

The Lake

September | October 2024
Newsletter

State of the Lake

Oktoberfest

Lake Eerie

Concert Season Finale
and Fireworks Show

 LakeMissionViejo
ASSOCIATION

September

2 Labor Day

Guests welcome all day
Regular guest fees apply



10 LMVA Board Meeting 7:00 pm

15 Yacht Club Fall Regatta 1:00 pm

28 Oktoberfest 4:00 pm-8:30 pm



October

1 Red Cross Blood Drive 11:30 am- 5:30 pm



8 LMVA Board Meeting 7:00 pm

13 Top Skipper Championship Regatta 1:00 pm

19 Lake Erie 6:00 pm-8:30 pm

22 LMVA Board Elections 7:00 pm Preceded by 6:00 pm Social Hour



North Beach

Daily starting Sep 3
8:00 am-10:00 pm

North Beach Snack Bar

Labor Day Weekend
Aug 31 | Sep 1 and 2
11:30 am-5:30 pm

Sep 3
Closed for the Season
Open for special events only

East Beach

Labor Day Weekend
Aug 31 | Sep 1 and 2
10:00 am-7:00 pm

Sep 3
Closed for the Season

East Beach Snack Bar

Closed for the Season

Membership | Billing

Daily
8:00 am-5:00 pm



Lake Services | Beach Bag Store

Daily
8:00 am-5:00 pm

Boat Rentals

Daily
8:00 am-7:00 pm
Beginning Sep 16
8:00 am-6:00 pm
Last boat rents one hour
before closing time.



Clubhouse Rental Office

By appointment only
Clubhouse@LakeMissionViejo.org

State of the Lake 2024

Joe Bolich

President, LMVA Board of Directors

Hello, fellow Lake Mission Viejo

Association members. I am pleased to serve another year as President of the Board of Directors. I write this message today as a thank you to those whose dedication and commitment make our HOA the vibrant and thriving place it is:

- **To my colleagues on the Board of Directors**, whose guidance and leadership steer the Association toward the future.
- **To the amazing LMVA staff** who provides service and value to Lake members every day.
- **To our volunteer District Delegates** who selflessly represent their neighborhoods at meetings, serve on Lake committees, and share valuable feedback with the Board.
- **Most importantly, thanks to all of you, the Lake members.** Your enthusiasm for events and passion for all things Lake Mission Viejo inspire and influence the Board's decisions in more ways than you could imagine.

Speaking of members, as I write this, Lake membership is soon expected to reach a milestone of 25,000 homes, making it one of the largest community associations in the nation! When the boundaries of the Lake Association were established in the 1970s, owners of existing homes were given the opportunity to add their homes to the Association. Many of these homes did just that, and more and more have decided to join over the years. We look forward to celebrating our 25,000th household, likely before the year ends.

The Association's most important asset, the Lake itself, has had another tough year in the battle with golden algae in the Lake's waters. The Board and Association staff share your frustration

with the lack of fishing this year. We were all cautiously optimistic for a repeat of last summer when conditions improved enough for several stockings of hearty tilapia and catfish, resulting in over two months of fishing. Despite similar rain and weather conditions, the unpredictable golden algae prevailed this year, and conditions have not yet been favorable to sustain fish stocking. The Board remains optimistic about the return of fishing. It has continued to work diligently towards expanding the use of the Advanced Purified Water Treatment plant, which provides the Lake with filtered water as a long-term sustainable solution for its health.

Although work on the Lake water is not something you can see yet, the Board has approved and completed many projects that you, as members, can see and enjoy. Recent projects like the North Beach marina dock refurbishment, East Beach snack bar refurbishment, and the new East Beach playground are examples of the reinvestment of your assessment

dollars into the Lake's facilities. Next time you visit North Beach, take a moment to notice one of the over 80 new picnic tables in the park and snack bar area. These new tables are rust-free, made from weather-resistant recycled materials, and will be enjoyed for many years to come. Improving and maintaining the Lake's facilities is a fundamental part of the Board's mission, so thank you to our staff and members for allowing us to do so.

What would a measurement of value at the Lake be without mentioning the fun we have had in the last year? Events like Lake Eerie and Light the Lake took us through some of our favorite holidays. At the same time, the Summer Concert Series continues to deliver the highest-quality performers – all at no additional cost to members. Did you catch Blue Öyster Cult or Sister Sledge earlier this summer? Wow!

So again, thank you to all of you who make it possible to be part of a place as special as Lake Mission Viejo. **Here's to the past year's accomplishments and to a future filled with progress, improvement, and fun!**



All Aboard for Autumn Fun

Back by Popular Demand

Senior Party Boat Cruises

Sit back and enjoy the ride while Lake staffers man the helm. Passengers will enjoy about one hour on the water, learn a little about the Lake, and meet some new people.

