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A MESSAGE FROM THE OVCA PRESIDENT



This column is reprinted from an Eblast that was distributed to residents on Friday, July 29, 2016.

By Bob Grosso

The following are highlights from the July 19, 2016 Board Meeting.

John Staley, our Executive Manager, announced his retirement at our OVCA Board meeting. We would like to thank John for his many years of dedicated service to Oronoque Village. Throughout the years, John has provided leadership and vision resulting in many improvements, most recently the purchase and renovation

of our clubhouses. John will be retiring in six months, allowing us time to transition. We wish John good health and much happiness in his retirement.

Town of Stratford: Although Oronoque has received some welcomed support from the Town over the past few years, we are continuing to work on a few open issues that we would also like to see resolved.

Topics previously discussed with the Mayor and our District 8 and District 9 Councilmen that are currently under review include: property taxes on both of the clubhouses, cost of hydrants, taxing of the maintenance trucks, potential zoning concerns, ambulance availability at the fire station and routine police driving presence.

Nominating Committee: We kicked-off this year's nominating committee for OVCA Board.

Key dates:

July 21 - Candidates' resumes due

Aug. 6 - Nominating Committee report to the OVCA Board

Sept 12 - Candidates Night

Sept. 20 - Annual Meeting/Election night

By-Laws Revision: On July 7, the OVCA Board unanimously approved the changes to the Declaration and By-laws. The By-laws Revision Committee members worked tirelessly for the past few years on this project. Residents will be receiving copies of the document on July 29. The by-laws revision process was an arduous task involving many of your fellow residents. There will be an open meeting for all interested residents on Aug. 10, 7:00 p.m., NCB. This meeting will give residents an opportunity to ask questions and give comments about the revisions. We are hoping that residents will support us by adopting these by-laws. It is necessary to have two-thirds of the Unit Own-



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Please direct all questions regarding The Villager publication, and submit any proposed notices and event listings, to Carol King. Unsolicited manuscripts, which we invite from all residents, should be discussed first with Carol King. We also welcome unsolicited photographs of Oronoque scenes and events, which should be submitted to Marcia Klein.

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ers' votes in favor of these revisions. Your cooperation is essential for this very important process to be successful.

On Aug. 11, proxies will be delivered to the residents. Completed proxies can be returned to the office between Aug. 11 and Aug. 25. On Aug. 25, there will be a meeting for residents who wish to vote directly, 7:00 p.m., NCB.

Ad Hoc -Solar Energy Committee: August - Install new roofing on the required areas of the North Clubhouse. Solar panels will be installed later this fall.

We also called St. Rose Church in Newtown CT, who had solar panels installed three years ago. We received positive feedback regarding satisfaction and they are realizing slightly higher savings than their proposed projections.

Flood Zone Update: July 1, 2016 - Barry Hammons of Hammons LLC, Civil Engineers and Land Surveyors will be performing two of the four areas initially. If we receive a positive response from the Federal Government resulting in a change of insurance classification, we will pursue the remaining two areas.

Pool Updates: The Board voted to add the following to the current pool rules: In addition to beach balls, tubes and raft-type inflatables are not allowed in the pool.

We have had a very smooth transition of the resident pool photo ID cards. To date 1,250+ photo IDs have been made.

Re: Additional Pool Rail in Heated Pool: Because the contractor stated that the pool would have to be shut down for multiple days, we have decided to install the rail immediately after the pool season. The additional rail will be installed in October.

Re: Pool Lift Request: It has been agreed by the resident to assess the installation of the additional pool rail for accommodation, prior to conducting further research.

Murray Deutsch Plaque: The OVCA board unanimously voted to put the plaque up on an inside wall of the library. The plaque is now hanging inside the library.

Trash Receptacles: We received significant feedback from residents who do not want their trash receptacles removed. Last June, the board voted to remove only those receptacles found to be in disrepair and/or unsightly condition. The board rescinded that decision at our meeting this week. We are waiting to receive more information such as: Are replacement lids available and at what cost? Can the replacement lids be reattached? How many actual cement receptacles are crumbling and beyond repair? What is the Town of Stratford's future plans for trash pick-up? What are the associated costs of lids, repairs, power washing, repainting?

Once we have all of the data, we will again discuss and analyze our options.

If you wish to have your outside trash receptacle removed, please send a work order to the Maintenance Department. Many residents have opted to do this.

Policy Governing Resident-Sponsored Events other than a Private Party: The board approved a policy covering events open to the entire Village but not to the general public, and not sponsored by an OV club or organization. This type of "one-time only" event is to give an opportunity for a resident who would like to sponsor an event that is entertainment, cultural or educational in nature open to all Villagers. The resident who sponsors an event will not be allowed to make any personal profit.

