

PUTTERINGS NEWSLETTER September 2025

Gerry & Bonnie Callahan: Living the Lucky Life of 3s

After seven years in Tennessee, Gerry (Gary) and Bonnie Callahan are happy to be back home in the St. Louis area—closer to family and surrounded by a vibrant community that just feels right.

At the suggestion of close friends, they moved south upon retiring and enjoyed life in an over-55 active adult community near Nashville. When it came time to return, they

were delighted to find a similar lifestyle here at HHR, which they say was the only community that felt like home. They have already ingrained themselves into the community and have made many new friends.

Gerry wasted no time bringing one of his favorite traditions to HHR—a whiskey club, inspired by one he started with a good friend in Tennessee. The club is already gaining momentum and has become a fun way to connect with neighbors over tastings and good conversation.

For Gerry and Bonnie, life seems to revolve around the number 3—which they happily consider their lucky number. They have three children, living in three different states, three grandchildren, and three greatgrandchildren. They were married on June 3rd, and their birthdays fall on the 15th and the 21st—both multiples of 3. Over the course of their marriage, they've lived in nine homes, and their current address both starts and ends with the number 3. They even renewed their vows on their 30th anniversary.

Their travels also follow the theme of three. They make annual trips to three states—California, Florida, and Tennessee—to visit family and friends. They have explored 21 U.S. states and three continents together, enjoying everything from hiking and skiing to sightseeing. Staying active is part of their routine at HHR too, where they participate in three sports: pickleball, golf, and horseshoes.

As for the future? They say this home will be their last—no more moves. After all, they've already hit their lucky number (and don't want to move three more times)!



10/23—Hawk Ridge Boys & Friends 12/6—Cup of Tea

10/31—Halloween Bash 12/08—Ladies Night

11/11 Veterans Luncheon 12/14—Cookies with Santa

11/15—Vendor & Craft Fair 12/18—Holiday Pageant

11/22—Friendsgiving 12/31—NYE

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)
10:30-12:30 Mahjong
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)

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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

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Children's Pool Hours

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

2025 SEPTEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6 BR Rental
7 Grandparent's Day 12-3	8 Blood Drive 12-4pm	9	10	111	12 Trivia 7pm	13 Lake STL Garage Sale
14	15 Putting Party	16	17	18	19	20 CR Rental
21 Poolside Concert 6-8pm	Board Meeting 10am	23	24	25 Medicare Seminar 10am	26	27
Scavenger Hunt 2:45	29	30				

Upcoming Events



Sunday, September 7

Noon—3pm

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

Grab the kiddos and get REGISTERED by 09/02

Monday, September 8

Noon—4:00pm

Open to friends & family.

Register by clicking <u>HERE</u> to go to the Red Cross page.





Friday, September 12

Doors open at 6:30 & questions start at 7.

Open to adult friends & family. \$5 per person. Register individually or up to a table of 8. Stop by or call the clubhouse to register by 9/9.



Sunday, September 21 6:00-8:00pm

Featuring: Janet Martin

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.

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RAMBLIN' ROUNDS mini donuts will be here from 5:30-7:30. YUM!!



Join us for Donuts & Coffee

Thursday, September 25 at 10am

You will get an opportunity to meet with Carol Thieme from SWAN Insurance Agency. She will briefly discuss Medicare Annual Enrollment and give you an opportunity to schedule a 1 on 1 meeting with her to discuss your individual needs.

Please REGISTER so we know how many people to expect.

More Upcoming Events

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.



September 28 - 6-9pm

Registration opens 09/08. Open seating. Residents Only.

\$6 per person, limited seating.

Light snacks & set-ups provided.

Click <u>HERE</u> to register **beginning 09/08.**



If you are registered for the Scavenger Hunt, this dance is included. No need to register again.

