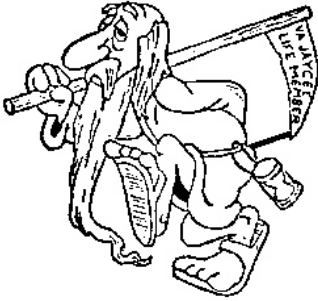


Spring 2023

Newsletter



VIRGINIA JAYCEES

Life Member Association

Words From President Vanessa...

HAVING FUN IN THE LMA

Happy Spring to all my LMA family,

My how time fly's when you're having fun! There are only two more months left to this year. We had a good LMA meeting during the February Jaycee weekend in Virginia Beach (see the minutes included in this newsletter). And the most exciting thing was we honored TWO individuals with Life Memberships!

And following that, to all those who participated in the Regional lunches on March 11th – a fun time was had by all. I know I enjoyed seeing the NOVA group and meeting a few new people.

In order to address the “what is our focus?” question, we have put together a committee to come up with some ideas and to report back to

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2023 Upcoming Events:

- *Wine Tour—April 22, 2023*
- *LMA & Senate Joint Meeting & Dutch Treat Dinners—May 5-7, 2023, Glen Allen*
- *Annual Chincoteague Trip—October 19-23, 2023*



Words From President Vanessa (...continued from page 1)

the group in May. If anyone has any ideas or suggestions on a good cause for our efforts or for outings, projects or subjects of interest to the LMA, please feel free to send me or Elissa Grantham an email, text or call – We’d love to hear your thoughts. I’m asking for all of you who are questioning why we exist, please hang in there, we will announce our findings soon.

The proposal to change the name of the Membership Vice President to Activation Vice President was ratified on February 18th, 2023. Below is a copy of the revised Organization Structure.

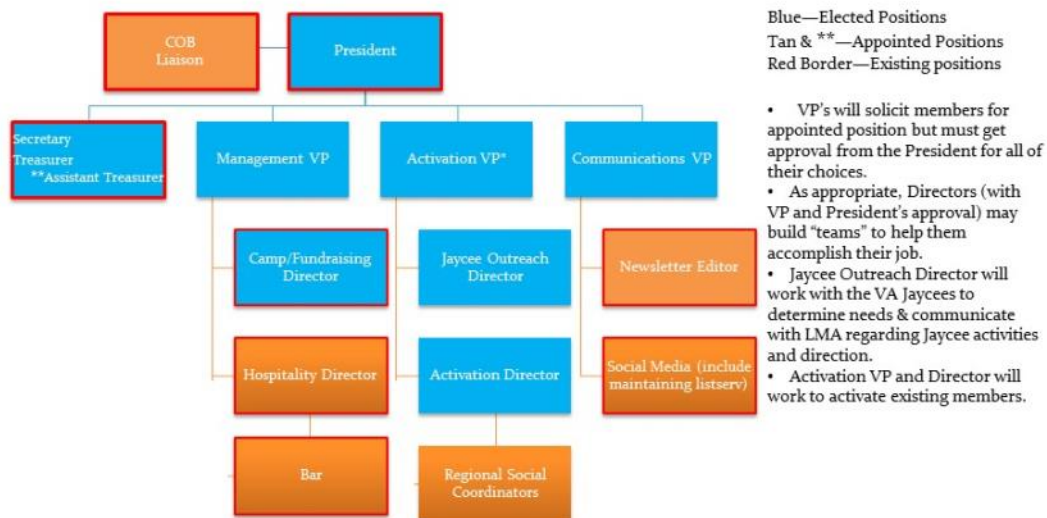
I would like to take this time to THANK all my board members who served with me this past year. Chris Williamson has been keeping us solvent as Treasurer. Bill Duncan - thanks for your help with membership. Lee Wolfe - great job with the minutes. Mike Wolfe – You’re the Man for new Members! Christina has done an outstanding job with the newsletter. Rob and Joyce have been a big help in setting up the May meeting. Jodi Dean, I’m sorry you couldn’t finish the year as our Management VP, but thanks for your friendship and support. And last but certainly not least, Lin Martin has been my shining STAR all year with her unique and wonderful way with food and hospitality! THANK YOU ALL!!

I’m hoping to see more of you at the wine event on April 22nd and even more of you at the May meeting with the Virginia Senate, May 5-6 in Glen Allen.

Until then.

Vanessa Kinsley
 LMA President 2022-23
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Life Membership Association Organization Structure



- Blue—Elected Positions
- Tan & **—Appointed Positions
- Red Border—Existing positions
- VP's will solicit members for appointed position but must get approval from the President for all of their choices.
- As appropriate, Directors (with VP and President's approval) may build "teams" to help them accomplish their job.
- Jaycee Outreach Director will work with the VA Jaycees to determine needs & communicate with LMA regarding Jaycee activities and direction.
- Activation VP and Director will work to activate existing members.

Ratified November 2015
 * Position Title updated February 2023

Joyce Cooke, Chairman of the Board

Hello LMA Family,

I am so glad it is finally spring! We are looking forward to our May meeting in Glen Allen. Rob, Lin, and I were very impressed with the folks there and the hotel looked great when we visited. Hope to see a lot of our family there!