Communications Committee: This committee will be sponsoring a one-hour seminar for all residents interested in learning about different types of articles and how we can help residents create compelling articles to be published in *The Villager*. This seminar will be led by Judy Waldeyer and will take place on Wednesday, Aug. 17 at 4 p.m. in the NCB auditorium. Reservations are required by Aug. 10.

We hope all the Oronoque clubs and organizations will send at least one person to this event. 

SOLAR PANEL UPDATE

The final steps are being made to provide an exciting solar solution for the North Clubhouse.

This 60,000-watt solar facility is the result of 18-months of investigation by community members, administrative staff, board members and community volunteers.

Both the North and South Clubhouses were investigated, but the North facility was deemed to be more feasible as a solar candidate. Once installed, this solar array is expected to deliver about two-thirds of the facility's energy needs.

No initial investment is required of Oronoque Village for the installation. Instead, the Connecticut Green Bank will finance 100 percent of the installation cost.

Power produced from the solar array will be sold to the clubhouse at an attractive rate; projecting short-term and long-term savings for Oronoque Village Condominium Association.

When compared to buying power exclusively from United Illuminating, this arrangement is projected to save the Association more than \$60,000 over the term.

Ross Solar Group has been chosen as the project developer and installation partner with the Connecticut Green Bank as the financier.

This project will be a proud feature for the OVCA as it supports a commitment to both financial stability and the environment. 

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NOTICE OF CHANGE TO 2016 POOL RULES

During the July 19 OVCA Board meeting the following item was added to the 2016 Pool Rules: In addition to beach balls, tubes and raft-type inflatables are not allowed in the pool.

MONITOR PROGRAM SEEKS TWO VOLUNTEERS

The Oronoque Village Monitor Program needs volunteers to fill two separate time slots at SCB: Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Fridays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Responsibilities include checking visitors in and out, patrolling the building, participating in the Call-In Program and assisting with the Movie Club Home Loan Program.

If you are interested, please call Dee Tuozzoli at 203-375-3724.

WATER AEROBICS LUNCH

A lunch for the water aerobics participants will take place on Tuesday, Aug. 16, at noon at SCB. The fee to participate is \$12, payable in advance to Merilees. For more info, call 203-378-8753.

RESIDENT TRAVELERS: TELL US ABOUT YOUR TRIPS!

The Villager would like to start a new feature section in which we highlight the trips taken by our residents. Did you take a cruise or travel to an interesting location? Can you give us details about the highlights of your trip? Is there something you learned that you would like to share with fellow travelers? We welcome written contributions. However, if you are not a writer, the *Villager* editors will be happy to help you put an article together for publication.

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ACTIVITIES

EDITOR'S NOTE: *To ensure accuracy, information must be submitted, via email, to Carol King at cking@oronoquevillage.com. (Submissions must be typed, in upper and lower case.) The deadline to be included in the next issue of *The Villager*, on Aug. 15, is Aug. 2 at noon.*

CURRENT EVENTS

• The Current Events Discussion Group will meet in SCB Card Room 1 at 10 a.m. on Aug. 3 and 17 and Sept. 7 and 21.

DOLLCRAFTERS

• Dollcrafters meets at 10 a.m. on Tuesdays at NCB.

PICKLEBALL CLUB SCHEDULE

• Pickleball season is underway. On Mondays and Wednesdays, Round Robins are held from 4 to 6 p.m. On Saturdays, Round Robins are held from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Please email Gery, cleeker@optonline.net, if you will be attending. Four players are need to hold a Round Robin.

• Tennis/court shoes with nonmarking soles must be worn.

SAVE THE DATE:

Monday, Sept. 12 ... The House and Garden Club will open the fall season at 1:30 p.m. at SCB. The guest speaker will be Marianne O'Keefe from the Barnum Museum.

House and Garden Club general meetings take place on the second Monday of each month at 1:30 p.m. (There are no meetings in January, February, July and August.). Annual dues are \$20. Guests may attend two meetings at a fee of \$3 per event.

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SUMMER ART SHOW RECEPTION



Some of the artists who are participating in the Abstract Art Show at SCB.

By Barbara Stewart ~ Photo by Marcia Klein

The Galerie OV Summer show, "Abstract Art," is up at SCB. Our opening reception was held on Sunday, July 10, from 4 to 5 p.m.

Barbara Stewart introduced the artists and each had the opportunity to briefly speak about their piece in the show. Some spoke about the idea behind their work, others explained the medium and technique used to produce their art.

