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# IN APPRECIATION

## RICHARD KEATING



Oronoque Village lost a pivotal community member when Richard Keating passed away on April 23.

Richard and his wife, Irene, arrived in Oronoque Village in 2007 and the pair quickly became immersed in the activities of Oronoque Village.

As a member of the OVTD Board from 2010-2014 (serving as vice president and later president), Richard was a major player in taking the concept of improving the North and South Clubhouses and

making it a reality. He played an integral role in accruing the funding and executing the "Renaissance Project," which over-

saw the modernization of the two buildings.

The community vote to approve funding of the Renaissance Project occurred in May 2013, during Richard's tenure as OVTD president. Following the voting, he stated: "This is a major step towards the upgrading, modernization and beautification of the North and South Community Buildings. These enhancements will surely draw future prospective buyers to one of the most attractive 55-plus retirement communities in Connecticut."

Ever-sensitive to the needs of the community, Richard was dedicated to keeping all residents fully aware of scheduling dates of improvements in advance of work to be performed, as well as any developments that were encountered along the way. "We have a plethora of communication venues to keep you up-to-date ... and we will use them!" Richard promised.

Further, he was prudent in overseeing multiple elements of the Renaissance Project. In August 2013, he established an Ad Hoc Renaissance Review Committee "to ensure coordination, cohesiveness and appropriate integration of all elements incurred during the processing stages of the OV Renaissance Project."

He concluded his term as TD president in July of 2014 due to health issues.

"I worked closely with Richard on the TD Board and the Renaissance Project's Oversight Committee, which Richard created and managed," notes Steve Brieger, who was vice president of OVTD during Richard's presidential term. "Richard ensured that expense budgets were created and closely controlled and I got to see him as a dedicated and effective professional, even as his health was declining. The respect and affection he enjoyed from all of us was palpable. He was a very special person."

Adds Linda Libertino, "Richard Keating was president of the Tax District at the same time as I was president of OVCA. Richard was one of the brightest persons I have had the pleasure to work with. The sincerity of his manner and his winning personality allowed him to serve as a strong leader. He always had the best interests of Oronoque uppermost in mind. He had no personal agendas; he wanted to make the best business decisions for the Village. He, indeed, will be missed by so many Villagers!"

Prior to his term as TD president, Richard held the title of vice president of OVTD from 2010-2013, working with then-OVTD President Gene Boone. During that time, the TD Board had multiple accomplishments, including overseeing the LED light conversion program, improving security with camera installations at the four corners and upgrading the exercise facility at SCB.

Those who knew Richard point out that his spirit of community was exemplary. He was a leader in soliciting sponsorships for the annual Oronoque Village Golf Tournament,



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which supports beautification projects throughout this Village. Also, he was diligent in making direct donations to this cause.

"Richard was one of the original resources for acquiring raffle prizes for the Oronoque Village Golf Tournament," says Judy Waldeyer, chairperson of the Golf Tournament Committee. "His efforts enabled us to provide valuable funds to local charities and for the beautification of Oronoque Village. We will miss his smiling face at the dinner sign-in table."

Additionally, Richard and OV resident Joe Vecsey founded the St. Mark School Chess Club in Stratford.

The Keatings arrived at Oronoque Village following Richard's 35-year career in New York City as a senior officer specializing in corporate communications, financial relations and public affairs.

Born in Holyoke, Mass., Richard graduated from the Col-

lege of the Holy Cross in 1957 and received his master of arts degree in corporate communications from Fairfield University in 1983.

He started his career as a high school English teacher in his hometown of Holyoke.

Prior to retirement, he was executive vice president, corporate communications for US Life Corporation in New York City. Earlier in his career he was director, marketing communications for Diamond International, also in New York.

He was active in the community and the Catholic church. For many years he was a member of the Knights of Columbus, Assembly 118 in Fairfield and a lector at St. Thomas Aquinas Church.

Proud of his Irish heritage, Richard was a longtime member of the Gaelic American Club in Fairfield. 

## 14TH ANNUAL OV GOLF TOURNAMENT SCHEDULED FOR AUG. 13

By Judy Waldeyer

Fred Rodriguez, executive manager, has announced the kick-off for the Oronoque Village 14th Annual Golf Tournament. Plans are underway to make this a traditional day of fun, while giving back to our community.

