

Lost Nation News

FAGOWEES SKI CLUB –
WASHINGTON D.C. BRANCH

President's Message

Well, here we are again, in the throes of winter. May your propane tank be full, and your heating bills be low. One thing that is heating up is our annual cycle of events and the responsibilities that the club must meet. One thing that is coming up fast and furious is club elections. **At the monthly meeting in March, the floor will be open for nominations. We will be electing the positions of President, Vice-President and three board members**, whose terms are expiring. This is your opportunity to step up and help steer the direction of the club. New ideas, fresh perspectives or long-term initiatives for the club that's what we need. Good leadership means a strong sustaining organization. So, let's show up at the March meeting with some nominations ready to go!

Speaking of our monthly meetings, La Fiamma does have an interesting set-up for their bar food and Happy Hour drink pricing. I have had requests to see if we can do something about that. I will get back with the ownership to see if we can work something out. Heads up that we may be sitting in a different area for the March meeting.

I want to congratulate **our co-FOM's, Nancy McMahon and Mary Ellen Feldcamp**, for all their marvelous work in putting together the **Austrian Ski Trip**. A ton of organizing, but a fun time was had by all that went! Good job Nancy and Mary Ellen!

Of course, each February we have our annual pilgrimage to **Canaan Valley which was Feb. 9 to Feb 11**. Once again **Chris Carlson** put together an excellent trip. Lot of camaraderie in the party room and there was even some snow on the slopes. Our **Feb BOM at Lost Dog Café** is on tap for **the 24th of Feb**. Great bar, wonderful food with one of the most extensive menus I have seen. Craft beer selection is awesome too! Our last event of the month is a doozie: **Washington Capitals hockey vs the Ottawa Senators on 26 Feb**. The beer is cold and the BBQ delectable at the **Devils Backbone Bar**! What better way to spend a evening with your fellow Fagowees. Thanks to Stacy Hickman for setting that up.

That gets us to March and the wearin o' the green. **Our annual St. Patrick's Day BOM at Celtic House** on Columbia Pike. **Friday, 15th at 6:30 pm**. Traditional food, traditional music and a lot of Irish toasts!

Heading into summer, heads up: Float Trip in June and our annual so-journ in Ocean City in Sept.

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

**** Tuesday, MAR 5, 2024 ****

La Fiamma Italian Kitchen
Vito's Room (in the back)
6124 Franconia Rd
Alexandria
lafiammaitalian.com

Beat the traffic, come early, hang out at
 the Bar for Bar Specials

Social / Dinner:
6pm – 7:30pm
Meeting: 7:30pm

President—John Morrison
Long4Tex@AOL.com

Vice President—Mike Stumpf
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Asst. Treasurer	Tim Gordon
Pin Engraver	John McIntire
Greeting Chair	Sandy McIntire
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	Molly Stumpf & Marilyn Morrison
BRSC Council	Mike Stumpf and Rich Kavanagh



Bobbie Jaeger

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.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Tell a Friend!

January was the beginning of our annual Membership Drive 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.

If they join between Jan 1 and May 31, their membership will be good thru May 2025.

Direct them to DCFagowees.com, then click [Join Us](#) at the top of the page and follow directions. Easy, Peasy !!

FAGOWEE STORE

Fagowee T-Shirts - TOO LATE

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

TIME FOR SOME SPRING CLEANING **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

At 10:00 am on June 8 (weather permitting), the Fagowees are meeting to clean up the storage locker we rent.

Not only cleaning, but also removing and disposal of broken or no longer needed items. When done, we will celebrate at Fairwinds Brewery, just a short distance away.

A few larger SUVs or trucks will be needed to haul away the items.

The storage locker is the Mini U Storage at 7711 Loisdale Road Springfield, VA.

If you can help with this cleanup, Let Mike know ASAP — mestumpf2@earthlink.net

FAGOWEE WINDFALL!!

Hey you all!!! We received a 2nd Shipment!

**Where the Fagowee?
Here the Fagowee?**

This beauty needs to be part of your Fagowee travel set. Stainless Steel Insulation will keep your Wine COLD or your Hot Toddys HOT. Bring it to the beach, to Canaan, and everywhere else!



12 oz. Stainless Steel Insulated Tumbler

Cost: \$21.00 each. Several options for Acquisition—Shipped (@ extra cost), Pick Up at the NEXT Meeting or a BOM.

No need to order through a link. If you would like one, please email details to Marilyn Morrison at marilynmarriott1990@gmail.com

April Bar of The Month



Location: 10426 Main St., Fairfax, VA.
CommonwealthBrewingCompany.com

Phone: (703) 865-0603

Date: Saturday April 13th

Time: 4pm til ???

A relative newcomer to Fairfax City, Commonwealth is out of Virginia Beach. It has an impressive list of craft brews, 42 at last count! Also available are hard seltzer, wine and specialty craft cocktails.

The pizza is impressive, and you have the ability to customize your order. The food menu is extensive with many interesting items. There are free parking lots within 1 or 2 blocks of the building. We will have a reserved table on the inside. If you are a Gose lover this is your place!