Barbara Dierolf was named the winner of the People's Choice Award for our spring show for her portrait "Ernie." **Sandy Lunt** presented her with a gift certificate from the Men's Club. The Art Committee gave her a certificate and a blue ribbon. Barbara told us a bit about the real Ernie and why she did the portrait. She also encouraged everyone to try their hand at drawing or painting. She told us she has only been drawing for about 10 years. Her winning portrait is hanging in the gallery.

Janet Schwartz O'Leary gave a brief explanation of types of abstract art. She provided an information sheet, which is on the voting table in the gallery, so that visitors can refer to it while viewing the exhibit.

The artists participating in the summer show are **Judy Carpenter, Bob Collins, Cheryl Comen, Joseph Hayducky, Peggy Henkel, Cora Hubbard, Anita Karasu, Anthony Memoli, Betty Mulholland, Rosie Palmiero, Bobbie Passantino, Nancy Gloh Rosenthal, Wallace Sloves, Barbara Stewart, Benson Snaider, Bonnie Usinger** and **Ray Vermette**.

Pat Spodick congratulated all the artists on behalf of SAC, which sponsored the reception.

Everyone had a chance to socialize and vote for their favorite piece while enjoying wine and refreshments. The show

will hang until the end of September.

Our fall show, "Still Life," will begin the first week in October. OV

MORE ART RECEPTION PHOTOS APPEAR ON PAGE 11



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RSF = Racquet Sports Facility / (O) = Open / (C) = Closed

MONDAY, AUGUST 1

- 9:00 a.m. – Low-Impact Exercise (Bring Weights), NCB (O)
- 10:00 a.m. – Water Aerobics, SCB Pool (O)
- 4:00 p.m. – Pickleball, RSF (O)
- 7:00 p.m. – Bridge, NCB, C/R (O)
- 7:00 p.m. – Body Sculpting, SCB, Aud (O)
- 7:30 p.m. – SAC Meeting, NCB, B/R (O)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 2

- 9:00 a.m. – Yoga for Seniors, SCB, C/R2 (O)
- 10:00 a.m. – Dollcrafters, NCB, Library (O)
- 10:00 a.m. – Zumba Gold, NCB, Aud (O)

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- 2:00 p.m. – Rummikub, SCB, Lounge (C)
- 4:00 p.m. – Nominating Committee, NCB, B/R (O)
- 7:00 p.m. – Funseekers Board Meeting, SCB, C/R2 (C)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3

- 10:00 a.m. – Hadassah Board Mtg, NCB, C/R (C)
- 10:00 a.m. – Communications Committee, NCB, B/R (O)
- 10:00 a.m. – Current Events, SCB (O)
- 10:00 a.m. – Water Aerobics, SCB Pool (O)
- 4:00 p.m. – Pickleball Round Robin, RSF (O)
- 5:00 p.m. – Poker, NCB, C/R (C)
- 6:00 p.m. – Jerry's Poker, SCB, C/R1 (O)
- 7:00 p.m. – Book Club, NCB, Library (O)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 4

- 10:00 a.m. – Bocce, NCB (O)
- 10:00 a.m. – Aqua Zumba, SCB (O)
- 1:00 p.m. – Dominoes, SCB, C/R2 (C)
- 2:00 p.m. – Rummikub, SCB, Lounge (C)
- 6:00 p.m. – Jerry's Poker, SCB, C/R1 (O)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 5

- 9:00 a.m. – Low-Impact Exercise (Bring Weights), NCB (O)
- 10:00 a.m. – Farmers Market, SCB (O)
- 10:00 a.m. – Table Tennis, SCB (O)
- 10:00 a.m. – Water Aerobics, SCB Pool (O)
- 2:00 p.m. – Adult Coloring, SCB, C/R (C)
- 4:30 p.m. – It's 5 O'Clock Somewhere, NCB (O)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 6

- 9:00 a.m. – Tennis Club Social Round Robin, RSF (O)
- 9:30 a.m. – Pickleball, RSF (O)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 7: No events scheduled

MONDAY, AUGUST 8

- 9:00 a.m. – Low-Impact Exercise (Bring Weights), NCB (O)
- 9:30 a.m. – Architectural Committee Mtg, NCB, B/R (O)
- 10:00 a.m. – Water Aerobics, SCB Pool (O)

CALENDAR

- 4:00 p.m. – Pickleball Round Robin, RSF (O)
- 4:30 p.m. – Maintenance Committee Mtg, NCB, B/R (O)
- 7:00 p.m. – Bridge, NCB, C/R (O)
- 7:00 p.m. – Body Sculpting, SCB, Aud (O)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 9

