

Lost Nation News

FAGOWEES SKI CLUB –
WASHINGTON D.C. BRANCH

President's Message for Nov

Greetings fellow Fagowees, you know when you are getting into the latter portion of the year when your favorite football teams are losing and your neighbor is giving you the stink-eye, because you have not raked your leaves yet! Ah, a wonderful time of the year. But also, we are winding down the year with some great Fagowee events! We'll get into that in just a few minutes. One fantastic aspect of the next two months is that we get to exercise our democratic franchise by voting next month! Election day is Nov. 7th so please vote! Our regular monthly meeting will be held as scheduled, at the same place: Glory Days Grill on Duke Street.

Speaking of which, the Board of Directors has been actively checking out alternate meeting sites due to some of the issues we've been having at Glory Days. The Board held their last meeting at La Fiamma Restaurant on Franconia Rd which is the best we've seen to date. This is a comfortable family-owned establishment with a back room that can seat up to 50. The restaurant has agreed to host us for our monthly meetings and the Board has approved the change. So, starting with our December membership meeting we will be meeting monthly at La Fiamma. As usual, be sure to check your newsletter and the Fagowee Facebook page for any last-minute changes.

September ended with a bang, as our **Ocean City Trip** was tremendous. Once again John & Sandy McIntire did a bang-up job in organizing & hosting the event. The weather was a little challenging & the party room springing a leak was a little disconcerting but all in all it was a great weekend. I think that the 46 Fagowees that showed up had a good time! Thanks to **Bill Steinhour** for a great group photo! BOM for Oct at **Looney's Sports Bar in Fulton, Md.** Was very well attended, we had 19 Fagowees showed up and it was a great place! Television screens as far as the eye could see and it was especially electric because both the Maryland Terrapins and the Baltimore Orioles were playing. Thank You **Karen Eckert** for finding a great place.

Then we will have horseback riding at **Marriott Ranch in Oct.** Nov BOM will be **Freddie's Beach Bar and Beach Blanket Bingo!** Remember to bring your dollar bills! Just announced, our first **Caps game will be 18 Nov!** The **Christmas Party** will be at **PJ Skidoos** in the downstairs banquet room. **Door prizes, dancing, and great food!** We will be going back to **Toby's** in December for **Miracle on 34th St**, the musical! And we have received dates for **the Canaan Valley trip Feb. 9-11.** Tons of events and much to enjoy. It's all here in the newsletter, so please peruse and pick an event. Make sure you sign up via the website!

We are going to close out the year in strong style and 2024 will be even more exciting with ski trips to Maine and Austria. We will have the **Kennedy Center for Frozen** in Jan. and more Caps Games after the first of the year. A whole host of events yet to be planned! So, stay tuned!

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

(Glasses in room to the left of the bar)

**** Tuesday, NOV 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



**** WE'RE MOVING ****

December Meeting ,
Dec 5, to be held at
LaFiamma, 6124 Franco-
nia Rd, Alexandria

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In case this is your first newsletter—Be sure to check out our Facebook page. (closed Group-only for the Fagoweews), and the DCFagoweews 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.

September Fagoweews of the Month— Marc & Lisa Vignerot

3 Cheers for **Marc and Lisa Vignerot** and their leading of the 2023 Octoberfest Trip. Years of practice have made them extremely proficient at herding cats, calming down irate management, and satisfying the thirsty "follower."



16 Fagoweews were taken adrift and found their way home because of these two. For this, Lisa & Marc are crowned **September's Fagoweews of the Month.**

FAGOWEE STORE

Fagowee T-Shirts - TOO LATE

MORE SALE ITEMS



FACE MASKS

Blue with Fagowee Indian Logo
Large or Small Adult Size
\$20- \$10 (SALE)

KOOZIES—\$1 Each (SALE)

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

Store Managers

Molly Stumpf, VentureMom@earthlink.net
Marilyn Morrison, MarilynMorrison1990@gmail.com

Can also order on the Fagowee website

Columbus Blue Jackets v. Washington Capitals Hockey Game

When: Sat. Nov 18, 2023

Game Time: 7:30pm

Cost: \$90 per ticket (price includes the BBQ entree & side and beer, wine, soda drink package in the Devil's Backbone Lounge)

Only 10 tickets for this game!

Tickets are in the lower 400 level

Location: Capitol One Arena

601 F Street, NW, Washington, DC 20004

Metro: Yellow/Green/Red Lines

to Gallery Place.