The date is scheduled for Monday, Aug. 13, at the Oronoque Country Club.

The all-inclusive cost of \$105 per player includes all meals, carts, green fees, prizes and beverages. An array of prizes will be awarded throughout the 18 holes of play, including a car for a Hole in One on the 12th hole, longest drives, closest to the line and closest to the pin.

A portion of the proceeds raised at the tournament will benefit the work of two local charities: The Center for Family Justice and The Kennedy Center. Some of the proceeds will also go for the beautification of Oronoque Village.

The Center for Family Justice and the Family Justice Centers (FJC) use a coordinated approach to offer services designed to break the cycle of violence, in a safe place, under one roof. Police, prosecutors, civil/legal providers, counselors and client advocates work together to streamline how they help people heal while reducing costs. They serve six Fairfield County towns: Bridgeport, Easton, Fairfield, Monroe, Stratford and Trumbull.

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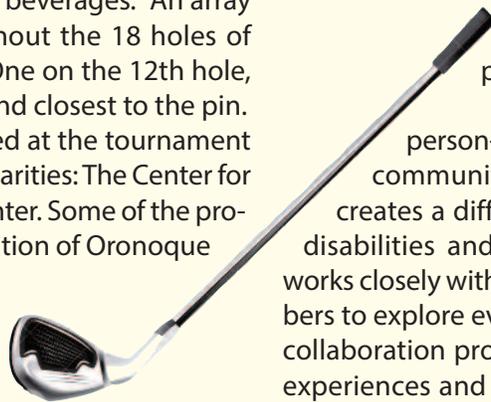
communities to prevent future abuse. It is the comprehensive services their partners are providing that are streamlining the road to healing and self-sufficiency. Last year, over 6,800 adults and children received intervention and prevention services from The Center, which provides crisis, advocacy, justice, specialized counseling and case management and violence prevention.

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The tournament will conclude with a happy hour, buffet dinner and the presentation of awards and cash prizes. Many raffle prizes will be on display all day and distributed during the dinner.

Traditionally, this event is a sell-out affair. Don't delay, sign up today! Please see the sign-up sheet on page 21. 



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## TRASH & RECYCLING PICKUP WILL BE DELAYED DUE TO JULY 4 HOLIDAY

Independence Day, on Wednesday, July 4, will cause a one-day delay of trash and recycling pickup. Pickup will occur on Thursday, July 5.

## SUMMER DISTRICT MEETINGS

**District 1** will hold a cookout and meeting on July 11 at 6 p.m. at SCB.

**District 2** will hold a picnic meeting on Sunday, July 22, at 1 p.m. at SCB.

**District 4** will meet on Wednesday, June 27, at 6 p.m. at SCB.

**District 5** picnic is Wednesday, July 25, at 6 p.m. at SCB.

**District 6** has a meeting on Wednesday, July 18, at 6 p.m. at the South Clubhouse.

**District 7** will meet on July 31 at 6 p.m. at NCB.

**District 8** will meet on Wednesday, July 25, in NCB at 6 p.m.

**District 9** will meet on Thursday, June 28, at 6 p.m. at the North Clubhouse.

**District 11** summer meeting and cookout is scheduled for 6 p.m. on Thursday, July 12, at NCB.

Residents of each district will receive a flyer with complete details.

## CALL FOR ART, JUNE 29, 10 A.M.

The Summer Galerie OV Art show, "Life in Oronoque," is open to all artists working in any medium. Just find a beautiful scene ... residents enjoying an activity or anything depicting life in Oronoque ... and paint, photograph or stitch away. Then bring one or two of your artworks to SCB on June 29 at 10 a.m. Photographic prints must be a minimum size of 8 x 10 inches. All work must be wired and ready to hang. This show will be up for three months.

Questions? Call Barbara Stewart at 203-612-1373 or email [barbsmt@yahoo.com](mailto:barbsmt@yahoo.com).

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Please follow the posted rules for use of equipment in the gym:

There is a 30-minute time limit on bikes, treadmills and ellipticals when others are waiting to use the machines.