- 10:00 a.m. – Yoga for Seniors, SCB, C/R2 (O)
- 10:00 a.m. – Zumba Gold, NCB, Aud (O)
- 10:00 a.m. – Dollcrafters, NCB, Library (O)
- 2:00 p.m. – Rummikub, SCB, Lounge (C)
- 4:00 p.m. – Nominating Committee, NCB, B/R (O)
- 7:00 p.m. – Funseekers Mtg, SCB (O)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10

- 10:00 a.m. – Water Aerobics, SCB Pool (O)
- 4:00 p.m. – Pickleball Round Robin, RSF (O)
- 4:00 p.m. – Tennis Club Meeting, NCB, B/R (O)
- 5:00 p.m. – Poker, NCB, C/R (C)
- 6:00 p.m. – Jerry's Poker, SCB, C/R1 (O)
- 6:00 p.m. – Men's Poker, SCB, C/R2 (C)
- 7:00 p.m. – Meeting of Owners, Bylaws Review, NCB (O)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 11

- 10:00 a.m. – Bocce, NCB (O)
- 10:00 a.m. – Aqua Zumba, SCB (O)

- 1:00 p.m. – Dominoes, SCB, C/R2 (C)
- 2:00 p.m. – Rummikub, SCB, Lounge (C)
- 6:00 p.m. – Jerry's Poker, SCB, C/R1 (O)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12

- 9:00 a.m. – Low-Impact Exercise (Bring Weights), NCB (O)
- 10:00 a.m. – Farmers' Market, SCB (O)
- 10:00 a.m. – Table Tennis, SCB (O)
- 10:00 a.m. – Water Aerobics, SCB Pool (O)
- 2:00 p.m. – Adult Coloring, SCB, C/R (C)
- 7:00 p.m. – Movie: *The Intern*, NCB (O)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13

- 9:30 a.m. – Pickleball, RSF (O)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 14: No events scheduled

MONDAY, AUGUST 15

- 9:00 a.m. – OV Golf Tournament, Oronoque Country Club
- 9:00 a.m. – Low-Impact Exercise (Bring Weights), NCB (O)
- 4:00 p.m. – Pickleball, RSF (O)
- 7:00 p.m. – Bridge, NCB, C/R (O)
- 7:00 p.m. – Body Sculpting, SCB, Aud (O)



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A BUSY TENNIS WEEKEND!

By Betty Mulholland ~ Photos by Peter Feick



On July 9, the North Clubhouse was transformed into a country-western shindig. Thanks to **Angela Alvisi** and her posse of cowpokes, the clubhouse was decorated with all sorts of western memorabilia, much of it on loan from the western-style home

of **Nancy and Cal Blagys**. As the revelers arrived, many of them in cowboy hats and boots, they were greeted by **Marilyn Simon** and **Betty Mulholland**.

Once they checked in, guests were treated to some tasty appetizers. During the cocktail hour, the DJ from Sunshine Entertainment had some cowgirls and cowboys on the dance floor doing those stompin' western dances. He included instructions for several western line dances.

Many of the 83 attendees came in costume. It's amazing what comes out of the closet! Several judges wandered through the crowd and decided that the best costumed folks were **Debbie and Bob Grosso**. She cut a great figure in her fringed skirt and black hat. Bob was quite the cowpoke in cowboy hat, shades and leather chaps.

Dinner, provided by Lasse's, was a buffet of chicken Francaise, grilled salmon and marinated steak with mango salsa. The arugula salad with goat cheese and pecans was a big hit. As usual, part of the dessert was **Ray Drake's** famous fudge. Can't thank him enough for his effort.

Following the party, there were four trays of food remaining and OVTC donated the surplus to a homeless shelter in Bridgeport; the trays were picked up on Monday from the fridge at NCB.

These events are always fun. However, they don't just happen. Angela Alvisi took the reins and lead her posse of workers to provide a wonderful event. The posse consisted of **Gene and Dottie Sullivan, Kathy Toombs, Marilyn Simon, Bonnie Usinger, Joan Pappas, Nancy and Cal Blagys, and Betty Mulholland**. Hoping this writer didn't miss anyone.

Some of the cowpokes leaving the dance looked forward to attending the "Breakfast at Wimbledon" party the following day.