SAVE THE DATE—Registration Information Coming Soon

10/12—Hoedown

10/23 — Hawk Ridge Boys & Friends Concert

10/31—Halloween Bash



"A Cup of Christmas Tea" will be held on Saturday, December 6, 2025. Registration forms for Care and Concern's 22nd annual Christmas Tea will be available at the clubhouse beginning Monday, October 6th. Cost of attending remains \$35.00 per person (checks only, made payable to Care and Concern). Individual seats or tables of 8 are available. If you would like to host a table, please indicate that on the registration form. Hosting involves setting and decorating a table of eight. Filling all 8 seats is not necessary – just register and pay for you and your guests when you sign up. Empty seats will be filled as people sign up on their own. Anyone interested in donating a basket to be raffled off, please indicate that on the registration form as well. Also, gentlemen of HHR are needed to act as servers at the Tea. If you are interested in helping, or have any questions, please contact Nancy Doerer at 314-265-5748 or email ndoerer@charter.net.



PLEASE REMEMBER,
THIS EVENT SELLS OUT
VERY QUICKLY SO
REGISTER EARLY!!!

Good To Know



Interested in learning how to play Mahjong?

Join our group and we will learn together.

We will begin meeting on Tuesdays from 10:30-12:30.

Hope to see you there!

PUTTING PARTY

We had 62 putters on a nice August 25th evening for putting with the theme "Just Brew It." Only one putter made a hole-in-one: congratulations to Joe Stewart!

Doug Bredbenner had the low score of 15 in A-flight...Great Putting! There were five tied for first in B-flight with a score of 17: Dale Kirchner, Larry Rogers, Jerry Raeder, Darrell Appleby, and Karen Hendron. Nine C-flight winners with a score of 21 included Sandy Dyrek, Pat Teich, Barb Rogers, John Shaal, Joyce Emrick, Nancy Schapp, Martha Bredbenner, Ken Blons, and Jeff Ford. D-flight winners with a score of 25 were Jay Hendron, Dale Rufkahr, Colette Wilhelm, and Elaine Ketter. The final group of flight winners with a score of 28 were Bob Gray, Grace Randazzo, Gayle Boyd, Kathy Loesch, and Elaine Ketterer. Bernie Staley shot 29 and finished first in E flight.

Many thanks to Jerry Raeder, Dan Shreve, Dick & Cheryl Faxon, Bill & Sally Paland, and Pat and Rory Teich for help designing and/or setting up the course and to Larry Wilhelm for providing Home Beer Brewing props to set up the holes.

Thanks to all who helped break down the course and restore the putting green's putt-ability! Our final 2025 Putting Party will be Monday, September 15th when we will be "Putting to the Hits" (sign-up is available at the Pro Shop).

HOLIDAY luminaries

A beautiful tradition in Heritage at Hawk Ridge for many years has been to place luminaries in everyone's front yard on Christmas Eve. If you are new to Heritage at Hawk Ridge, ask your neighbors about it or contact Dick Faxon (956-202-5453 or dfax77@gmail.com).

For those of you who are smart enough to go to Florida, Texas, or Arizona over the winter, please consider asking a neighbor to place yours. In the past, there have been some houses without luminaries on Christmas Eve. It would be great to have all houses having them placed.

This year, we will again be using the electric candles. Your candles from last year should still be good. As a test, last year I had one stay lit for six weeks!!!!

Any questions, please contact me. Dick Faxon

More Happenings

From the Pro Shop

Mark your calendars for our next **Putting Party** on **Monday**, **September 15th!** This fun evening's theme is "**Putting to the Hits**". Sign-up sheets are available in the Pro Shop by the Men's computer, along with other event binders.

Happy Hour continues every Monday from 4–6 PM—come unwind with us!

On Wednesday, September 3rd, the Pro Shop patio will host its second live music event of the year featuring Rod & Charlie. Enjoy great music and a delicious buffet including:

- Hearty red chili & white chicken chili (with all the fixings)
- Cornbread
- Mini roast beef & turkey sliders with Havarti cheese and ground mustard
- Fresh fall salad

All for a flat \$15 per person! Please RSVP through the Pro Shop. Patio seating is limited, but everyone is welcome to bring their own lawn chairs so no one misses out.

