



"Over 60 years of "People Helping People"

March 2018

The Lake Chapala Society

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Lake Chapala Society, AC. Annual General Meeting Tuesday, March 13 at 10 a.m. in the LCS Courtyard (Rain date March 15)

Order of the Day

1. Call to Order
2. Establishment of Quorum
3. Reading of Order of the Day
4. Receipt of Annual General Meeting Minutes of March 8
5. President's Report
6. Ratification of 2017 Financial Report
7. Receipt of the 2018 Budget Projections
8. Receive Report from External Financial Auditor for 2017
9. Ratification of Appointment for the 2018 Financial Audit
10. Ratification of Membership Categories and Dues
11. Report on Annual Objectives and Presentation of Draft Campus Master Plan
12. Election of Board Officers and Directors-at-Large
13. Granting Power of Attorney
14. Annual General Meeting authorization for the Board of Directors to approve the 2018 AGM Minutes
15. Adjournment

Special Note: Please be aware that some activities will be delayed or cancelled while the LCS Annual General Meeting is in session. The Service Office, information desk, membership, Stretch and Balance, Needle Pushers, Line Dancing and all libraries will be closed until the conclusion of the meeting.

TED Talks, Neill James Lectures, Tournament Scrabble and Bridge4Fun may be delayed.

Introduction to Spanish (12 o'clock class) will be moved to Wilkes (Biblioteca).at Galeana #18.

The Annual General Meeting

Every year the membership has an opportunity to hear directly from the board of Directors at this annual event. This is a moment to learn about the work LCS has accomplished in the last year, as well as our plans for the future.

This year the AGM will feature the campus renovation conceptual plans. This is a project that the Campus committee and board have been engaged in for the last several years.

We are very interested in sharing this with you and hope you will attend the meeting.

The membership has a voice, and it is at the AGM that you can share your voice. Hope to see you there!

Our amazing website is a place where you can register and pay for classes and events. CHECK it OUT!



Tequila tasting led by world renown tequila expert Clayton Szczech, class is limited to 25 participants only., \$250 pesos per person . For LCS Members.

Neill James Lectures March 2018

March 6 "How to Find Great Art" presented by James Broehl. Where would you look for it and how would you know it if you saw it? James Broehl discusses his process for educating himself about art, finding and identifying truly valuable pieces, and acquiring them.

March 13 "The Coming of the American Behemoth: Fascist Processes in the Epicenter of World Capitalism, 1920-1940" is Dr. Michael Joseph Roberto's timely presentation. Fascism was seen as a serious threat to American democracy if based a concentration of wealth and power. Were the perils of fascism postponed then, only to emerge now?

March 20 "Conservative Versus Liberal: Is Trump Either?" examines President Donald Trump's political stance: does he fall into one camp or the other, or is he a political animal of another breed altogether? How will this affect the American people and U.S. economic and political influence globally?

March 27 Cornelia Davis, M.D. "Searching for Sitala Mata". Dr. Davis chronicles her arduous role in the World Health Organization's successful global campaign to eradicate smallpox. She also holds a master's degree from Johns Hopkins School of Public Health. Her work has taken her to twenty countries in Asia and Africa.

Volunteers Needed

The Information Desk is looking for a outgoing, people-friendly and familiar with Lakeside volunteers. We prefer people with at least one year of residency but will consider someone with less. LCS is starting a *docent* program similar to those now in existence in various airports and campuses.

Handyman needed. - Good with tools and repairing things. We need you.

Contact volunteer@lakechapalasociety.com, or fill out a form on our website.

Introduction to Spanish

This casual class for beginners covers the Spanish alphabet, simple vocabulary, phrases useful about town, and information about Lakeside and Mexican culture.

Two sessions are offered in March for three weeks each session: the first begins Tuesday, March 6, from 12 until 1:30 p.m. in the Gazebo, the second runs from 2 to 3:30 p.m. in the Ken Gosh Pavilion. Tuition is \$220 pesos.

Warren Hardy Spanish Classes

Next term runs March 5 through April 30. Classes meet two days a week for an hour and a half at the Wilkes Education Center (Biblioteca). The program is based on the Warren Hardy Spanish language course designed for the adult student. Several levels of instruction are available to suit the students' proficiency. Register for upcoming classes at the LCS office or on line.

Tuition for the course is \$900 pesos; the course textbook is an additional \$670 pesos. Other instructional materials may be purchased separately.