Judy Waldeyer organized this event. Bob Grosso, Ray Drake and Betty Mulholland were some little helpers for Judy. Twenty-one tennis fans came to the North Clubhouse



Many of the 83 guests at the Tennis Club Country Western party came in costume. Left: Tom Torpey and Jim Schlenk. Above, Mary Ann and Jack Kelly.

on Sunday for strawberries, champagne and other assorted goodies to snack on while watching the Gentleman's Final between Andy Murray and Milos Raonic on the big-screen TV.

Again, the tennis members brought some wonderful munchies. Scones, souffles, a wonderful walnut cake, blueberry blintz soufflé (see recipe below) and much more. Of course, there was Ray's fudge, too. Somehow food always plays a part in the tennis events.

It's always fun to watch the finals with avid tennis fans rooting for their man. Sitting in the newly renovated clubhouse with comfy chairs, everyone felt like royalty. Next year maybe we'll invite Kate and William.

It was not important who won the match, it was just fun to be there with friends. Here's to the next event.

It was a wonderful tennis weekend. Game, set, match. See you on the courts.

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A Favorite at the Wimbledon Breakfast: Paula Clupper's Blintz Soufflé

16 frozen blueberry blintzes
1 pint of sour cream
3/4 cup sugar
4 eggs
Sprinkle with cinnamon

1. Place blintzes in a 9- x 13- x 2-inch baking dish.
2. Beat sour cream, eggs and sugar together until fully blended. A blender can be used or a beater. Pour mixture over the blintzes and sprinkle with cinnamon.
3. Bake in a 375-degree oven for about 45 - 50 minutes or until knife inserted comes out clean.

SUMMER ART SHOW RECEPTION PHOTOS

Photos by Wendy Swain



At left, top, from left: Diana Strassburger with Anita Karasu.

Middle: Janet O'Leary, Carol Quinn and Nancy Gloh Rosenthal.

Bottom: Wallace Sloves and Ray Vermette.

Below: Pat Leadem and Linda Libertino.



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FUNSEEKERS RECAP

By Marie Orlowe - Photo Bob Krakovich

"The best show I've ever seen at Oronoque," said an attendee at the Funseekers June 14 meeting.

We welcomed an exceptional ventriloquist, Tom Pesce from Ridgefield, who held us spellbound. Tom provided us with an amazing show that combined comedy, ventriloquism, magic, music and unique special effects.

The puppet "friends" he brought to the South Clubhouse were delightful. They included Baby Eleanor in her bunting, who kept spitting out her pacifier; Dusty, a dragon; and Joe, an Indian from New Delhi.

We loved each friend more than the one we met previously.

Bryce and Kiley, grandchildren of Board Member **Loretta Sills**, assisted Tom in two acts.

An endearing and much-favored skit starred **Saul Teichman** as an adorable baby.

Everyone enjoyed refreshments after this unforgettable performance.

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Saul Teichman got in on the act during the Funseekers June meeting, which featured Tom Pesce, a ventriloquist.



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The Stratford Recreation Department offers Summer Sunset Concert Series. Unless noted, the concerts are at Paradise Green at 7 p.m. All concerts are free and open to the public.

The schedule for upcoming performances is as follows:

Bob Button Big Band – Tuesday, Aug. 2, 7 p.m. (Rain date: Aug. 4, 7 p.m.)

Slammin Band - Tuesday, Aug. 9, 7 p.m. (Rain date: Aug. 11, 7 p.m.) R&B

Signature Band - Tuesday, Aug. 16, 7 p.m. (Rain date: Aug. 18, 7 p.m.) Disco/dance music

Truck Stop Troubadours - Tuesday, Aug. 23, 7 p.m. (Rain date: Aug. 25, 7 p.m.) Country

Fools on a Hill – Tuesday Aug. 30, 7 p.m. (Rain date Sept. 1, 7 p.m.) Beatles

STRATFORD LIBRARY EVENTS

On Thursday, Aug. 4, from 10 to 11:30 a.m., the Stratford Public Library will present “Coloring & Coffee.”

The event is designed to provide a relaxing, stress-free environment for adults.

The library will provide coloring pages, colored pencils, markers and crayons. Freshly brewed coffee will be served and soothing music played as attendees color. Guests also are welcome to bring their own coloring materials. This free event will take place in the Lovell Room.

The Danish Girl will be shown on Aug. 8 at noon. Eddie Redmayne and Alicia Vikander star in a love story inspired by the true events of an artist who embarks on a groundbreaking journey as a transgender pioneer.

Vikander won the Oscar for Best Supporting Actress for her moving portrayal playing Redmayne’s wife.

The film is rated R and runs for about 2 hours.

The matinee is free and open to the public. It will be shown in the Lovell Room.

