

# Putterings

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## Kelly's Corner –

Happy New Year! With the continuing and changing pandemic we will try to keep activities and events as normal as possible but still keeping all HHR residents' health as top priority. Watch emails and monthly newsletters to stay informed. Work is still being done on re-vamping the [hhrlifestyle.org](http://hhrlifestyle.org) website with GoDaddy. Please be patient and if you encounter any issues with accessing the website, call the office for assistance. We are so pleased to welcome our newest HHR Board members Bill Shockley and Harry Lipner. We thank Linda Bird and Jeff Ford for serving our community for the past number of years. This year we look forward to starting some clubhouse renovations including cosmetic updates to both restrooms and remodeling of the kitchen, craft room and east hall. Maggie, Tammy, Ellen, myself and the rest of the HHR staff are dedicated to making your community the best place around to live. We wish you continued health and happiness in 2022. -Kelly

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## Resident Spotlight

Huguette Duff

Drum Roll Please . . .

Meet Huguette Duff, currently the resident who has lived at HHR the longest and who, at 91, is both fiercely independent and eager to learn new things.

Huguette was born in New Hampshire and lived in a community of French Canadians whose goal was never to forget their heritage. Her family primarily spoke "Québécois" French, so it wasn't until later that she learned English.

Huguette's formal education began at age 18 at the University of New Hampshire and was completed more than 50 years later with a Bachelor's Degree from Fontbonne University -- at age 69!

At 23, she accepted a secretarial position with the Department of Commerce in Washington D.C. Her dream, however, was to go to France so she accepted a job with the Air Force in Chateauroux, France. There she met Cliff J. "Pat" Duff, the love of her life, whom she married and with whom she had six children, all college graduates. Working for Shell Oil, Pat took his family to Portland, Boise, Cincinnati, Columbia and, finally, Washington, MO. During that time Huguette kept the home fires burning. Pat introduced Huguette to sports, which have been a mainstay in her life. Several of her children and grandchildren have earned college athletic scholarships.

Sadly, Pat passed away when he was just 52 so Huguette bravely soldiered on "solo" from there, primarily working for A.G. Edwards as a financial assistant. Today, she proudly boasts 15 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Huguette's latest claim to fame is that her grandson, Clayton Echard, appeared on this season's "Bachelorette" and, beginning in January, will be the next "Bachelor." "It's been really exciting for my daughter Kelly and her family," she said.

Huguette considers her move to HHR in 2002 to be one of her best decisions. Today she's not as active as she once was but still appreciates fellowship with her many friends, as well as the support of the community. "Life has been good to me," she said. "I'd do it all over again in a minute."

--By Joan Elliott



# JANUARY 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
Private Rental 2	Souper Monday 12pm 3	4	5	Happy Hour 3-5 6	7	8
No Exercise Class This Week						
9	Souper Monday 12pm 10 Writers 11am	11	Happy Hour 3-5 12	Rosary 4:30 13	14	Chili Cook-Off 1pm 15
16 Out & About 3:30	Souper Monday 12pm 17	Board Meeting 10am 18	Happy Hour 3-5 19 Chick Movie 5:30	20	21	Craft 1pm 22
23	Souper Monday 12pm 24	25	Happy Hour 3-5 26	27	28	29
30	31					

## Weekly On-Going Events Listed Below

### Monday

9:00 Strength Training  
10am Chair Cardio  
1pm Low Roller Poker  
1pm Bible Study  
1pm Page Turners (2nd)  
6:30 Cribbage (2nd/4th)

### Tuesday

9am Pinochle  
10am Chess Club  
1pm Beginning Line Dance  
2pm Line Dance  
2pm Billiards  
3pm Mahjong  
3pm Heritage Singers  
6:30 Men's Poker  
6:30 Open Bridge

### Wednesday

9am Piyo  
10am Chair Strength  
1pm Quilters (2nd)  
1pm Mahjong (1st/3rd)  
4pm Pom Pom  
6:30 Hand & Foot