Members 62 and older can enjoy this activity at no charge and may reserve space for one guest per household membership. The \$2.50 senior guest fee applies, but the boat ride is free. Due to the popularity of this event, members who have previously participated will be placed on a standby list.



Space fills quickly. Reserve now by calling Lake Services at 949.770.1313 x200.

Most wheelchairs and mobility issues can be accommodated. Please advise Lake Services at the time of reservation to ensure the boarding procedure meets your needs.

2:00 pm Thursday, September 12

11:00 am Saturday, September 21

2:00 pm Monday, September 30

11:00 am Wednesday, October 9

Oktoberfest

September 28 • 4:00 pm–8:30 pm



A Lakefront
Oktoberfest
celebration for
the whole family

- Live Traditional German Music and Dancing
- Bavarian Favorites like Brats and Pretzels
- German Beer
- Contests
- Photo Ops



Lake Eerie

October 19 • 6:00 pm–8:30 pm



Halloween fun
for ghosts and
goblins of all
ages

DJ, Photo Ops, Snacks,
and more!



Scare Zone

For those seeking chills and thrills –
featuring the Haunted Clubhouse,
scary monsters, and spooky vibes.



Pumpkin Patch

For the little ones or faint at heart
– featuring face painting, balloon
artists, crafts, and a kid-friendly
atmosphere.



Get Involved



Photo courtesy of Brianne Ortiz

Anatomy of Lake Mission Viejo Association

LMVA is an independent 501(c)(4), not-for-profit, Homeowners Association (HOA). Although not affiliated with the City of Mission Viejo, the HOA encompasses a majority of its neighborhoods. Legally binding covenants, conditions, and restrictions (CC&Rs) serve as the governing document for the association.

A Board of Directors, comprised of five volunteer homeowners and elected by district delegates, guide the Lake and are key in decisions regarding policy (within the rules set by the CC&Rs), budget, amenities, and more.

Everyday operations are managed by a team of year-round and seasonal staff members.

Run for the Board of Directors

Members interested in assuming an active leadership role within the HOA by joining the Board must submit a "Declaration of Candidacy" form by September 20, 2024 at 5:00 pm. Forms are available from the Lake administrative offices. Applicants who meet the requirements stated in the HOA election rules are qualified and added to the ballot.

Elections for the LMVA Board of Directors will be held at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, October 22. The Board of Directors consists of five Lake members, elected by delegates that represent the 81 districts (almost 25,000 member-households) that make up the LMVA HOA. A quorum of district delegates representing 25% of the membership is required to conduct this election.

Board members serve a two-year term and meet monthly. This year, three board members are up for reelection.

Vote for Your District Delegate Before October 1

Districts that do not have a sub-association (neighborhood HOA) elect delegates via write-in ballots that were mailed in August. A 25% quorum of member votes in each district is needed to conduct district delegate elections, which take place on Tuesday, October 1. If the quorum is not met by this date, a second attempt will be made on Tuesday, October 8. To learn more contact Shawn Ward at 949-770.1313 x207.



In sub-association districts, delegates are elected or appointed according to each sub-association's CC&Rs.

District delegates elect the LMVA Board of Directors, participate in monthly board meetings, and receive special monthly email communications summarizing each Board meeting.

To find the district for your home, type your address into the search field at the top of this web page:

LakeMissionViejo.org/delegate-district



Lake Mission Viejo Board of Directors

From left to right:

William Buchanan Moorhead, Treasurer
Fred Mellenbruch, Secretary
Joe Bolich, President
Diane Hufstедler, Vice President
Dale Tarkington, Vice President