Wipe down all equipment after use. This includes mats, weight machines and weight benches.

Do not place weight benches where they block residents from using other equipment.

The gym is for everyone's enjoyment. At times, it is necessary to share equipment and space. Please graciously comply to other residents' requests.



## WATER AEROBICS CLASSES

Water aerobics classes will take place 10 -11 a.m., Monday, Wednesday and Friday at the SCB heated pool from June 25-Aug. 31. The cost is \$10 for the season.

Sign-up starts at 9 a.m., Monday, June 25, at the South pool. Questions? Call Merrilees at 203 378-8753.

## LADY BOWLERS WANTED

Do you want some exercise this summer? Do you want to have fun? Do you want to make new friends? If you say "yes" to these questions, then join the ladies who bowl at Bowlero (formerly AFM) on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. The alley is across the street from Costco in Milford.

This is an informal group; it is not competitive. Even if you have never bowled, you are welcome to learn a new skill, practice without pressure and have lots of laughs. There are no teams, so attendance every week is not required. Come when you can. If you have a nonresident friend, she is welcome also! Call Joanna at 203-381-9664 or Dee at 203-375-3724 for more details.



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# ACTIVITIES

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** *To ensure accuracy, information must be submitted, via email, to Carol King at [cking@oronoquevillage.com](mailto: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 July 2, 2018, is June 19 at noon.*

## BOCCE

• Bocce is played on Thursdays, weather permitting, at 10 a.m. at NCB. Everyone is welcome. Questions? Call Sue or Ralph Trapasso at 203-916-7156.

## CURRENT EVENTS

• The Current Events Discussion Group meets in SCB Card Room 1 at 10 a.m. on Wednesdays, June 20, July 11 and July 25. Please bring a news article to the meeting.

## DOLLCRAFTERS

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

## LADIES BIBLE STUDY

• Meetings are held on the second and fourth Fridays of each month from 10:30 a.m. till noon in the NCB Card Room. All

women are welcome. The next meeting will take place June 22. (The group will not meet during the months of July and August, and will reconvene on Sept. 14.) Questions? Call Angie McKelvey (227-3222).

## LINE DANCING

• Classes will resume on Sept. 12.

## WALKING GROUP

• The Walking Group meets weekly on Thursdays at 9 a.m. in the NCB parking lot. The walks last about 30 minutes to 45 minutes. This is a relaxed, informal group and everyone travels at their own pace.

## OV WRITERS GROUP

• The OV Writers Group meets alternate Thursdays at 2 p.m. in the Card Room at NCB. All are welcome. The group encourages its members to write, to expand their writing and publishing horizons and to find support in a trusting, respectful and professional environment. For information, contact Mary at [MvonZ@optonline.net](mailto:MvonZ@optonline.net) / 203-767-9760.



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## FEATURE: WEEKENDERS' RECAP

Story by Carol Tepper ~ Photo by Nan Schwartz

Another fabulous evening took place on May 12 when Weekenders presented the "Elderly Brothers." T Bone Shankus and Brian Gillie served up a mint condition and funny rock 'n' roll performance with pitch-perfect harmonies and soulful improvisations as fresh as the original songs.

No sleepwalk down Memory Lane with these guys. Their radiant renditions and audience interactions were unsurpassed. The guests enjoyed their solid groove and upbeat "move it or lose it" performance as proven by all those that sang along and got up to dance!

A delicious and abundant dinner of fried chicken, yummy macaroni and cheese, and coleslaw was served along with an array of desserts. And, of course, those special potato chips and soda were available throughout the night.

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Attendees hit the dance floor during the Weekenders event held last month.

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## ARTIST OF THE MONTH: MARY HAYNES

The Artist of the Month is longtime resident Mary Haynes. She and her late husband, Charlie, moved to Oronoque Village in 1990.

Mary grew up in Bridgeport and attended Central High School. After high school, she graduated from St. Vincent's Hospital School of Nursing. While working as an R.N., she furthered her education, receiving degrees from St. Mary of the Woods College in Indiana and the University of Bridgeport.

