

TO THE POINTE

A monthly newsletter for a community of condos where people of diverse backgrounds and ages live in close proximity to one another and share common elements with their neighbors.

NEIGHBOR NEWS

Bob Dressler, a World War II Air Corps vet, celebrated his 93rd birthday with his wife Marilyn Sander and family.



*Happy Birthday Mary Ann McDonald!
Her brother and his family traveled from Boulder to help celebrate her "milestone" birthday!*

Will Rooker has been promoted to Vice President of Perfect Look and Sport Clip's Salon Operations! Congratulations Will! Please call him "Mr. VP" instead of Pool Boy from now on!!!!



The next board meeting will be March 13 at 5:30 in the Riverside Room. All residents are invited.

GAS AT OPV?

A few neighbors have come together to investigate bringing Natural Gas to our community. Susan Spring has spent a lot of energy putting this together. NWNG could bring gas water heaters and fireplace inserts to our homes.

NWNG will be presenting an informational meeting, FEBRUARY 28 at 5:30, in the Riverside Room. Bring your questions and comments and learn all about it.

This will need to be a community wide vote to make it happen, so please come and learn for yourself.



GOODBYE DEAR FRIEND

Our neighbor, Lauri, passed away last week, with his wife Judy, his daughters in law and his son Eric by his side. His passing was expected and his family was grateful to be present with Lauri's Hospice Team nearby.



Lauri's son Eric will take his father's ashes with him to Virginia Lakes (Calif.) and spread them in the meadow next to his summer home. Lauri took his children to this location to camp as kids. His son loved it so much that he built a cabin that the family enjoys to this day. Eric's mother's ashes were placed in the same meadow. Judy lovingly agreed that this was a perfect place for Lauri to come to rest.

There is no service planned at this time. Lauri's daughters and Judy and her family will travel to the cabin to help send Lauri on his way.

Judy would like to thank all of you for your help and kindness extended to her and the family.

Good speed Lauri.

GUTTER CLEANING

Redfin will be cleaning our gutters over the next few weeks. If you have gutter issues, please let CMI know ASAP so that specific problems can be inspected. (Harry and Sue...your issues are being address.)

The installation of new commercial grade downspouts is being scheduled as we speak. (Four buildings have been converted and the overflow of gutter water has stopped.)

LANDSCAPING

Hello all! It's been really busy in the Landscape world here at OPV. Thanks to the Committee for their care and time!

Brightview has been on site cleaning and repairing our French Drains. It may not help the WOW factor but it sure helps our community drain excess rainfall and standing water.

We are only removing two more trees in 2019 but we are pruning and caring for many other trees. I'm saving every tree that is realistic.

Our small bubbler fountain gave up the ghost this summer. Its wiring did not meet code and pinecones were stuffed down the top, burning out the pump.

The committee has been working for over six months to bring a "real" fountain idea to the front of our property. Talk about a WOW factor...but talk about a WOW price too! The committee garnered three bids ranging from \$6,000 to \$16,000. We brought renderings of all three to the board and they voted to have a fountain and then voted for the \$6,000 bid offered by our own Brightview!

We will post concept ideas in the library when they are available.

We are very confident in Brightview's work and we were happy that the board chose that idea and firm to work with.

An idea of an art piece is also on the table. More will be presented about that in the near future. Stay tuned!

Sandy Marentette, 503-348-5600

DRYER VENT CLEANING

Our dryer vents will be cleaned from the outside in on March 4th. You do NOT need to do anything to have this done. The HOA pays for this.

However, many people want to have their dryer vent cleaned from the inside out. That is a good practice and the HOA will pay you back \$20.00 for doing that.

PLEASE STAY TUNED FOR INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO GET THIS DONE. CMI WILL BE SENDING INFORMATION OUT WITHIN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS.

TALK ABOUT ART

Our artistic neighbor, Thai Dong, has agreed to refresh the art work to the library, with more of his own work!

Our sincere, "Thanks" Thai for treating us to your work!

YIKES BLOCKS!!!

A number of us in upstairs units are experiencing sink blockages in the kitchen. We have added a new plumbing company to our CMI roster that is MUCH less expensive than our past plumbers.

He has inspected/fixed at least three of these blockages in the past month. (Each block affects both up stair units.)

These blocks are caused by poor original plumbing design and twenty five years of stuff being flushed down the kitchen sinks.

The fix required that he opens the wall of one of the units and then changes/ updates the original plumbing design. No more "T" pipes but "Y" shaped drains.

As with all issues like this, the HOA will pay for the plumber to fix what is in the wall but the homeowner will be responsible to have the wall opening repaired.

Since the opening of the wall only happens in one of the units...the neighboring unit may want to help pay for this as both units are part of the cause in this type of blockage.

The new plumber is Anthony Burgess. His number is 971-678-6272.

TO ALL YOU SWIM GIRLS

Hey gals... I found this website for inexpensive swimsuits. None was over \$36.00! These are all one piece... molded cup... no underwire.



They have all styles and sizes. They fit true to size. Swimsuitsforall.com..... Have fun... the pool opens in about 120 days!!!!

FIREPLACE CLEANING

Our chimneys will all be inspected by the end of February. (The HOA pays for this and they only work from the outside of the buildings.)

If your chimney needs to be cleaned, you will receive written notice to that effect. You are then responsible to get your fireplace cleaned and finally let CMI know that you have done so. You are financially responsible to get this done.

Because we are multi-level and multi-family units, it is IMPERATIVE that you follow through and get your chimney cleaned if you are notified that it is necessary.

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LIGHTS OUT?

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RECYCLE REMINDER

In your Garbage Container

Frozen food containers

Glassware, ceramics and incandescent light bulbs

Plastic film and bags

To-go cups and containers (paper or plastic cups and clamshells)

Also in your garbage: Styrofoam, food-soiled paper, pizza boxes, carpet, textiles, containers labeled "compostable," pet waste, diapers and lumber. Some items can be taken to a drop-off center to be recycled.

In your Recycling Container

Plastic bottles, jugs, buckets and tubs 6 ounces or larger

Mixed paper and cardboard

Metal

Recycling reminder: Empty and rinse, clean recyclables only. When in doubt, toss it in the garbage.

In your Glass Container

Glass bottles and jars Empty and rinse containers

Reduce & Reuse

Simple actions add up! Recycling is great, but can you do more? Remember your travel mug or water bottle when going out, and bring a reusable bag when shopping.

Find information and drop-off locations for donation, recycling or disposal at oregonmetro.gov/findarecycler or call Metro's Recycling Information Hotline 503-234-3000.

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NATIONAL MARGARITA DAY

is February 22, smack dab in the middle of winter. Many people think of Margaritas as a summer cooler. A date in February was selected, as Margaritas can be enjoyed any time of the year. There are all kinds of flavors, from strawberry and peach to mango and berry, and much more. Almost any fruit you can imagine can be used to make the perfect Margarita.

Margaritas are comprised of tequila, citrus or other fruits, and sugar. It is the most popular alcoholic beverage that uses Tequila. Margaritas are poured over ice, or can be put through a blender to make frozen margarita.

Historically, Margaritas have been around since the 1930s and 1940s. The actual origin and creator is unknown. Frozen Margaritas came on the scene in the 1970s.