

PUTTERINGS NEWSLETTER August 2025

Ross Ewalt and Beth Beckfeld

It's a joy to get to know Ross and Beth!

Both are originally from Minnesota, where Ross worked as an airline mechanic and Beth worked as a project manager for a company that did competency testing for licensure. It was Ross's work as an airline mechanic that brought him to the Atlanta area. Beth joined him there as she was able to work remotely from home for her Minnesota-based company. Ross retired in 2021 after a 36 year career with the airlines. After Beth's retire-



ment in 2022, they made the move to HHR, following their son and his family who also relocated from Atlanta to Lake St Louis.

Family is a top priority for both. Beth's involvement with the two Lake St Louis grandchildren includes getting them off to daycare 3 days per week. Ross is the main support person for his mother Ginger, who lived at HHR for a time, but is now nearby in assisted living. They continue to enjoy trips back to Minnesota to see the two grandchildren there. A favorite story is of their 6 yr old granddaughter Livvy whose surprising and creative choice for a Halloween costume was to dress up as a Bob Ross zombie!

Beth and Ross have so much fun together! They laugh together and enjoy many activities together, such as golfing, riding their electric bikes, and karaoke. However, their absolute favorite shared activity is the challenge and adventure of remodeling homes together.

Their relocation to the Heritage of Hawk Ridge Community 3 yrs ago marked the culmination of a jaw-dropping 8 moves in 12 years between Atlanta, Minnesota, and Lake St Louis. During that time they have worked on 4 remodels together. Currently, they are immersed in their second remodel here at HHR. Ross does most of the work; Beth enjoys working as his assistant, providing ideas, painting, cutting tile, grouting, etc. This may well be the final remodel they undertake, and they are enjoying it. They love HHR and treasure the lifelong friendships they have made here!

Have you seen the "File of Life" folders in the Library?

Take a look!

These little magnetic folders have "Lifesaving Info for Emergencies." Sure comes in handy to have your current medical history and medication information available in a stressful situation.



If you don't already have one, please fill one out for each member of your household and attach it to the side of your refrigerator.



Wayne & Shannon Arling 557 Owls Perch

We are so glad that you are here!

Upcoming Events & Activities See the flyers for all of the details.

ON-GOING WEEKLY ACTVIITES

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8-12 Pickleball
9am Water Fitness
10 Video Exercise (B)
1pm Bible Study (M)
1 Low Roller Poker (B)
1pm Page Turners
(2nd) (C)

6:30 Cribbage Beginners (2nd/4th) (C)

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9am Tennis 9am Pinochle (M) 9:30 Water Fitness 10am Chess Club (C) 12:30-2 Bridge 101 C 2pm Billiards (C) 3pm Heritage Singers (B)

6pm Texas Hold 'Em (B)

6:30 Men's Poker (B) 6:30 Open Bridge (C)

Children's Pool Hours

Monday noon to 5pm Thursday noon to 8pm Sunday 10am to 4pm Holidays 10am to 4pm

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8-12 Pickleball
10 Video Exercise (B)
12:30 Mahjong NL (C)
1pm Genealogy (2nd)
(AR)
1pm Story-Tellers
Group (4th) (A)
2:30pm Line Dance (B)
4pm Pom (B)
6:30 Hand & Foot (C)

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8:30 Water Fitness
9am Tennis
9am Pinochle (M)
9am Bocce
11am Quilters (2nd) (A)
12:30 Open Bridge (M)
1PM Low Roller PokerM
1pm Craft Club (A)
2 Ask a Geek (2nd) (V)
2pm Table Tennis
3:00 Rosary (2nd)
6pm Bocce
6pm Mexican Train (1st
& 3rd) (C)
7 Whiskey Club (3rd)(B)

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8-12 Pickleball 10am Video Exercise (B) 1pm Men's Pinochle (M) 1pm Hand & Foot (C) 7pm Pass the Trash (B)

