HERITAGE OF HAWK RIDGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

# Putterings

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#### Kelly's Corner – January 2021

I am happy to start my sixth year here at HHR managing your community. With the New Year, we are hoping to see things return to more normal with activities and events but like last year, HHR residents' health is top priority. Please watch emails and monthly newsletters to stay informed. Pat Venditti has been elected to the HHR Board. He joins Jeff Ford and newly elected officers, Larian Johnson-Board President, Linda Bird – Board Vice-President and Fred McGavran -Board Treasurer. Ally Bane is our appointed Board Secretary and is a non voting member. We thank John Shaal for serving as an HHR Advisor/Board member for the past three years. He has been such and asset to the community. He has agreed to help guide us through our large lake dredging project. This project should begin in early February (weather permitting) and will begin with work on the upland dewatering site. A map of the project can be found in this news letter edition. The plan is to dredge approx. 11,000 CY of sediment from the lake. I wish you continued health and happiness in -Kelly 2021.

#### Heritage of Hawk Ridge

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#### <u>Resident Spotlight</u> Kathleen Johnson

The start of a new year often includes resolutions – to eat healthier, exercise regularly or lose weight. So, who better to shine a spotlight on this month than HHR's own fitness instructor – Kathleen



Johnson who, for the past 14 years, has been teaching chair, standing and water aerobics. "I'm not really big on resolutions," she said, "but I like the idea of picking something small and achievable – like losing 5 pounds in two months. Or just doing more of what you love -- like bowling, dancing or walking." Kathleen has spent most of her life traveling the world – with her father's jobs, then with her own and her husband Dave's military positions. It was his last job that brought them to St. Louis 20 years ago. That was also the first time the two built a home and felt "settled." Unfortunately, Dave was diagnosed with multiple myeloma, which, ultimately, took his life six years ago.

"He was the love of my life and my best friend," said Kathleen, the pain still obvious on her face. Then two years ago, since Kathleen had already been teaching fitness classes at HHR, she decided to move here and has never regretted that decision.

Kathleen has always seen herself as a "teacher," which manifested in her participation as a reader for Head Start centers, as a church volunteer, teaching at the "Y" and doing other community service. "It's wonderful to see a child who's afraid of the water learn to enjoy swimming." Kathleen has four grandsons and two siblings but since none of them lives in the area she has developed "hanging buddies," people with whom she shares her favorite activities. She calls them her "framily" – friend family! Once Covid is behind her Kathleen would love to take a cruise with a friend. In the meantime, she relies on her faith, friends and a loving community. --By Joan Elliott



<u>Monday</u> 9am Strength Training 10am Cardio Chair

#### <u>Friday</u>

9am Cardio Dance 10am Chair Stretch 1pm Mens Pinochle 7:30pm Pass the Trash Tuesday 9am Mens Pinochle 11am MahJong

<u>Saturday</u> 9am Billiards Wednesday 9am Piyo 10am Chair Strength

Thursday 9am Mens Pinochle 12:30 Open Bridge 1pm Low Roller Poker

Please do not come to the clubhouse if you are ill or have a fever.
Masks are required when in the clubhouse.
We appreciate you bringing your own mask. But, masks are available if you forget yours.
Please take one, keep it and reuse it. Thank you!



# HHR NEWS

### COVID-19 ADJUSTMENTS for upcoming activities

We are closely following advice from the CDC and health department regarding our upcoming events. Social distancing is required at all activities.

All residents will be expected to follow the guidelines below:

- Social distancing is required. 6 feet between residents not living in the same household.

- Masks are required when inside the building. Please wash your hands.
- Please DO NOT come to the clubhouse if you have a fever or are feeling ill.

The danger of exposure to the coronavirus that causes COVID-19 exists.



#### HHR Football Pool

Winning continues through the month of January! Each week we give away a \$25 gift card. The pick sheet is available on the website and at the clubhouse each week. Don't miss your chance to win!!



#### January

This CRAFT this month is \$5. A glue gun is needed for this craft. Available at the clubhouse if you don't have one. We are making a winter indoor decoration. **Register by 01/01** to receive your supplies on 01/08.

The RECIPE this month is a soup! The cost is \$5. **Register by Friday, 01/08** to receive your recipe & supplies on 01/15.

Click <u>HERE</u> to register on-line.

