



# Newsletter

## September - October 2015

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### President's Message:

Greetings Members:

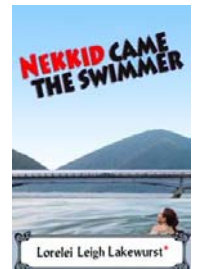
If you are like me, this has been one hot and dry summer season. If we don't get some rain soon, I will have to pin stamps on my envelopes. We have some very interesting things coming up soon, a fantastic play in September, Drinking Habits, the Art show in October and our annual meeting in October. Click on our website link to see all the wonderful events scheduled. <http://www.smithmountainartscouncil.com>

The Lake Writers have produced a spoof on writing with the publication of *Nekkid Came the Swimmer*. The book is available from some local outlets and Amazon.com [Click here to order](#)

The Lake Writers are currently editing a new anthology about events concerning life at the lake. The new anthology will be published in time for the 50th Anniversary of the lake next year.

For all the students returning to school or school for the first time, have a wonderful year.

Chuck



### Save The Date!

SMAC's Annual Meeting will be held on October 15, 2015.  
Watch your email for more details.

*Create ~ Celebrate ~ Connect*



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### Change of Address or email?

Contact: Terry Naylor 297-5495

### Board Meetings: Trinity Ecumenical Parish - Route 122

Friday Sep 18 & Oct 16 at 9:30 AM



## Calendar - Upcoming Events

SMAC is now signed up for inclement weather announcements. Closings will be broadcast on WSLs TV (Channel 10) and listed on their website (WSLS.com) or at WDBJ7.com (online only).

**Be sure to print this page so you don't miss these events!**



### Aug 31 – Lake Writers

Deadline for submissions to anthology "Reflections on Smith Mountain Lake,"

More info on page 4

### Sep 11 – SML Ballroom Dancers

Sep 11, 2015 - 7:30pm

Dance Lesson: East Coast Swing

More Info on page 6

### Sep 11-13 & 18-20: Little Town Players

*Steel Magnolias*, the funniest play ever to make you cry.

Fri & Sat performance at 8pm / Sun at 2pm

### Sep 13: Bower Center for the Arts

Bedford Finest Fare – 4pm – 8pm

Come enjoy a wonderful evening of great food, beverages, and entertainment in The Wharton Garden.

<http://www.bowercenter.org/events/1862/bedford-finest-fare-2nd-annual>

### Sep 19 – Pitch Perfect

An ACAPELLA EXTRAVAGANZA

Trinity Ecumenical Parish

Featured performers:

- Kings Post
- Uncommon Vocals
- Pitches Be Crazy

More info on page 4

### Sep 25, 26 & 27: – Lake Players Present

A two-act play - "Drinking Habits"

More Info on page 5

### Oct - SMAC 26th Annual Art Show

Resurrection Catholic Church- Morrow Hall 15353

Moneta Road Moneta VA 24121

- **Entry Deadline:** Thursday October 8
- **Delivery of art to church:** Oct 22  
Between 2-7 o'clock
- **Reception:** Fri Oct 23 6:30 pm
- **Public Viewing:** Sat & Sun Oct 24&25  
Between 10- 4 o'clock

**Art Show - Entry form on page 7 of this Newsletter!**

### Oct 15 – SMAC Annual Meeting

Save the date – this is always a fun evening!

Mark your calendars so you don't miss out.

More details will be sent by e-mail.

### Oct 24 - PBS Documentary on the creation of Smith Mountain Lake

Preview Party – 3pm at Westlake Theatre with film showing at 4pm

General-audience film showing at 4:30

More info on page 4

**Harvester:** [www.harvester-music.com](http://www.harvester-music.com)

### September

5 Phil Vassar

9 An Evening with Seldom Scene

11 Legacy Motown Revue – Shag/Beach night...dancing

17 Annie Moses Band

18 The Marshall Tucker Band returns to the Harvester

25 Mountain Heart

26 Byrne and Kelly return to the Harvester

27 The Willis Clan

29 Jonny Lang w/ The Record Company

Go to [harvester-music.com/eventList.cfm](http://harvester-music.com/eventList.cfm) for more events

### Little Town Players 2015 – 2016 Season

- Sep 11-13 & 18-20: Steel Magnolias
- Nov 13-15 & 20-22: Southern Hospitality
- Mar 18-20 & 25-27: On Golden Pond
- Jun 3 - 5 & 10-12: Guys and Dolls

Season Tickets: \$40

Individual Tickets: Adult \$12-15,

Children 12 and under \$10

More information: [www.littletownplayers.com](http://www.littletownplayers.com)

### May 13 & 14 - 2016

#### New Crusty Minstrels – Save the Date!

SML's New Crusty Minstrels will present their next sing-along, dance-along, "nosh-with-friends" concert on May 13 & 14, 2016 as a signature event for SML's 50th Anniversary Celebration—and also as a benefit for SML Good Neighbors.