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VILLAGE SNAPSHOTS



A white squirrel was spotted by Rich Castle (left) and Marcia Klein (above.)

Below, left, Tom Torpey photographed an egret.

Below right, a colorful flower display taken by Bahin Samimy.



**PLEASE DON'T MISS THE IMPORTANT
INSERT IN THIS ISSUE REGARDING
THE BYLAWS REVIEW AND VOTE.**

LUDWIG LIVE RECAP



Kathy brought the house down as they brought to life characters as diverse as Beethoven's comically overbearing mother; his three lovers (think Paris Hilton, Sarah Palin and Mother Theresa); his mentor, Haydn, played as a latter day Henny Youngman, and many more including – of course – his archrival, Wolfgang Mozart. The evening concluded with bravos and standing ovations.

Phyllis and Mel Holson are pleased to have brought *Ludwig Live* to Oronoque Village and hope to be able to bring additional theater pieces in the future. **OV**

By Phyllis Holson ~ Photos by Mel Holson

Those who attended *Ludwig Live* last month at the North Clubhouse were treated to an evening of music, laughter and entertainment. The evening began with wining and dining -- patrons brought their own picnics. Dessert and coffee followed.

The festivities went into high gear when "Ludwig Van Beethoven" took the stage to sing about his life. His trusty sidekick, Kathy, his stage manager, stood by his side.

James Higgins as Beethoven and Gillian Hassert as

Children's Pool Schedule:
 August 1 to August 7: South
 August 8 to August 14: North
 August 15 to August 21: South



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FROM THE KITCHEN: IT'S BLUEBERRY SEASON

LET'S GET THE BLUES!

(FROM THE FARMERS' MARKET OR PYO – PICK YOUR OWN!)

By Judy Waldeyer

In terms of U.S. fruit consumption, blueberries rank only second to strawberries in popularity of berries. Blueberries are not only popular, but also repeatedly ranked in the U.S. diet as having one of the highest antioxidant capacities among all fruits, vegetables, spices and seasonings. Antioxidants are essential to optimizing health by helping to combat the free radicals that can damage cellular structures as well as DNA. It is recommended enjoying raw blueberries — rather than relying upon blueberries incorporated into baked desserts — because, like other fruits, raw blueberries provide you with the best flavor and the greatest nutritional benefits.

Also, after many years of research on blueberry antioxidants and their potential benefits for the nervous system and

for brain health, there is exciting new evidence that blueberries can improve memory.

Blueberries are not as fragile as other summer berries but still require care. Do not wash your fresh blueberries if you plan to freeze them. Place dry blueberries in freezer bags; when frozen, they will pour like marbles, and won't stick together. If using them in cakes or muffins, there is no need to thaw them first; simply rinse off any ice crystals and gently pat dry to prevent juices from "bleeding" into the batter. Fresh blueberries can last 7-10 days in the refrigerator and up to 2 years properly frozen.



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Blueberry Lemon Scones

2 cups all-purpose flour, plus more for dusting	1/2 cup milk
1/4 cup sugar	2 T grated lemon zest, plus 1/4 cup lemon juice
1 T baking powder	Dash of vanilla
1/2 t fine salt	1 cup blueberries, washed and dried
6 T cold unsalted butter	

1. Preheat the oven to 400 degrees F. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper.
2. In the bowl of a stand mixer fitted with the paddle attachment, combine the flour, sugar, baking powder and salt. Cut the cold butter into small cubes and add to the dry ingredients.
3. Starting at low speed, beat the butter and dry ingredients. Increase the speed to medium and mix until the butter breaks into small pieces. Then stir in the milk, lemon zest and juice, and vanilla until moistened.
4. Place the dough on a floured surface and fold in the blueberries, being careful not to break them. Form the dough into a long rectangle, about 1 inch thick. Cut the dough into 2 squares. Cut each square in half diagonally, and then cut those pieces in half again. You should have 8 triangles total.
5. Transfer the scones to the prepared baking sheet, spacing them 2 inches apart. Bake until golden brown, 17 to 21 minutes. Let cool.

Double Good Blueberry Pie

3/4 cup sugar	1 T lemon juice
4 cups blueberries, fresh or frozen	1/4 cup water
3 T. Cornstarch	Baked 9-inch pie shell

1. Mix sugar and cornstarch in sauce pan, add water and 2 cups berries. Cook over medium heat, stirring until mixture is thick, clear and boiling. Remove from heat; stir in lemon juice and cool.
2. Place remaining two cups of blueberries in pie shell. Top with cooked mixture.
3. Chill. Serve with sauce of half yogurt, half sour cream, if desired.