Sat

8:30 Morning Stretch (B) 9:30 Water Fitness 10am Billiards

Sun

2025 AUGUST

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	² CR Rental Decades Party
3 CR Rental	4	5	6	7 WKSHP: Birds 11am	8	9
10	11 Finance Class 2:20	12	13 Belly Dancing 1:30	14 Finance Class 6pm	15	16 CR Rental
17 Tropical Summer 5:30	18 Putting Party No Christi	No Christi	20	Fitness Assessment 9-11am	22	23 No Christi
24	25 Board Meeting 10am	26	27	28	29	30 No Christi
31 Poolside Concert 7-9pm						

Upcoming Events



DECADES DANCE

Saturday, August 2 6-9pm

OPEN TO FRIENDS & FAMILY



Dance & Snack your way through the decades with the Juke Box DJ.

\$10 per person. Reserved seating. Register for up to a table of 8 at the clubhouse. Prizes for best group costume, best table décor and more. Residents only.

Decades dress is encouraged, but not required.

HHR WORKSHOP

Thursday, August 7 - 11am



Learn all about some of our bird species that call Missouri home.

REGISTER—open to friends & family



BELLY DANCE

LESSONS

Wednesday, August 13 1:30-2:15pm Are you attending the Tropical Summer Party on 08/17?

Tropical Fire Belly Dancers will be here for the party. We've asked them to come in advance and give us some basic lessons. Want to learn? Join us and learn from the Tropical Fire Belly Dancers so we are ready for the big party.

<u>REGISTER</u> so we know how many to expect. Residents only. You can attend even if you are not going to the party.



August 17 5:30-8:30pm

Food, Drinks, Music, Vibes

Dinner, St. Luau Band & Tropical Fire Belly Dancers.

Register & pay \$25 by 8/7. Residents only.

Weather permitting, this event will be on the pool deck.



Monday, September 8

Noon-4:00pm

Open to friends & family.

Register by clicking **HERE** to go to the Red Cross page.

More Upcoming Events



Finance Class – Want to better understand the HHR financials?

Join us for one of these upcoming classes.

Monday, August 11 at 2:30 Thursday August 14 at 6pm.





Sunday, August 31 7:00-9:00pm

Featuring: 1st Things First

Grab your snacks & drinks. We are sitting on the pool deck for a casual evening visiting with the neighbors & listening to some good tunes from local talent.

No need to register, just come on up. Residents only.



Sunday, September 7

Noon—3pm

Lunch, giant water slide, pool fun, ICE CREAM EATING CONTEST and more.

Grab the kiddos and get <u>REGISTERED</u> by 09/02

A Celebration Scavenger Hunt - Sunday, September 28

Check-In at 2:45 - Hunt starts at 3:00 & ends at 5:30

Each team of 2-4 will be given a list of items to find along with a route map pinpointing the houses in the neighborhood that are filled with your pursuits.

Dinner for all participants and volunteers will be served immediately following the hunt. Limited to 20 teams. Stay and enjoy the great music by Two Pedros from 6-9pm

\$15 per person - Register at the clubhouse by 09/08. You can register up to 4 people. Includes the hunt, dinner and the dance.



SOUL TRAIN NEW YEAR

Featuring: Soul Reunion

More information coming in the October Putterings!



Good To Know

Street Creep: Hazards and Prevention

Street creep is caused by the expansion and contraction of concrete pavement due to seasonal temperature changes. As concrete expands in the heat and contracts in the cold, the slabs slowly push against each other. Over time, this pressure transfers to adjoining structures, such as driveways, sidewalks, and even home foundations. Street creep is gradual but should be taken seriously.

Potential Hazards

- **Cracked Driveways and Sidewalks**: One of the earliest signs of street creep is cracking or displacement in concrete near the curb.
- **Foundation Damage**: Pressure can eventually reach a home's foundation, leading to costly structural repairs.
- **Garage Wall Separation**: In some cases, homeowners may notice gaps between garage floors and walls as the slab is pushed inward.

Trip Hazards: Misaligned sidewalks or curbs can become safety risks for pedestrians.

