

Village Voice

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Spring is here, but it looks like Mother Nature isn't ready for warm weather. Hopefully the next few weeks will be more spring-like. We are looking forward to the weekly gatherings under the trees at the Schultz's. The gathering is every Saturday at 3PM. A time to relax and have a little chit chat.

June 13th is the trip to the Fireside Dinner Theater. The dinner is followed by the show "The Church Basement Ladies in the Last Potluck Supper." Thank you to Sharon Wagner for your work in making this possible.

The Fiesta at the Clubhouse was well attended and I think everyone had a good time. A special thank you to Jane Miller and her family and the volunteers who worked hard to make sure everything was a success. Jane is another hero added to our list. She puts the S (back in) mile.



Everyone is invited to come to Coffee on the June 19th and Birthday bingo on June 24th. Bingo cards are 2 for \$5.00. Both events are a good way to get together and meet your neighbors.

The deterrent fence for the geese has been placed around the pond. So far it appears to be working.

There has been much progress on the landscaping between O'Keefe and the Club House. There was a delay in getting the markings for utilities completed, but things are moving along now.

On a sad note, Joan Eckert passed on May 21st. There is currently no information available about services. Our condolences to the Eckert family.

Marty Kepper and Barb Swenson are home. Please keep them in your thoughts. If you have a chance stop by some time.

May your gardens grow and your flowers bloom.

Barry Strauss, President

From the Vice President

We're running a bit low on kitchen dishrags and could use a few left over containers (like take-along), chip clips, rubber scrapers/spatulas & an ice bucket. If you have any of these items that you aren't using, please consider donating them to the Clubhouse kitchen. We are also in need of old towels for the upcoming window washing. Please donate any that you might have. Any donated items should be placed in the kitchen. Thank you in advance.

VOLUNTEER WINDOW WASHERS NEEDED **JUNE 16th to June 20th**

**Using volunteers last year saved Olympic
Village residents over \$4,000!**



Please sign up on the Window Washer Volunteer Sheet in the Clubhouse.

There is a Sign-up sheet in the Clubhouse for volunteers to sign up to help wash windows. New volunteers will need to sign a waiver sheet with Derek.

- Residents will need to remove screens, **contact Jim in maintenance for help if you need him to remove your screens.**
- Sunday, June 15th - Outside window screens must be removed for window washing.
- Monday, June 16th - The process will begin at **7 AM** of getting the residents outside windows will be washed.
- If your outside window screens ARE NOT removed your windows will not be washed.
- Let Karen Oehrlein know if you DON'T want your windows washed. Call & leave a message for Karen 608-837-8322.

NOTE: Units 812-818 & 824-828 outside windows will be washed once the new roofs are completed.

Karen Oehrlein

From Social Committee

I would like to thank everyone who attended our Fiesta Party. It looked like everyone had a good time, which is what the Social Committee wants to give our residents. Thank you to all the volunteers who worked to make it a fun night and presented a great meal. A special thank you to Jane Miller who planned this festival; Jane oversaw the menu, the decorations and the food that was served.

Our next fun agenda is our trip to the Fireside for great food and a comedy show The Church Basement Ladies in the Last Potluck Supper. The date for this fun event is June 13th July 2nd is our Quarterly Meeting that will be a Potluck. There will be a social gathering at 4:00 with dinner served at 5:00. The Quarterly Meeting will begin after the dinner. Please try to attend as there will be information from all the committees.

We are trying to finalize a Pontoon boat ride at the end of July; more information will be coming. The Pontoon will accommodate people who use a wheelchair or a walker. It should be a fun time on our 90-minute cruise around Lake Monona! We are planning on renting 2 pontoon boats. Each boat holds 15 people. Please let us know if you will be in a wheelchair. The price for this adventure is \$10 per person. We will recommend that you bring some water and a lunch.

In August we will be celebrating our 5th annual Independence/Perseverance Celebration! For your Calendar tentative dates are Aug 16th or 17th. There will be Plaza Burgers, brats and hot dogs plus side dishes.

