

Lost Nation News

FAGOWEES SKI CLUB –
WASHINGTON D.C. BRANCH



President's Message

It's election time again. Be sure to attend the next three meetings to participate in the process. This is your club, your chance to have a voice in the selection of the leadership.

ELECTIONS: At the March and April membership meetings, nominations will be taken from the floor for President, Vice President and Board positions that will expire at the end of May. In addition to the members who have accepted their nominations, the ballot will include a vote on a proposed amendment to the Fagowee Bylaws. Elections will be held in person at the May membership meeting. If you are unable to attend election night, you can request an absentee ballot and cast your votes by US Mail. Mary Sloper is the Elections Chair. See her elections article inside for more information on the club leadership, the Bylaws amendment, and the elections process.

FAGOWEE-OF-THE-MONTH: Congratulations to Sharon Blackwell as Fagowee -of-the-Month for January for her efforts organizing the January Caribbean cruise.

More Coming Up – Full Details Inside

BRSC—LAKE PLACID WINTERFEST: This trip is closed. For those going, happy skiing.

MARCH BAR-OF-THE-MONTH: March 11th. Be sure to join your fellow Fagowees for the March Bar Of the Month at Daniel O'Connell's Irish Pub to celebrate St. Paddy's Day.

HOCKEY: March 29th. This event is sold out—Wait List ONLY (Contact Stacy if interested). If you were lucky enough to reserve your ticket in time, then join Stacy Hickman and watch the Caps beat the NY Islanders.

LES MIS: Tim Gordon has scored us Kennedy Center tickets to Les Misérables on April 16th. Reserve your seats with Tim for this iconic production.

LINCOLN'S COTTAGE: April 23rd. Join Miriam Alonso for a guided tour of President Lincoln's Cottage on the grounds of the Armed Forces Retirement Home. Limited to 24 guests, Sign up by April 14.

OCEAN CITY: We are going back to Castle in the Sand for the week of September 18—25! Review the article for specifics and contact Patricia at the hotel to reserve your efficiency.

OKTOBERFEST: There's still space available, but it's filling up fast. Contact Lisa Vignerot to sign up.

Sandy and I are going on an extended vacation (wish us luck with the travel gods). John Morrison will be leading the March and April meeting in my absence. Hope to see you all at the May elections night meeting.

John

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"Fagowees can pay for most events, activities and trips with a credit card through the website."



**Member Club
of the Blue Ridge
Ski Council**



Member Meeting

3141 Duke Street,
Alexandria, VA 22314
(Glassed in room to the left of the bar)

Tuesday, Mar 7, 2023

Doors Open: 6:00pm

Happy Hour Prices 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm
TUESDAY SPECIAL—\$5 'ritas

Social: 6pm – 7:30pm

Meeting: 7:30pm

BRING A FRIEND!!

President—John McIntire
jgmcintire2@gmail.com

Vice President—John Morrison
Long4Tex@AOL.com

Board of Directors 2022-2023

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Appointed Officials

Membership Chair	Sharon Blackwell
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Secretary	Regina Meade
Activities Chair	John Morrison
Trip Leader Advisor	Vacant
Webmaster	Stacy Hickman
Newsletter Editor	Chris Carlson
Bylaws	John McIntire
Elections Chair	Mary Sloper
Fagowee Store	Sandy McIntire and Molly Stumpf
BRSC Council	Mike Stumpf and Rich Kavanagh

PRESIDENT LINCOLN'S COTTAGE

Let's explore a nicely kept secret of our nation's capital! President Lincoln's Cottage is a national monument on the grounds of the Armed Forces Retirement Home. It is a historical site on a 250-acre campus in Northwest Washington D.C. where Abraham Lincoln resided and made some of his most nation-changing decisions.

We will take a guided tour of the Cottage and self-guided exploration of the exhibits in the Robert H. Smith Visitor Education Center. We'll grab lunch after our visit.

Date: Sunday, April 23, 2023, 10-11:30 am

Location: Armed Forces Retirement Home (Eagle Gate) 140 Rock Creek Church Rd NW, Washington DC, 20011

Ticket Prices: \$14 per person for all visitors; children 5 and under are free (please sign them up on Fagowee website). Tour limited to 24 people.