For more information about the Spanish classes or LCS membership, visit the Lake Chapala Society website at www.lakechapalasociety.com.

Up Coming Bus Trips March

Thursday, March 1 Costco and Home Depot Lopez Mateos

Shop Home Depot for home and garden needs, then on to Costco and Mega. Cost is \$370 pesos for members and \$470 for non-members. Meet at the sculpture in La Floresta; bus departs promptly at 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday, March 14 Tonalá and Tlaquepaque

In colorful Tonalá find home decor and handicrafts. In Tlaquepaque find upscale retailers and fine dining in an historic, architecturally significant, pedestrian-only zone. Cost \$370 pesos for members and \$470 pesos for non-members. Bus departs promptly at 9 a.m. from the sculpture in La Floresta.

Wednesday, March 28 Costco/Galerías

Cost \$370 pesos for members and \$470 pesos for non-members. Bus departs promptly at 9 a.m. from the sculpture in La Floresta.



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Buying & Brewing Great Coffee in Mexico

Instructor Kevin Knox is a 28-year veteran of the specialty coffee industry and author of the highly-regarded book: *Coffee Basics*. You'll learn about Mexico's coffee growing regions and get an overview of the best coffees available. Learn the best home brewing methods, tips on improving the quality of your coffee, taking into account our altitude, water and limited brewing and grinding equipment available here. There'll be plenty of time for questions!



The course fee is \$150 pesos. Class will be held March 7, from 10 to 12 p.m. on the South Campus. Min/max students required: 15/20. (Must be 15 years old or older)

Last enrollment day is March 2 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the LCS Service Office. Open to LCS members only. Membership must be current. No refunds.

Let's Get Festive with Papel Picado



Papel picado, is an ornamental Mexican handicraft traditionally made with cut silk paper that decorates festivals such as the Independence Day or Guadalupe's Day, and especially the Day of the Dead celebrations.

Using special paper and tools - "ferritos" and hammers, you can learn to make these intricate symmetrical designs. Instructor Sara Ulloa is a very well-known local papel picado maker.

Course Fee is \$340 pesos. Register from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the LCS Office. Registration ends March 2. Classes are March 7 and 9, from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. and will be held in South Campus Board Room. Min/max students required: 15/20 (Must be 15 years old or older). Open to LCS members only. Membership must be current. No refunds

Seminar for Ex-Pats: Handling Financial Crises

Natural disasters like a category 5 hurricane making a direct hit on Florida, or the Big One that will devastate California... in the same fashion, major financial crises have happened at least once during each of the last five decades. IMF Chief Christine Lagarde said "*The next financial crisis never comes from where we expect it...*" Neither should you.

Presented Tuesday, March 20 at 9:30 a.m. in the Sala by Tom Zachystal CFP, CFA and Yann Kostic MBA. Both are presidents of their respective asset management firms, and both are US Registered Investment Advisors (RIA). Tom is President of the San Francisco Financial Planners Association. Both serve US expats in Mexico and worldwide. Members with cards only.

Attention U.S. Citizens

Need help filing your ballot for the upcoming 2018 elections? U.S. Democrats Abroad will assist you in filing absentee ballots on Tuesdays, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. on the Blue Umbrella Patio on the LCS campus.

March Activities

*Open to the Public ** US Citizens (S) Sign in (C) Member card

Health Insurance *

IMSS & Immigration Services Mon+Tues 10-1
Lakeside Insurance Broker Tues+Thur 11-2
San Javier Hospital last Fri 10-12

Health and Legal Services *

Becerra & Galindo Services Thurs 10:30-12:30
Blood Pressure Mon+Fri 10-12
Glucose Screening 1st Tue 10-12
Hearing Aid Services (S) M+Sat 11-4
Ministerio Publico Wed Mar 21+28 10-2
My Guardian Angel Tues 10-12:30
Optometrist Claravision (S) Thur 9-3
Skin Cancer Screening (S) 2nd + 4th Wed 10-12
US Consulate** (S) 2nd Wed Mar 14 10:30 Sign up 10

Lessons(C)