Over forty hits from the 1960's will be featured. The concert will again be held in the SML YMCA gym; "Premier Tables" will be offered to early reservers to accommodate those who like to be close to the stage and dance floor



## SMAC Board Member Vacancies for 2016



Interested in helping shape the future of SMAC? We will have a couple vacancies for Board members of SMAC beginning in January. If you are interested in being considered, please contact Barb Nocera, nominating committee chair, at [bdnocera@aol.com](mailto:bdnocera@aol.com). Our monthly Board meetings are held the third Friday at 9:30 a.m. at Trinity Ecumenical Parish.

We are also looking for a leader for our Special Events Committee. Training will be provided. If this sounds like something you'd enjoy, please let us hear from you so the fabulous local events we all enjoy can continue.

## Smith Mountain Lake 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary - PBS Film Premier - October 24



Many SMAC members will be interested in catching the first showings of the new PBS Documentary on the creation of Smith Mountain Lake, which has been produced to be shown during the Lake's 50th Anniversary in 2016.

A Red Carpet Sneak Preview party will be held at Westlake Theater at 3PM on October 24th, followed by an exclusive showing of the film for Party ticket holders at 4:00.

Tickets to the party (if any remain) are \$75, with proceeds benefiting the 50th Celebration. Tickets to the general-audience showing of the one-hour film at 4:30 are \$10, available at Chamber of Commerce Visitor Center at Halesford Bridge and at Westlake Cinema. An introduction by the film's producers will precede each showing.

More info available by calling the Chamber at 721-1203

[http://www.smithmountainlake.com/community/tickets-on-sale-for-premiere-of-lake-documentary/article\\_25ae481e-d3cb-5cb3-8cc3-dd3b65b43a8f.html](http://www.smithmountainlake.com/community/tickets-on-sale-for-premiere-of-lake-documentary/article_25ae481e-d3cb-5cb3-8cc3-dd3b65b43a8f.html)

## Lake Writers: SML 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Anthology

Smith Mountain Arts Council/Lake Writers will help celebrate the 50th anniversary of Smith Mountain Lake by publishing "Reflections on Smith Mountain Lake," an anthology of non-fiction and poetry about the lake area.

An editorial committee will consider submissions for possible inclusion in the anthology. Submission deadline is Aug 31<sup>st</sup>.



More information:

<http://www.smithmountainartscouncil.com/Images/LakeWriters/2015/SMAC%2050%20Anniv%20Anthology.pdf>

## Special Events: Pitch Perfect comes to SML - September 19th

Building on the success of TV's "Glee" and the recent "Pitch Perfect" movie franchise, SMAC will host an ACAPELLA EXTRAVAGANZA on September 19, 2015, at Trinity Ecumenical Parish. Featured performers will be



**Kings Post**



**Uncommon Vocals**



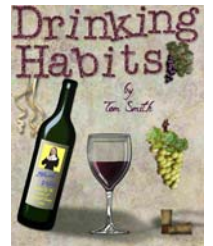
**Pitches Be Crazy**

- King's Post brings pop culture to modern a cappella music. Classic rock, movie and TV themes and today's radio standards all get infused with a mix of humor and geekiness to keep you smiling all night long!
- Pitches Be Crazy (PBC) A cappella is a vocal band recreating popular R&B and hip-hop hits of the 70s, 80s, and 90s, remixed and mashed up like you've never heard before. The Pitches of PBC bring the aca-party to the stage and will have audiences clapping, singing, and dancing to their "dope noise" and old school jams.
- As its name suggests, Uncommon isn't just another contemporary a cappella group. Hailing from Richmond, Virginia, these eclectic singers draw their inspiration from the area's legendary indie music scene to create a vocal sound all their own.