I have been trying to encourage folks to step up and volunteer for positions on our Board for the 23-24 year. These are not difficult positions and they don't take a huge amount of time. What they do require is the caring and enthusiasm to help the Life Member Association to grow, nurture, and provide for our members. It's your time to step up.

President Kennedy said, "If not us, who? If not now, when?"

It is always a pleasure to serve you in any capacity that I can. Take good care of yourselves and appreciate each other. You are very important to this world! (and to me as well!)

Yours in the LMA,

Sincerely,

Joyce B. Cooke

2022-2023 Chairman of the Board

Bill Duncan, Activation Vice President

Yea! We finally got new Virginia Jaycee Life Members at the Winter Meeting in Virginia Beach! The new Life Members inducted were Beverly Williams and David Edmondson, both from the Peninsula Jaycees. Please congratulate them to the Virginia Jaycee Life Membership family!

We have a joint LMA/Senate meeting coming up the weekend of May 5-7 at the Comfort Inn & Suites on Telegraph Road in Glen Allen. I hope to see everyone there, and there will be elections for VAJCLMA offices for the 2023-24 year, and I'll be running for Activation VP (formerly Membership VP).

We could use your help finding more long-time Jaycees interested in getting considered for a Virginia Jaycees Life Membership; all it takes is for you to be an active Virginia Jaycees member for at least three years in good standing. Please reach out to chapters that have members wanting to be considered for Virginia Jaycees Life Memberships!

Again, see you all in Glen Allen May 5-7!

Bill Duncan

2022-2023 Membership / Activation Vice President



Christina Brunner, Communications Vice President

Happy Spring! Aaaaaaaaaachoooooooooooooooooooo!

Thank you to the 2022-2023 Board for turning in articles with minimum nagging. :) I look forward to working with the new board in the coming year! I'll still be the resident hermit geek, but I'm ALWAYS open to any suggestions for better communications in the LMA. Is there a platform or format that works better for you? A time or a frequency in posting? I'm open to suggestions, so feel free to [email](#) me your thoughts!

Stay well and I hope to see you all soon.

Christina Brunner
2022-2023 Communications Vice President



Mike Wolfe, Liaison

I want to thank everyone for the opportunity to be Liaison this year. As always, it has been a pleasure working with my fellow Life Members.

To date this year, we gained three new life members: Kaye Stout, David Edmondson, and Beverly Williams. As you meet these folks, please spend some time to get to know them and make them feel welcome.

Best of luck to next year's board. I hope it is an overwhelming success! And let's continue to grow this organization and thrive to unite as family. Now, let's celebrate our new members for the 2022-2023 year!

Mike Wolfe
2022-2023 Liaison

Lee Wolfe, Secretary



The minutes from the February 18th, 2023 LMA Meeting (Virginia Beach, VA) are now available. Please see the attachment in the Newsletter email.

Sincerely,
Lee Wolfe
2022-2023 Secretary

Chris Williamson, Treasurer

The Virginia Jaycee Life Member Association fiscal year runs from June 1, 2022 until May 31, 2023. All members are up for renewal as of June 1. Please see the attachment in the Newsletter email for a list of paid members.

Dues for the upcoming year are \$40. Your renewal entitles you to vote in elections, serve on the executive board of the LMA, and full access to the LMA hospitality suite at all membership meetings.

Please be sure to include the completed form with your dues so we can make sure your contact information is up to date. Don't forget your email address!!

Chris Williamson
2022-2023 Treasurer

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VIRGINIA JAYCEES LIFE MEMBER ASSOCIATION
RENEWAL FORM 2022- 2023

DEAR FELLOW LIFE MEMBERS,

THE VIRGINIA JAYCEE LIFE MEMBER ASSOCIATION FISCAL YEAR RUNS FROM June 1, 2022 UNTIL MAY 31, 2023. ALL MEMBERS ARE UP FOR RENEWAL AS OF JUNE 1.

DUES FOR THE UPCOMING YEAR ARE \$40. YOUR RENEWAL ENTITLES YOU TO VOTE IN ELECTIONS, SERVE ON THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE LMA, AND FULL ACCESS TO THE LMA HOSPITALITY SUITE AT ALL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS. WE WERE ABLE TO MAKE A \$2500 CONTRIBUTION TO THE BILL ROBERTSON SCHOLARSHIP FUND BECAUSE OF YOUR CONTRIBUTION AS A DUES PAYING MEMBER.

PLEASE LET US KNOW HOW WE CAN CONTACT ANYONE YOU MAY KNOW WHO HAS BEEN INACTIVE IN THE LMA.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR MEMBERSHIP DUES. WITHOUT YOUR PARTICIPATION, WE WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO SURVIVE AS A VIABLE ORGANIZATION.

PLEASE PROVIDE US WITH YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION

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Lin Martin, Hospitality

Happy Spring All!!

I hope that everyone is looking forward to the May meeting in a couple of weeks. There has been a whole lot of hard work put into this meeting. There will be plenty of goodies to eat in the suite both Friday and Saturday night and plenty to drink, so bring your appetite with you!! I look forward to seeing everyone soon.

