 14
Daily
8:00 am-6:00 pm

Last boat out one hour
before closing time,
in at closing time.

To Our Friends, Neighbors, and Fellow Lake Members

It has been my pleasure to serve as President of the Board of Directors again this year. While every year brings exciting new projects, improvements, and activities, I am especially proud of the investment the Association has made in our most important asset – the Lake.

Lake Water Improvement Project

After years of research and careful planning, construction on the much-anticipated Lake Water Improvement Project is officially underway. This project constructs a system of pipelines and pumps to circulate water from Lake Mission Viejo through the Advanced Purified Water Treatment Facility (APW) which provides the Lake with its source of water refill. Over time, this treatment process will lower the total dissolved solids (TDS) in the Lake water as well as potentially lowering the pH. Scientific research has shown that water conditions lower in TDS and pH create a less hospitable environment for golden algae, reducing the frequency and impact of its toxins that are harmful to fish. Construction is expected to wrap up by the end of 2026 with the system scheduled to become operational in January 2027.

Long-Term Improvements to the Lake

In addition to water treatment, the Association has also taken on several projects related to the long-term function of physical Lake systems and the operation of the Lake Mission Viejo Dam. These improvements include the replacement of aging components used for the emergency water release valves and analysis of dam monitoring instruments. Most of these components are original to the dam's construction nearly 50 years ago.

Fishing at Lake Mission Viejo

Despite the devastating effect that golden algae has had on fishing at Lake Mission Viejo, the Board of Directors has maintained unwavering support for fishing. Resources remain dedicated and will be used for fish testing and stocking as long as conditions permit. This year, from February until May, we were pleased to reintroduce stocked fish to Lake Mission Viejo. Under the careful oversight of our Lake Biologist, over 1000 pounds of Catfish and more than 750 individual Bluegill were stocked – and caught! Fishing conditions were good until June, when rising golden algae numbers prohibited any further stocking. It is the Board's hope that as the Water Improvement Project begins to positively impact water conditions, these stockings will become more frequent and longer lasting.

Facility, Systems, and Technology Improve the Member Experience

This year, Lake Mission Viejo Association launched its new Member Portal – an improved system for owners to access their accounts, review statements, retrieve documents, and make payments. Thank you for your patience as we transitioned over



State of the Lake

25,000 homes to a new platform and portal login. The upgraded portal provides members an easy way to access their account and modernizes the Association's internal systems, giving staff more time to serve the Lake's members.

Two significant facility improvements were also completed this year: the renovation of the Dock House – the hub of boat and watercraft rentals – and the boat and trailer storage area.

Thanks to Our Volunteer District Delegates

To the volunteer District Delegates who are present to represent their neighborhoods at our Association meetings: Thank you for your dedication and commitment to being part of the engine that runs Lake Mission Viejo Association. The Board has asked more from the Delegates this year, with participating in additional meetings and voting on important changes to the LMVA Bylaws in the hope of making it easier to fill unrepresented districts and keep them filled. The Board and Association staff are here to support you, just as you support the Board through your attendance, participation, and feedback.

Members, Your Feedback is Welcome!

Have a question, comment, suggestion or concern? Just want to know more about what the Board of Directors does? All Members are welcome at monthly Board meetings. Meetings take place on the second Tuesday of each month, at 7:00 pm at the Lake Mission Viejo Administration offices – located at North Beach, or you can contact us for a Zoom link. Quick question or comment? Send us a message any time to Info@lakemissionviejo.org. We look forward to hearing from you!

Here's to another great year at the Lake,
Diane Hufstедler
President, LMVA Board of Directors

Oktoberfest



September 26
4:00 pm–8:30 pm

Join us for a Lakefront
Oktoberfest celebration
for the whole family.



Costumes welcome!



- Music and Entertainment by Festmeister Hans und Die Sauerkrauts
- Traditional German Food and Beer
- Contests for Adults and Kids
- Carnival-Style Games
- Photo Ops



Guests are welcome at Oktoberfest.
Regular daily guest policy and fees apply.
Advance guest lists are available.

NEW GUEST POLICY FOR LAKE EERIE

- 8 guest maximum per member-household
- Guest passes: \$10 each for ages 8+
- Guests ages 7 and younger are free but count towards allotted guests
- Senior members aged 62+ pay half price for their guests



LAKE EERIE

October 17
5:00 pm–
8:30 pm

See new guest
policy above.

