

# Lake of the Woods Democratic Club Newsletter

LOW Democratic Club  
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## Meeting Date Changes March/April

Club members get a spring break in March from club meetings. We would have preferred to have a meeting each month. However, as it worked out, we will have two club events in April (1) the luncheon with Abigail Spanberger on Friday, April 22nd from 12 noon to 2:30 PM at Old House Winery and (2) the special event with Stephen Farnsworth, Professor of Political Science at Mary Washington University on Saturday, April 30th from 3 to 5 PM in the LOW Community Center. He will be discussing the Biden Presidency so far. Mark your calendars.

## Please RSVP to Luncheon Invitation with Abigail!

For those who did not attend the February meeting, please note that the date of the luncheon had to be changed to April 22nd as a vote was added to the Congressional calendar for the original date we had scheduled.

Scroll down this attachment to view your invitation to the luncheon with Abigail. This is your opportunity to meet and greet Abigail and hear her speak. Each purchase of a luncheon ticket includes a contribution to her campaign. Continue to scroll down to view the menu choices. This is an exclusive event for Democrats in the 7th District. RSVP's must be received by April 4th so an accurate head count can be provided to the caterers. No walk-ins allowed.

Let's all show our support for Abigail in the midterm elections.

## THANK YOU

The Orange County Animal Shelter thanks all the club members who contributed needed supplies at the February meeting as our community service project.

## Club Dues Unchanged

At our February meeting, some questions were raised about ways to increase funds given to Democratic Candidates.

Campaign Finance laws in Virginia are complex. Rather than raise dues to collect more money for a candidate, it is better to hold fundraising events in which the exact amount each individual contributes is noted. Contributors who have contributed an aggregate amount of more than \$100 to a committee during an election cycle (begins January 1 after the date of the election) must be "itemized" on the committee's campaign finance report. Did you know that Committee's must not accept anonymous contributions? In addition, according to Code of Virginia § 18.2-340.15, political organizations in Virginia may not, under any circumstance, use raffles as a fundraising tool. Anonymous contributions are illegal; therefore, "pass the hat" type fundraisers are also illegal.

Thank you to everyone who has paid their dues. If you still need to pay dues for 2022, pay your dues of \$30 on our website at: [www.lowdemocrats.org](http://www.lowdemocrats.org) Or mail your check written to LOW Democratic Club to P.O. Box 1351 Locust Grove, VA 22508 Thank you!

## Democratic Club Book Club

We meet every other month. The next Book Club meeting will be on Thursday, April 14th. The meeting will be held at the home of Jane Haltmaier who lives at 101 Flat Run.

We are reading *The Three Mothers* by Anna Malaika Tubbs. This is about how the mothers of Martin Luther King, Malcolm X and James Baldwin shaped a nation. Want to join us? Contact Book Club Chairman, Sheila Clark at [sheilaclark769@gmail.com](mailto:sheilaclark769@gmail.com) or call her at 540-972-0305.

## Mark Your Calendar for the Club Picnic!

Our Special Events Co-Chairs Karen Newman and Lynne Meyers have announced that the Club Picnic will be held on Saturday, June 18th in the LOW Community Center.



## Happy St. Patrick's Day!

# **You're Invited to a Luncheon with Representative Abigail Spanberger!**

**What:** 7th Congressional District Fundraiser  
to benefit Abigail Spanberger

**Host:** The Lake of the Woods Democratic Club

**Where:** Old House Winery  
18351 Corky's Lane  
Culpeper, VA



**When:** Friday, April 22nd  
from 12 noon to 3:00 PM

**RSVP:** RSVP must be received by April 4th. Reserve your place at this special luncheon featuring Abigail Spanberger as our speaker by paying \$50 in advance. You can pay on our website at [www.lowDemocrats.org](http://www.lowDemocrats.org). Or send a check written to Democratic Club with Abigail in the memo section to:

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\*Alcoholic beverages not included.\*

Want to make a bigger contribution to Abigail's campaign? Her staff will be at the luncheon accepting your checks or charging your credit card on ACT Blue.

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## **Luncheon April 22, 2022**

**Roasted Turkey Puff Pastry:** roasted turkey, gruyere, & plum chutney  
baked in puff pastry, served with side house salad

**Pork BBQ Sandwich:** OH Tequila braised pulled pork, OH Stout BBQ  
sauce, superfood slaw, & brioche bun, with side potato salad

**Garbanzo Bean Wrap:** homemade garbanzo bean salad with dried  
cranberries, pine nuts, herbs, & Dijon wrapped in a flour tortilla, with side  
potato salad

**Grilled Salmon:** grilled salmon served over a chilled couscous salad with  
spinach, golden raisins, toasted almonds, & harissa aioli

**Greek Quiche & Salad:** feta, dill, & spinach quiche served with side house  
salad

### **Dessert Buffet:**

- \*Mini Cannolis
- \*Sea Salt Caramel Brownies
- \*Chocolate Chunk Cookies