Cardio Dance Exercise Fri 12:30-1:30
Chair Yoga F 2-3
Children's Art Sat 10-12*
Children's Chess Club Sat 12-1
Children's English Class Sat 9:30-10:30
Clases de Bordado Artístico Mon 3-6, Wed & Fri 4-6
Exercise Mon+Wed+Fri 9-10
Exploring Spanish Wed 12-1:30 Sat 11-12:30
Fitness Thru Yoga Mon 2-3
Help with Tech Issues (S) *by email only* 1st+3rd+4th+last Thurs 10-11:30
Intermediate Hatha Yoga Tues+Thur 2-3:30
Introduction To Spanish (S) Tues 12-1:30, 2-3:30 *cost*
Line Dancing Tues+Thurs 10-11:15
Photography Club Mon 12-2
Scottish Country Dancing Thurs 11:30-1
Stretch and Balance Exercise Tues+Thurs 8:45--9:45
Tai Chi Chih Fri 10-12
Tai Chi Yang Style Mon+Thurs 10-11
Taller Comunicacion Creativo S (3, 17 & 31) 11:30-1
Tech Help Desk Thurs 12-2
Write-to-Prompt Writers' Group Thurs 10-12
Zumba Gold Wed 10-11

Libraries

Audio Thur 10-12
Book & Video Mon-Sat 10-2
Library of Congress Books*/ Talking Books Thurs 10-12
Wilkes Mon-Fri 9:30-7, Sat 9:30-1*

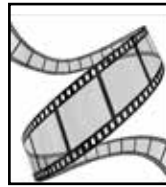
Members Only Social Activities (C)

All Things Tech Fri 10-11:30
Bridge 4 Fun Tue+Thurs 1-5
Conversaciones en Español Mon 10-12
Creativelymindful Art Wed 11-12:30
Discussion Group A Wed 11:30-1
Discussion Group B Wed 12-1:30
Everyday Mindfulness Mon 10-12
Film Aficionados Thurs 2-4:30
Games Group Mon 1-4
Mah Jongg Wed 2-4:30
Neill James Lectures Tues 2-4
Next Chapter Book Group 2nd Thurs 1:30-3
Scrabble Mon+Fri 11:30-1:30
Spanish/English Conversation Sat 11-12:30
TED Talk Learning Seminars Tues 12-1:15
Tournament Scrabble Tues 12-1:50

Service and Support Groups *

Al-Anon (in Spanish) Mon 6-7:30, Wed 5:30-7:30
Information Desk Mon-Sat 10-2
Lake Chapala Painting Guild 2nd Fri 1:30-3:30
Lakeside AA Mon +Thurs 4:30-5:30
Needle Pushers Tue 10-12
Open Circle Sun 10-11:30
SMART Recovery Mon 2:30-4
Toastmasters Mon 7-8:30 p.m.

Ticket Sales Mon - Fri 10 a.m. to 12 noon.



Video Library February

All video rentals are now for 5 days.

We can copy your old videotapes onto DVD: \$50 pesos for members and \$75 pesos for non-members.

The Video Library needs volunteers to bring DVDs to keep our inventory current.

Contact: keanhombre@prodigy.net.mx.

Need Help With Tech Issues?

The Tech Help Desk will be open for individual consultations on a first come, first served, basis to LCS members only on the Neill James Patio every Thursday from noon to 2 pm. No registration required.

Bring your portable devices; have questions answered and problems solved on the spot.

Using Google Photos

This March 1 class will cover Google photo storage and sharing using Android, iPhone and laptops.

Introduction to Android

Applies to phones and tablets. In the Sala Thursday, March 15, 10 to 11:30 am.

Keeping in Touch With Loved Ones

Using tech devices to keep in touch with loved ones for free will be covered. Various applications that can be used on your phones, tablets and computers will be discussed and demonstrated. In the Sala thursday, March 22 from 10 to 11:30 a.m.

Using Your Phone's Camera

Many people use their phone's camera for all pictures-- why not? You have it with you all the time. This class will cover the technical basics of using your camera to get the best pictures possible. Thursday, March 29 in the Sala.

LCS' resident tech wizard Mike Goss, will be teaching these four classes. Members only. Register at lcs.tech.training@gmail.com include your name, member number, and title of the class

Handling Healthcare Emergencies

"Steps to Take for Healthcare Emergencies-How to Plan, Prepare and Respond" important presentation for Lakeside residents by Wendy Carrel, Palliative Care Specialist will be held Wednesday, March 21 in the Sala from 2 to 4 p.m.

Friday Night Family Films

Free Spanish language films are shown every Friday evening at 7 p.m. at the Wilkes *Biblioteca Publica de Ajijic* at Galeana #18. Open to the public. Bring the family.

March 2 Okey, Mister Pancho starring India María.

March 9 La Bella Y La Bestia with Emma Watson.