Prevention and Solutions

- **Expansion Joints**: Installing or maintaining proper expansion joints in driveways and between sidewalks and curbs can absorb movement and relieve pressure.
- Regular Inspections: Periodically inspect pavement near your home for signs of movement or cracking.
- **Professional Assessment**: If signs of street creep are present, consult a structural engineer or foundation specialist to assess the risk and recommend repairs.

Timely Repairs: Early intervention—such as cutting and sealing joints or replacing compromised sections—can prevent more severe damage.

PUTTING PARTY

We had 64 putters on what turned out to be a hot but nice evening for putting Monday, July 21. The theme was "Follow the Signs."



Three putters made a hole-in-one: Jackie Highfill, Steve Haitsch, and Grace Randazzo. Way to go!

Jim Willbrand had the low score of 13 in A-flight...great score! There were ten tied for first in B-flight with a score of 19: Kathleen Johnson, Gary Dyrek, Bernie Staley, Sandy Kraft, Mike Rine, Bob Gray, Jerry Lambert, Grace Randazzo, Pat Teich, and Elvira Johnson. Six C-flight winners with a score of 22 included Rosemary Reid, Dan Shreve, Shari Kirchner, Diana Almy, Sandy Dyrek, and Shirley Sachs. D-flight winners with a score of 25 were Annelies Schubert, Nancy Schapp, and Debbe Laramie.

Many thanks to Dick & Cheryl Faxon, Bill & Sally Paland (also thanks to Cheryl Kuhfuss and Chuck Uveges for filling in for Bill & Sally), Jerry & Pat Raeder, Dan Shreve, and Pat and Rory Teich for help setting up the course and for providing props to set up the holes. Thanks to all who helped break down the course and restore the putting green's putt-ability! Our next Putting Party will be Monday, August 18. Contact Don Skitt by email at daskitt@yahoo.com with any questions about the HHR Putting Party.

More Happenings

From the Pro Shop

Summer's speeding like a golf cart with no brakes!

It's hard to believe August is already upon us. Signups for the Labor Day Golf Outing will begin the first week of August. The event is scheduled for Monday, September 1st at 4:30 PM and will be a 4-person, 9-hole scramble. For full details, stop by the Pro Shop—we'll be happy to fill you in.



The next Putting Party is set for Monday, August 18th, with start times at 4:00 PM and 4:45 PM. Signups for that will also begin the first week of August.

Don't forget, the Hawkeye Grill is open daily from 11:00 AM to 7:00 PM, with Happy Hour every Monday from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. Everyone is welcome, so bring a friend and come enjoy some great food and good company.

Stay cool out there, and we'll see you soon!

—Gabbe & Staff

A Reminder About Alcohol at the Pool

At their meeting this morning, the Board of Directors discussed concerns about excessive drinking in and around the pool. While relaxing poolside with a drink is a common way to enjoy the summer, it's important that we all remain respectful of the rules, the space, and each other.



Excessive Alcohol Use Poses Safety Risks

Overconsumption of alcohol near the pool can create safety hazards—not only for the person drinking, but for others nearby. Impaired behavior, loud disruptions, and lack of awareness around water increase the risk of accidents and make the space less enjoyable for families and neighbors.

Glass is Never Allowed

Please remember that glass containers are not permitted in the pool area. Broken glass can force pool closures and poses serious safety threats.

Report Concerns Anonymously

If you see behavior that concerns you—such as excessive drinking, unsafe activity, or violations of pool rules—please report it directly to me. Your identity will be kept confidential. If the matter requires review by the Board, your name will not be shared during that process.

Let's Keep Our Pool Safe and Welcoming

We all share this space, and everyone deserves a safe and relaxing pool experience. Your cooperation and vigilance help ensure HHR's pool remains a place for fun, not frustration.

Thank you for doing your part, Jen

Clubs & Activities

Whiskey Club

The club continues tasting great whiskeys. And it continues to grow, we added another new member last month. We now have tasted whiskeys from all over the world. But, this month we are coming back to the United States. Kentucky or Tennessee typically come to mind when thinking about whiskeys, but there are a lot of great whiskeys produced in many other states. So, this month, we will be tasting whiskeys from several of those states.