Questions? / RSVP- Contact Stacy

Hickman at hickman1928@hotmail.com



Canaan Valley Ski Trip

Feb 9-11, 2024

With optional Thur and/or Sun nights

Rates—Per Person (Member Rates)

Fri & Sat

Occupancy	Base Nights	Add Thur	Add Sun
Single	\$ 438	\$ 155	\$ 155
Double	\$ 262	\$ 90	\$ 90
Triple	\$ 203	\$ 64	\$ 64

Pricing includes Welcome Reception on Fri, and Apres Gathering on Sat (BYOB for each). Full buffet breakfast, All Resort Fees, Taxes & Gratuities.

Outdoor Activities on Site or in the Area Include Cross Country Skiing and Snowshoeing, Tubing, Ice Skating, Horseback Riding. (local options—Davis, White Grass Touring, Timberline)

Other Activities in the area include shopping, visiting breweries, wineries, and restaurants or just hanging out or playing games with your fellow tribe members

Resort Amenities—Indoor heated pool, Whirlpool, Sauna, an Arcade Room as well as a Full Restaurant, a café and a Bar (with Karaoke, dance floor, pool tables and a Fireplace).

Register & Pay at DCFagowees.com

Deposit: \$100 / person / **Total Due:** NLT Dec 20

Cancel by 11/30—Full Refund

Cancel after 11/30—\$25 + unrecoverable losses

Cancel after Dec 20—NO Refund

Questions??

Contact Chris at CarlsonChris48@gmail.com

Nov BOM—Drag Queen Bingo at Freddie's Beach Bar

Date: Nov 8, 2023

Time: 7pm-10pm

Where: 555 23rd Street South

Arlington, VA (aka Crystal City)

Join us for a night of Bingo, tasty food, great bar options and a show at Fabulous Fred-die's Beach Bar. Free to play Bingo with Ms. Regina Jozet Adams followed by karaoke at 10pm.

Happy Hour until 8pm. 1/2 price burger night. Street Parking and Fabulous Bingo Prizes

RSVP via the Fagowee website by Nov 7, so you can have a seat at the table.

Questions? Contact Stacy at Hickman1928@hotmail.com



FAGOWEES WISH YOU A VERY HAPPY NOVEMBER BIRTHDAY

Nov 02 Miriam Alonso

Nov 02 Dawn Cutler

Nov 03 Frederick Cruise

Nov 03 Steven Williams

Nov 04 Stephen McCallister

Nov 04 Thomas Murphy

Nov 05 Teresa Brandenburg

Nov 05 Mike Sloper

Nov 05 Duane Strand

Nov 06 Renae Delvitto

Nov 11 Susan Carder

Nov 11 Mary Jane Wellons

Nov 15 Molly Stumpf

Nov 20 Linda Williams

Nov 23 Pamela Chewning-Bravard

Nov 25 Eileen Thawley

Nov 29 Lisa Keller

Nov 30 Dr. E. Victoria Porter

Contact Sharon Blackwell for Any Corrections
Blackwes50@gmail.com



Christmas at the White House! Saturday Dec 9

Who'd a thunk we'd have a Fagowee in the White House! Much less 50 of 'em!

As announced earlier via email, Fagoweers have an opportunity to tour the White House on Saturday, 9 December. We get an added bonus of seeing our nation's house finely decorated for Christmas.

For those who have registered, confirmation of the tour, times, and visitor policy will be forthcoming in November. POC is Miriam Alonso at fredricka@rocketmail.com.

[Note: Due to the White House's short deadline and security requirements, this tour is "sold out" and sign ups are no longer available.]



OC Beach Week, Sunset Kayaking and Looney's Pub



MIRACLE ON 34TH STREET

The Musical

Do you believe?

"This musical adaptation of the classic film is the holiday tale of a young girl who doubts the existence of Santa Claus until a very special, white-bearded old man changes her mind. Recreating the magic of the classic story,"

"Miracle on 34th Street" is a joyous, heartwarming musical, the perfect holiday treat for the entire family. Dreams do come true, if you believe!

We'll enjoy a classic dinner theater atmosphere with live music. Come for the great fellowship, extensive quality brunch buffet.

Event: "Miracle on 34th Street" Musical

Date: Sunday, December 17, 2023

Brunch: 10:30am-11:50am

Show: 12:30pm-3:30pm

Location: Toby's Dinner Theatre

5900 Symphony Woods Rd, Columbia, MD
(Tel. 410-730-8311)



Tickets Paid via Fagowee Website:

<https://dcfagoweers.com/>

Ticket Prices: \$78 per adult; \$67.40 per child ages 5-12 (no children under 5) Limited to 35 people (We must have a minimum of 20 adults)

Price includes: Brunch buffet, iced tea, coffee/tea, show, taxes, and gratuity for meal and show. (Sodas/drinks available for purchase.)

Additional information: Free parking. No nearby Metro access. No refunds once paid. Venue has a few steps to get to dinner tables. Let Miriam know if special accommodations such as wheelchair or walker accessibility are needed (Toby's can accommodate) Website: <https://tobysdinnertheatre.com/>

Deadline to register and pay is Nov 17, 2023.