Current Delegates by District

Dist.	Association	Delegate	Units	Dist.	Association	Delegate	Units
1	La Paz	No Current Delegate	262	42	Baja Finisterra	Paula Snyder	118
2	La Paz	Bill Moorhead	313	43	Cortez	Allyn Edwards	475
3	La Paz	Karen Checho	306	44	Montiel/Galicia	No Current Delegate	483
4	Coronado	No Current Delegate	104	45	Evergreen	Dave Markwell	285
5	Casta del Sol	John McDonald	366	46	Casta del Sol	No Current Delegate	424
6	Barcelona	No Current Delegate	434	47	Finisterra on the Green	Janese McGrath	202
7	Barcelona	No Current Delegate	446	48	Cypress Point	Barry Dabreu	211
8	El Dorado	Carl Mead	503	49	Castille	No Current Delegate	8
9	El Dorado	No Current Delegate	288	50	Galicia	No Current Delegate	45
10	El Dorado	No Current Delegate	202	51	El Mirador	Nanette Meyer	54
11	Granada	No Current Delegate	167	52	Valencia	No Current Delegate	260
12	Deane	Tom Riehl	404	53	Cortez	Randy Beckman	429
13	Mission Ridge	Don Tayenaka	243	54	Las Palmas	No Current Delegate	405
14	Madrid	Jo Ann Petrick	206	55	Ridgemont	No Current Delegate	172
15	El Dorado	No Current Delegate	466	56	Canyon Crest	Dale Tarkington	979
16	Madrid	No Current Delegate	338	57	Eastbrook	Alisa Bates	213
17	Cordova	Don Tayenaka	312	58	Hillcrest	No Current Delegate	248
18	Castille	No Current Delegate	378	59	Emerald Point	Ryan Kennedy	239
19	Castille/Madrid	Frank Fossati	410	60	California Colony	LaVonne Smith	198
20	Castille	Marina Hegel	303	61	Coral Gardens	Scott Kroutil	334
21	Aliso Villas I	No Current Delegate	205	62	Pinecrest	Gerald Newkirk	422
22	AlisoVillas II	No Current Delegate	127	63	Evergreen Lakeview	Anna Waugh	146
23	Seville	No Current Delegate	333	64	Sunrise Ridge	No Current Delegate	227
24	La Mancha	Gina Connoy	175	65	Rainbow Ridge	LuAnn Willy	312
25	Castille	No Current Delegate	209	66	Vista del Lago Apts.	Co Representative	202
26	Madrid del Lago	Connie Beardsley	688	67	Palmia	David Pinto	901
27	Cordova	No Current Delegate	286	68	Auburn Ridge	Mike McKee	240
28	Castille	Jane Chadburn	209	69	Highland Park	No Current Delegate	208
29	Castille	No Current Delegate	521	70	Califia	Christopher Grayce	1,002
30	Casta del Sol	Bob Rogers	212	72	Pacific Hills	Joe Licha	602
31	Montiel	No Current Delegate	404	73	Pacific Knolls	Diane Shiroke	511
32	Cordova	No Current Delegate	382	75	Pacific Hills East	Greg Golick	75
33	Tres Vistas	Roseann Gonzalez	64	76	California Court	James Black	184
34	Andalusia	Rod Simenz	414	77	California Terrace	No Current Delegate	132
35	Cresta Verde	No Current Delegate	8	78	Quail Run	James Jones	206
36	Madrid del Lago	No Current Delegate	24	79	Mirasol	No Current Delegate	211
37	Mallorca	Robert Breton	369	80	Melrose	Mark Graves	130
38	Cordova	Mark Scheckel	528	81	Casa Loma	No Current Delegate	28
39	Casta del Sol	Randy Tisdale	529	82	Stoneridge	Fred Mellenbruch	468
40	Finisterra	Sandie McClure	214	83	Painted Trails	Joel Sugg	486
41	Briarwood	No Current Delegate	169				
						Total	24,996

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**Give the
Gift of Life**

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

October 1 | 11:30 am-5:30 pm
Lake Mission Viejo Clubhouse

**Emergency
Blood Shortage**

Blood donors of all blood types are urgently needed to help ensure patients at hospitals across the country continue to receive critical medical care.

Scan the QR code or sign up at RedCrossBlood.Org and enter sponsor code **LAKEMVA** to schedule your appointment.



AUGUST 31

Concert Season Finale

Fireworks immediately
following the show at
approximately 9:15 pm



8:00 pm Plain White T's

REX HOLMES
opens at 7:00 pm

Admission to the Lake Mission Viejo Concert Series is for members and their accompanied guests only.

Free for members with their Lake ID Badges. Each member-household may host up to four guests at \$20.00 each.

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

Parade of Lights Party Boat Lottery



Get in the Holiday Spirit! Rent and decorate a party boat for the Parade of Lights.

The Lake's 45th Annual Parade of Lights will be held at dark on Saturday, December 7. Party boat rentals that day are \$50, and are granted in October to a few lucky members chosen by lottery. Lottery winners must commit to decorating their party boats and participating in the parade.

To enter the lottery, contact Lake Services at 949.770.1313 x200 between Wednesday, October 2 and Wednesday, October 16. The lucky winners will be notified by phone.

Winners can start decorating their boats as early as 8:00 am, December 7.

The boats will be equipped with one battery and a power inverter. Additional batteries and inverters are available for participants using both rental and personal boats on a first-come, first-served basis for an additional cost.