

# NOTICIA DEL LAGO

DECEMBER 2010/JANUARY & FEBRUARY 2011



## Annual Parade of Lights Delights LMVA Members of all Ages Saturday, December 4 Marks 33 Years Of Holiday Fun Floating Over Lake Mission Viejo



**The traditional start of the holiday season at LMV will occur on Saturday, December 4 with the 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual "Parade of Lights" and Santa's Arrival at 4:30 p.m.**

Accompanying Santa and the sailors, Rudolph, Frosty and the gang will present a great holiday stage show featuring family entertainment with singing and dancing. Those who bring their own cameras will be able to capture the magic moments and will have the opportunity to sit with Santa between 4:30 and 8:00 p.m. Santa will take a short milk and cookie break at 6:15 p.m., and since Mrs. Claus and the reindeer will be waiting for Santa at the North Pole, the entrance to the visiting line closes promptly at 7:45 p.m.

Early seat saving will not be permitted prior to 4:30 p.m. Ground level or low back beach chairs will be permitted on the grass. Seating in front of the stage will be floor seating only (small personal blankets or seat cushions are permitted). Please be prepared to park strollers and beach carts away from the viewing area. The show begins at 5:45 p.m. and lasts 30 minutes. For those waiting in the Santa line or arriving a little later, the show will be repeated at 7 p.m.

Looking for a special gift, a teacher thank you, or unusual item? Then shop at the LMVA Boutique and Craft Faire, at the Clubhouse from 5 - 9 p.m. A variety of holiday gifts will be available for purchase.

The Boat Parade launches at 6:15 p.m., and passes directly in front of the swim area at North Beach before circling the Lake.

### You Can Be a Part of the Parade!

If you have a boat and a creative idea for decorating it with lights, Parade organizers are always looking for new entrants who want to spread some cheer by participating in this 33 year tradition. If you haven't already reserved an inverter, it may be late, but you can still call the office at 770-1313, ext. 202 to see what's still available. Call as soon as possible if you have your own boat and would like to join the parade. Boats need to be decorated and lined up in the harbor by 5:45 p.m.

<b>Santa Arrives!</b>	<b>4:30 pm</b>
<b>Beach Bonfire</b>	<b>5:00 - 8:00 pm</b>
<b>Crafts Faire</b>	<b>5:00 - 9:00 pm</b>
<b>Stage Show</b>	<b>5:45 - 6:15 pm &amp; 7:00 - 7:30 pm</b>
<b>Boat Parade</b> <i>(Boats assemble in harbor by 6:00 pm)</i>	<b>6:15 pm</b>
<b>Santa Line Closes</b>	<b>7:45 pm</b>
<b>Snack Bar</b> <i>(Hot/cold drinks &amp; snacks)</i>	<b>4:30 - 8:30 pm</b>

## LMVA 2010 Board of Directors Elected

The Annual LMVA Meeting of the Delegates to conduct business and elect the 2010 Board of Directors took place on Tuesday, October 26. Directors currently serving the LMVA membership are:



<b>President</b>	<b>Fred Mellenbruch</b>
<b>Vice President</b>	<b>Alan Virdinis</b>
<b>Vice President</b>	<b>Diane Lincoln</b>
<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Sid Wittenberg</b>
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Dale Tarkington</b>

The LMVA Board of Directors and staff join to thank the Association's Delegates for participating in the annual Board elections. Delegates play an integral role in the process by representing their LMV districts. If you have any questions or comments for your directors, please send an email to: [info@lakemissionviejo.org](mailto:info@lakemissionviejo.org). To learn more about the newest director, Dale Tarkington, see page four.

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS**  
The Board of Directors,  
management & staff  
join to wish all  
members a  
safe holiday season  
and a Happy New Year!  
Lake Mission Viejo  
will be closed on  
Saturday,  
December 25.

# STAND UP PADDLE • SAILING • JUMPING JACKS & JILLS • SUPERSITTERS • GUITAR

## Winter Classes Offer Variety of Fun!

### ATTENTION: Members of all Ages!!!

This is the time to take advantage of the best instructors teaching the most creative recreational pursuits of the season. Start 2011 out right, by signing up for one of these LMV favorites. Don't take too long, these classes fill up fast!

