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

Welcome to two new four-legged neighbors!!



Taylor Upchurch is an Aussie Doodle. She is sweet, calm and very good natured!



Chief Marentette is a mix of Rat Terrier and Jack Russel! He is a happy chap....who loves everyone he meets!



We have not scheduled the next board meeting due to coronavirus precautions.

TWEET!

It was decided at the last HOA meeting that all bird feeders MUST be squirrel proof!

Hummingbird feeders are exempt.

Why? Because we have had five complaints that squirrels have taken up residence in our neighbor's outdoor furniture cushions!!! Caroline Natwick, whose hobby is birding, has bird feeders that are done correctly. Walk by her unit (5052 G) and take a look at her handy work. She is happy to pass along information to all bird lovers!



EDIT, EDIT, EDIT, EDIT!

It is Spring and lots of neighbors are thinking about cleaning up their pots and reorganizing their patios, decks and yards. The Patio and Deck belong to you...but the property beyond and beside your patios belongs to the entire community.

With that said, PLEASE...walk out and take a FRESH look at your "yard" and EDIT! Remove all items that have become worn, weathered, chipped or faded. Remove empty pots or pots with dead plants in them. Look at your yard from your neighbor's point of view. Is it over decorated, over filled or just doesn't comport with the natural look of the rest of the neighborhood? Do you have too many "whatevers" in the area?

I know that you love your 50-year-old sparkly fish mobile that your now 40-year-old "child" gave you for Mother's Day in 1982 but the rest of the neighbors aren't so keen on it! Put it in your bathroom and enjoy it yourself.

Most neighbors aren't comfortable telling you to your face that you need to clean up your yard, so they call the board and ask us to tell you. If we get more than three requests, we usually talk with the neighbor. (We do not say who voiced the complaint.) We don't like informing our neighbors any more than you do....so help us out!

The board is planning to speak to some of our neighbors soon, so please, EDIT YOUR OWN YARD.



MEET JEAN

Our former Brightview representative, Rebecca, had a darling baby girl and she has decided to stay home and be a full time Mommy. Our new person is Jean Jung and most of the Landscape Committee has met her. Sandy has been working with Jean and feels that she fully understands our community's landscape objectives.



DRIP, DRIP, DRIP

OPV has had three water heaters fail over the last few months and for many of us, it is time to get a new one.

In 2001 most of us replaced the original Star Heaters that were in when we bought our units. That was about 19 years ago. Present day water heaters have useful lives of about twelve to fourteen years. Former Water Heaters were made to last thirty years!

Last week, Doris Marsh, Gary O'Connell, Dianne Robbins and I all replaced our water heaters because one failed. Ours were all the same age. (Also, one of the copper pipes, in the wall, was weeping and did quite a bit of damage to a lower unit. Perfect storm.)

It's not as easy as it used to be when you just went to Sears, bought the unit and they installed it. Much of that service has gone away!

We found a really good team of contractors, through Gary's Son-in-law, who is a very good contractor. These men brought our new heaters, got permits, installed our heaters, removed our old units and all in two days! We are happy to pass along their information. Call them and let them know that you live at Oswego Pointe Village and need a new Water Heater and you will get a very good price plus great workmanship.

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ROOFS

CMI and the Board hired an independent roofing inspector, PONO Building Consultants.

The consultants performed visual observations in order to assess the roofs to determine weather/water resistance and the general condition of the roofs. They also check for evidence of constructions deficiencies. Click here to see the report.

Bottom line:

The roofs are at the end of their useful lives and there are venting issues that need to be repaired. All roofs need to be replaced.

Next Steps: PONO will create a bid sheet for the bidding companies.

The Board will review these four bids and choose one company to do the job.

We want to re-roof in two phases, with five buildings this year and the remaining in 2021.

No assessments are planned for this project.

When foodies are in quarantine 😂





One month ago, at OPC!!!

THANK YOU, NEIGHBORS

It is so rewarding to talk with so many neighbors who are checking in with each other during this worrisome time.

Social distancing is a real thing and we see that happening with our neighbors who are walking together...six feet apart!

Neighbors have called each other about going to the store...and picking up items for one another.

So many of us have sent funny "clips" to each other to help relieve the housebound boredom. I've been sent many, many suggestions for good TV viewing, early "Senior" openings for local stores and so much more!

Wendy O told us that, "She recently went to Hokey Pokey University and she's turned herself around!!!!!" We can all help to turn ourselves around by staying connected while we are staying apart! This is what living at OPV is all about. Reach out where you can. A simple email or call really means a lot at this time.

Now...where the hell can you buy toilet paper?????

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LIGHTS OUT?

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Our neighbor, Doris Marsh's daughter, is a chanteuse! Doris says she is "really great." It would be fun to all go together! Stay tuned to be sure the concert is still happening. How exciting!

REMINDER

If you have photos, celebrations, birthdays or stories you would like in the newsletter, please send them to me at Sweetcoffey@hotmail.com.

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