

Village Voice

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

It's hard to believe a month has passed since the last edition of the Village Voice. I hope you have been enjoying this beautiful summer. There were some warm days, but overall, the weather was nice and the rain amounts were perfect. It is so nice to see everything stay green and the crops in the fields in their full glory! The harvest season is upon us.

August was a busy month here in Olympic Village. There was the trip to Sassy Cow, the Fifth Annual Independence Celebration, bingo, donuts and coffee, cards, exercise classes and sitting under the tree at the Schultz's. I wish to thank the social committee and volunteers for the work they did to make these events possible.

This is a reminder that at our October Quarterly meeting and potluck there will be an election of two officers this year. The two positions are Chair (President) and Secretary. These two positions will be for two-year terms. The Chair is the position that I was elected to when Barry left at the end of July and it ends on December 31 of this year. I plan to run again for this position, but that should not stop you from expressing interest in either position. If you have questions or would like to nominate someone for the position of Chair or Secretary, feel free to contact me or Hank Ruff.

Please read on through the rest of this newsletter. There is a lot of information that you will find interesting and useful. I also wish to take this opportunity to thank the many people that contribute to the newsletter and Sue Stang for compiling and formatting the input and producing the Village Voice that we all enjoy. Thanks, Sue.

Take care and be well.

Sandy Kmiec, OVRA Chairman

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

04 Karen Kepper
06 Jeff Froh
09 Arthur Eggert
19 Tom Huss
20 Dick Wagner
20 Faith Krug



RESIDENTS ON THE MOVE

Leon Veith	Residing at Prairie Gardens
Barb Swenson	Residing at Prairie Gardens
Dorothy Suchomel	Residing at Hyland Campus

RESIDENTS TO KEEP IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS AND WISHING THEM A SPEEDY RECOVERY

Jerry Cap	Is at home recouping
Patty Horstmeier	Is at home recouping
Sherry Otto	Is resting at home with broken wrist
Katherine Farmakes	Is at home recouping
Marcia Bahr	Is at home recouping

VILLAGE SCOOP

Sally and Barry moved last month and we miss them. They were great neighbors and did so much for our community. Barry was kind enough to continue to print the newsletter during their termination period (90 day notice when they are leaving OV and are still a resident). If you happen to see them, please extend a warm “Thank you” for their continued support.

Football season is here! And it is fun to share with the neighbors who you are rooting for. To show your support for a particular team you may display a team flag during game day. It does need to be taken down once the game over.

And, it is Mum season again. So, our friend and neighbor, Ross Oestreich, thought it would be a nice addition to our neighborhood if a number of residences had a beautiful, potted mum

plant on their front porch. Ross has offered to pick up the plants sometime in September from the Amish community. The cost is \$11. If interested, please call Ross at 608-843-9177 by September 7. Thanks, Ross.

Talking about flags, just a reminder that no political, religious or commercial signs or flags may be placed outside your residence. A standard size American flag (for example a 3 X 5 ft.) may be flown if it is securely attached to your home.

This is a reminder that feeding the ducks, geese or any wild animals is prohibited in Olympic Village. However, you may fill bird feeders from November 1 through March 31.

As you know, per the Rules of Residency, we are allowed to have a pet up to 20 lbs. If you are asked to dog sit once in a while for a larger well-behaved dog that is OK. The concern with larger dogs is the safety issue or keeping control of the dog. The preferred area for any longer walks would be out of OV. Walking the dog up the street to O'Keefe or to Oconto Drive would really be ideal. Don't forget to clean up after the dog and dispose of the plastic bag in your trash.

Are your mailbox numbers looking worn and hard to read? Well, a fix is on the way. The Social Committee is working on a project to replace the worn-out numbers. It will be done before winter.

Another water fountain was installed on August 27th. Behind the Club House. The first water fountain is not only beautiful it is functional and helps to keep the water looking clean and helps deter the geese. We want to Thank Jim Schulenburg who is an OV Executive Board member and has been very helpful with many of the projects around the Village this summer.

A reminder from Dave Mischka, if you are the last one to leave the Club House, please turn off the lights and make sure the front door is locked. On occasion this has not been done. Thank you to the residents that have volunteered to do security checks at the Club House. If you are interested in helping out, there is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Club House. Feel free to contact Dave if you have questions.

Grilling Out. Changes were made to the Rules of Residency regarding barbeque grills. Rules were updated to state that you may grill in your driveway if your grill is at least 10 feet away from the building. When the grill is completely cool, the grill must be moved to your back patio or garage.