### STAND UP PADDLE (SUP) OPEN PRACTICE WITH BEACHSIDE INSTRUCTION

Bring your family and friends and join us for Stand-Up Paddle Open Practice. Beachside instruction and board use is included. No appointment is necessary and there are no prerequisites, however all paddlers must be in good general health and "water safe." Parent supervision is required for all paddlers under 14 years old. All paddlers must wear lifejackets and use board leashes that we supply. Paddle Practice is dependent on weather and water/wind conditions. Please call Westwind at (949) 492-3035 or check westwindsailing.com for the latest schedule.

DATES/TIMES: Ongoing - weather and conditions permitting.  
Check westwindsailing.com for latest dates and times.

AGES: 12 years old - Adult  
FEE: Per person: \$25/hour, \$35/1.5 hours, or \$40/2 hours



### WESTWIND SAILING /STAND-UP PADDLE BOARD PROGRAMS

Private and semi-private sailing/stand-up paddle board lessons are available for individuals who want to refresh their skills or have a hard time joining a regular scheduled course. Looking for a new and exciting activity for your scout troop, birthday party, company picnic or other special interest group? Call Westwind Sailing for more information at (949) 492-3035 or check out westwindsailing.com.

### JUMPING JACKS AND JILLS

Bring your preschoolers to join in great fun, including dancing, imaginative play exercises, Follow the Leader, tunnel play, bouncing balls, beanbags, instrumental jam sessions, and more!

INSTRUCTOR: Charlene Jordan, Miracles in Motion  
DATES: Wednesdays, January 12 - February 2  
TIME: 10 - 10:50 am (4 meetings)  
AGES: 1 1/2 - 4 years old  
FEE: \$35/\$34 sibling fee; Guests: \$47  
PLACE: O'Neill Elementary School



### SUPERSITTERS

ATTENTION ASPIRING BABYSITTERS! This class is a must for any potential babysitter. In just a few hours, learn how to prevent accidents, what to do in an emergency, child development facts, childcare do's and don'ts, age appropriate games, job hunting techniques, and finances. A parent or driving adult must attend the last 15 minutes of class. Bring a pen or pencil. One-day workshop.

INSTRUCTOR: Charlene Jordan  
DATE: Friday, February 4  
TIME: 6 - 9 pm  
AGES: 11 years and older  
FEE: \$39; Guests \$47  
PLACE: SVUSD District Board Room

### BEGINNING GUITAR

If you've never played the guitar, but would like to learn, then this is the class for you. Learn classic rock songs, chords, strum styles and single note melodies in this fun and easy program. Each session offers new songs for those who have already taken the class in the past. Bring your own acoustic guitar or electric guitar with a small amp to class.

INSTRUCTOR: Ron Gorman  
DATES: Tuesdays, February 15 - March 15  
TIME: 6 pm  
AGES: 8 years old - Adult  
FEE: \$90; Guests \$108  
PLACE: Modular Building



### BEATLES INTERMEDIATE GUITAR

Learn the legendary songs of the Fab Four in this fun five-week class. This is a must for fans who already play the guitar. The course will cover chords, melody, vocal, tablature and the stories behind the songs. Bring your own acoustic guitar or electric guitar with a small amp to class.

INSTRUCTOR: Ron Gorman  
DATES: Tuesdays, February 15 - March 15  
TIME: 7 pm  
AGES: 8 years old - Adult  
FEE: \$90; Guests \$108  
PLACE: Modular Building

### REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

For registration forms and complete class descriptions please go to [www.lakemissionviejo.org](http://www.lakemissionviejo.org) or call (949) 770-1313, ext. 200 for registration information.

### NEXT STOP: LAKE MISSION VIEJO'S 17TH ANNUAL PARADE OF LIGHTS

## LMV Yacht Club Rounds the Mark to End Another Year With the Wind in Its Sails and the 2011 Horizon Ahead

The LMV Yacht Club is winding up another banner year of sailing and socializing on and around LMV.

The sailing season started in March - with Opening Day - where beautiful weather, a fine ceremony, and sumptuous dining were followed by a challenging sailing regatta. Other major events throughout the season included the Leukemia Cup fundraiser, which raised a substantial amount of money for the fight against Leukemia. It was followed by the Commodores Cup Regatta in Newport Beach, which was won by our own Lake Mission Viejo team, skippered by LMV Commodore Randy Tiffany (right).