March 16 La Leyenda Charro Negro cartoon

March 23 Me He De Comer Esa Tuna with Jorge Negrete.

Costco Returns Monday, March 26

Look for Costco representatives at the Blue Umbrella Patio. They will provide information on upcoming sales and special offers and open or renew Costco memberships.

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TED Talks

Tuesdays In the Sala 12 noon to 1:15 p.m. Members only. Bring your card.

March 6 Hosted by Fred Harland, this presentation features two TED talks, on the political divide in America and in much of the Western world. The first, "Can a Divided America Heal?" It features social psychologist Jonathan Haidt in conversation with TED Curator Chris Anderson. Haidt describes the patterns of thinking and historical causes that have led to such sharp divisions in America -- and provides a vision for how the country might move forward.

The second talk, "How to Have Better Political Conversations." It features social psychologist Robb Willer who shares insights on how we might bridge the ideological divide and offers some intuitive advice on ways to be more persuasive when talking politics.

March 13 Host Phil Rylett features Michael Specter: "The Danger of Science Denial". Vaccine-autism claims, "frankenfood" bans, the herbal cure craze: all point to the public growing fear (and, often, outright denial) of science and reason. Michael Specter tells us how this spells disaster for human progress.

March 20 Host Pete Soderman features psychologist Susan Pinker's talk: "The Secret to Living Longer May Be Your Social Life". The Italian island of Sardinia has more than six times as many centenarians as the mainland and ten times as many as North America. Why? According to Pinker, it's their emphasis on close personal relationships and face-to-face interactions.

March 27 Host Rick Rhoda features two TED talks. The first, by Eric X. Li is "A Tale of Two Political Systems." It's a standard assumption in the West that as a society progresses, it becomes a capitalist, multi-party democracy.

Eric X. Li, a Chinese investor and political scientist, begs to differ. In this provocative, boundary-pushing talk, he asks if there are other ways to run a successful modern nation.

In the second talk, the former prime minister of Australia, Kevin Rudd asks: "Are China and the US Doomed to Conflict?" The former prime minister of Australia, Kevin Rudd is also a longtime student of China, with a unique vantage point to watch its rise to power in the past few decades.

He asks whether the growing ambition of China will inevitably lead to conflict with other major powers- and suggests there is another narrative.



Thursday Film Aficionados

Open to LCS members only. Bring your card. All films shown in the Sala from 2 to 4 p.m. No food. No pets.

March 1 *TBA* The featured film will be an Oscar winner.

March 8 *Woodpeckers* 2017 Dominican Republic

Julian finds love and a reason to go on living in the last place imaginable- the Dominican Republic's Najayo Prison. Based on a true story and winner of several film festival awards, this is the Dominican Republic's submission for Best Foreign Language Film at the Academy Awards. (105 minutes)

March 15 *Glory* 2017 Bulgaria

A reclusive railway trackman finds millions in cash spilled along the tracks and turns the money over to the authorities. Then his troubles begin. Bulgaria's submission for the Academy Award. (99 minutes)

March 22 *The Music of Strangers* 2016 USA

The extraordinary story of the renowned international musical collective known as *The Silk Road Project* shows the power of music to preserve tradition, shape cultural evolution and inspire hope. Led by cellist, Yo Yo Ma. (94 minutes)

March 29 *Te Ata* 2017 USA

The true story of a woman who traversed cultural barriers to become one of the greatest Native American performers of all time. Truly an inspirational story. (102 minutes)

Introduction to Lakeside for Newbies

New to Lakeside? LCS, in partnership with Lake Chapala Resource Academy, is pleased to present "Introduction to Lakeside" available to LCS members only. You'll learn about your new community, your new neighbors, and you new neighborhoods. Topics include: Daily life – including banking, shopping, medical services, transportation; Housing - major housing developments, utility payments, maid and gardening services, Cultural Insights – greetings and other social protocols, fiestas, holidays, religious observations.

Join in the *Sala* at 9 a.m. March 8. Cost is 250 pesos. Register in the office or on the website. Members only.

New Workshop: Enneagram

Ever wonder why people react the way they do? Ever wonder about your own responses? This is an introduction to the Enneagram. Discover the nine personality types that influence our behavior. Learn to how to change your perspective to foster understanding and clearer communication. Friday, March 9, from 2 to 4 p.m. in the LCS Gazebo. To register contact Leela.Harlem@gmail.com or call 333-406-6962.

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Office, information and other services - Monday-Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Grounds open until 5:00 p.m.

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