The Hawkeye Grill is serving daily from 11 AM-6 PM with lots of fall specials this month, including meat-loaf with mashed potatoes & gravy and chicken and waffles—don't miss out!

Plus, enjoy 50% off all merchandise as we make room for our fall gear. Stock is moving fast, so stop by while it lasts!

We hope this fall continues to bring us beautiful weather.

Gabbe & the Pro Shop Staff

Ladies Hawkes Golf League

Aug. 13 Low Gross

Red - Tie--Cheryl Castagna, Barb Rogers 33 White - Marilyn Erter 37

Blue - Sandy Wirtz 37 Green - Margie Lambert 41

Aug. 20 Low Net

Red - 3 way tie -- Cheryl Castagna, Cheryl Kuhfuss, Barb Rogers 28

White - Doris Haas 24 Blue - Jane Harrison 25 Green - Margie Lambert 25

Aug. 27 Low Putts

Red - tie --Sonia Ahn, Kim Weick 17 White - tie --Sandy Dyrek, Doris Haas 17

Blue - Sandy Wirtz 15 Green - Carolee Todd 16

Eclectic Tournament

Red - Barb Rogers 31 White - Doris Haas 31

Blue - Sandy Wirtz 33 Green - Margie Lambert 32





Clubs & Activities

Whiskey Club

The club continues tasting great whiskeys. This month we will be tasting rye whiskeys selected and presented by Mike McKenna from Macadoodles, a wine and spirits store in Dardenne Prairie.



The tasting this month is on the 3rd Thursday, September 18, at 7PM in the clubhouse ball-room. 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, September 16. Just drop your check off at the front desk.

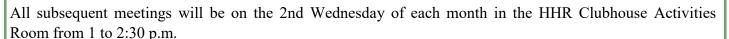
If you are not sure and would like to get more information before becoming a member, please send an email to the club email - hhrwhiskeyclub@gmail.com. It continues to be a fun and informative group. And where else will you be able to taste 4 or more whiskeys for \$10.

HHR Genealogy Club 2.0

Next Meeting -10 September 2025 1-2:30 p.m.

HHR Activities Room

Subject: Identifying Old Photographs



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.



Bible Study will resume in the meeting room on Mondays at 1pm, beginning 09/08

Neighborhood Watch Meeting September 4 at 1pm



Agenda: We will look for volunteers to be area captains and for someone to lead the group going forward. Hope you can join us.

HHR Golf Committee Corner – September 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 Ryder Cup** will be held on consecutive days, Saturday and Sunday October 4 and 5. Golfers must have an established handicap in the HHR Men's Handicap System with at least 6 scores recorded, and be able to play both days. Sign up begins on Sunday, September 1 thru Saturday, September 28.

The **HHR Couples Open** will be held on Friday, October 17. This is a 2 person / 9-hole alternate shot format, with lunch immediately following golf. Sign up is open from Friday, September 12 thru Friday, October 10.

The **Women's Solheim Cup** will be held on consecutive days, Tuesday and Wednesday October 21 and 22. This is an event for the Lady Hawkes Golf League. Players must have an established handicap score recorded. Lady Hawkes league members will be provided with event details when they are available.

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

Men's Club Championship

Twenty-seven players competed in this year's Men's Club Championship held on August 16th and August 23th. Following are the winners of each Flight and Closest to the Pin:

A Flight: Larry Poropat (1st), Larry Laramie (2nd), Ken Klasing (3rd)

B Flight: Al Hansen (1st), Hal Wallach (2nd), John Ahn (3rd)

C Flight: Doug Bredbenner (1st), Brian Flint (2nd),

Steve Becherer (3rd)

D Flight: Mike Schuermann (1st), Mike Weber (2nd),

Matt Weick (3rd)

Closest to the Pin: Larry Poropat, Hal Wallach, Dick Faxon, Gary Geno

