

Village Voice Community Newsletter November, 2021

Thanksgiving Greetings!

Hard to believe, I only have one more article to write for the newsletter. Four years surely go fast. Remember to set your clocks back one hour Sunday morning, November 7th. Also, Thursday, November 11th, is Veterans' Day. If you see one of our many vets here in O/V, thank them for their service. With all the changes to our holidays within our calendar now, I still think this is a true holiday.

As the cold weather moves in, please disconnect hoses from outside spigots and turn off the valve for your outside faucets. This is a perfect time to change your furnace and humidifier filters. If you need help, Jim can get the job done. Make sure you have the filters and put in a work order. Please keep up the good work of keeping garage doors shut. If you see any suspicious activity around O/V, don't be afraid to call the Sun Prairie Police non-

emergency # 608-837-7226.

As always, we are looking for residents to sign up for clubhouse security. Easy to do; only 5 to 10 minutes per nightly checkout.

On October 12th, we had our quarterly residents' meeting, which included election of officers. The new President is Tom Huss for a two-year term; Vice-President Cathy Anderson with a one-year term; Treasurer Vicki Peterson with a one-year term: Secretary Diane Schultz with a two-year term; Social Committee Sally Carpenter along with Barry Strauss as Vice Chair for a twoyear term. Thank you to these residents for stepping up to take over these offices. Please let's all of us give them our support during their terms. Thanks to all residents who have supported me these last four years.

As we go off Day Light Saving Time, we are changing the start times of Monday and Thursday euchre. Starting on Monday, November 8th, we will start cards at 2:15; then on Thursday, November 11th, euchre will start at 1:30. This will allow us some light going home in Winter time and be home for supper. This will continue until mid-March when we go back to Day Light Saving Time.

Because of COVID restrictions. there will be no activity and meal going on in November. We are still planning a great sendoff for December with a Christmas party along with Tom and Jerry's as part of the festivities. We are also planning our Valentine's Breakfast; men serving our O/V ladies, for Saturday, February 12. Mimosas will again be a part of the meal. No cost for this and our Chef Robert Peterson has promised us a meal to remember! Mark your calendars, as we will have a sign-up sheet inside the Clubhouse hallway for this in January.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Glenna Wetmore, Bill Dille and Carolyn Riley, all recovering from surgeries. To them and any other resident that is ill, including Wes Breunig, we are hoping for healing powers upon each of you.

Good luck to our snow-birds. Enjoy the warm weather.

Our board is working on the 2022 budget for OVI. We will have updated information in our monthly maintenance fees and capital improvement projects for the year, in December's newsletter.

With changes in our weather this time of year, please all be careful.

Henry Ruff Chairperson



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I want to thank everyone for their kind words, cards, food, and flowers as I recover from my surgery. I really appreciate it.

~ Carolyn



Board of Directors

The turnover of units continued to be delayed by the time needed to get flooring and appliances. The Board will explore other vendors.



When residents will be vacating their units or when the last resident living in a unit dies, a Notice-to-Vacate (NTV) form must be filed, The form can be found on the Village Portal or in the office at the clubhouse.

The OVI board passed the 2022 budget.

The city is considering the OVI request to prohibit bicycles and skateboards on the sidewalk on the west side of Hunters Trail.

~ Art Eggert

Treasury Report

"I mentioned in an earlier report that the receivership firm was turning over remaining cash they had to Olympic Village Inc. (OVI). That payment is now in process and the amount is \$27,770.45. Certainly a welcome addition to our bank account.

At the October Board Meeting, the OVI Board approved the budget for the fiscal year starting January 1, 2022. We are waiting for written confirmation from the city of Sun Prairie on exact garbage and recycling fees before we release the details of the budget to residents. We expect that soon.

Let me assure you that the budget addresses our most critical needs with attention to a sound financial base for our future."

~ Ron Lostetter

Maintenance Report

I am continuing to work on the 4 empty units for refurbishment. (very busy)
Installed a couple appliances.
Starting to clean the leaves out of the gutters around Olympic village. See attached sheet,
"Preparing for Winter".

~ Jim Falk

Security

Would you like to help with the Clubhouse Security?

Once again, we would like to thank everyone who has and are helping out with the Clubhouse Security.