Tickets will be \$17 for SMAC members and \$20 for non-members. Call Mike DeGiorgi 540.597.8446 with any questions. Tickets will be for sale at [www.smithmountainartscouncil.com](http://www.smithmountainartscouncil.com)

## Lake Players Serve Merry Mayhem in the Comedy – “Drinking Habits”

The Lake Players of the Smith Mountain Arts Council will be presenting “Drinking Habits” by Tom Smith. This fast-moving and award winning comedy has delighted audiences around the country, with 136 productions to date since its publication in 2004.



Mix-ups abound in this slapstick tale as the Sisters of Perpetual Sewing keep the audience in stitches as they run their secret wine-making industry to keep the convent's doors open. As the characters run in and out of rooms, accusations fly, identities become mistaken, and romance runs wild, the plot thickens and swirls with local actors Pam Gabriel, Anne Motley, Penny Larsen, Mike Dittrich, Becki Fuzi, John Maresca, Mimi McHale and Jim Tarantino adding their talents to the merry mayhem. All of this fun and talented cast is being directed by Nancy King, keeping the fast-paced action and the laughs rolling.

This delightful farce will be presented at Bethlehem United Methodist Church, 13586 Old Moneta Road in Moneta on **Friday and Saturday, September 25 and 26 at 7:30 p.m. and on Sunday, September 27 at 2 p.m.** So mark your calendars and enjoy a devilishly good time.

Seats are limited for these performances. Tickets can be purchased for \$15 ONLY on the Smith Mountain Arts Council website at [www.smithmountainartscouncil.com](http://www.smithmountainartscouncil.com).



Nancy King

From left to right:

Front Row: Mimi McHale, Nancy King, Anne Motley and Charlene Maresca

Back Row: Pam Gabriel, Penny Larsen, John Maresca, Joyce Dittrich, Jim Tarantino, Mike Dittrich, Becki Fuzi, Michelle Tarantino and Shirley Sorrentino

A varied pre-theater dinner menu will be offered by Casa d'Amici Restaurant in the Downtown Moneta center preceding each performance, beginning at 5 p.m. on September 25 and 26 and at 12 noon on Sunday, September 27. Dinner reservations can be made by calling 540-296-1329.

## The Smith Mountain Arts Council - Art Show



This is a popular, annual, non-juried exhibition of original artwork in a variety of genres by regional artists of all ages. Several cash awards totaling \$1500 are presented at the opening reception. A People's Choice award is also presented at the close of the exhibition. The contest draws artists from a wide area surrounding Smith Mountain Lake, including Roanoke, Lynchburg, Martinsville and beyond.

Application deadline – October 8, see page 7 of this newsletter

## Bower Center for the Arts:

Bower Center for the Arts enriches the cultural life of Bedford and Central Virginia through the arts by fostering creative expression, offering diverse educational opportunities, and preserving historic venues. For more information about Bower Center for the Arts, please visit [www.bowercenter.org](http://www.bowercenter.org).

## Construction at Bower Center for the Arts

Coleman-Adams began renovation of the Center during July. Their first order of business was to upgrade the electrical input to the building. The Town of Bedford's electric department quickly built a new transformer in the back parking lot and won the respect of the Coleman-Adams' team for their efficiency and expertise. Then the demolition work began in the front of the building. All three floors in the front of the building had to be removed for the installation of an elevator shaft.



There has been much noise from jackhammers and large pieces of equipment. The dust has settled on everything, but wonderful progress has been made. We look forward to a building that actually looks and feels like an art center, one in which we can hold concerts, classes, exhibits and children's activities in a much more inviting atmosphere. Check out our Facebook page for more photos of the progress.

## **SML Ballroom Dancers:** [www.usadance6042.org](http://www.usadance6042.org)



**Sep 11** - Our lesson will be EC Swing with José Zuniga from “New City Dance Space” in Danville. Let's make this a classic Sock Hop, bring out your 50's attire! Come to play and dance. Music and dancing will start at 7:00. The lesson will begin at 7:30 starting with an introduction to the dance for beginners and adding more challenging steps between 8- 8:30. Then we turn down the lights for social dancing 8:30 - 10:30. Come to dance or just to watch and talk with friends.

Chips, candy, water, and soft drinks are available for \$1 each and proceeds benefit the Ruritan.