The culmination of the competitive sailing season was the Top Skippers Regatta in October. Always a highly competitive event, this race pits the Yacht Club's top 10 sailors in LMV's 14.2 Catalina sailboats for five races to see who claims bragging rights over the winter off-season.



This year, the old commodore showed his sailing prowess and won the event by one second. Yes, Commodore Randy Tiffany had quite a year. LMVA Board and staff would like to thank Randy for steering the LMVYC through another fine season of activities.

Another Yacht Club member who deserves mention is longtime member Rod Simenz, who spends many hours promoting the Junior Sailing Program at LMV. Rod has taught many young sailors the ropes over the years devoted many hours to procuring boats and sailing equipment for the up and coming sailors to use. Thanks Rod, because of sailors like you, the 33 year sailing tradition of LMVYC will continue long into the future.

As the sailing season comes to a close, Club members will gather one more time - Saturday, December 4 - on the waters of LMV to lead the famous **LMVA Parade of Lights** from the deck of the mystical lighted "Schooner" (also known as *How Do They Do That*). Don't miss this spectacular show set to sail around 6:15 p.m. See page one of this Noticia for more information and to see the Schooner in all its glory from the 2009 parade.

The LMVYC is open to all members and everyone, regardless of sailing ability, is encouraged to join. For more information about how to get involved, check [lakemissionviejo.org](http://lakemissionviejo.org).



**TROUT FILL LMV WITH FIESTY FUN!**

# FISHING CLUB TACKLES BUSY HOLIDAY SEASON

Rainbow trout have once again graced the waters of LMV. To date over 9,000 pounds of the tasty fish have been planted into the lake. Another 12,000 pounds are scheduled for December plantings.

The annual drop in water temperature into the 60's - which works well for the trout and their preference for cooler water - helps to spread the fish around the lake. The water continues to be very clear with average visibility over 25 feet throughout the Lake.

Renting a fishing boat or angling from shore are both good choices to land a limit of trout during the winter season. Light line (4 pound test), small hooks (#16 treble hooks) and power bait are the top choices of most LMV anglers. More experienced anglers prefer to cast lures like kastmasters, roostertails or mepes spinners, which are always good choices to attract the wary trout. Small plastic worms (power worms) attached to a single hook and light line is a relatively new technique that can be very successful.

The peace and quiet of LMV during the winter season makes for a great experience whether or not you land a single fish. The opportunity for members and their guests to cast for these quality rainbow trout mere minutes from home, is unique in Southern California. So enjoy!

## DECEMBER FISHING CLUB MEETING

The next meeting of the Fishing Club is scheduled for Wednesday, December 1 at 7 p.m. in the Lake Administration Building. Current fishing conditions will be discussed and a special guest will bring members up to speed on the most current techniques regarding landing a trophy trout at LMV.

## DECEMBER TOURNAMENT

The December tournament kicks off on Saturday, December 4 from 6 to 11 a.m., with weigh-in at 11:15 a.m. There are three divisions:

<b>Kids:</b>	<b>11 and under</b>	<b>\$4.00 fee</b>
<b>Teens:</b>	<b>12- 17</b>	<b>\$5.00 fee</b>
<b>Adults:</b>	<b>18 and older</b>	<b>\$5.00 fee</b>

Anglers can sign up for the tournament at the Fishing Club's December 1 meeting. Or participants can register on the following Thursday or Friday at the Tackle Box/Boat Rental Office, or on the morning of the tournament prior to 6:30 a.m. Prizes will be awarded in all divisions as well as a "Big Fish" prize for the largest trout of the tournament.

## HOLIDAY CHILDRENS TOURNAMENT: CLUB MEMBERS CAN HELP

Check the adjacent article for details regarding the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Kids' Holiday Fishing Derby. This event is planned specifically for the younger anglers to land their first trout. The event is set for Thursday, December 30 right after the last trout stock of 2010.

Members of the Fishing Club are urged to give little anglers a hand by helping tie on and bait hooks, untangle tangles and offer friendly advice to on how to land a trophy trout.