## BLOSSOM—A Gardening Column by resident, Ann Chandonnet

Many children today can't tell the difference between an oak leaf and a maple leaf or between a deer hoofprint and an impression left by treading on a golf ball.

To change that situation, consider a Pizza Garden in 2021. This can be as simple as a single pot of sweet basil, or as complex as a raised bed of cherry tomatoes and hot or mild minipeppers, plus oregano, basil, elephant garlic and what-have-you. A bed of less than four feet square will work.

Raising plants from seeds is the best educational approach, but you are more likely to have satisfactory results by purchasing your pizza plants from a greenhouse or garden department.

Many culinary herbs are native to the Mediterranean and love heat. However, so as not to parch your "garden," be sure to water them often.

With access to a Pizza Garden, kids gain insights not only into the cycle of life, but also master small instances of dexterity—like cutting or pinching leaves of herbs without uprooting the plant. A kid-size watering pot is a good addition to the effort.



# **More NEWS**

# CityBeat By: Gary Turner, Resident of HHR and Alderman, Ward I

The Board during December approved the following:

 Supplemental Agreement to Transportation Development Agreement (Shoppes of Hawk Ridge) and Dierbergs which allows for necessary street improvements of Ronald Reagan Drive and Orf Road as it relates to the construction of the Dierbergs of Lake Saint Louis.
 Escrow agreement with Dierbergs guaranteeing completion of grading, installation and maintenance of erosion control measures and installation of site improvements related to the construction of a mult-purpose commercial development Lot C 1 of Hawk Ridge Village Plat 3 (Dierbergs).

3. Preliminary subdivision plat, final subdivision plat, and vacation of a portion of Old Highway N right-of-way, reserving for the City and utility service providers easement right to use said property for location fo utilities (South Ridge Shops along Old Hwy N).

Grading of the Dierbergs site is underway next to Lowes.

## HHRCA Board Member Election and 2021 Budget Ratification

We are please to announce that **Patrick Venditti** was elected as the newest HHR Board member. The 2021 HOA budget was also ratified. There were a total of 308 households who voted which is a fantastic turn out. All vote totals are below. We commend and thank the other nominees for running.

Ken Klasing – 86	John Meyer – 14	Larry Marten – 38
Matina Balint – 8	Bill Sparacino – 29	Pat Venditti – 133
TOTAL - 308		
Budget Ratification		
Yes votes – 255	No votes 38	No vote (left blank) – 15

#### Care and Concern Committee - we need your help!

Through the efforts of the Sunshine and Casserole sub-committees, CCC provides greeting cards, gifts and/or food to our neighbors who are ill or experience a family emergency such as death of a resident.

We ask your help so that we don't miss someone! If you hear of a neighbor you feel would benefit, please let us know by phone, email or text to one of the following listed below. It is also helpful to know when a resident returns home after hospitalization so that a meal can be delivered.

	Nancy Doerer	ndoerer@charter.net	314-265-5748
	Debbie Hoel	debbiehoel@mail.com	636-699-5238
Let's hope all our neighbors at HHR have a safe and healthy New Year!			

# What's Happening



The Out & About Club is alive and well. No COVID-19, we are just socially distancing here in the HHR Community. In tune with the season, we are dreaming of gathering again, doing some of the events cancelled last year and maybe some new ones that may present themselves.

For those of you who are new, if you would like more information as to what the Out & About Club is, visit the HHRLifestyle website /Our Community /Clubs & Groups /Out & Abouts – click on the link. There you will see a general description of the club plus links to: Past Club Events, By-Laws (these are being revised), and Special Projects and Charities. Or you can contact any of the officers listed below.

Just an update for those who may be wondering, we have new officers on the board (listed below) and we hope to be announcing a date for our dinner/planning meeting to be held as soon as safety and consideration permit large gatherings. If you may be interested in participating, (or have questions) please let us know. This will help us to continue preparations. Responses may be made to any of the officers listed below.

We want to thank Rich Lutke and Krayle Lutke for the fantastic job they did over the past couple years as President and Event Planning Director of our Out and About Club.