RSVP/Pay for Tickets: <https://dcfagowees.com/>

Lunch: TBD after event

Additional information: Ample parking available on-site. ID required to access grounds. No nearby Metro access. Deadline to register and pay is 14 April 2023. No refunds once paid.

POC: Miriam Alonso; fredricka@rocketmail.com
Website: <https://www.lincolncottage.org/>

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FAGOWEE SKI POLE FLAGS—\$5.00 2.00 (SALE)

Store Managers

Sandy McIntire, MainelyMacs@gmail.com

Molly Stumpf, VentureMom@earthlink.net

Can also order on the Fagowee website

FAGOWEE ELECTIONS — May 2, 2023

Nominations – March 7nd & April 4th

It's that time of year again when we select the officers that lead our Club.

Elected officers include the President and Vice President (each with one-year terms) and 6 Directors (each with two-year terms). The Board of Directors has nine members consisting of the 6 elected members, the President, the Vice President and the past year's President.



The following positions are open this year:

- **President** (one year term) – Tribe Chief

NOTE: The current President will not seek reelection this year.

- **Vice President** (one year term) – Second in command and responsible for chairing Board meetings.

- **3 Board Members** (two-year terms) – These are the leaders who set the direction for the club, approve activities, and manage Club finance and administration. Board members are expected to actively participate in Board meetings held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month.

Nominations: Nominations will be conducted at the March 7nd and April 4th regular meetings.



Nominees must be members in good standing for the past 12 months, have been a member for at least 18 months total, be age 21+, and live in the DC metro area. Those nominated at either meeting must indicate whether they accept or decline their nominations by April 7th (three days after nominations are closed).

Miriam Alonso, Chris Carlson, and Fred Krambeck were elected to 2-year terms last year and thus will be continuing as members of the new board.

Mary Ellen Feldcamp, Sandy McIntire, Bill Steinhour and Molly Stumpf are completing their terms this year and thus are eligible to be nominated this year.

Elections: May 2, 2023 at the regular membership meeting by secret ballot of all members present.

Bylaws: Also on the ballot, will be a Bylaws amendment. The Board is proposing to amend the Bylaws to bring them in line with current practice and the new capabilities offered by our revamped website. The amendment includes the following:

Eliminates the option to purchase lifetime memberships.

Removes the requirement to assign and maintain membership numbers.

Removes the requirement for the Board to fill the following positions: Membership Recruitment Chair, Greeting Chair, and List Serve Monitor.

Clarifies that the membership directory is now provided on-line and is available to members only.

Moves the inventory due date to the end of our fiscal year, May 31st.

To review the exact change language, members are encouraged to review a mark-up copy of the Bylaws which is available on our website, DCFagowe.com, under the Members Only tab.

Absentee voting: Request for absentee ballots must be made in writing on or before the April 4th regular meeting. The requests may be via snail, e-mail, text or handed in person to the Election Chairman, Mary Sloper, on or before the April 4th meeting. Be sure to include your home mailing address with your request.

Mary's contact info: 4801 Polk Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22304;
mary.sloper@comcast.net; (703) 975-3454.



New Members

Kathy Kalland

In case this is your first newsletter—Be sure to check out our Facebook page. (closed Group-only for the Fagowees), and the DCFagowees website so you can keep up on all our happenings

These links and other useful info noted in the [on the Back side of this newsletter](#)

We're happy you joined and can't wait to meet you and get to know you. Maybe you'll get some of your friends or family to join too.

SUGGESTIONS NEEDED

Tribe —

We are always looking for activities, so put on your thinking cap, contact any Board member and share your ideas. This can be your favorite thing to do or place to eat or something new/different or an old standby that you've enjoyed in the past. We'll even help you plan / organize if you want. **DON'T BE BASHFUL!!**



MEMBERSHIP DRIVE ✓

Our Annual Membership Drive is in full swing, so it's time to get your friends to join the Fagowees so they get some free months!! The sooner they join, the more **FREE** months.



Tell a Friend!

If they join before May 31, their membership will be good thru May 2024 Easy to join—Direct them to DCFagowees.com, then click [Join Us](#) at the top of the page and follow directions. Easy, Peasy !!


