

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

Happy Birthday Ladies!

- Terri Jane (6/13)
- Betty Barbur (6/15)
- Dianne Robbins (6/16)

Together...they are about 225 years old! You figure it out!



Judy wishes her daughter a very happy birthday!



Neighbor's decorate Will's porch for his birthday... but Will surprised them by coming home early!!!



The next scheduled Board Meeting will be the Annual Meeting, August 24th, 5:30 in the Riverside Room.

COVID IS STILL WITH US

While hospitalizations are down in Portland right now, Covid positive people are way up at OPV. We have five active cases, as I'm writing this.

Folks are sick but can stay at home to recuperate. PLEASE, if you are positive, stay home and wear a mask if and when you need to walk through the complex.

Ask for help! Your neighbors will be happy to pick up prescriptions, grocery shop and even bring a small meal to you, if they know that you are sick. Support is important. It is easy to feel depressed and alone with this isolating disease.

We have been passing along lots of "feel better tips" to folks, once we know that they are positive. It takes a village, and this village is one giant care package, if we know that you need help! Reach out!

If you have photos, stories, or ideas that you'd like to see in the newsletter send them to SweetCoffey@comcast.net.

POOL RULES: READ READ READ

OWNERS MUST COME TO THE POOL WITH GUESTS. OWNERS MUST COME TO THE POOL WITH GUESTS. OWNERS MUST COME TO THE POOL WITH GUESTS.

RESIDENTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR GUESTS AND THEIR GUEST'S BEHAVIOR.

Thank you to all of the "Chem Checkers". You are all doing a great job, and no one has forgotten to do the job yet!

I'm sorry to say that neighbors have not done so well this year. There has been lots of garbage and Lost and Find items left behind. The chairs have not been put back where you got them, and the umbrellas have all been left up overnight. (A large wind carried two out to our sidewalks last week!) Leaving the umbrellas up when you leave just bleaches the fabric much faster than if they are wound down.

The bathroom toilets are not being flushed after they are used. (If you have small kids using the toilets...please go in with them.) If overly dirty bathrooms continue, we will have to lock them. The upkeep is too much without help. You own these areas, please be responsible for upkeep while you are at the pool. Wipe up the bathroom counters after they are used and put papers in the garbage, not on the ground.

Please put the cover back on the spa when you get out.

If you have OVERSIZED pool toys, consider the number of people in the water. People in the pool trump pool toys. Be neighborly please.

Hours are posted on the doors. No pets in the pool, no food of any kind (this includes snacks.) and all beverages must be covered and in plastic.

Spilled drinks/ food brings bugs and bees. Use the lovely back patio for treats and food. Please clean up after using that space too.

OWNERS MUST COME TO THE POOL WITH GUEST. OWNERS MUST COME TO THE POOL WITH GUESTS...Are you all getting the message!



Even the trees are friendly at OPV!!!!



*Bev Fast refreshed her patio for Summer!
It looks so inviting!*

WATERING THIS SUMMER

Our water bill is the most expensive item in our budget. So please, be considerate when you water. Water the plants but please don't soak the ground to saturation.

Please don't hose the sidewalks off...sweep them.

Don't wash the sidewalks off thinking that it will cool off your unit. It really just creates steam.

It just isn't that effective, and it is VERY expensive.



Where's that darn cat?

Funny for the Day: When did my wild oats become shredded wheat!!!!



Marilyn Sanders and her daughter vacation together!

RUNNING FOR OFFICE

It is time for the annual meeting, and it is important for all residents of OPV to come to the meeting, meet new owners, hear about the past year, renew friendships and maybe even run for an office.

Teri Jane has decided to leave her office and she will be sorely missed. Teri is a deliberate thinker, not afraid to speak her mind and is always kind to all parties while discussions are happening. Thank you for your very long term in office. We enjoyed your clear thinking and decisions.