## Fishing Rules To Remember

- **LMVA I.D. cards or guest fishing passes must be displayed by anglers at all times.**
- **The trout limit is four (4) fish per angler per day and trout may not be released.**
- **Each angler may fish with only one closely attended pole and must use their own stringer to account for their fish.**
- **No fishing within 15 feet of any dock, swimming area, windsurfing area or bulkhead on LMV. The "15 foot rule" applies to all boats and fishing gear (pole, hook, or line) which must be at least 15 feet away from all private property.**

# 18<sup>th</sup> Annual LMV Kids' Fishing Derby Returns on Thursday, December 30 at 11 am

Give a kid a fish and they may make a funny face; teach a kid how to fish at the 18<sup>th</sup> LMV Annual Fishing Derby, and they will have fond memories of the holiday season forever.

As you can see in the photo below, last year's Derby yielded some huge rainbow trout. This year will be even better! More than 4,000 pounds of trout will be stocked just prior to the Derby. Be sure to reserve your space. Call the Lake Services Office at 770-1313, ext. 202 no later than December 26.

Entry is FREE. Walk-ins on the day of the event will be registered for the event after all RSVP entrants have been checked in. Bring your own rod/reel, bait, stringer and at least one parent/adult per fishing child.

Four age divisions will each award prizes for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place based on largest single fish caught. All fishing regulations will be enforced during the Derby. Please consult the LMVA website at [www.lakemissionviejo.org](http://www.lakemissionviejo.org) to review fishing rules and regulations (use the "Rules and Regulations" button on the "Main Dock" page). No one is permitted on the docks until they are checked in. One rod per entrant is permitted in the water.

Come on down with your children, grandchildren or just to watch all the action. Past participants say the Annual Kids' Fishing Derby is one of the most enjoyable events hosted at LMV. Skilled volunteer help from more experienced anglers is always appreciated.



## 3 - 4 and 5 - 6 Year Old Divisions

Check - In	11:00 am
Derby Begins	11:30 am
Derby Ends/Fish Weigh-in	12:30 pm
Prizes Awarded	1:00 pm

## 7 - 8 and 9 - 10 Year Old Divisions

Check - In	1:00 pm
Derby Begins	1:30 pm
Derby Ends/Fish Weigh-in	2:30 pm
Prizes Awarded	3:00 pm



## Dale Tarkington Brings Wealth of Experience to LMVA Board

LMVA delegates elected three Board members at the Annual Meeting of the Delegates on Tuesday, October 26. Along with two incumbents, delegates elected LMV member Dale Tarkington to a two year term on the Board.

Dale is a 14 year member of LMV, recently retired from a management career in the electric utility industry. After 24 years in Arizona, Dale and his family moved to Southern California and settled in Mission Viejo. Dale spent five years as an assistant general manager in charge of the City of Anaheim's electric utility.

He started consulting in 2000 and recently retired from the firm Black and Veatch.

Dale is no stranger to volunteer work. He served as the president of his homeowners association in Prescott, Arizona and president of the Prescott Economic Development Corporation. Prior to those posts, Dale held the position of president of both the Casa Grande Chamber of Commerce and the Rotary Club. More recently, he was active with the Capo Valley High School Band Boosters and was active in a Boy Scout troop here in Mission Viejo.

Dale and his wife Connie raised two children in Mission Viejo and spent many enjoyable days at the Lake. In fact, he says, the family enjoyed a variety of LMV activities over the years including party boat cruises, swimming in the lake and holding family picnics on special occasions. The Tarkingtons are LMV concert buffs and enjoy the variety of musical talent that appears here each summer.

Dale's goals as an LMVA Board member are to maintain the strong fiscal position of the Association while continuing to provide members with the excellent amenities and programs. Dale assumes the Treasurer post on this year's Board.

### IT'S EASY TO PAY

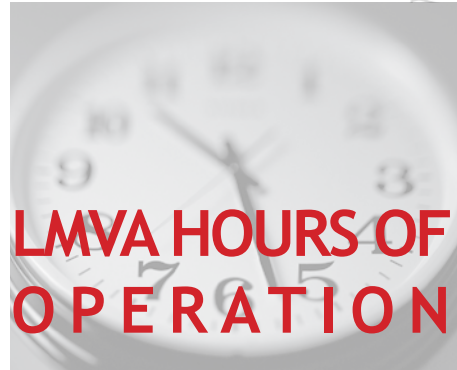
## 2011 Assessments Due With 4 Ways to Pay

The January 1- June 30, 2011 assessment bills are in the mail. Assessments are due January 1 and considered late on February 1. Along with the traditional method of mailing in a check to LMVA offices, there are several electronic methods of paying your bill.