POC: Miriam Alonso,
fredricka@rocketmail.com

2024 Austrian Alps Adventure for Skiers and Non-Skiers

January 27 to February 4, 2024

(with flexible arrival and departure dates)



Join other Fagowees for a great week of skiing and lots of activities off the slopes, all while staying at the 4 star Metzgerwirt Hotel in the charming alpine village of St. Veit im Pongau, just 60 km south of Salzburg. Local arrangements by Siegi Tours.

Skiing A single ski pass will give skiers access to the interconnected ski resorts of the Salzburger Sportwelt as well as other resorts in the larger Ski Amadé Alliance. A free ski bus connects St. Veit to the gondola base at St. Johann/Alpendorf, where the rental shop is located and where lessons and ski safaris meet. Nancy can provide details about the ski slopes.

Pricing To give you an idea of pricing, Siegi Tours has created a basic special VIP – Fagowee Package that includes 6 nights, 6 breakfasts and 6 4-course wonderful dinners at the 4 star Metzgerwirt Hotel. ***Any aspect of this package can be customized for you.***

Included in all packages are: access to events at the Siegi Tours private bar Rustica Stadl (drinks extra), free access to the hotel's wellness center, and a ski locker with boot warmers for each hotel room. There is a free shuttle to/from the ski area.

2024 Prices (2, 3, or 4 person occupancy)

Basic Package: €968 per adult (double occupancy) with a single supplement of €18 per night.

For skiers, any combination of lessons and a ski safari are possible. Here are the total costs of some examples, *all of which include the 6 nights room and board:*

<i>Ski Package A:</i> 3 days of lessons/fine tuning plus 1 day guided ski safari	€1,108 per adult *
<i>Ski Package B:</i> 1 day of lessons/fine tuning plus 1 day guided ski safari	€1,078 per adult *
<i>Ski Package C:</i> 1 day guided ski safari	€1,048 per adult *

* Lift Passes are extra

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Activities Off the Slopes: There are many more than those listed below. Skiers will want to take days off so as not to miss out. Here are some of the many activities to keep non-skiers and skiers on their non-ski days busy. No car needed! Prices are approximate. Round Trip taxi to Schwarzach/St. Veit train station €10.

* Tobogganing and Snow-tubing €12	* Evening sleigh ride €110 per sleigh (holds 8)
* Alpendorf Gondola (for lunch, drinks or sitting on the slopes) €23 round trip	* Alpentherme hot springs resort €43/day, €36/4 hours (round trip train €13)
* Exploring Salzburg (round trip train €29)	* Salt Mines Tour €32 (round trip train €22)
* Sound of Music Tour €60	* Nordic Skiing (rentals at Alpendorf)
* Eagle's Nest Tour (check tours online)	* Shopping and cake at Café Schiebel in St. Johann

Meals: The Metzgerwirt provides a hot and cold breakfast buffet (complete with Austrian breads and pastries) as well as a leisurely gourmet dinner. Lunch is on your own at either one of the many restaurants dotting the ski slopes or a town café.

Everyone will arrange and pay for their own travel to and from St. Veit im Pongau. St. Veit is easily reached by train from Salzburg and Munich. Round trip flights between Dulles and Munich were about \$1,000 dollars in early summer. Nancy can provide options on getting from your airport to St. Veit.

Sign Ups and Cancellations

You can now register/sign up on the Fagowee EVENTS page and pay the \$25 Fagowee fee. Once you've registered on the Fagowee website, Nancy will send you details about contacting Kerstin at Siegi Tours. Kerstin will assist you with paying the €200 deposit, customizing your trip, and making further payments. **Additionally, expanded details are available when you click on the two links on the website.**

All payments are fully refundable, less a €20 handling fee, up to 30 days before arrival. Travel insurance is strongly recommended. Nancy will also send you the refund schedule for cancellations within 30 days of arrival.

Trip leaders are Nancy McMahon, mcmahon.nk@gmail.com, and Mary Ellen Feldcamp, Maryellen.feldcamp@gmail.com.

Both have skied with Siegi many times.

Nancy says: *One of the places I feel most alive is skiing with Siegi's!"*



**Lots to do,
even if you
don't ski**



Christmas Party – 2023

PJ Skidoos (Private Banquet Room)

9908 Fairfax Blvd, Fairfax, VA 22030

Date: Friday, December 15th, 2023

Time: 6pm – midnight

Cost: \$60 per member

**** Tickets MUST be purchased by Dec 2nd ****

Cash Bar & Full Dinner Buffet!

Fabulous Door Prizes!

Dancing 'til Midnight to DJ Ryan Baker!