The Kennedy Center
THE JOHN F. KENNEDY CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

Les Miserables
Kennedy Center Opera House
Sunday, April 16, 2023
1:30 p.m.

Les Mis, as it is called, is an adaption of a major 19th century novel by the French novelist Victor Hugo, which centered around the adventures of a noble former convict, Jean Valjean. This show has been entertaining theatre goers since it opened here in Washington in the mid 1980's. Many have said that this show is their favorite musical. We have 35 orchestra tickets for sale. Tickets will cost \$106.

Deadline for signups & payment is March 15, 2023. If interested, see Tim Gordon at an upcoming meeting or contact him by phone at 703-931-7795 or by email at NiemanGordon@gmail.com

Please pay by check payable to Fagowees and send to Tim Gordon at 3310 Nevius Street, Falls Church, VA 22041

The Kennedy Center's Covid policies have been evolving. Currently, the Kennedy Center is requiring the wearing of masks inside Kennedy Center theatres.





Ocean City Beach Week

Castle in the Sand Hotel - September 18 – 25

For two years running, this has proven to be a winner. It's a great venue with a fantastic staff. Castle in the Sand is located on the beach at 37th street; easy walking distance to the boardwalk. On the grounds is the **Coconuts Beach Bar and Grill**, one of the most popular bars in OC and the only establishment in OC where you are allowed to bring your drinks to the beach.* Coconuts will be open with live entertainment from 11am to 11pm daily. The property also includes an onsite breakfast restaurant and an Olympic size pool.

ACCOMODATIONS - All units are oceanfront efficiencies in the Waverly building (as previous years). We have blocked 9 units on the ground floor (which opens directly to the beach behind the dunes) as well as several upper floor efficiencies with balconies. If you want a clear view of the beach over the dunes, be sure to ask for 3rd floor or above. All units are identical and have two queen beds, a pull-out sofa, and a small kitchen area (including refrigerator, oven, and microwave). We also have access to a large interior party room on the lower level. Waverly is located directly on the beach adjacent to Coconuts, and has curbside access for loading/unloading, elevators, and vending machines on each level. Free private parking is provided.



LODGING – Lodging prices are on a **per efficiency** basis. There is no up-charge for additional people per room. So, determine how many you want to have in your room, pick your roommates, pick your dates, and have one person call the hotel. Just be sure to indicate your preference for ground level vs. upper level when you make your reservations.

LODGING DATES AND RATES – Paid directly to the hotel

Full Week: Monday, Sept 18 – Monday, Sept 25: \$1213.23 **per efficiency (tax included)**

Weekend Only: Friday, Sept 22 – Sunday, Sept 24: \$608.28 **per efficiency (tax included)**

Extended Weekend: Friday, Sept 22 – Monday, Sept 25: \$729.27 **per efficiency (tax included)**

Weekdays Only: Monday, Sept 18 – Friday, Sept 22: \$483.96 **per efficiency (tax included)**

BEACH PARTY – We have a beach party starting at 3:00pm on Saturday. Party food and drinks (wine, beer, soda) will be provided.

PARTY FEE: \$25 **per person paid to the Fagowees** via on-line registration.

PAYMENTS & CANCELLATIONS: To make a hotel reservation, contact Patricia Smith (groups@castleinthesand.com; 410-289-6846), tell her you're with the Fagowee group, and reserve your room. Then, have each in your group register on the Fagowee website to pay the party fee.

RESERVATIONS ARE DUE NO LATER THAN SEPT 4. A deposit EQUAL to the first day's rent is due to the hotel at sign-up. Payments are refundable if you cancel at least two weeks prior to arrival date.



Any other questions: Contact John or Sandy McIntire, jgmcintire2@gmail.com.

* Only drinks purchased at Coconuts are allowed on the beach.



CRUISE
JAN 2023



CANAAN AND
BLACKWATER FALLS
FEB 2023



UNSUNG
HERO AWARD



FREED AT THE
CHRISTMAS PARTY



March Bar of the Month Daniel O'Connell's Irish Pub

Where: 112 King St.
In Old Town Alexandria
When: Sat Mar 11th
Starting time: 4pm.

A return to tradition for St. Patrick's Day. Live music throughout the weekend. Traditional menu with all your Irish favorites!