Halloween fun
for ghosts
and goblins
of all ages.

- DJ Music and Dancing
- Photo Ops
- Face Painting, Balloon Artists, Crafts
- Haunted Clubhouse for older kids and adults who like a scare
- Trick-or-treating at the Candy Cove



A Trick-or-Treat Sponsorship Opportunity

The Candy Cove
at Lake Eerie

Here's a fun and easy way for businesses and community organizations to spread happiness and promote their business to Lake members and their guests.

What your business/ group provides

- Purchase & distribute a minimum of 2,000 treats at the Lake Eerie event on October 17.
- Decorate a provided EZ-up canopy tent for Halloween.
- Staff your booth in costume or Halloween-themed clothing/accessories.

For complete details and to apply, email Communications @LakeMissionViejo.org or call Beth Dillon at 949.770.1313 x202 by September 20. Please provide your name, address, and business/group name.



Concert Season Finale and Fireworks Show

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Fitz and The Tantrums



Your Lake
ID badge
is your ticket

**Members must present
their current, valid Lake
ID badge for concert
admission.**

Gate staff cannot issue temporary passes after 3:30 pm on concert days. Expired or lost badges must be replaced before 4:00 pm on the day of the concert. Driver's licenses, bills, etc. are not accepted in lieu of a badge.

Guests

Guest fees are \$20 each. Four guests per member-household all day, payable at the gate.

Scan the QR code or visit LakeMissionViejo.org/concert-information-and-procedures for additional details and optional seating lottery process.



Opening Act: **61 Candles**



Ending the 2026 concert season is the high-energy, multi-platinum-selling soul-pop group **Fitz and the Tantrums**. Alt 80s tribute band **61 Candles** will open the show at 7:00 pm, with a **fireworks show** over the Lake immediately after the concert at around 9:15 pm.

Concert begins at 7:00 pm

All concert times, and artists are subject to change without notice.



By the Numbers

Summer Concerts at the Lake

1990	2011	2020
First Concert: Saddleback Symphony	Largest Concert: The B-52s crowd of 10,000	Quietest Summer: No concerts due to Covid

Present Day Averages per Concert

5,000	Estimated attendance
711	Guest passes sold
898	Lottery wristbands distributed
85	Lake staffers working all day
23	Security and parking staff
5	Law enforcement officers on site
12	Production crew members
18	Porta-potties
1,623	Gallons of trash collected
350	Hamburgers sold
360	Beers sold

Senior Party Boat Cruises



This popular activity for members 62+ returns this Fall. Sit back and relax, learn a little bit about the Lake, and meet some fellow members on this free, one-hour guided Lake cruise. One guest per member-household is welcome. The regular guest fee applies, but the boat ride is free.

Space is limited and fills quickly.
Call Lake Services at 949.770.1313
x200 today to reserve.

September 17 10:00 am

September 29 10:00 am

October 23 2:00 pm



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Your Vote is Important

Members living in neighborhoods without an additional Homeowners Association (HOA) received a ballot for October's Delegate Election. Participating in this election is vital, as your vote helps to achieve the necessary quorum for the election process.

How to Vote

Please follow the instructions on your ballot to determine your district and current delegate, then return it before October 1. If you have misplaced your ballot or did not receive it, don't worry. You can request a replacement by emailing Communications@LakeMissionViejo.org.

Get Involved

We encourage members from unrepresented districts to consider running for the delegate position. For more information, please reach out to LMVA Controller, Shawn Ward at 949.770.1313 x207.

Learn More

Learn more about District Delegates and Delegate elections by using the QR code or visiting LakeMissionViejo.org/delegate-district.



Junior Guards Wrap-up the 2026 Summer Season

This summer, JGs ages 8 to 15 learned valuable water safety and lifeguarding skills.



Parade of Lights | Dec 5



Cruise the Lake as a Parade of Lights participant by transforming a party boat into a floating masterpiece of holiday cheer. Each boat comes equipped with a battery and power converter, so think twinkling lights, inflatable Santas, and animatronics.

Why watch? Be part of the show!

How to participate

- 1 Participants are selected by lottery. To enter, contact Lake Services at 949.770.1313 x200 between October 2 and October 18.
- 2 Lucky winners will be contacted by November 1.
- 3 Pay a \$50 rental fee to reserve your spot.