### Thursday

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

### Friday

9:00 Dance Aerobics  
10:00 Chair Stretch  
1pm Men's Pinochle  
1pm Hand & Foot  
6:30pm Pass the Trash

### Saturday

10am Billiards

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## COVID-19 ADJUSTMENTS for upcoming activities

**If you or your guests are not vaccinated, you are required to wear a mask indoors and strongly encouraged outside during activities and events.**

**Please do not come to activities if you are feeling ill.**

**SOUPER MONDAYS**— Noon in the ballroom  
Starts—Monday, 01/03

Join us every Monday in January & February for some warm soup and neighborly conversation. No need to register, just show up. We can eat until the pot is empty. Maggie will make one crock pot each week. We need a few others to pick a date to bring a pot too. Please sign up on the bulletin board to bring soup.



## DINNER & ROSARY

Thursday, January 13

4:30pm Rosary, followed by dinner & fellowship

Sign up on the bulletin board.

If you feel rusty about praying the rosary, please don't worry. We will have a handout with all prayers and I have roughly 20 blessed rosaries that are available at no charge. As far as the pot luck supper, for the first meeting Mike and Mary will provide the main dish and you can bring a side or dessert. We have roughly 20 people for January 13 at 4:30. You do not have to be Catholic to pray the rosary. All faiths are welcome to join.

## CHICK FLICK MOVIE NIGHT

Wednesday, January 19

Movie Starts @ 5:30pm

Bring your own snacks & drinks. Or even a brown bag dinner.

Feature film: TBA

Ladies of HHR, join us for a girls only movie night.

Sign up on the bulletin board to attend.



Join us for some Gnome fun!

Cost of class \$35.00; Cash or check payable to Shirley Meyer at the event

When: January 22, 2022

Time: 1:00 pm

Where: HHR Craft Room

Sign up on the bulletin board by January 19th, 2022

Class taught by Lorene Keck and Shirley Meyer

See Flyer for all the details



# WHAT'S HAPPENING

WATCH YOUR EMAILS FOR MORE UPCOMING JANUARY EVENTS!

## Holiday Luminaries

A big thank you to all the neighbors who helped with this year's Luminary project, providing a beautiful scene throughout the community Christmas Eve. Fortunately, the weather cooperated, giving us a warm and pleasant day.

The following placed and/or picked up the luminaries: Tom Gill, Bill Paland, Kathleen Johnson, Tom Franz, Dave Wanhatalo and family, Harry Lipner, Jane McFarland, John Fairhurst and crew, Bernadette Schneider, Mike Schuermann, Jim Biglin, Steve Strubel, Wayne Erter, Mike Rine, Bob Gray and family, Ed Boyer, and Jerry Smelik. Again, thank you to all and I apologize if I missed someone. Dick Faxon



## *A Special Thank You*

*to all who helped to make "A Cup of Christmas Tea" so special!*

*Over the past 18 years we have been blessed with the contributions of so many here at HHR to make the Tea a success.*

*This year was no exception with your help, whether in planning & set up, setting tables, preparing food, serving, or entertaining - and of course, attending the event.*

*Thanks for your continued support of Care & Concern, which*

*Allows us to brighten the days of many of our neighbors in their time of need.*

*Have a wonderful Holiday Season  
and a happy, healthy New Year!!!*

*Care & Concern Committee of HHR*



*Plans are underway to re-activate the Writers Group after the long Covid hiatus. An initial meeting is planned for **Monday, January 10, at 11 a.m.***

*Former members and all interested persons are encouraged to attend a planning meeting to determine a day and time that works for most people.*



## GOOD TO KNOW

### Out & About Annual Meeting

As the old year rolls into the new we begin our cycle anew. It is time for the Annual Meeting for the Out & About group. We are planning this meeting for **Sunday, January 16 at 3:30 PM** in the ballroom at the HHR Clubhouse. This meeting is where we begin building our schedule for the coming year. We will solicit ideas on possible trips and poll the group for which ones are of most interest. (Our goal is to have a schedule of 11 monthly trips for February through December.) We also have some organizational issues to address, like recruitment of new and renewing members, and election of a new secretary/membership chair. and a vice-president for the group.