If you would like to help out, details as to what is involved, and the sign-up sheet are on the information board in the clubhouse. I would like to incorporate an idea to make the assignment more user friendly. The sign-up for security is for a week (7 evenings). You may come as early as 4pm. On Monday and Thursday nights, no check is necessary because the card groups do the checking. Also, if we have a dinner or play Bingo, people involved do the checking. So,

you're actually checking the clubhouse 5 evenings.

I would like to incorporate an idea to make the assignment even more user friendly. You might not be able to commit to all the days. I would be happy to do the evening or weekend you can't do.

If you have any questions, you can call or text me at (608) 960-0634. I can also do a walk through with anyone who would be interested. The actual check only takes about 5 minutes or less once you're in the clubhouse.

Thank you, David Mischka



Grands'

Grins

After being told not to, my sone snuck and ate a cookie for breakfast. Upon confronting him, his reply was, "Jesus was in the kitchen and He said I could eat a cookie."

~ Case, age 3

"It's not too much food. This is what we have been training for our whole lives. This is our destiny, this is our finest hour."

~ Gilmore Girls

Sun Prairie Food Pantry Help



Current Donation Needs as of 10/21/2021

Paper Towels
Diapers Size 6
Baby Wipes
Ultra Thins Pads Any Size
Panty Liners Any Size
Regular Pads
Shampoo 18 oz and Conditioner 18 oz.
Toothpaste
Bar Soap
Sugar 4 lb.
Ketchup 13-20 oz
Mayo 11-30 oz
All Purpose Cleaner

We would like to fill the basket in the

OVI clubhouse lobby for Thanksgiving and Christmas. The list above contains the most critical items needed. If you cannot bring your donations to the clubhouse, I will gladly pick the items up from you. Thank you for your act of kindness.

> ~ Katherine Farmakes (608) 347-2511

A new children's museum is establishing itself as a non-profit in Sun Prairie. As you know, early guided play is critical for brain development in very young children. The museum's mission is to provide meaningful opportunities that promote learning and prepare children for school. Having a children's museum in Sun Prairie provides easy access for children and their caregivers to participate in this rich, exploratory environment.

Check out their website: explorecm.org

OVI has been given a unique opportunity to give back and support our community in this effort. Any donations by an OVI resident will be matched by an anonymous donor. All are tax deductible.

Checks can be made out to Explore Children's Museum and given to Cathy Anderson #964 Phone: (608)334-8623. She will make sure OVI residents are given the matched donation.





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I dread CHRISTMAS SHOPPING!!

Will the item come in time or at all? Don't worry, just come to the Eastside Lutheran Church's

> ART and CRAFT FAIR Sat., Nov. 6, 2021 9am - 3pm

There will be craft vendors, basket raffles (don't need to be present to win). Bring address stickers to put on raffle tickets to save time. There's also the book nook, cookies by the pound, and bakery items.

<u>Directions:</u> From SP take Hwy 151 into Madison. Turn right onto Independence Lane between McDonald's and Double Tree by Hilton Hotel. Proceed up the hill and the church is on your left.

There's something for everyone and you can have a head start on your Christmas Shopping. Hope to see you there.

Questions - call Dianne Schultz (608) 318-1778 Sue's

s committee

News

If you were not able to attend the October Association meeting the sad news is that the NOVEMBER cocktail party has been cancelled. I felt we really needed to let our entertainment person, Susan Franklin, know. She said she had already received notice of 3 other cancellations.

There is something else that will be cancelled again this year and that is in-person celebration of our **VETERANS.** We have not and will not forget your Service for our country. I hope when you see someone that you know is retired Military or someone in uniform that you cross paths with, that your thank them for their SERVICE.

This year, Olympic Village Association will be sending a check for \$50.00 that gets shared by the Sun Prairie American Legion 333 and the Sun Prairie VFW 9963.

December. The club house decorating will be Tuesday December 7th. This will start at 9:30am.

The planning for our Holiday Dinner on 12/14, is still in the planning phase. Looking for a special meal for the holidays. I'm almost positive Tom and Jerrys will be served. More to follow.

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Last Words

"Gratitude unlocks the fullness of life. It turns what we have into enough, and more. It turns denial into acceptance chaos to order, confusion to clarity. It can turn a meal into a feast, a house into a home, a stranger into a friend."

~ Melody Beattie