

# Putterings

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## Kelly's Corner –

The start of the lake dredging project has been postponed due to the frigid temps in mid February. It needs to be consistently above freezing and the frost line to be only a few inches deep to begin digging the basins for silt disposal. Please do not pull up and park in front of the clubhouse entrance, even momentarily or even if it is not a busy time. This happens 5-6 times a day. There are ample close parking spots and designated handicap spots. The retention pond behind Falconcrest will be treated starting in April to prevent the primrose and pond weed growth from last year. Lastly, we have a new larger screen TV in the fitness room. Please come up and use our facility for exercise during this last winter month.

-Kelly



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## Resident Spotlight

### Patsy and Roger Ruchala

Coke's 1969 "Slogan of the Year" was "Coke . . . It's the Real Thing." For Patsy and Roger Ruchala Coke collectibles are the "real things" that have become the joy of their retirement. They



proudly display Coca Cola treasures they find online and elsewhere in their newly finished basement. "It all started with a gag gift," said Patsy, now delighting in her many unique finds, such as the fiber optic Coke sign she recently got for \$10.

It's a nice diversion, they agree, during this difficult time. Patsy, once Dean of the School of Nursing at the University of Nevada-Reno, feels great empathy for the many nurses who are just starting out and had a "baptism by fire" with the pandemic. Still, she holds high hopes for positive implications in healthcare following Covid.




Patsy and Roger met in Chicago where she worked in Cardiac Intensive Care and he was a biomedical technician. "He fixed my patient's monitor so we decided to get married," said Patsy, the two sharing a hearty laugh over that and noting their upcoming 47th anniversary. Roger, with an extensive career as an electronic technician, worked at many Batteries-Plus stores, setting up and supervising technical centers. During a previous stint in the Army, he studied Avionics.

The Ruchalas have a son and daughter-in-law in High Ridge, also siblings either in Missouri or Illinois. Their visits have been infrequent but they keep in close contact. The two are planning a Mississippi River Cruise in October, a 3-day motorcoach trip to the "boot heel" as well as a jaunt with the Route 66 Association.

"It's fun to get away but we also love living here," said Roger, noting that they have kept busy with a variety of activities, even during Covid. "There's so much to do," Patsy added. "If we're bored, it's our own fault."

--By Joan Elliott

# 2021 MARCH

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5 Craft delivery	6
7	8	9	10	11	12 Recipe delivery	13
14 	15	16	17 	18	19	20 
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

## Monday

9am Strength Training  
9 am Pickleball  
10am Cardio Chair  
1pm Bible Study with Alice

## Tuesday

9am Mens Pinochle  
11am MahJong  
2pm Billiards  
2pm Pickleball  
7pm Open Bridge

## Wednesday

9am Piyo  
9am Pickleball  
10am Chair Strength

## Thursday

9am Mens Pinochle  
12:30 Open Bridge  
1pm Low Roller Poker  
2pm Pickleball  
7pm Mexican Train (1st & 3rd  
7pm Rummikub (2nd/4th)

## Friday

9am Cardio Dance  
9am Pickleball  
10am Chair Stretch  
1pm Mens Pinochle

## Saturday

9am Billiards

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



# What's Happening

## 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.



### March

Monday, 3/1 is the last day to register for the craft of the month. The craft will be delivered on 03/05. The recipe registration deadline is 03/05 and will be delivered on 03/12. The cost is \$5 each. Visit the clubhouse, website or Facebook page to register.

**April** will be the last month for the Craft/Recipe of the month. Registration information will be available the middle of March.

## SAVE THE DATE

Sunday, 05/02 Poolside Concert with Cahill & Company

Sunday, 06/06 Poolside Concert with Synergy

Saturday, 07/10 Summer Sizzler with the Charlie Mann Band

April Putterings  
Deadline—3/28



## Welcome to the HHR Family!

Victoria Kulin

93 Avian Court

## New Books in the Library

### Children's

*Wooly Mammoth: Life, death, and Rediscovery.* by Windsor Chorlton

*Dinosaurs and Other Prehistoric Animals* by Robin Wright.

### Adult:

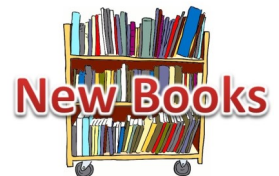
*Russell's Civil War Photographs: 116 Historic Prints* by Andrew J. Russell.