During the September 18th Coffee Hour we are planning on having a speaker from **ADRC** (Aging and Disability Resource Center) to speak about disabilities and possible aid/help. The speaker will talk about ways to prevent falls and other safety concerns. More information following in July's VOICE. - Tom Huss

Landscape Ideas

The Landscape Committee is excited to begin the work along the Hunters Trail entrance. This will be our major landscaping venture for the year. If you have ideas for smaller items, whether community-wide or at your specific homes, please submit them to Derek Buckley via email or in writing at the Club House. While we cannot guarantee all suggestions will be taken up this year, we will do our best to incorporate those that can be addressed while the landscaping crew is working in the community.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

3	Leon Veith
7	Hearth Faber
9	Dorothy Suchomel
11	David Schultz
12	Ted May
15	Buzz Lassow
22	Mary Scholidon
29	Rose Meffert



JUNE ACTIVITIES

Thursday June 5th Foot Care Clinic. The next clinic is scheduled August 7th. If you would like to make an appointment or have questions, please contact Jane Miller at 608 318-0856 Those with tickets for the Fireside Theater Friday June 13th. You should arrive by 10:30am at the Fireside Theater. Dine at 11:15 and performance 1:30.

Unit 944 renovations are almost completed. The wait list is down to 38 names. The unit is being shown.

A lot of activity going on at the corner of Hunters Trail and O'Keefe. Many trees and bushes have been removed. New plants and trees will be planted as quickly as possible. We ask for your patience please.

The landscape committee is TRYING humane ways to keep the geese from enjoying the grassy area around the ponds. Last year the geese and cranes ate more than one half of the grass seed that was put down in the area by the parking lot. What they are trying is putting garden stakes with two rows of sixty pound fishing string around the edge of the pond by the side of the club house. The idea is the geese fly into the pond and then wander up on the land. The hope is, they will not like getting tangled in the string and stay off the grass and the walkways, patios and parking lot.

Here is an article from the August **2021** Voice that explains the reason we don't allow feeding the birds during the summer months.

UNDERSTANDING WHY FEEDING BIRDS IN SUMMER IS PROHIBITED

OVI allows bird feeders from November 1st through March 31st. Supplemental feeding in warmer weather is not necessary when natural food sources are abundant. Feeding wild birds in summer is associated with negative impacts such as disease transmission, death from window strikes and, attracting geese and rodents.

Another item, from the August 2021 Voice; there was a reminder for August 10th 2021 OV Independence Day Cookout. This is a reminder that the OV Celebration of Independence started in 2021. So, that makes this year our 5th Celebration. The name was changed last year to the Preservation Day Celebration but everything else is the same, the Plaza Burger, Brats, etc. It's still a great reminder what OV has accomplish after the departure of Independent Living and we became Olympic Village Inc.

Safety Reminder: If you don't have grab bars in your shower or tub area, it would be in your best interest to have some installed. You would need to purchase them, and then complete a work order for Jim to install.

REMINDER: This is something that is held all summer long weather permitting.

Dianne Schultz wants to remind everyone the **Tree Gathering has started now.**

Everyone is invited to come and sit under the berry trees and visit with your neighbors.

The location is down by the Dead- End sign on the south end of Olympic Village 928 Hunters Trail.

We get together at 3:00pm on Saturday's during the summer. People come and go as they please. Bring their own lawn chair we do have a few extra chairs so if you are on your walk and decide to stop of minute. You do need to bring your own beverage of your choice if you want.

This get together does not have to be at the same place each week. If you would like to have it on your lawn, we can make up a schedule. The schedule would need to be made up in advance so we have time to get it into the Voice.

Weather permitting we will be me to meeting will be each Saturday at 3pm. It's just a good time to get together. Hope to see you there.

A change for the Unit and Alpha phone list. If you ever have a change to your number, you can either e-mail me, Sue Stang at sstang5255@charter.net or call me at 608 335-3812 with the change. Patty Horstmeier phone number has changed. 608-695-7807.