This meeting is open to everyone living in the HHR community. A boxed meal and bottled water will be provided for all attending but this does mean that we need you to RSVP your intentions. This may be addressed to Maxine Weir (gmw-2019@charter.net or 636-265-2529) and we need to know by January 7.

Dues for the year will be \$25 per person and are payable at the meeting (cash or check). If you are unsure and just want to attend to learn more, we charge a \$10 fee to assist with the cost of the food. (If you later decide to join this will be applied toward your yearly dues.) If you have any questions or you are interested, or know someone who would be interested, in either of the board positions please contact one of the current board members: Frank Doering, President frankjdoering@yahoo.com; Alice Malzahn, Events Coordinator alicemalzahn@gmail.com; Maxine Weir, Treasurer gmw-2019@charter.net; or Don Holt, Secretary/Membership Chair holtdn@gmail.com.

### Snow Events

Snow removal occurs if we have 2 inches of snow or more. We have 3 neighborhood snow captains who help determine when/if to have the roads treated and driveways shoveled.

Just a reminder, when they are forecasting snow or ice, please make sure to park cars in your driveway, not in the street. The plows and salt trucks can maneuver easier and do a better job when the streets are clear.



**Rapid Access**

A Safe Entry Program Provided By  
St. Charles County  
Ambulance District



What if an accident happens in your home, you call 911, but you are unable to get to the door to unlock it so that emergency personnel can enter and help you?

Many residents in HHR participate in the Rapid Access program provided by the St. Charles County Ambulance District. SCCAD will send a representative to HHR to help residents sign up for the program.

Sign up on the bulletin board to be alerted when the class will happen.

## More Scoop

### From the Pro Shop.....

Happy New Year!!

Pro Shop Hours are Wednesday-Sunday, 9am-4:30pm; the Hawkeye Grill will serve Wednesday-Sunday, 11am-4pm. (All hours are dependent on weather)

We will have Happy Hour on Thursday, January 6th, 3-5pm instead of Wednesday, this week only. Happy Hour the rest of January will be 1/12, 1/19 and 1/26, 3-5pm.

The 2nd Annual Putt Out & Chili Cookoff will be held Saturday, January 15th at 1pm. All those entering the chili cook off, please bring enough for 40-50 small samples.

\$6.00 per person includes prizes and one drink ticket.

Sign up in the Pro Shop by Wednesday, 1/12. Limit 50 people.

Going, going, gone!! If you think you've lost something...a towel, a club, a hat, a shoe??? Please stop by the Pro Shop by 1/5 and check out the lost & found. After 1/5 all items will be donated.

Looking forward to a great 2022!!



### BLOSSOM—

A gardening column by resident Ann Chandonnet

Since Prince Albert introduced them, Americans have gone ga-ga over Christmas trees. Natural ones are great; in my MA childhood, we always erected a hemlock -- a floppy type. I asked my Dad for "a real tree." But he was scaling tall trees in his woodlot and "topping" them--which does not affect the wood/trunk to be harvested later for boards.

We also had no turkey, because we raised chickens. Et cetera.

Recently cut trees require a fresh cut made at the bottom of the trunk; a half inch off will do. Evergreen sap tends to clog the tree's arteries, so include bleach in the water (if you are sure no one will topple the tree onto the Persian carpet).

Artificial trees can be a big investment, the good side of the deal being you can use them over and over; so it's a one-time expense. To clean them, use a small, new paint brush.

The average number of tips per 3 feet of height for an artificial tree is 210. If you can set your vacuum's upholstery attachment to something less than steam punk, use that to clean your tree.

Then we come to the greedy grandchildren method. Remember those pennies for dandelions? The same thing applies to 210 or 420-tip trees. Buy a roll of pennies and pay the acquisitive little demon per tip; the child also gets to practice counting. Several kids (of different heights, naturally) could get in on the act.