Be sure to sign up for this event, so you can be included in the count. Contact John Morrison if any questions—Long4Tex@aol.com

FAGOWEES WISH YOU A VERY HAPPY MARCH BIRTHDAY

Mar 01 Gary Falconer
Mar 02 Eileen Hynson
Mar 04 Jane Nighbert
Mar 08 Jane Smith
Mar 09 Steve Foster
Mar 09 Emanuele Raffaele
Mar 10 Cheryl Parsons
Mar 15 Jim Starr
Mar 17 Patricia Velin
Mar 18 Linda Falconer
Mar 18 Frederick Krambeck
Mar 23 Janet Ebeling
Mar 24 Lisa Zumstein
Mar 25 Martha Sell
Mar 26 Robert Barron
Mar 26 Roxana Robinson
Mar 31 Kirsten Calfo



**happy
birthday**



Contact Sharon Blackwell for Any Corrections
Blackwes50@gmail.com

MJ-The Musical At The National Theater

When: Weds, August 21, 2024

Time: 7:30pm\10:30

Location: National Theater

1321 Pennsylvania Ave., NW

Washington, DC 20004

Cost: \$105 per ticket



Join us for a night of music with MJ the Musical. The show is a jukebox musical based on the life and career of the King of Pop Michael Jackson. The show features 25 songs and moments from his catalog. We have 30 tickets to the show in the Center Mezzanine. Deadline to sign up is July 20, 2024.

Please send your checks made payable to "The Fagowees"
and send to Stacy Hickman,
2059 Huntington Ave#210, Alexandria, VA 22303.
Any questions, contact Stacy at hickman1928@hotmail.com



Canaan Ski Trip '24

I think Michelle had the most fun-playing LRC & Mexican Train



March Bar of the Month—The Celtic House Irish Pub

Where: 2500 Columbia Pike, Arlington, Va. 22204

When: Friday, March 15th, **Start Time** 6:30pm.

Who: The first 16 Fagowees to sign up on the website.

What: A St. Patrick's Day celebration!



We have traditionally done an Irish Bar for "The wearin o' the green." We will be having a traditional Irish menu and all the Guinness you can hold! There is live entertainment, a chance to practice "My Wild Irish Rose." We have been here before so things should seem familiar. The parking is in the back of the building and if I remember correctly, it's generous.

Be sure to sign up on line. See you there.

Contact John at Long4Tex@AOL.com with any questions.

Ocean City Beach Week

Castle in the Sand Hotel - September 16 – 23, 2024

Come join us for a week of beach fun at Ocean City. Castle in the Sand is located on the beach at 37th street; easy walking distance to the boardwalk. On the grounds is the **Coco-nuts 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 on-site breakfast restaurant and an Olympic size pool.

ACCOMODATIONS - All units are oceanfront efficiencies in the Waverly building (as previous years). We have blocked all 10 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. 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 16 – Monday, Sept 23: \$1213.23 **per efficiency** (tax included)

Weekend Only: Friday, Sept 20 – Sunday, Sept 22: \$608.28 **per efficiency** (tax included)

Extended Weekend: Fri, Sept 20 – Mon, Sept 23: \$729.27 **per efficiency** (tax included)

Weekdays Only: Monday, Sept 16 – Friday, Sept 20: \$483.96 **per efficiency** (tax included)

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

NON-MEMBER GUEST FEE: \$35 **per person** (\$25 party + \$10 non-member fee)

BEACH PARTY – We have a beach party starting at 3:00pm on Saturday. Party food and drinks (wine, beer, soda) will be provided. In case of rain, party will be held in the Waverly party room.

PAYMENTS & CANCELLATIONS: To guarantee availability, make your reservations no later than August 19th. A deposit equal to the first day's rent is due to the hotel at sign-up. 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. (Payments are refundable if you cancel at least two weeks prior to arrival date.) Then, have each person in your group register on the Fagowee website and pay the party fee.

BOOKING REWARD COUPONS: The Castle Hotel will send you a booking confirmation which includes a link to reward coupons. Be sure to check this out and download your coupons before you arrive at the beach.

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

FAGOWEE ELECTIONS — May 7th, 2024

Nominations – March 5th & April 2nd

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
- **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. *(If the current President is reelected), **1 Board Member** (one-year term).

Nominations: Nominations will be conducted at the March 5th and April 2nd 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 nomination by April 5th (three days after nominations are closed).

Sandy McIntire, Marilyn Morrison and Molly Stumpf were elected to 2-year terms last year and, therefore, will be continuing as members of the new board.

Miriam Alonso, Chris Carlson and Fred Krambeck are completing their terms this year and are, therefore, eligible to be nominated. John McIntire, who will be completing his role as Past President, will also be eligible to be nominated.

Elections: May 7, 2024 at the regular membership meeting by secret ballot of all members present.

Absentee voting: Request for absentee ballots must be made in writing on or before the April 2nd 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 2nd 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.



