

LX in MMXIII

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If you are beyond 48 years of age then you fit in one of these three generations:

- The Greatest Generation (aka the G.I. Generation) was born from around 1901 through 1924, came of age during the Great Depression, and includes the veterans who fought in World War II. Journalist Tom Brokaw is credited with dubbing them the Greatest Generation in a book (1998) of the same name.
- The generation of Americans born between 1925–1942, notably during the Great Depression (1929–1939) and World War II (1939–1945), are known as the Silent Generation. It includes those who were too young to join the service during WWII, yet whose fathers had served in WWI.
- The population explosion following the end of WWII resulted in the Baby Boom Generation (1946–1964), with an estimated 78 million living in the U.S. alone. The first of this generation turned 65 on January 1, 2011.

(Source: Wikipedia.com, Generation)

The next question is where in Fox Point and Bayside would you expect to find these generations intermingling socially, culturally, charitably and educationally on a daily basis throughout the year? At the vibrant and welcoming LX Club, of course!

“The LX Club is a community organization and social club open to anyone 55 years and beyond from Fox Point, Bayside or any other of our North Shore communities, even Milwaukee,” says Club vice president Jan Tishberg. “Our nearly 250 members are looking for some new friends.”

The menu and variety of activities and events available is staggering:

- Daily Bridge and Sheepshead card games
- Cribbage
- Spanish language classes
- Library and book exchange
- Mah Jongg
- Fitness classes
- Bingo!
- Art classes
- Computer with Wi-Fi
- First run movie matinee every other Tuesday afternoon (on a big screen).
- Holiday parties and celebrations
- Special events, such as day tours, summer picnic and rummage sales
- New, comfortable reading and relaxing area

And fun, educational, entertaining programs with guest speakers or musicians happen on a regular basis. The Club recently hosted a world-renowned president's wife impersonator who gave a spell-binding performance as Mary Todd Lincoln.

Club president Beverly Burger, who took over nine months ago from Paul Kintz after 10 years at the helm, simply wants the 55+ crowd "to know we're here!" Some of her and the Board's plans for the Club moving forward include:

- Expanding membership, especially the trailing end of the "boomers".
- A new look and feel for the newsletter with more pictures.
- Developing a website.
- Looking at more evening programs.

"The LX Club is like a second home for some of our member," Burger says. "We have such a nice group of people...we just want more people to know we're here!"

Tishberg adds, "We have something here for everyone!"

In case you were wondering what the LX stands for, it's the Roman numeral for 60!

More about the LX Club – The non-profit LX Club, established in 1979, is located at the eastern end of the Dunwood Center (Port Washington Road and W. Dunwood Road), formerly the Dunwood School, in a spacious, open, comfortable setting. It is open Monday through Friday, from 8am-5pm, with some special events and classes held in the evenings. Annual membership, which provides unlimited access to the club, the monthly newsletter, and covers the majority of the social events, is \$15/individual or \$25/couple. For more information, please contact Club president Beverly Burger at 414-963-1527 or vice president Jan Tishberg at 414-228-1882.

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