



# 2024 PRECINCT ELECTIONS

## MEET THE CANDIDATES

### PRECINCT 1 CANDIDATE (1 VACANCY)



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The community will benefit from my service on the MPOA Board because I have Board experience dating from the early 1990s.

I have served as MPOA President, First and Second VP, and most recently as Secretary. I served on the Architectural Review Committee (predecessor to the Covenants Committee) and am Board Liaison to the Landscape and Facilities Management Committee, partly because of my experience as a Master Gardener. (Class of 2014)

I am aware of the challenges currently facing the incoming Board and the membership, primarily competition Montclair homes face with homes in the newer surrounding communities.

We can all access the Lake at any of our beaches which require constant maintenance. The health of the lake and dam calls for expensive engineering inspections to meet State dam licensing requirements. A 55 year-old lake can require occasional upgrades which tend to be expensive. For example, a few years ago, our Reserves were depleted by the State-Mandated upgrade to the spillway (Dolphin Beach). Replenishing the Reserve account is a challenge which will continue for at least the next 5 years. I support the current board's proposed 5-year plan to completely restore the Reserve funding while maintaining amenities for our enjoyment.

Because of our topography, erosion is an ongoing problem for both homeowners and MPOA common areas. We can all help mitigate erosion and preserve the quality of water in our lake by leaving the leaves on our lawns during fall and winter, and planting beds of native plants on our property.

I look forward to contributing my knowledge and experience to the incoming Board if I am elected.

I am married to the lovely and patient Linda Burns Rash. We have three children who live nearby. I am also Grandpa to 3 teenage grandchildren who live in the Lake Ridge area.

### PRECINCT 2 CANDIDATE (1 VACANCY)



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I have lived in Montclair with my wife, Jan, since 2012. I am running for the MPOA Board of Directors Precinct 2 Representative to help my community.

My professional and volunteer experience provides expertise that can be leveraged to benefit the community. I was on the board of a condo association before coming to Montclair, and I have volunteered in various leadership roles with the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE). I retired from civil service where I had responsibility for software-intensive systems, supporting acquisition, operations, and logistics. I have been certified in engineering and information technology and am well-versed in project management. Prior to government service, I worked in the telecommunications industry, computer centers, and government services. Since retirement, I have also consulted and taught engineering and mathematics at the community college.

I served on the Montclair Covenant committee for several years and worked on the subcommittee to revise the guidelines. As I spend much time maintaining the landscape on my Montclair lot, I am inspired by my neighbors and embrace the nature around us. I participate in the PWC Neighborhood Leadership Forum. I very much appreciate the challenges of home ownership and increasing costs.

My goal as a board member is to advocate for strategic planning, maintenance planning, fairness in investment, and transparency. I appreciate your consideration and look forward to serving on the MPOA Board of Directors.

## PRECINCT 3 CANDIDATE (1 VACANCY)



**RICHARD "BUCK" ARVIN**  
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I have been a Montclair homeowner since 1994. I retired from US Air Force after 26 years and retired again after working several positions in the Pentagon. My wife and I have enjoyed volunteering for Montclair for many years. I've been the Chairman of the Lake Management Committee (LMC) for the last 16 years. The LMC oversees all Dam and Lake related issues. I'm one of three members of Records & Information Management Ad Hoc Committee focused on changing the way MPOA will keep and manage records. I chaired the Ad Hoc Committee working on restoration of Dolphin Beach after a major construction project in the Auxiliary Spillway. I led the effort to develop a Bacteria Testing Plan to monitor our lake's water quality and advise the community when we have a problem. I led the development of the Dam's Emergency Action and Operations and Maintenance Plans. I've assisted in the development of Request for Proposals and proposal evaluation for several Dam and Lake projects. With a good understanding of Community Guidelines, I've reviewed and made recommendations on numerous Property Improvement Requests for homes next to the lake. I was part of the team that developed our Management Agreement and the RFP for a Management Company. I'm honored to have been chosen as the Distinguished Montclairion in 2014.

If elected, my focus will be open, honest communication. Information going to our community needs to be accurate and timely. In my opinion the lake is our most valuable asset and the Dam that creates it is our biggest liability. Keeping the lake safe for recreation and improving water quality benefits the whole community. We must continue to operate and maintain the Dam in compliance with Virginia Dam Safety Regulations; however, controlling cost is just as important. Improving and modernizing our community within our budget will keep Montclair a great place to live, work and play.

## PRECINCT 4 CANDIDATE (1 VACANCY)



**NO CANDIDATE SUBMISSION FOR  
PRECINCT 4**

A candidate form was not submitted for Precinct 4. Per the Voting Guidelines under Registration and Voting the Day of the meeting - "If there is no declared candidate in a Precinct Board of Directors election, candidates may be nominated from the floor at the Annual Meeting if a quorum is present." If you already voted by mail or electronically, you can be issued a ballot to write in a candidate on the day of the meeting. Only voters who register to vote at the annual meeting may receive floor ballots which have write-in slots.

### FLOOR NOMINATIONS

Candidates who are nominated from the floor must either be present and consent to the nomination, or have indicated in writing the willingness to serve, pursuant to section 4.3(b) of the MPOA Bylaws.