Mary's artistic ability came to the fore about 20 years ago when she attended the classes of Bob Bottomley on the second floor of the South Clubhouse. She had never painted before but, under Mr. Bottomley's tutelage, she became a talented artist in oils.

Mary also studied with Suzanne Mantel where she built her sketching skills. Her home is a wonderful gallery that features her own artwork as well as pieces painted by Charlie.

"Now that I have retired completely, I look forward to completing my 'bucket list,'" says Mary. "Also, after taking a sabbatical, I plan to pursue art courses."

Mary is very active in the Village. She uses her artistic talents to paint faces on the Dollcrafters' dolls. Also, she was District 10's Representative for 10 years and currently serves as its Alternate Representative.

She has been an officer and a major player in the Village's House and Garden Club and for many years was in charge of decorating the two clubhouses during the holiday season. She is on the Library Committee, volunteers as a substitute monitor and provides assistance at the annual Flu Clinics held in Oronoque.



She is a member of the Ladies Bowling League, enjoys playing friendly games of bocce and is a pickleball enthusiast.

Also, Mary's "Health Matters" columns have appeared regularly in The Villager.

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## GARDENING TIP

### Unwanted Guests in your Garden?

By Judy Waldeyer

Another season of flowering gardens, prolific herbs and vegetable plants, and another season of providing a buffet for the resident woodchuck/groundhog/deer. I never see them, but every day I see their destruction. Granted, they are picky! They will eat the parsley, but stay away from the tomato plant, the oregano, and rosemary. They will eat the flowers that are orange, and avoid the yellow ones!

So, once again, I did my research. I could have bought bobcat urine or begged my hairdresser for discarded hair clippings, but the thought of urine or dead hair on my

edible herbs didn't really appeal to me.

I finally happened on an all-natural homemade recipe, that has great results for me:

5 jalapeño peppers, cut in small pieces. Keep the seeds.

(Use rubber gloves to protect your hands.)

5 cloves fresh garlic.

Purée in a blender.

Add ¼ cup liquid dish detergent.

Mix in 2 gallons of water.

Put in a watering can or spray bottle, and apply liberally around your garden.

Happy gardening!

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## MAINTENANCE MATTERS: TIPS FOR GRILLING SAFELY

Here are a few safety tips that will keep you and your home safe for barbecuing season, according to [www.nationwide.com](http://www.nationwide.com).

### 1. Grill outside and away from any structures:

Charcoal and gas grills are designed for outdoor use only. However, the National Fire Protection Association reports that 27 percent of home fires started by outdoor grills began in a courtyard, terrace or patio and 29 percent started on an exterior balcony or open porch.

**2. Make sure your grill is stable:** Set up your grill on a flat surface and make sure the grill can't be tipped over. Consider using a grill pad or splatter mat underneath your grill.

**3. Keep your grill clean:** Remove grease or fat buildup from both the grill and the tray below the grill. If you are using a charcoal grill, allow the coals to completely cool off before disposing of them in a metal container.

**4. Check for propane leaks on your gas grill:** Before the season's first barbecue, check the gas tank hose for leaks by applying a light soap and water solution to the hose and then turning on the gas. If there is a propane leak, the solution will bubble. Other signs of a propane leak include the smell of gas near the barbecue or a flame that won't light.

**5. If the flame goes out, wait to relight:** If you are using a gas grill and the flame goes out, turn the grill and the gas off, then wait at least five minutes to relight it.

**6. Take care around the grill:** Never leave a lit grill unattended. Don't allow kids or pets to play near the grill. Never try to move a lit or hot grill, and remember the grill will stay hot for at least an hour after use.

**7. Be careful with charcoal starter fluid:** If you use a charcoal grill, only use charcoal starter fluid. If the fire starts to go out, don't add any starter fluid or any other flammable liquids to the fire. Consider using a charcoal chimney starter, which uses newspaper to start the fire instead of starter fluid.

**8. Wear the right clothing:** Clothing is flammable, so be sure your shirt tails, sleeves or apron strings don't dangle over the grill.

**9. Be ready to put out the fire:** Have baking soda on hand to control a grease fire and a fire extinguisher nearby for other fires. If you don't have a fire extinguisher, keep a bucket of sand next to the grill. Never use water to put out grease fire.