Once we have a firmer grasp on the timing of things, we will be in touch. At the meeting we will discuss possible events, look for other ideas, and start scheduling events for the remainder of the year. We will also be finalizing memberships and collecting dues. Our new officers are:

PRESIDENT – Frank Doering – 751 Ostrich Drive (frankjdoering@yahoo.com) C -314-540-3280 EVENT PLANNING DIRECTOR – Alice Malzahn – 592 Owls Perch Dr. (aliceamalzahn@gmail.com) C – 618-292-6893 H – 636-265-3005

TREASURER – Maxine Weir – 736 Harrier Ct.

(gmw-2019@charter.net) C - 314-560-0338 H - 636-265-2529

SECRETARY/MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR – Don Holt – 404 Barn Swallow Drive (donald.holt@sbcglobal.net) C - 636-466-3006

#### HOLIDAY LUMINARIES

We would like to thank all the neighbors who helped with this year's luminary project. The weather was very cold and windy, but they braved it to get it done and did a great job. The following folks placed and picked up the luminaries, provided milk jugs through out the year, or donated sand. Thank you to: Dave Knopfel, Gary Reich, Jack Jezik, Larry Martin, Tom Schoech, Bob Klobnak, Rory Teich, Gerry Smelik, Jane Boudreau, Jane McFarland, Tom Gill, Wayne Erter, Greg and Connie Talmadge, Bob and Barb Gersey, Bob Gray and Family, Dave



Wanhatalo and Family, Steve Strubel, Bill Paland, John Fairhurst with Lowell Barnes and crew, Mike and Marianne Schuermann, Bud Campbell, Dick Jelen, and Tim McCullen. Special THANK YOU to Dick Faxon who spent a lot of time organizing and planning for our beautiful Christmas Eve Tradition!

# What's Happening

## From the Pro Shop....

Happy New Year!! Pro Shop hours for January Wednesday-Sunday 9am-4:30pm; Hawkeye Grill serving Wednesday-Sunday 11am-4pm (Hours may vary depending on weather)

Soup & Sandwich specials available daily in addition to our great burgers, fries, chicken & cod sandwiches; carryouts always available.

Be ready for the 2021 golf season with a membership package for unlimited golf. See Ellen for current rates and applications.

Membership packs for those that renewed early are available for pickup in the Pro Shop.

Looking forward to a happy & healthy 2021 and great golf weather!!

New Books in the Library The Battlefields of the Civil War by Peter Cozzens. Part of the "Battles that shaped America" series.

The Bead Book: Create your own beautiful beadwork by Sara Withers. And yet...Essays by Christopher Hitchens.

## **Fitness Room Updates**

New for 2021 we have a new PING PONG TABLE! We also have a NEW ROW MACHINE for you to check out when you are ready.

#### COVID VACCINATION

We have had a few calls about getting the vaccine here at HHR. We are looking into options. It seems unlikely, as of now, that HHR could get a special clinic. But watch your email and we will keep you informed as we get answers.

- Medicine Shoppe (who does our flu shots) is not getting the vaccine at this point.
- We are working with Walgreens & the Health Department to explore our options.



### **Neighborhood Watch**

We have had a few people interested in starting a neighborhood watch group. We would need a few more people to get this established.

The program is "whatever we make it". Once we get a few more people to volunteer, we can coordinate a meeting to discuss further.

Contact Maggie if you are interested in helping and being involved in those first meetings. events@heritageofhawkridge.com





#### HERITAGE OF HAWK RIDGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION | MEETING MINUTES

December 15, 2020 | 10:00am | Location: Closed Zoom Meeting due to Covid-19 Restrictions

Agenda topics

Type of meeting	HHRCA Board Meeting	
Attendees:	Not in Attendance:	
Linda Bird	N/A	
Kelly Cobelens		
Jeff Ford		
Larian Johnson		
Fred McGavran		
John Shaal		
Pat Venditti		
Recording Secretary: Ally Bane		

#### 10:05am – Meeting Called to Order by John Shaal, President

- Roll Call Present on Zoom Call: board members as listed above including recording secretary and property manager.
- Adopt or Amend Agenda motion by Johnson, seconded by Ford, to address resident questions before review of prior month financials. all voted in favor.
- Approval of minutes from Board Meeting, November, 17, 2020 motion made by Bird, and seconded by McGavran, to approve prior meeting minutes. all voted in favor.

**Resident Questions:** 

Will the fence between the McBride neighborhood and HHR be extended? There are two sections (140 feet and 82 feet) not closed between properties. Shaal and Ford will contact Chris Cutler at McBride to set up a meeting to discuss. City of LSL only requires fencing where there was a wall.