There will be two vacant seats on the board. But Will, MB, Judy and Patti are willing to run for another leg of the journey.

If you are interested in running, speak to any board member.

Your life experience may be just what we are all looking for!

HVAC

Congratulations if you put in the ductless HVAC. I only know of one person who doesn't LOVE it, but she does like it!

It's time to move the MODE from heat, a tiny sun icon, to summer, the tiny snowflake icon!

If you have more than one unit, all of the units must be in the same mode. The unit will not work if all units are not in the same MODE. (Heat or AC.)

Also, be sure to clean the filters monthly. If you need any help...call MB or Sandy and we will help clean it or move it to the correct mode.

Speaking of HVAC, it is rule in Lake Oswego that new HVAC machines be landscaped before permits are given to the Owner. Everyone at OPV that has a new unit has a permit.

The person working in the LO Permit Dept. did not enforce this issue. A new person is now heading the department and he is insisting that HVAC's must be landscaped. Luckily, we charged Andrew \$200 for landscaping! We have the money to do this work. Sandy, Judy, MB and Jean walked around the entire property and noted where the plantings should be. This will begin soon.



*Will graced our two lovely neighbors with a fresh summer hair cut!
Don't they all look great!*

Meowwwwwwww!

Please be sure that you dog is leashed, at all times, this summer. I know that it's a pain to leash from the door to the car. But two cats have been treed by just such situations.



Will's partner Cooper's twin teens graduated High School! Congrats Dad!



MB and Sharon's dog, Sandy, enjoy a treat while resting on Daisy's new bench, over in Foothills Park. Daisy had it installed now so that she could enjoy it too! Great idea!

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LIGHTS OUT?**Mary Beth Coffey**, 503-740-6937

Last week a neighbor walked into the pool enclosure and found three unknown teen boys standing together looking at her. (Kate and kids had left at about 2:45 and the next neighbor showed up about 3:05.)

Pool chairs and umbrellas had been tossed into the pool. The hose was on full blast and was in the pool. The noodles and basketball hoop were torn up and broken apart. Chairs were turned over and one table had been "tagged" with the name BEHR.

The boys acted upset and "surprised" to see the damage. The neighbor asked where they lived. They said their mom was a friend of someone who lived her. When pressed for names, the boys took off.

You don't need to "confront" unknown folks in the pool area.... but mention that you haven't met them yet or ask to see their pool key. Again, don't confront them, but if you can, move away from them and photograph them. Let them know that this is a private pool and to please move on. Don't get into a discussion with them if you are alone. Leave and call the police.

MBC called the police, and he was marginally helpful and suggest spikes on the pool railings and adding four additional feet to our fence. He suggested cameras on the buildings and No Trespassing or will Prosecute signs on the gates. The last suggestion seems like the one realistic idea of the bunch.

The kids came back, and I saw them running through the units. I yelled to them that I had called the police then called Gary O to go out and head them off by the poolside. By the time that Gary and I got there they had headed out to the walkway to the park. They had stolen the basketball on this trip. I followed them, at a distance, as far as the bowl and lost them in the crowd. I checked the pool early the next morning...and the basketball was back inside of the fence???

I am setting a meeting with the City Manager, The Chief of Police and will try to meet with Park and Recreation. There are few, if any, adults watching Foothills Park during these overcrowded days with many, many teens.

The skateboarders are not heeding the no skateboarding signs and there is underage drinking happening in the park. Kids DO need a place to be together on these long boring summer days, but not in a public park, without any supervision. (I know, I managed Oaks Park for 36 years! Supervision is crucial.) Most kids are great and really just want to be together with their peers...but there is always a number of kids who want to start something and then it just swells into trouble.

Foothills is also public, so many age groups gather there. Unruly kids can be dangerous to the seniors who enjoy walking in that park. There is a way for all to work together...but it takes rules, supervision, consequences and desire to make it work. I'll let you know what I find out. It better be better advice than put spikes on the fence!