• **Pay with your credit card.** The procedure is simple & secure. Just go to [www.lakemissionviejo.org](http://www.lakemissionviejo.org) and follow the link on the main page to guide you through a very easy process. A service fee of \$3.00 will be charged to offset fees charged by the credit card companies. Dues must be paid in full when using this service.

• **Use your online banking service.** Pay through your bank and LMVA will be able to receive your payment electronically. There is no fee from LMVA's side to process your payment in this manner.

• **Have your assessment automatically debited from your account.** Just use the convenient ACH processing service. Call the LMVA Billing Office for details, (949) 770-1313, ext. 209.



### PLAYA DEL NORTE

8 am - 10 pm Mon - Fri  
 6 am - 10 pm Sat - Sun

### PLAYA DEL ESTE

Closed for the Season

### MARKET ON THE LAKE

8 am - 10 pm Daily  
 With Market Dock Access Card

### SNACK BARS

Closed for the Season

### MEMBERSHIP/BILLING OFFICE

8 am - 5 pm Daily

### BEACH BAG STORE/ LAKE SERVICES

8 am - 5 pm Daily

### TACKLE BOX/BOAT RENTALS

8 am - 5 pm Mon - Fri  
 6 am - 5 pm Sat - Sun

# DECEMBER

- 1 Registration for Winter Classes Begins
- 1 Trout Stocking
- 1 Fishing Club Meeting 7 pm
- 4 Trout Tournament 6 am
- 4 **SANTA'S ARRIVAL, HOLIDAY STAGE SHOW & ANNUAL PARADE OF LIGHTS**
- 14 Board Meeting 7 pm
- 15 Trout Stocking
- 25 **LMVA CLOSED ALL DAY**
- 29 Trout Stocking
- 30 Kids' Fishing Derby 11 am
- 31 2011 Boat Registration Due



# JANUARY

- 1 Happy New Year 2011!!!  
LMV Open All Day
- 11 Board Meeting 7 pm
- 12 Trout Stocking
- 12 Fishing Club Meeting 7 pm
- 15 Trout Tournament 6 am
- 26 Trout Stocking



# February

- 8 Board Meeting 7 pm
- 9 Trout Stocking
- 9 Fishing Club Meeting 7 pm
- 12 Trout Tournament 6 am
- 20 LMVYC MidWinter Regatta
- 21 Presidents' Day
- 23 Trout Stocking

# Board Actions

*The following is an informal account of LMV Board of Directors proceedings, not the official Board meeting minutes.*

Board Members present for the October 12, 2010 meeting included: Diane Lincoln, Fred Mellenbruch, Jane Chadburn and Alan Viridinis. Board Member Sid Wittenberg was not in attendance.

**In New Business at the October meeting, the Board of Directors:** Approved "Inspectors of Election" for the October 26, 2010 Board of Directors elections. Inspectors include delegates Art Cook and Martin Bender as well as LMVA Administrative Manager Dave Kerr and Alternate Andy Kotnik.  
 Motion: Jane Chadburn, Second, Alan Viridinis. Vote carried 4-0-0.

Approved the 2011 LMV Operating Budget as prepared by the staff and reviewed by the Board.  
 Motion: Fred Mellenbruch, Second, Alan Viridinis. Vote carried 4-0-0.

Approved 2010 Reserve Study as prepared by Advanced Reserve Solutions.  
 Motion: Fred Mellenbruch, Second, Alan Viridinis. Vote carried 4-0-0.

Approved purchase of digital Lifeguard Radios which converts the entire LMVA lifeguard radio communications system to a digital service at a cost of \$19,839.  
 Motion: Fred Mellenbruch, Second, Alan Viridinis. Voted carried 4-0-0.

Approved feasibility study for construction of a dressing room at the Clubhouse for events at a cost of \$2,500.  
 Motion: Jane Chadburn, Second Fred Mellenbruch. Vote Carried 4-0-0

The LMVA Board of Directors meets on the second Tuesday of each month in the LMV administration building at 7 p.m. All lake members are welcome to attend.