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## 'FEATURED ARTISTS SHOW - FOCUS ON TWO' OPENS AT GALERIE OV



**Story by Sharon Sells and Barbara Stewart  
Photos by Peter Feick**

Atop the rocky mountain, surrounded by “big sky” and layers of clouds so close the two climbers appear be able to reach out and touch them. We are astonished by the image and awed by the artist who took the shot. Mike Lucas’ photographs are both intimate and expansive. From the detail of a flowering white orchid to the expansive view of the rockies, he invites us “in.”

Sharing the walls of Galerie OV are the brilliantly colorful paintings of Anthony Memoli. Tony takes us to meet an Argentinian “abuela” and her granddaughter, and then on to Africa to spy on a leopard. The brilliance of a Christmas cactus and romance of a water lily delight the senses. Tony’s images are so real one checks to make sure they are paintings.

The second half of the OV Arts Guild’s spring show opened on Sunday, May 20, on a lovely sunny day. Ray Vermette welcomed everyone, and then turned the meeting over to Barbara Stewart, who thanked the many people who helped with the reception including Wally Sloves, Angela Alvisi, Tina Vermette, Claire Carew, Nancy Gloh Rosenthal, Maria Szalontay, Caroline Bacon for the beautiful flowers and Peter Feick for photographing the event.

A heartfelt thanks was given to Sylvia Penzel, who has helped at every opening reception and has now left Oronoque to be nearer to her family.

A special thanks was given to Ray Vermette, who patiently hangs the shows, catering to the artistic opinions of the “crew” and making the re-arrangements requested until each show is “just right.”

Sharon Sells helps on the hanging crew and makes the information cards for each painting.

At the last show, Mel Robinson challenged viewers to



*Top left, featured artist Anthony Memoli with his paintings. Top right, Sylvia Penzel (striped shirt) was thanked for her contributions to the Arts Guild, Above, Mike Lucas, whose photographs are featured in the current exhibit.*

find the obvious mistake in one of his paintings. Several people came up with the correct answer, which is in the painting “Hand Made.” The wood shaving is outside the window. Congrats to all the folks who got it right.

The winner, Bonnie Usinger, was drawn by lottery. She received a gift certificate to Casa Nova Restaurant.

The present show will continue until June 28. On June 29, our summer show, “Life in Oronoque,” will be hung.

The opening reception is on Sunday, July 8, at 4 p.m.



## HADASSAH SPRING 2018 BRUNCH & CARD PARTY

By Arlene Wilensky

On Wednesday, May 9, Hadassah held its Spring Brunch and Card Party at the Mill River Country Club. The proceedings were opened with our co-president, Carol Tepper, giving the welcoming message. She spoke of the Hadassah organization and Hospital and the incredible research strides they continue to make.

"The Hadassah organization is comprised of women and men who are motivated to inspire and strengthen their partnership and realize their potential as a dynamic force in American society and worldwide to ensure the ideals of Hadassah initiatives," she said.

"Founded in 1912, Hadassah retains the passion and timeless values of its founder, Henrietta Szold, a scholar and activist who was dedicated to Judaism and the American ideal," she continued. "This year at Hadassah Hospital, research teams are leading the fight for equal treatment in women's health care realizing that women metabolize drugs differently than men and often present symptoms differently and so launched The Coalition for Women's Health and Equity."

Oronoque Hadassah has lost one of its most active supporters of over 13 years, Sylvia Penzel. Sylvia has been involved in many activities, one being president and co-president. We will all miss Sylvia, who has moved to Hilton Head, S.C., to be closer to her daughters.

The festivities continued with a fabulous brunch where we feasted on bruschetta and artichoke dip, mimosas, scones, muffins, bagels with salmon cream cheese, along with scrambled eggs, potato pancakes and blintzes, chicken marsala, salmon croquettes and eggplant rollatini. Dessert was a vanilla mousse with chocolate chips and a cookie

After lunch, Education Chairperson Harriet Borrack spoke on the theme, "It's Just a Beginning and Let's Hope it Continues."