We are in the Fitzgerald room that is adjacent to the main bar. There are paid parking lots within walking distance of the bar. Wear a bit o' the green and we will celebrate/party in fine fashion!

Sign up at DCFagowees.com
Contact John at Long4Tex@aol.com with any questions.

FAGOWEES WISH YOU A VERY HAPPY MARCH BIRTHDAY

Mar 01 Gary Falconer
Mar 02 Webb Ellis
Mar 02 Eileen Hynson
Mar 04 Jane Nighbert
Mar 06 Ricky Hensley
Mar 08 Jane Smith
Mar 09 Emanuele Raffaele
Mar 10 Cheryl Parsons
Mar 15 Jim Starr
Mar 17 Patsy Velin
Mar 17 Stephen Vilsack
Mar 18 Linda Falconer
Mar 18 Frederick Krambeck
Mar 20 Victor Marcellus
Mar 23 Janet Ebeling
Mar 24 Lisa Zumstein
Mar 25 Martha Sell
Mar 26 Robert Barron
Mar 26 Roxana Robinson



Contact Sharon Blackwell for Any Corrections
Blackwes50@gmail.com

FAGOWEE OF THE MONTH—JANUARY

Congratulations to Sharon Blackwell, our FOM for Jan. Great job on putting together our wonderful cruise to the Caribbean. A great time was had by all, and the weather was great. You are the maven of the high seas! Looking forward to our next adventure. Once again job well done!

Congratulations, NICE GOING!
GREAT! Way to Go!
yes! FELICITATIONS
CHEERS TAKE A BEST
BOW! WISHES!

SAVE THE DATES

Apr 30, 2023

April BOM

The Lazy Dog Café
Chantilly, VA
Sunday Brunch.



June 9-11, 2023

Float Trip

Low Water Bridge
Campground
Bentonville, VA



C-A-P-S! CAPS! CAPS! CAPS!

Join the Fagowees for ANOTHER night
of NHL Hockey!

What: NY Islanders v. Washington Capitals

When: Weds, March 29, 2023

Game Time: 7:30pm

Cost: \$85 per ticket (price includes a Capitals T-shirt plus BBQ entree & side and beer, wine, soda drink package in the Devil's Backbone Lounge)

Only 14 tickets for this game!

Tickets are in the lower 400 level

Location: Capital One Arena

601 F Street, NW, Washington, DC 20004

Metro: Yellow/Green/Red Lines to Gallery Place.

Questions? RSVP Sign Up and pay via www.dcfagowees.com Contact Stacy Hickman at hickman1928@hotmail.com if you have any questions.

LET'S GO CAPS!





FAGOWEE Oktoberfest Trip

Berlin and Munchen

September 22 to October 2, 2023

Trip Leaders- Marc and Lisl Vignerot

Cost per person ** (Ground Only):

Total per person MUC Only- 5 nights (Sept 22- 27)

Triple	Double	Single
\$940	\$1,100	\$1,675

Total per person Berlin Only-4 nights (Sept 27-Oct 2)

Double	Single
\$610	\$995

Total per person 4 night Berlin and 5 night MUC (Sept 22-Oct 2)

Triple	Double	Single
\$1,550	\$1,710	\$2,675

****Estimate based on going exchange rate of \$1.15- this may go up or down**



Munich Package includes:

- Hotel Room- five nights lodging at the Hotel Metropol (3-star) on Mittererstrasse- walking distance to the Oktoberfest Beer Tents and Marianplatz shopping district. One block off of the main Hauptbahn station which connects with the S-Bahn, U-Bahn, and trams- includes all VAT taxes and charges.
- Full European Breakfast Buffet each morning- (fruits, cheeses, meats, salmon and lox, juices, coffee, soft boiled eggs, vegetables, Extensive selection of breads and pastries, etc)
- Rail Transfers to/from Hotel and Airport
- Tent reservations at Oktoberfest for Thursday AND Friday afternoon- cost includes lunch of $\frac{1}{2}$ rotisserie chicken and two beers and tray of meats/cheeses, pretzels and radishes, plus extras!
- Side trip to Innsbruck- Includes train ride and transfers to/from Munich and walking tour!