Writers & Photographers Wanted!

The Villager is looking for submissions -- written by residents -- to enrich this Village-centered publication. If you have previously been a staff member, or are a new or seasoned resident in Oronoque Village, and would like to share interesting facts, events, recipes, book reviews, etc., please contact Judy Waldeyer at 203-380-0580 or email ovillager@optonline.net.

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Dear Friends of Oronoque:

Happy Spring! It seems the firm grip of winter has finally let go. The staff of the Adzima Funeral Home is always looking for ways to better serve the needs of our families and community. We recently became aware of a Veterans improved pension benefit option. The benefits of this program are substantial. Up to 24,600.00 a year; TAX-FREE. We feel it is important for veterans and their spouses to be informed of potential entitlements.

The military qualifications for the veteran require only 90 days of service, one day of wartime service and an honorable discharge.

We have a director on staff that is has been trained to identify veterans and their widows who might be entitled to this benefit. For further information, contact ADZIMA FUNERAL HOME at 203-375-2200.



MEN'S CLUB HEALTH CARE SERIES

By Sanford Lunt

The month of June saw the Men's Club sponsoring a lecture series on "Health Care," put on by a group of professional speakers from the Towers, an active senior living community in New Haven that fosters independence for life.

Those who attended the series, which consisted of four lectures with topics that are most important to seniors, were enthralled by the subjects and the caliber and quality of the speakers.

The overall subject of the prevention series was titled "Safe Stance."

The topics of each of the four lectures were as follows: Preventing Falls, One Step at a Time, Medication Management, Clearing Clutter/Downsizing - Self Home Assessments and Planning The Next Steps - Should I Stay or Should I Go?

The speakers were Susan Maniolto, a health profes-

sional and physical therapist at the Towers, who spoke about preventing falls, a very prevalent problem for seniors; Rob Zelis, a pharmacist from East Rock Pharmacy whose expertise is in the effects of drugs on falling, blood pressure etc.; Rosemary Chieppo, the author of *Born to Organize*, who gave hints on what to do and not to do in getting rid of clutter by better organizing and, finally, Mark Garilli, president and CFO of the Towers. His topic provided insight into reasons for recognizing when you need more help to live a full life.

We would have liked to see more residents take advantage of this valuable program. Those who did attend the lectures got a great deal from them and wanted the series to continue.

The Men's Club would like to provide more programs like this, which are most important to those of us that live in Oronoque. We will continue if the interest and attendance is warranted.

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 (Port Expense) cost per person is \$28.00

Enjoy hors d'oeuvres, drinks, and music around the Lido Deck (SCB pool), followed by an incredibly delicious buffet dinner presented by Lasse's (galley), later you will savor a delectable dessert while dancing around the Lido deck, enjoying music provided by DJ Alex from James Daniels Entertainment.

Wine, soft drinks, and set ups will be provided throughout the evening - BYOB

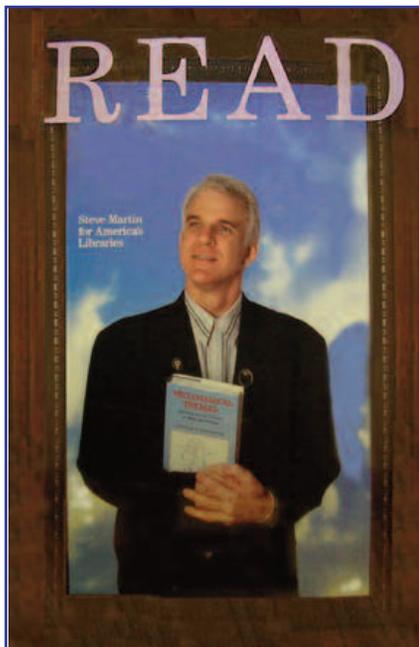
**No more than 10 at a table
 Include all names with checks**

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Reservations are limited - don't delay!! - Drop your check payable to SAC in the SAC box at the NCB before Aug. 12.

**Questions:
 Cathy Rapaport - 203 345 8370 or
 Joan Schmitt - 203 870 1931**



**The Oronoque Village Book Club meets at 7 p.m.
 on the first Wednesday of every month at NCB
 All Villagers are welcome.**

Need a ride or information? Call Barbara at 203-612-1373

August 3: *The Pearl* by John Steinbeck.

The book for **September 7** is: *Greater Journey: Americans in Paris* by David McCullough. "David McCullough has stressed France's pre-eminent role in American history for years. We would not, he has argued, have a country without the French, who have permanently and profoundly shaped us. "With *The Greater Journey: Americans in Paris* he explores the intellectual legacy that France settled on its 19th-century visitors," Stacy Schiff, *NY Times Book Review*.