"Please be respectful of PJs and your fellow partiers. No outside alcohol is permitted and please limit your food portion to a reasonable amount so all can be accommodated."

DINNER



Door Prizes



Sign up today at DCFagowees.com

To fully enjoy your evening, consider booking a room at the nearby **Hampton Inn Fairfax City** located just up the street at **10860 Fairfax Blvd, Fairfax, VA 22030**. They are only a 2-mile Uber ride away, have rooms with a single King bed or two Queen beds, and will serve you that hangover breakfast in the am. To book call 703-385-2600 (select option 2 – tell them its for the night of 12/15 under the Fagowees, Group Code TFC). Rate including tax is \$134.47. Recommend booking early to assure guaranteed availability and price.

If you would like to make a Holiday basket or a gift contribution toward our party prizes and giveaways, or know of an individual or business who would be willing to do so, please contact one of our party planners as follows:

Chris Carlson (CarlsonChris48@gmail.com) or
Sharon Blackwell (blackwes50@gmail.com).



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Fun in the Sun VII Cruise



Mediterranean Cruise from Trieste Italy visiting Venice, Italy, Croatia, Slovenia, Turkey and Greece!

Oct 17-27, 2024 NCL Dawn 10 Days, 10 Ports!

Cruise group price includes your upgraded balcony cabin on deck 10, Unlimited open bar, includes two specialty restaurant experiences, 150 minutes of internet on ship pp, \$25 pp shore excursion discount pp, per port, \$100 per cabin ship board group credit, one Fagowee party TBD, and ALL normal tips, gratuities, port fees and taxes. Depending on how many cabins we sell, there may also be a 5-10% reduction in the base rate depending on NCL group policies when we pay our final amount. Non drinkers can opt out of the drink package saving approximately \$200 in tips, but all cabin mates have to be of the same drink status. \$250 deposit saves your cabin.

Group pricing is apx \$3350 pp in a double cabin, \$2750 pp in a triple. but final price depends on how many cabins we sell, could be reduced even further. Final payment is due June 5th 2024.

Not included in the price above: your airfare, airport transfers, travel insurance (all available through NCL or on your own), additional tips for room service, etc. Pre and post cruise stays in Venice or Greece. More information will be in future newsletters.

Contact Mr Bill for more information: @ Fagoweecruisers@yahoo.com

FROZEN

THE HIT BROADWAY MUSICAL

Kennedy Center Opera House















Sunday, January 7, 2024, 1:30 p.m.

Join us for *Frozen*, a musical fantasy about a kingdom whose new queen desires a permanent winter. *Frozen* features the songs you know and love from the original Oscar®-winning film, plus an expanded score with a dozen new numbers. Don't miss Elsa, Anna, Kristoff, Olaf and Sven. Come enjoy this journey of Love and MAGIC.

Initially we have 35 tickets available. As was the case with Moulin Rouge, all seats will be located in the center orchestra. Tickets will cost \$127 per ticket. Deadline for signups and payment is December 6. See Tim Gordon at an upcoming meeting or contact him by phone at 703-931-7795 or by E-mail at niemangor-don@gmail.com. Make checks payable to Fagowees and send to Tim at 3310 Nevius Street, Falls Church, VA 22041.



NOV 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<u>Oct 22</u>	<u>Oct 23</u>	<u>Oct 24</u>	<u>Oct 25</u>	<u>Oct 26</u>	<u>Oct 27</u>	<u>Oct 28</u>
<u>Oct 29</u>	<u>Oct 30</u>	<u>Oct 31</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u> 	<u>3</u> 	<u>4</u> 
<u>5</u> 	<u>6</u> 	<u>7</u> Member Meeting	<u>8</u> 	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u> 
<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>  Board Meeting	<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>30</u> 	<u>Dec 1</u>	<u>Dec 2</u>

UPCOMING / SAVE THE DATE ACTIVITIES

2023

Nov 8
Nov 18
Dec 9
Dec 15
Dec 17

* BOM-Freddie's Beach Bar
* CAPS
* White House Tour
* Christmas Party
* Toby's-Miracle on 34th St

2024

Jan 7 * Frozen at the Kennedy Ctr
Jan 26-Feb 4 * Austrian Alps Ski Trip
Feb 9-11 * Canaan Ski Trip
Oct 17-27 * Mediterranean Cruise

* Details in this issue



Monthly Meeting: NOV 7, DEC 5
Board Meeting Zoom: NOV 14, NONE

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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*

Individual \$30
Family \$40

Includes monthly Newsletter
and member pin

* A member year is June-May

Renewal

Individual \$25
Family \$35

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For Family Memberships (add Spouse or Partner living at same address)

Name _____ Nickname _____

Home # _____ Cell # _____

E-mail _____ Birthday (m/d) _____

How did you hear about The Fagowees? _____