

Village Voice

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Did someone say snow? Did anyone say “I hate snow”? Those were the words most spoken from 1/9/24 and then for the following two weeks. I would hate to say how many calls were made to Jim Falk, or Janelle and Derek of Attic Angel that first week and still some into the next week. We should all take a deep breath and tend to all our aches and pains if you were one of us out shoveling.

This was almost a record snow fall for a 5-day period. Things didn't go well as you are all aware. We have been told that everything is being looked into. We are told that they are looking into how to correct the situation so that we don't need to go through something like this again.

It really was a brutal snowfall followed by the bitter cold. Welcome to Wisconsin. I heard many say this was the type of winters we used to have. Just so this doesn't become the norm.

Let look ahead to more pleasant thing such as the Ladies Valentine Breakfast on Saturday Feb 17th. I hear it's a new menu and the chefs Jeff Froh and Bob Peterson are being very secretive about it. The only other thing I know for sure, Hank is going to be the MC again. He is going to be the Bob Barker of OV.

We received sad news that Dennis Burke passed away January 11th. If you remember a few months back, there was an article that Dennis Burke, a former resident moved to a different facility and donated to OV a very nice, taller flag pole with a solar light at the top. We are now following the US Flag Code. The Flag Code says, a flag should be illuminated at night to show respect.

There will be a Letter of Appreciation hung in the lobby of the Club House for this Gift.

Sue Stang, President

Olympic Village Residents' Association News

In March the OVRA will be sponsoring an Olympic Village Inc. 2024 Budget Informational session with residents. The OVI Treasurer, Ron Lostetter will present budget data and answer questions residents may have. More to Come!

Notice to Access Unit for Audit

The Olympic Village Board of Directors has requested an audit be completed to assess the step height of the master bathroom shower in each unit.

Two staff, Jim Falk and Larry Long will be going door to door on Wednesday, February 7th to complete this audit. It will only take a few minutes to complete the measurements. You do not need to be present however, your presence is always welcomed. If you know of any conflicts with this scheduled date, please contact Derek Buckley at (608)662-8822.

A Heartfelt Donation

A prior tenant of Olympic Village, Dennis Burke, made a generous donation to our community. Knowing the flagpole located at this unit would need to be removed, he offered to donate the pole and partial funding to use it as a replacement for our clubhouse flagpole.

He made this donation in honor of his brother. A Letter of Appreciation will be hung in the lobby of the Club House. It will include the below memorial information.

“The Olympic Village flagpole was donated in memory of:
Staff Sergeant Michael John Burke.
United States Marine Corp.
Missing in Action.
October 19, 1966.”

Olympic Village is sincerely grateful for Dennis's donation. In light of his recent passing we hope he has been reunited with his brother, Michael, and that they are resting peacefully together.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

February Activities

- Friday February 9th Last day for the Ladies to sign-up if they are planning to attend the Ladies breakfast on the Saturday the 17th.
Men also need to sign-up they will helping with the Ladies Breakfast on the 17th.
- Saturday February 10th There will be a men's only planning meeting. This will be at the Club House at 9:30am
- Thursday February 15th 9:30 Coffee Hosted by Nancy Veenendaal
- Saturday February 17th The Big Day has come. The Annual Ladies Breakfast at the Club House. Gather at 9:00 and eat at 10:00. This event is for us women to sit-back and be pampered.

Up Coming Events

- Saturday March 16th Sally Carpenters Team, Karen Oehrlein and Julaine Stroede have made arrangements for the OV Residents to celebrate St Patty's' Day on Saturday March 16th. This will be held during the day at the Roadside Grill. There will be rides available for those that need one. More information to follow in the March Voice.
- Tuesday April 9th Resident Quarterly Association Meeting



- 7th Ron Knudson
8th Donna Zink
15th Nancy Veenendaal
15th Jane Grant
19th Patricia Hahn
20th Roger Grant

Residents on the Move

It's nice, all our neighbors are still with us.

Updates for empty Units

Unit 912 is refurbished ready to go and is reserved.

Unit 936 and Unit 892 are both in the middle of being refurbished.

A Note from the RCM

I'd like to address the elephant on the page, snow removal at OV. AAMS received dozens of emails and phone calls in regards to this in January and we appreciated all of them. Your feedback is important and absolutely valid. Please continue to reach out with concerns and questions. I have been diligently communicating with the contractor to reiterate expectations and share our support for every resident concern brought forward. AAMS is working to find an improved solution for future snowfalls so this does not happen again.

Our request is that you not contact Jim Falk to express concerns or ask questions about snow removal. Jim does not oversee the contract. Ultimately, Jim forwards these concerns to me. To do so, Jim is pausing other duties to relay that information. In order to help keep Jim on task, please contact your RCM.

This has been a frequently asked question, so we would also like to note that the snow contractor does cover damages from the snow season. This includes things like turf repairs and bed edging.

Again, thank you to everyone who shared their concerns. Please continue to reach out as needed.