"*The Greater Journey* is the enthralling, inspiring - and until now, untold - story of the adventurous American artists, writers, doctors, politicians, architects, and others of high aspiration who set off for Paris in the years between 1830 and 1900, ambitious to excel in their work. McCullough tells this sweeping, fascinating story with power and intimacy, bringing us into the lives of remarkable men and women who, in Saint-Gauden's phrase, longed 'to soar into the blue.' *The Greater Journey* is itself a masterpiece." *Goodreads*



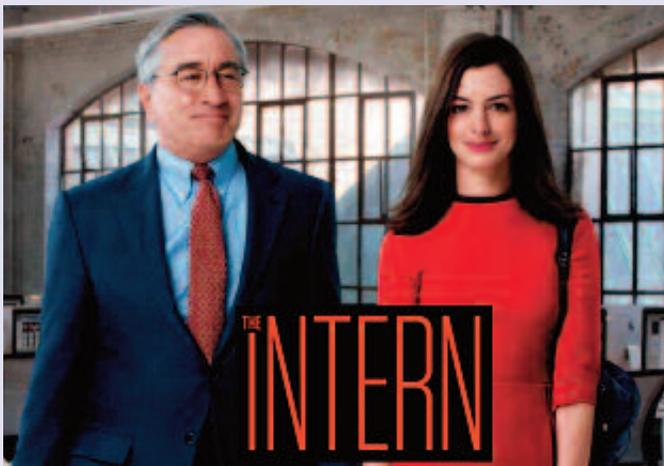
Oronoque Funseekers! Come feel the beat and tap your feet at our social meeting on August 9 at 7 p.m. at SCB.

We will be entertained by the Sedgewick Sisters and their "ugly stepsister," Jeff Daniel, singing lively songs of Louis Armstrong "New Orleans" Dixieland Jazz vintage (i.e. *When the Saints Go Marching In, Basin Street Blues, Alexander's Ragtime Band, Blue Skies*, etc.)

An evening to be remembered!

Admission is \$2 for members, \$5 for guests. Cabaret-style seating. BYOB and snacks. Desserts and beverages will be served after the performance.

The Movie Club Presents *The Intern*



**Friday, August 12, 7 p.m. at NCB
Wednesday, August 17, 2 p.m. at SCB
\$1 admission includes popcorn**

Starting a new job can be a difficult challenge, especially if you're already retired. Looking to get back into the game, 70-year-old widower Ben Whittaker (Robert De Niro) seizes the opportunity to become a senior intern at an online fashion site. Ben soon becomes popular with his younger co-workers, including Jules Ostin (Anne Hathaway), the boss and founder of the company. Whittaker's charm, wisdom and sense of humor help him develop a special bond and growing friendship with Jules.

The Movie Club is sponsored by Len Learner, Dee Tuozzoli, Marcia Klein, Joan Schmitt and innumerable volunteers.



**What happens at 4:30 p.m. on the first Friday
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- * Bring a Game to Play**
- * Bring Your Friends**



SAC Hosts for August 5 are
Janice Dulberg, Carole Plotnick and Joanne Sutphen

Refreshments
will be served

Open to all



Questions?
Call Sandy Lunt
203-377-5833.

Bingo: Presented by the Men's Club
Thursday, August 18, at 7:00 pm at SCB
Come and bring your friends. Cost: \$2.50/card

OV Wine Club: Grape Expectations!

Join us for our next Wine Club event "An Evening in France." Once again the wine tasting will be an informative presentation by Len Gulino, "The Wine Tutor," who did an excellent presentation at our first event, "Wine 101."



The French have a multi-century history of wine making going back to the middle ages. They have provided us with so many of our favorites: Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Cabernet Sauvignon (to name a few). Some of the wines will be from well-known regions such as Bordeaux and the Rhone Valley, and others from lesser-known locales.



The event will include:

Informative commentary by Len

Tasting 6 wines

Cheese, crackers, grapes

Post-tasting cookies and wine

When: Friday, August 26, 7 - 9 p.m. Cost: \$25 per person. Attendance is limited to the first 40 persons responding. Your check to OV Wine Club is your reservation.

*Deposit checks in Wine Club mailbox at NCB. RSVP no later than August 8th.
Contacts: Charlie DiGiovanni 203-375-0054 or Bill Tanski 203-540-5389*



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~Sunday~

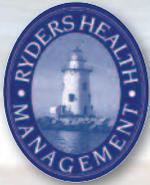
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