She noted:

1. Bahrain had Jewish visitors recently and is beginning to talk about establishing ties with the State of Israel. If this happens it will be the first of the Gulf States to establish diplomatic relations with Israel.
2. A Muslim family took time off from work to take their little girl to the parade that honors a Catholic saint – the New York St. Patrick's Day Parade.
3. "Harry Potter and the Cursed Child" just opened this week on Broadway but the author, J.K. Rawlings, was not present. She was on Twitter telling people how to deal with anti-Semitism.



From left, Barbara Brown, Gladys Galvez and Arlene Wilensky at the Hadassah Spring Brunch and Card Party.

"It's just a beginning and let's hope it continues," she said.

As the afternoon continued, guests won beautiful raffle prizes and enjoyed an afternoon of mahjonn, canasta, bridge and dominoes.

A big thank you to Barbara Brown, Gladys Galvez and Arlene Wilensky for making this event so special. Thanks, as well, to Carol Tepper, Helen Ross, Sharon Levinson, Nan Schwartz, Sylvia Penzel and Loretta Sills for all their help in making this brunch so successful. Kudos to Tom Vinci and staff for making it all look so easy. Last, but not least, we want to thank all of you for supporting Hadassah.

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## FRIDAY, JUNE 15

- 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)
- 11:00 a.m. – Pickleball Round Robin, RSF (O)

## SATURDAY, JUNE 16

- 9:00 a.m. – Pickleball Round Robin, RSF (O)
- 10:00 a.m. – Men's Club Bocce Tournament, NCB (O)

## SUNDAY, JUNE 17: No events scheduled

## MONDAY, JUNE 18

- 9:00 a.m. – Low-Impact Exercise (Bring Weights), NCB (O)
- 10:00 a.m. – Paper Mache Workshop, SCB, A/C Rm (C)
- 11:30 a.m. – Chair Yoga, NCB, Aud (O)
- 4:00 p.m. – Pickleball Round Robin, RSF (O)
- 5:00 p.m. – Tennis Playing & Party, RSF (C)
- 6:45 p.m. – Bridge, NCB, C/R (O)
- 7:00 p.m. – Beginner Bridge Group, NCB, Library (O)

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- Monitoring camera displays of the building.

Contact Dave Schoennagel at 203-814-8351/Schoennagel@optonline.net for more info.

## TUESDAY, JUNE 19

- 9:00 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)
- 7:00 p.m. – OVCA Meeting, NCB (O)
- 7:00 p.m. – Meditation, NCB, C/R (O)

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20

- 10:00 a.m. – Drop-In Sculpture Class, SCB, A/C Rm (O)
- 10:00 a.m. – Current Events, SCB, C/R2 (O)
- 10:00 a.m. – Free Blood Pressure Screening, NCB, C/R (O)
- 4:00 p.m. – Pickleball Round Robin, RSF (O)
- 5:00 p.m. – Poker, NCB, C/R (O)
- 6:00 p.m. – Jerry's Poker, SCB, C/R1 (O)
- 6:00 p.m. – District 6 Meeting, SCB (C)
- 6:30 p.m. – Men's Poker, SCB, C/R (O)

## THURSDAY, JUNE 21

- 9:00 a.m. – Walking Group, NCB (O)
- 10:00 a.m. – Bocce, NCB (O)
- 10:00 a.m. – Oil Painting Workshop, SCB, AC Room (C)
- 10:00 a.m. – Zumba, NCB (O)
- 10:00 a.m. – Quilters, NCB, C/R (O)
- 1:00 p.m. – Dominoes, SCB, C/R2 (C)
- 1:30 p.m. – Bridge, NCB, Aud (C)
- 2:00 p.m. – Writers Group, NCB, C/R (O)
- 2:00 p.m. – Rummikub, SCB, Lounge (C)
- 6:00 p.m. – Jerry's Poker, SCB, C/R1 (O)
- 7:00 p.m. – Bingo, SCB (O)
- 7:00 p.m. – New Residents Meeting, NCB, C/R (C)