**Oct 9** - Music and dancing will start at 7, lesson at 7:30pm: Hustle

**Nov 13** - Music and dancing will start at 7, lesson at 7:30pm: Rumba

**Location:** New London Ruritan Club, 12411 E Lynchburg Salem Tpke, Forest, VA

**Cost:** \$10 USA Dance Members, \$12 non-members, \$5 Students (groups of 3+ \$2 off)

**More information:** Contact: Cindy Zerfoss, 434-426-9787 or [cindyzerfoss@gmail.com](mailto:cindyzerfoss@gmail.com) ,

**Christmas Dance with a Live Band! On December 11<sup>th</sup> at 7pm** - We are planning a Christmas Dance which will be held at the New London Ruritan Club on Rt 460 in New London. Reservation will be required. Please bring goodies to share, like fruit, veggie tray, cookies etc. Christmas Dance Cost: \$20.00 for members and \$22.50 for non-members.

Annual membership is \$35 and chapter 6042 provides 2 opportunities each year for members to come to a dance FREE

- Join at [USADance.org](http://USADance.org) and bring your receipt to the next dance.
- Members come free on the month of their birthday!!

## **Let's Dance:**

The Let's Dance Band continues a busy year of engagements. The band recently played for the Roanoke Valley Cotillion Club's summer ball at the Hotel Roanoke. We also played again for the residents of Brandon Oaks in Roanoke.

The Let's Dance Band will perform at the Bent Mountain Center, Bent Mountain, VA on October 3 as part of their music series concerts. Also on our schedule is the Taubman Museum on December 4 from 5:30 to 8:30 pm during Roanoke's Dickens of a Christmas. On New Year's Eve the band will be playing for the Roanoke 300 Club's dance in Salem.



## **The Junior Appalachian Musicians program. (JAM's):**

The Junior Appalachian Musicians (JAM) has just completed their first summer camp located at Germantown Brickhouse Church of the Brethan just off Rt. 220. There were 17 students playing banjo, guitar and fiddle. It lasted ten weeks. The students held a performance for over 30 people on August 4th which was the last day of camp. They played the Hanging Tree, Cripple Creek and other Appalachian tunes. They also danced “Bow Bow Belinda” and two other dances during the performance.

The new school year brings us to another JAM enrollment. The initial information meeting was August 17th at Benjamin Franklin Middle School. The sites for lessons will be at Burnt Chimney Elementary for grades 4 and 5 and Benjamin Franklin Middle School for students in grades 6-8. The lessons have been lengthened by 30 minutes this year so students will receive an hour and a half of instruction once a week.

The support of the Smith Mountain Arts Council and SML Rotary allows us to continue serving local students.



**SMITH MOUNTAIN ARTS COUNCIL**  
**26th Annual Art Show 2015**  
**Entry Deadline Oct. 8, 2015 Delivery: Thurs. Oct. 22 2-7**  
**Reception Oct 23 6:30 Public Viewing Oct. 24 & 25 10-4**

Entry Form Please print

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Work 1 \_\_\_\_\_

Medium \_\_\_\_\_ Price \_\_\_\_\_ Size \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Work 2 \_\_\_\_\_

Medium \_\_\_\_\_ Price \_\_\_\_\_ Size \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Work 3 \_\_\_\_\_

Medium \_\_\_\_\_ Price \_\_\_\_\_ Size \_\_\_\_\_

I understand the rules and agree that neither SMAC, nor Resurrection Catholic Church will assume liability for loss or damage of any entry.

\_\_\_\_ I am a SMAC member and enclose \$12.00 for the first entry and \$8.00 for each additional entry.

\_\_\_\_ I am joining SMAC and enclose \$25.00 for the membership fee. Also enclosed is \$12.00 for the first entry and \$8.00 for each additional entry.

\_\_\_\_ I am not a SMAC member and am inclosing \$20.00 for the first entry and \$10.00 for each additional entry.

\_\_\_\_ I am in the student's category and am enclosing \$5.00 for the entry fee. My grade in school is \_\_\_\_.

Total enclosed is \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Your signature constitutes acceptance of these terms.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Mail entry form and a check made out to:

Smith Mountain Arts Council (SMAC) by Tuesday, October 8, 2015.

SMAC Art Show C/O Marge Holtman, 103 Briarcliff Dr., Moneta VA 24121. 540-296-0779

Join SMAC or renew membership via PayPal or credit card: <http://www.smithmountainartscouncil.com/ab-join.html>

## SMAC MEMBERSHIP FORM

FOR USE BY NEW MEMBERS ONLY

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City & State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone (s) \_\_\_\_\_

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Interest:  Art  Photography  Singing  Theatre  Writing  Music

Other Interests: \_\_\_\_\_

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