Sincerely,
Lin

UPCOMING EVENTS—Wine Tour & Chincoteague Trip

LMA Spring Wine Tour - April 22, 2023
Ruth Ann Bates – batesruthann4@gmail.com

Winery Tour



First, we go to James River Cellars Winery in Hanover.



Second, we head to Cooper's Hawk in Richmond, where we will not only continue to imbibe on luscious wines, but delicious edibles provided by their hands.



Lastly, we end our tour at Garden Grove Brewing and Urban Winery in Richmond (Carytown). Here you can get flights of wine, beer, mead, and/or cider.

Extra Credit Option



For those who like to impress the Wine Tour Coordinator, Sunday morning some of us will go to Bryant's Cider and Brewery in Shockoe Bottom.

Potluck Dinner



Then you will have the pleasure to eat, drink, and continue to be merry at Tracy and Mark Bishop's Apartment Community Room at 7pm. It is only 10 minutes from Garden Grove. The address is: American Tobacco Center, 119 N. 20th St., Richmond, VA 23223. Part of the merry making can include game playing, continuing to graze, and talking until your mouth won't open any more.

Life Member Family,

You are cordially invited to join us for a long weekend of fun, frolic, and great food!

We can arrive as soon as October 19 (Wednesday) and stay as long as October 25 (Tuesday).

The cut off for our room block is September 20th.

Comfort Suites Chincoteague, VA 23336-2464 4195 Main Street (757) 336-5452
(757) 336-3700

GM.VA067@choicehotels.com

Arrival Date: Wednesday, October 19, 2022

Group rate-\$115 Mention Life Members



UPCOMING EVENTS—Meetings

LMA & Senate Joint Meeting—Early Registration Deadline 4/24/2023

Here is the link to the registration form - http://www.vajclma.com/May_Meeting_Announcement_2.docx

**Life Member Association and Senate
Joint Meeting May 5-7th
Comfort Suites at Virginia Center Commons**

Friday, May 5th Arrival at Hotel.

If you have not sent in a registration, please check in with Rob Cooke.

Friday Night Dutch Treat Dinner-May 5th at 6:30 PM

<https://tailwhipashland.com/>

Meet at Tail Whip Seafood, 9456 Charter Gate Drive, Suite M, Ashland Va.

Saturday, May 6th-Breakfast is on your own at the hotel's breakfast buffet.

***If you are just arriving, please check in with the Life Member in the Lobby to register for the meetings, lunch, and dinner.**

Meeting Schedule:

9:30-11:00-Senate Meeting

11:00-12:00-Foundation Meeting

12:00-1:00-LUNCH

1:00-2:00-Life Member Association Meeting

All meetings should end promptly at the listed time to ensure we are out of the room for the next group. The room is booked by someone else in the evening.

Saturday afternoon-on your own. Check out the swimming pool or visit one of the local wineries- James River Cellars 11008 Washington Highway, Glen Allen, VA 23059 or

Brewery-<https://www.intermissionbeer.com/> or visit your favorite Hospitality Suite.

Saturday Night Dutch Treat Dinner-May 6th at 6:30 PM

<https://vinnysglenallen.com/>

Meet at Vinny's Italian Grill and Pizzeria at 6:30

10221 Washington Hwy, Glen Allen, VA 23059, United States

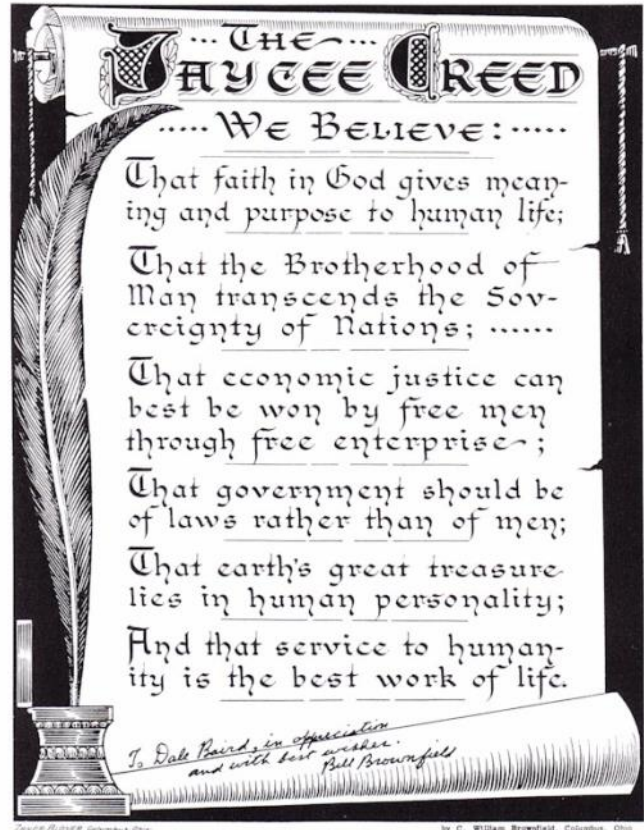
Sunday, May 7th Have a safe trip home, you've had enough fun for one weekend! 😊



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