The tasting this month is on the 3rd Thursday, August 21, at 7PM in the clubhouse ballroom. If you haven't done so already, you can sign up for the club by submitting a check for \$10 per person for initial dues, made payable to HHR Whiskey Club. The cost for the tasting is \$10 per person for members and guests, also payable by check, due no later than noon on Tuesday, August 19. Just drop your check off at the front desk.

If you are not sure and would like to get more information before becoming a member, please send an email to the club email - hhrwhiskeyclub@gmail.com. It continues to be a fun and in-

HHR Genealogy Club 2.0

Next Meeting – 10 September 2025 1 – 2:30 p.m. HHR Activities Room No meeting in August

Subject: Identifying Old Photographs

All subsequent meetings will be on the 2nd Wednesday of each month in the HHR Clubhouse Activities Room from 1 to 2:30 p.m.

Please let Bill Scroggin (wdscrog@aol.com) know if there is a subject of interest to you for upcoming meetings. If you plan on attending, please let Bill know.

Ladies Hawkes Golf League

July 9th - Most One Putts

RED - (tie) Sonia Ahn & Judy Poropat - 4 WHITE - (tie) Sandy Dyrek & Doris Haas - 4

BLUE - Sandy Wirtz - 4 GREEN - Joyce Emrick - 3

July 16 - Low Gross on T's and F's (Holes 2, 3, 4, 5)

RED - (3-way tie) Andrea Peebles, Judy Poropat, Barb Rogers - 15

WHITE - Marilyn Erter - 15 BLUE - Cindy Berry - 17 GREEN - Margie Lambert - 23





HHR Golf Committee Corner – August 2025

Since the HHR Golf Course is a big part of our community, your HHR Golf Committee is always looking for feedback and suggestions. If you have a suggestion or comment, please pass your thoughts on to one of the Committee Members: Barb Rogers (Chairperson), Sally Paland, Gary Dyrek, Beth Beckfeld, Cheryl Castagna, Charlie Haas, Matt Weick, or Mike Feldewerth (alternate).

Upcoming Golf Events

The event flyers with more details about these upcoming golf events will be posted at the Clubhouse, the Pro Shop, and available on the HHR Golf Web Page.

The **Men's Club Championship** will be held on consecutive Saturdays, August 16 and August 23. Golfers must have an established handicap in the HHR Men's Handicap System with at least 5 scores recorded, and be able to play both Saturdays. Sign up is open 6 thru Saturday August 9.

The **Labor Day Golf Outing** is on Monday September 1. This is a 4 Person / 9 Hole Scramble and dinner event. Non-golfing spouses and significant others are welcome to join us for dinner after golf. Sign up is open from Saturday August 2nd thru Sunday August 24.

For information on all future 2025 HHR golf events, the 2025 Calendar of Golf Events can be found on the HHR Golf Web Page.

Golf Event Results

Red, White, and Blue

Men 1st Place – John Ahn and Mike Weber
Women 1st Place – Pat Millikan and Trish Parr
Couple 1st Place – Larry and Judy Poropat
2nd Place – Gary and Sandy Dyrek

3rd Place – Rocky Sperl and Andrea Peebles
4th Place – Rob and Cheryl Castagna

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6th Place - Gary Geno and Zdena Brieger Perez

Closest to the pin: Al Hansen, Steve Orr, Andrea Peebles, Judy Poropat Drawing Winners: Steve and Sandy Aubuchon, Jim and Gale Boyd

Men's Two-Man Challenge

1st Place – Dick Faxon / Dennis Muessig 2nd Place – Hal Wallach / Dale Kirchner 3rd Place – Rogers-Kruse / Jim Boyd 4th Place – Terry Rieder / Ken Klasing 5th Place – Al Hansen / Jim Surrell 6th Place – Larry Poropat / Bob Castagna