Before winter the carpeting in the Village Center will be cleaned. Thanks to Dave Mishka and Dave Schultz for overseeing this effort.

This is just a reminder that there is no smoking anywhere on the Olympic Village property inside or outside the residential units.

Outside Light on Garage. It has been a known concern that the unit number of your home is not visible at night when the exterior lights are on. This is because the bottom, decorative plate covers the numbers. The decision has been made to remove the bottom plate. Over time Jim will remove the plates, but in the meantime, you are welcome to remove it yourself if you want it done sooner. Please save the plate in your garage. Please do not submit a work order for the plate removal.

RESIDENTS CORNER

Jerry and Donna Cap want to “Thank You” for all the cards and well wishes during Jerry’s many days in the hospital. Jerry is getting stronger each day and ready to get back playing Euchre on Thursday.

It appeared everyone was having such a great time on our trip to the Sassy Cow. Who doesn’t like fresh-made ice cream and spending time with their friends and neighbors?

Also, the turnout we had for our 5th Annual OV independence/Perseverance Celebration was a great success again. The food was delicious! Those Plaza Burgers with the special sauce was such a treat.

Thanks to everyone for coming to these events. If you have any suggestions, please give them to a member of the Social Committee.

Dear Friends, Family, and Unidentified Well-Wishers,

Thank you, a thousand BOLTED-SCREW-TIGHT thank you for your get well, cards!

I must admit, after hip surgery, I wasn’t sure whether I’d be walking tall again or just scooting impressively fast on a chair. But reading your cards filled with puns, doodles, and the occasional question about my future career in hip hop—has given me both hope and several new nicknames.

Special thanks to those who included jokes about “getting a leg up on recovery.” Your humor is almost as sharp as my surgeon’s tools... almost. The ones who reminded me “at least you’ll always have both legs---just not both at the same time right now”, I appreciate the honesty.

Also, to whoever sent the card with the dancing skeleton, don't think I didn't notice. That one hit me in the funny (and phantom pain) bone.

Your thoughtfulness has truly lifted my spirits—and only a little bit of actual leg, per doctor's orders. If all goes well, I'll be back to my usual shenanigans soon--just with a new "hip" dance moves and a shiny souvenir from the hospital.

With a hop, a skip and a grateful heart (but still no jumping—doctor's orders!) **Tom Huss**

From our Olympic Village Social Committee

Thank you to everyone who joined our Independence/Perseverance Celebration. We appreciate your participation and support, especially from the committee and volunteers who made it a success. -Tom Huss

SEPTEMBER SOCIAL EVENTS

Coffee & Donuts Thursday, September 18th There will be a Presentation from

ADRC - Aging & Disability Resource Center

- Assisted Living & Nursing Home Options
- Energy Assistance
- Caregiver Supports
- Housing Options
- In-Home Personal Care
- Meals & Nutrition
- Legal Resources
- Respite Care
- Social Security, Medicare, Medicaid
- Support Group
- And Much More...



Please sign up on the Clubhouse Bulletin Board by Sept. 11th if you'd like to attend.

Sunday September 21st *Gather at 11:30 AM*

Tailgate Party Packers vs Browns



vs.



Wear your favorite jersey. Game will be on the Clubhouse

TV at Noon, enjoy Eating, Drinking & Socializing. Please BYOB and an appetizer to share.

P.S. There may also be a football pool for ya'll to enter.



Join Us for lunch at 11:30 Monday September 29th!

We are planning to travel to Monk's in Sun Prairie.

*Please sign up on the Clubhouse Bulletin Board by
Sept. 22nd if you'd like to attend.*

UPCOMING OCTOBER SOCIAL GATHERINGS

Tuesday	October 14 th	OV Quarterly Meeting and Pot Luck and Election of Officers
Thursday	October 16 th	Coffee and Donuts
Wednesday	October 22 nd	Wacky Wednesday – Join us for making Kringle with Mary Davison Wine & Dine TBA

MISCELLANEOUS NEWS

The Olympic Village Board has decided to begin updating the exterior of the buildings starting in September. Evolution Construction was selected to replace exterior siding, windows and sliding glass doors for all units in OV. The time estimate to complete one, four-plex unit is one and one half weeks. Residents will experience minimal disruption and will not need to relocate during the work. We do not yet have a schedule for each unit and will publish it once we determine the scope after the initial four-plex is completed. The project will likely take three or more years to complete.

Jim Wickert and his wife reported seeing what appeared to be a coyote cross the lawn behind their unit. It is worth a reminder to please not let small pets outside, unaccompanied.