Berlin Package includes:

- Hotel Room- four nights lodging at Grimm Hotel in city center Potsdamer Platz near Brandenburg Gate and Checkpoint Charlie, and a 2min walk to the famous Teirgarten. Includes all VAT taxes and charges.
- Welcome drink
- Full European Breakfast Buffet each morning
- Train pass from Berlin to Munich (about 4 hours)

Deposit information:

\$200 at time of signup

\$500 April 15

Final payment June 15

Cancellation Policy club:

Prior to June 15—\$50 cancellation fee per person

June 15-August 23—\$250 penalty

Within 30 days of trip with substitution- \$200 charge

Within 30 days of trip- NO substitution - NO refund-NO exceptions

Name correction (not full substitution, just name correction

(ex- Mark corrected to Marc)- \$200 charge

Oktoberfest Package Only:** (Includes tent admission, side trip Innsbrook, party platters at tents, and other extras) \$175

Air Estimate: \$1200 (to/from IAD)

ITINERARY:

Sept 21/22- Leave USA /Arrive Munich

- Get checked in, tool around, possible tent reservation for evening- TBD, but may be on our own

Sept 23- Innsbruck Side Trip

- Breakfast, then 930 train to Innsbruck, walking tour. Then take narrow track local train to Rattenberg, home of the best crystal in the world. Late lunch, then town time until 5pm and return to Munich, Free evening or possibly group dinner

Sept 24- Breakfast and then Tent at Oschenbraterie and Flippy Rides on Midway all day

Sept 25- Breakfast and then English Gardens for lunch, Tent at 4pm

Sept 26- Breakfast and then free time, Tent at 4pm

Sept 27- Breakfast and leave on train to Berlin at 9:30am, Arrive Berlin around 2:30, Check in and late lunch/early dinner, - Free time and Ice Bar

Sept 28- Breakfast and hop on hop off tour and free time
















Sept 29- Breakfast and walking tour Checkpoint Charlie and Wall, Reichstag, and Museums (4h)

Sept 30- Breakfast and Zoo and free time shopping on Kurfurstendamn, dinner with group

Oct 1 - Breakfast and tour of Sachsenhausen Concentration Camp Memorial and late lunch/early dinner

Oct 2- Breakfast and leave for USA, train to airport

MARCH 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<u>Feb 26</u>	<u>Feb 27</u>	<u>Feb 28</u>	<u>1</u> 	<u>2</u> 	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u> 
<u>5</u> <u>Lake Placid</u>	<u>6</u> 	<u>7</u> <u>Member Meeting</u>	<u>8</u> 	<u>9</u> 	<u>10</u> 	<u>11</u> <u>BOM O'Connells</u>
<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>  <u>Board Meeting</u>	<u>15</u> 	<u>16</u>	<u>17</u> 	<u>18</u> 
<u>19</u>	<u>20</u> 	<u>21</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>23</u> 	<u>24</u> 	<u>25</u> 
<u>26</u> 	<u>27</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>29</u> <u>CAPS</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>Apr 1</u>
<u>Apr 2</u>	<u>Apr 3</u>	<u>Apr 4</u>	<u>Apr 5</u>	<u>Apr 6</u>	<u>Apr 7</u>	<u>Apr 8</u>

UPCOMING / SAVE THE DATE ACTIVITIES

2023

Mar 5-10 * BRSC Winterfest
 Mar 11 * Mar BOM—O'Connells
 Mar 29 * CAPS
 Apr 16 * Les Mis / Kennedy Ctr
 Apr 23 * Lincoln's Cottage
 Apr 30 BOM / Brunch
 Jun 9-11 Float Trip
 Sep 18-25 * Ocean City

* Details in this issue

Monthly Meeting: Mar 7, Apr 4
 Board Meeting Zoom: Mar 14, Apr 11.



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Submission deadline is the 15th of each month. If you would like to contribute, please email your article as an attached MS Word file to: **CarlsonChris48@gmail.com**

New Member-one year*

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Family \$40

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and member pin

* A member year is June-May

Renewal

Individual \$25
Family \$35

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Name _____ Nickname _____

Home # _____ Cell # _____

E-mail _____ Birthday (m/d) _____

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