When will audit outcome be forthcoming? Fred will meet with the committee about the audit.

Should a fountain be added in the large lake? Request will be added to the capital projects wish list for future consideration – motion by McGavran, seconded by Ford. all voted in favor.

Review prior month Financials (Nov 2020): No questions or issues raised by board members. McGavran indicated an extensive review was completed by the audit committee.

Old Business:

- Review distribution of new governing document and ballot procedures documents are currently at the printer where they have been printed, collated, and stapled. Cobelens will pick up at the printer and work with volunteers for distribution to the residents.
- Status of board election/budget ratification process and related announcements last minute ballots have just been received and tally is not completed. The 2021 Budget has been accepted and ratified. Cobelens with DNI, will complete the tabulation of the votes and will distribute results by email and publication in the Putterings.

Stop sign relocation in four areas – Cobelens indicated that this is complete.

Assessment mailing – Cobelens indicate this was completed and sent December 7, 2020

- No parking signs by pump station PWSD2 requires access to pumps. Signs have been installed to grant access.
- 2021 fitness and aquatic licenses completed Cobelens indicated these have been acquired and HHRCA is now in compliance with St Charles County requirement for licensing.
- HVAC repairs need to be completed on the 9 HVAC units in the clubhouse. Cobelens will have scheduled.

Pro Shop repairs – Cobelens indicated this is on Charlie's to-do list.

Lake edge erosion by hole #7 – in process of procuring pricing of Gabion baskets to solve problem.

New Business:

- Lake dredging additional \$9,500 for earth moving (slope grading required by City of LSL) Grading and dredging will raise the project cost an additional \$9,500 to meet city requirements. Motion to accept bid made by McGavran, seconded by Ford, and all voted in favor.
- Clubhouse holiday hours (closed 12/24, 12/25, 12/31, and 1/1) Cobelens will be in office (9am 5pm) Monday through Thursday. Reception staffing will be on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday (9am 1pm).
- Pro Shop Security currently there is only one security camera by the Pro Shop. Lucy from Walters Golf Management indicates that approximately four more are required for better camera angles. Cobelens will proceed with getting bids for additional cameras. Motion made by Bird, seconded by Ford, and all voted in favor.
- New ping pong table a new ping pong table has been purchased and is in the process of being assembled by Charlie. When completed, Cobelens will send out an email.
- Clarify cart path walking walking is only permitted on the Walking Trail and not the golf cart path. This is a liability insurance issue. Cobelens will draft an email for board approval, indicating that walking on the cart path is not allowed at any time.
- Potential sidewalk from Myna to entrance currently this is not included in the 2021 budget and will cost between \$15 \$20,000. Request will be added to the capital projects wish list for future consideration.
- Enterprise CD expiring 1/5/21 Cobelens to research best bank/rate to comply with FDIC deposit requirements per account. Motion by Bird, seconded by McGavran, and all voted in favor.

Committee Reports:

Golf (Bird) – nothing to report

Pool (Ford) – nothing to report

Architectural (Shaal) – 4 ARC requests have been approved since the last meeting and 90 have been approved year-to-date. A total of 287 requests have been approved in the last 3 years. Venditti to take the place of Shaal in the committee in 2021. Important to note: going forward the ARC will require plot plans with all new requests to expedite review.

Audit (McGavran) – first meeting held on 12/8/20 and the committee covered the following topics:

Golf finances vs HHRCA

Cash controls

Invoice approvals

Accounting controls

Purchases process flow

Member contractor connections

The next meeting is scheduled for 1/19/21 to cover the following:

Define purchase and contracting process

Determine if committee should be permanent and change name to Financial Oversight Committee

Landscape (Johnson) – nothing to report. After the first of the year will need to recruit new members.

Comments from Board members: Many thanks to John Shaal for past work on the board

New Board officers for 2021 as determined by the board:

President – Larian Johnson

Vice President – Linda Bird

Treasurer – Fred McGavran

Executive Session: Motion from Shaal, seconded by Bird, and all voted in favor to go into closed executive session to discuss personnel issues. When completed, motion made by Johnson, seconded by McGavran, to return to the open session and all voted in favor.

Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, January 19, 2021 at 10am. Motion to adjourn by Ford, seconded by Bird and all voted in favor.

#### 12:20pm – Meeting Adjourned