*Photographic Views of Sherman's Campaign* by George N. Barnard.

*Civil War Etchings* by Edwin Forbes. Edited by William Forrest Dawson.

*Night Boats*, poems by Edward Mycude.

*Laughing Shall I Die: Lives and Deaths of the Great Vikings.* By Tom Shippley



# HHR NEWS

## HHR Pickleball

Anxious for nice weather and playing outdoors at HHR? If there are any warm days in March that we think are conducive to playing outdoors on our home courts, we will send out an email. Pickleball times are listed on the calendar, but we will inform you if and when we are playing. Be watching your e-mail for any pickleball news. The Pickleball Committee



## CityBeat

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

For the second meeting in a row, a high quality Apartment complex was presented. The developer is the Mills Company; one of their developments is adjacent to the arena parkway and Hemsath Road. Their proposed development would be located on the southwest corner of Henke, Technology Drive, and Feise Road. This development would back up to the MoDOT right of way along Hwy 364 (Page). It will include a large clubhouse and pool. There will be no subsidized housing, similar to the development presented at the last meeting which will be behind Imo's, Walgreens, and First State Bank, backing up to I-64. Hopefully, both of these developments will be underway sometime this summer.

Also during the work session the Board directed staff to prepare an ordinance to restore previously withheld funds for city departments due the anticipated reduction in sales tax revenues due to Covid, which did not occur. In fact sales tax revenues increased over what was originally budgeted, primarily due to increased sales at Schnucks, Aldi, Lowes, and Walmart. Other businesses are recovering such as Von Maur.

The Dierbergs building structure continues to be constructed.

In other Board business, the following was approved:

1. A contract with Landscape Structures, for services related to the removal of existing structures and the purchase and installation of new playground equipment for the Lake Saint Louis Parks department. Specifically Boulevard Park playground equipment will be replaced. If you go to the city website the artist renderings should be posted. Will be up to date equipment for several age groups.
2. Repealed and replaced LSL Municipal Code dealing with land use and zoning. This bill included zoning of the parcel on the corner of Hawks Ridge Circle and LSL Blvd to Commercial Office (CO). This was the parcel that a developer proposed for a gas station. This CO zoning will preclude such a project.

Our police chief once again reminded everyone to lock their cars and do not leave valuables or any items of interest to thieves in their vehicles. This is our biggest crime problem in our community.

# Golf News

## From the Pro Shop....

Spring will be here before we know it. March 20th to be exact!!

As we're gearing up for spring golf, the pro shop hours will be extending especially with daylight savings starting on Sunday, March 14th.

We still have **membership packages** available for the 2021 golf season; call or stop by the pro shop for additional information.

For all those that still need to **register your personal golf cart**, please remember to bring with you the requested insurance information and a current picture of your golf cart.

**Leagues and golf events** will be starting in April; as we have exact dates and information we will post in the pro shop or via HR email.

The Wednesday evening HHR **Men's League will begin play on Wednesday, April 7.**

There are still openings to fill some teams. If you are interested, please email Steve Aubuchon at [sja@centurytel.net](mailto:sja@centurytel.net).

The **Wednesday morning Lady Hawkes** will begin play on Wednesday, April 14. Registration forms are available in the pro shop; and you may drop off the form with league fee.

All those interested in getting back in the swing, we now have **golf instruction** available at Hawk Ridge by PGA Professional Kevin Corn from Innsbrook. I have flyers and information available in the Pro Shop for lesson packages.

**Every Friday in Lent the Grill** will be serving fish specials including a cod sandwich, tuna salad sandwich and fish & chips (2 oz. Cod filet and french fries). All of our regular menu items will continue to be available. Call ahead for carryout or stop by and enjoy a beverage while you wait for your order. The patio is open.

Hope to see everyone soon!!

Ellen and Pro Shop staff



**The March Madness 3-Person Scramble** will be held on Sunday March 14. Shotgun start at 3:00pm. Chili Dogs will be included in the entry fee. Prizes for fewest putts, closest to the pin and longest putts. To sign up or for more information see Ellen in the Pro Shop or contact Bud Campbell. The deadline for sign-up and payment is due by Sunday March 7.

**Save the date** of April 14 for the Spring Warm Up 4-Person Scramble. More information about the tournament in the April Putterings. Look for a complete schedule of Golf Tournaments in the April Putterings