

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

Stephanie Drachman (Teri's daughter)
Judy Stafford 3/16
Bridget McCarthy 3/16
Daniel Andre 3/21



Sharon enjoys her February birthday!

A celebration of Claire Cohen's life will be held on March 25th at 1:00 at the OPV Clubhouse. All neighbors are welcome to join her family.



The next scheduled Board Meeting will be March 16th at 5:30 in the Riverside Room.

BIKE ROOM RENTALS

It is time to renew your bike room rental fees. The price is \$25.00 to store your bike for 2023.

Dianne Robbins will call you to work out payment for your space.

PLEASE REALLY THINK ABOUT SELLING YOUR BIKE IF YOU ARE NOT USING IT., WE NEED ROOM FOR OTHER OWNERS WHO DO USE THEIR BIKES.

If you have not used your bike for over a year, we will help you sell it on a Lake Oswego neighborhood website.



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

BOB DRESSLER



Our friend and neighbor, Bob Dressler, passed away February 24th. [Read about his life here.](#)

WINDOW REPLACEMENT

All unit owners, who have the original black windows will need to replace them by February 2024, or fines will be levied until the windows are replaced.

If you have concerns, please call Mary Beth or Judy to discuss your situation.



LANDSCAPING

The city of LO now requires that when new equipment is added outdoors, (HVAC condensers) they need to be landscaped. Luckily, we had built in \$200 per unit to purchase plants for just this situation!

The Landscape Committee voted on Daphne as the plant choice. They are hardy, evergreen and smell so lovely. They will even add a pop of color!

Sandy Marentette, Landscape Chair.

LET'S PARTY

The second "MUGABLE CREW" party was so much fun. Over twenty neighbors gathered to visit, drink coffee, have treats and play BINGO! It was really just a nice chance to see each other during this long boring winter.

Will Rooker donated fantastic prizes from his company, Perfect Look Hair Salons! Eileen was the wonderful BINGO caller and Judy made a mean pot, or five, of coffee for everyone! The treats were great too.

Once again, Daniel brought See's candy and a good time was had by all of us.

THE NEXT "MUGABLE CREW" PARTY WILL BE APRIL 18TH, AT 2:00, IN THE FIRESIDE ROOM. THINK.... DANCE PARTY!!!!

WELCOME CLUBHOUSE MONITORS

A number of neighbors have volunteered to be Clubhouse Monitors. Each person takes a weekday and walks through the building to be sure all is as it should be. They will check for issues that could become problems, (wet floors, no bath tissue, no plastic bags in the garbage bins etc.)

The Volunteers are Sally Shorr, Patty Ostrom, Carolyn Natwick, Betty Barbur, Anna Lundin, Keiko Ueda and Marilyn Sander.

Judy will meet with the group and they will develop what needs to be done to keep our Clubhouse in tip top shape.

Judy is doing a great job with cleaning the Clubhouse and Guest Suites. They have never looked better. (Judy is also for hire, to deep clean after your parties in the Clubhouse.)



BIG SCREEN TV

Our community owns a huge TV in our Clubhouse.

The remote was so confusing that many of us could not even use it! Tom Jackson, our resident, "IT Go To Guy" is getting a very simple remote for us! (Tom also does the physical layout of the Newsletter every month. Thanks Tom!!!!)

Think about throwing a fun party centered around the big TV. It's a fun way to gather and have a focus!

LET IT SNOW...SNOW...SNOW....SNOW

Well, what a winter wonderland we have all lived in over the past few weeks...and hey, it's March!?!?

Tara James and Fiona Hawkins, John Bogue, and a few others, shoveled, cleared steps, put down ice melt and generally helped many of us out. Thank you, Community Good Guys!

Remember that there are community shovels and ice melt on the back patio, for your use. PLEASE DO NOT USE REGULAR SALT ON THE GROUNDS AS IT EATS THE STEPS, KILLS LANDSCAPE AND CAN BE DANGEROUS FOR ANIMALS. YOU CAN GET ICE MELT AT ACE HARDWARE FOR UNDER \$20.00 PER BAG.



Kate Lockhart becomes a kid again during the big snow.



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LIGHTS OUT?**Mary Beth Coffey**, 503-740-6937**GOOD BYE HONEY PIE**

As many of you know, I had an ancient cat, Honey Pie. She was seventeen years old and lived all of her nine lives right here at Oswego Pointe Village. She was a “barn cat” who had the very majestic markings of the noble Siamese. And oh, those turquoise eyes....

She was an indoor cat, but had developed the habit of going downstairs, daily, to get a drink of water from a pink bucket on Dianne Robbins deck. (She would not drink a drop at home!) The two of them would sit quietly together and watch the world go by.

She would not walk off or even leave the deck if Dianne was there. If another neighbor was in “her chair” she would actually meow at the person till they got up and moved to another chair! It was the damndest thing!

Of course, Dianne had treats for her, a soothing voice and never, EVER, scolded her for her behaviors. That Siamese meow could really be grating! Dianne didn’t seem to mind.

While all of this is charming and sweet...my reason for writing this note is to thank you, my community for your kindness, concern, condolences, notes, food, flowers and friendship that so many of you extended to me during her last few days. Teri came over at 5:00 AM to talk with me about “next steps.”

Many of you called daily to, “see how it was going” and Sandy even took us to the Vet to help us on the last part of her journey.

At one point, Sandy was actually holding me, Honey Pie and the nurse. I will never forget these kindnesses. I won’t forget that most of you called her by her name, Honey Pie, and not just...your cat. What an amazing group of people live here.

I understand that she was just a cat...but no matter what the “trouble” happens to be, our group of neighbors helps us carry that burden together. There is always a friend to talk to, to reach out to, to just be with.

We have lost Claire, Bob and for me, my little Honey Pie. That is a tough month. Each is a loss to our group but somehow, we come together and lift each other up by a note, a visit, a phone call or just a wave in the parking lot. This reminds us that someone is there for us. In our case, a number of someones.... our neighbors.

There is **UNITY IN COMMUNITY** and boy do we have a stellar community here that all of us can be a part of. You get out of it, what you put into it. Truer words were never spoken.

Take time to meet and be with your neighbors.

I simply thank you all for your kindness. We are lucky to live here.

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