MORE VOLUNTEERS, MORE ACTIVITIES, MORE FUN

The Fagowee Ski Club is always looking for volunteers to help in developing, planning, and leading activities or trips. So, if you have enjoyed any of the numerous / varied activities or have a favorite activity or a great idea, think about sharing it with the group and becoming a leader. Even a small get together can be a good activity to start with.



If you have any interest, let any Board Member know (maybe a short write up of details, potential dates, times, etc.) or come to a Board Meeting to present your idea. We can help you finalize the specifics. And, of course, if you have any Questions, just ask.

January Fagowee(s) of the Month

Mary Ellen Feldcamp & Nancy McMahon have unanimously been voted Fagowees of the Month by our board for providing our troops an amazing trip to Austria this past January. There are no other words to use for what a fabulous trip this was, but from Rich K, who said he assumed this would now become an annual trip, and hoped that Nancy and Mary Ellen would be leading it again.

"Both Rich and Nancy (with Mary Ellen's help) have posted pictures and descriptions of this amazing trip on the Fagowee Facebook page. If you'd like to hear more or have any questions about the trip, please contact either Nancy or Mary Ellen. Here are a few of the pics:"



**Fagowee Austria
Trip 2024**




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

FUNNY GIRL
Kennedy Center Opera House
Sunday, June 30, 2024 1:30 p.m.

Join us for **Funny Girl**, a musical revival of a 1961 show that introduced a very young Barbra Streisand to the Broadway stage. The story centers around Fanny Brice, a vaudeville performer and early movie actress, and her relationship with gambler and entrepreneur, Nick Arnstein.

Tickets will cost \$106 for center orchestra seats. If interested, contact Tim Gordon at niemangordon@gmail.com or by phone at 703-931-7795. Send checks payable to Fagowees to Tim at 3310 Nevius Street, Falls Church, VA 22041. Deadline for signups and payment is May 25, 2024.



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 and is refundable prior to final payment due.

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.

Sign up NOW so we can guarantee the group perks. Otherwise, we might loose our group status! Prices are not guaranteed until deposits are made. They will go up in the future. Groups might sell out.

To make your cruise deposit and payments with NCL directly, contact Samantha at smcvay@ncl.com OR 954-233-6335 reference Steinhour Venice Cruise Oct 2024.
Let Bill know when you have made your deposit(s).

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

Annual Float Trip down the Shenandoah

Time Again for our float trip! Get ready, patch those inner tubes and break out your tents!

Date: June 21-23, 2024

Location: Low Water Bridge Campground
192 Panhandle Rd., Bentonville, Va. 22610

Directions: I-66 west to exit 340 South, Bentonville exit, then right on Indian Hollow Rd., after you go through Bentonville. Check-in to the site can be anytime after 2pm. Check-in at the office and they will direct you to the campsites and there will be Fagowee staff at the site to help. Check-out is 12 Noon.

This will be primitive camping, so you must provide all your equipment. We will have 5 electrical sites, so power can be provided.

Cost: Adults \$75.00 (16 and up)

Children \$30.00 (7 to 15) / Free (6 & Under)

Meals Included: Friday dinner, Saturday breakfast, Saturday dinner, and Sunday breakfast. Happy hour will be held 3 to 6pm Fri. and Sat., with beer, wine, soda and snacks.


Sign Up at DCFagowees website for the Camping portion. Tubing on the river is at your own discretion. Bring your floats and you can put in to the river right at the campground.

Floats & transportation services are available through the campground office. Tube Rental is \$10, Transportation to put-in upstream or pick-up downstream is \$15 one way. Beer Cooler Float \$10 rent.

Kayaks and Canoes can be rented from Down River Company next door to the campground.

We will need volunteers to help plan and put on the event. We will have a vehicle for signing up. Or you can just contact me at long4tex@aol.com.

MAR 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<u>Feb 25</u>	<u>Feb 26</u>	<u>Feb 27</u>	<u>Feb 28</u>	<u>Feb 29</u>	<u>1</u> 	<u>2</u> 
<u>3</u>	<u>4</u> 	<u>5</u> <u>Member Meeting</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u> 	<u>9</u> 
<u>10</u> 	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u> 	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>  <u>Celtic House</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> 
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<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>

UPCOMING / SAVE THE DATE ACTIVITIES

2024

Mar 15 * BOM—Celtic House
 Apr 13 * BOM—Commonwealth Brewing
 Jun 21-23 * Float Trip
 June 30 * Funny Girl / Kennedy Ctr
 Aug 21 * MJ-The Musical
 Sep 16-23 * Ocean City Beach Week
 Oct 17-27 * Mediterranean Cruise

Monthly Meeting: MAR 5, APR 2
 Board Meeting Zoom: MAR 12, APR 9

* Details in this issue



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OUR BACK SIDE

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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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payable to Fagowees to:

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Washington Branch
PO Box 22516
Alexandria, VA 22304

SEND THIS FORM WITH COMPLETED INFORMATION AND APPROPRIATE FUNDS (INFO IS FOR CLUB USE ONLY AND IS NOT SHARED WITH OTHERS)

Name _____ Nickname _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Country _____

Home # _____ Cell # _____

E-mail (for Newsletter Delivery) _____

Birthday (month/day) _____

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? _____