

Village Voice



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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Hello friends and neighbors.

In February my husband, Paul, and I moved into 882 Hunters Trail. We wish to thank all of you for making us feel welcome in our new home and community. We have attended many functions and always look forward to the next one.

After seeing the fun things planned by the social committee and by other residents, I started to get involved and wanted to help. Recently, Barry Strauss announced that he and Sally are moving into a home in Sun Prairie to be closer to their family. So, at the end of July Barry was looking for someone to take over his duties as President of the Residents' Association Committee for the remainder of this year. At the quarterly meeting Sue Stang nominated me and I accepted. I wish to thank Barry and Hank for helping me to get on board with the duties as President. This newsletter is my first task. I hope you enjoy this month's newsletter. Feel free to contact me, Karen Oehrlein or Sue Stang with input to the monthly newsletters.

July was a pretty busy month. The new landscaping is complete and looks great. The new large aeration fountain was installed and it's very impressive. There was a large turnout, lots of great food and good meeting for our quarterly Potluck and Association Meeting

Please check the Social Committee Section and the **Calendar** for more details for all upcoming events.

A special thanks to all the volunteers that make these events and all the regular monthly activities possible.

Please take a moment for thoughts and prayers for our neighbors who are experiencing some health issues – Tom Huss, Marcia Bahr and Barb Swenson.

Sandy Kmiec, OVRA President

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

1	Joe Bertone
5	Vickie Peterson
7	Diane Schultz
9	Cathy Anderson
13	Katherine Farmaker
18	Sue Eckert
25	Donna Cap
27	Sherry Otto



AUGUST ACTIVITIES

TUESDAY, AUGUST 12th Please join us when our **August Wine & Dine** event will take us to Sassy Cow at 1:30 for a delicious ice cream treat. If you prefer you can also arrive earlier to have lunch. Carpooling will be available. **PLEASE SIGN UP BY SUNDAY AUGUST 10TH** on the poster in the Club House if you are going to join us.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 17TH **The 5th Annual OV Independence/Perseverance** Celebration. Celebration begins at 4 PM for gathering and socializing, dinner at 5 PM, music after dinner and a game or two of Cornhole. Dinner will feature Plaza burgers, brats and sides. This year there will be NO COST to attend. **PLEASE SIGN UP BY SUNDAY AUGUST 8TH ON THE POSTER IN THE CLUBHOUSE.**

THURSDAY, AUGUST 21ST **WHO WILL HOST THE NEXT COFFEE?** Please sign up if you're interested, thank you.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27th **Wacky Wednesday** every 4th Wednesday at 2pm. It's a great opportunity to meet neighbors, have fun and share future event ideas – Please Join Us!

SEPTEMBER ACTIVITIES

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH **During the Coffee Hour**, a speaker from ADRC of Dane County will be presenting a program on how the ADRC empowers people to make informed choices about services and support relating to aging or living with a disability. ADRC serves all Dane County residents regardless of income or personal resources.

They are also the single-entry point for publicly funded long-term care programs in Dane County. Please join us for this informative session.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21st A Packers vs. the Cleveland Browns tailgate party is being planned at the clubhouse. The game is at 12 noon. More details will be included in the September's Voice.

PLEASE

Remember to sign up on the bulletin board poster(s) if you are planning to attend a get-together or event. The Social Committee would like to know how many are attending to ensure there are name tags, chairs and tables for everyone. If event is where the Social Committee is preparing the food, or if the food is being catered or reservations need to be made, it's very important that you sign up by the date indicated.

We truly appreciate the enthusiastic participation that makes each of these gatherings so memorable. Whether you're a longtime resident or new to the community, your presence brings energy and warmth to our events. Don't miss out on the fun, we look forward to seeing familiar faces and welcoming new friends at all our upcoming celebrations! **THANK YOU! - The Social Committee**

RESIDENTS ON THE MOVE

We have a new Resident moving into unit 944. Her name is **Ann Lalko** and her phone number is (920) 682-0326.

Barry and Sally moved to their new home in Sun Prairie at the end of July. That is going to leave a big void in our community.

Barb Swenson is at Oakwood East with Hospice Care.

CLUB HOUSE SECURITY

I want to thank all who have volunteered and continue to volunteer for the Clubhouse Security. We still can use more volunteers. Would you be available to help? It only takes about 5 minutes early evening any time after 5:30pm for a week, Monday – Sunday.

Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board along with a description of the duties. Duties include checking that all doors are locked, the lights are off etc. It's an excellent opportunity to get in a little more exercise. If you have any suggestions, you can call or text me (608) 960-0634. - **Thank you, Dave Mischka**

MISCELLANEOUS NEWS

Now that the mulch pile is gone, we will order a dumpster for the Clubhouse parking lot in August. Residents may use the dumpster to discard of unwanted personal items as well. Please, no electronics (TV's, printers, etc.), chemicals, paints or construction items. Also, if it is full, please do not continue to throw items into the dumpster. If you have a question, please ask Jim Falk or Derek Buckley. It is first come, first served.

It was suggested, for cases of emergencies, it might be helpful to provide a close neighbor(s) with an emergency contact number should something happen to you. Also, if you feel comfortable, you might also give them a key in case you were accidentally locked out or your garage door was not functioning (i.e. power outage).



You may have noticed a new water feature in the community pond. Rather than pour expensive, short-lived chemicals into the water to control the weed problem, we are trying a different approach we hope will agitate the top water and help prevent stagnate growth. If it is successful, we may look into adding a second fountain on the other side. The fact that it adds an attractive visual feature is a bonus! Special thanks to Jim Schulenburg, OV Board Member, for finding and installing the fountain.