## FRIDAY, JUNE 22

- 9:00 a.m. – Low-Impact Exercise (Bring Weights), NCB (O)
- 10:00 a.m. – Table Tennis, SCB (O)
- 10:00 a.m. – Farmers' Market, SCB (O)
- 10:00 a.m. – Ladies Bible Study, NCB, C/R (O)
- 11:00 a.m. – Pickleball Round Robin, RSF (O)
- 7:00 p.m. – Wine Club, NCB (O)

## **SATURDAY, JUNE 23**

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

## **SUNDAY, JUNE 24**

- 3:00 p.m. – SAC Summer Social, NCB (O)

## **MONDAY, JUNE 25**

- 9:00 a.m. – Low-Impact Exercise (Bring Weights), NCB (O)
- 9:00 a.m. – Water Aerobics Registration, South Pool (O)
- 10:00 a.m. – Water Aerobics, South Pool (O)
- 11:30 a.m. – Chair Yoga, NCB, Aud (O)
- 4:00 p.m. – Pickleball Round Robin, RSF (O)
- 5:00 p.m. – Tennis Playing & Party, RSF (C)
- 6:45 p.m. – Bridge, NCB, C/R (O)
- 7:00 p.m. – Beginner Bridge Group, NCB, Library (O)

## **TUESDAY, JUNE 26**

- 9:00 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)
- 7:00 p.m. – Meditation, NCB, C/R (O)

## **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27**

- 10:00 a.m. – Water Aerobics, South Pool (O)
- 10:00 a.m. – Drop-In Sculpture Class, SCB, A/C Rm (O)
- 4:00 p.m. – Pickleball Round Robin, RSF (O)
- 5:00 p.m. – Poker, NCB, C/R (O)
- 6:00 p.m. – District 4 Meeting, SCB (C)
- 6:00 p.m. – Jerry's Poker, SCB, C/R1 (O)
- 6:30 p.m. – Men's Poker, SCB, C/R (O)

## **THURSDAY, JUNE 28**

- 9:00 a.m. – Walking Group, NCB (O)
- 10:00 a.m. – Bocce, NCB (O)
- 10:00 a.m. – Oil Painting Workshop, SCB, AC Room (C)
- 10:00 a.m. – Zumba, NCB (O)
- 1:00 p.m. – Dominoes, SCB, C/R2 (C)
- 1:30 p.m. – Bridge, NCB, Aud (C)
- 2:00 p.m. – Rummikub, SCB, Lounge (C)
- 4:00 p.m. – Weekenders Rehearsal, SCB (O)
- 6:00 p.m. – District 9 Meeting, NCB (C)

- 6:00 p.m. – Jerry's Poker, SCB, C/R1 (O)
- 7:00 p.m. – Karaoke, SCB, Aud (O)

## **FRIDAY, JUNE 29**

- 9:00 a.m. – Low-Impact Exercise (Bring Weights), NCB (O)
- 10:00 a.m. – Water Aerobics, South Pool (O)
- 10:00 a.m. – Table Tennis, SCB (O)
- 10:00 a.m. – Farmers' Market, SCB (O)
- 11:00 a.m. – Pickleball Round Robin, RSF (O)

## **SATURDAY, JUNE 30**

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

## **SUNDAY, JULY 1: No events scheduled**

## **MONDAY, JULY 2**

- 9:00 a.m. – Low-Impact Exercise (Bring Weights), NCB (O)
- 10:00 a.m. – Water Aerobics, South Pool (O)
- 11:30 a.m. – Chair Yoga, NCB, Aud (O)
- 3:30 p.m. – Arts Guild Planning Committee
- 4:00 p.m. – Pickleball Round Robin, RSF (O)
- 5:00 p.m. – Tennis Playing & Party, RSF (C)
- 6:45 p.m. – Bridge, NCB, C/R (O)
- 7:00 p.m. – Beginner Bridge Group, NCB, Library (O)
- 7:00 p.m. – Bulls & Bears, SCB (O)
- 7:30 p.m. – SAC Meeting, NCB, B/R (O)

## **TUESDAY, JULY 3**

- 9:00 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. – Tennis Club Brd Mtg, NCB, B/R (C)
- 7:00 p.m. – Funseekers Brd Mtg, SCB, C/R 2 (C)
- 7:00 p.m. – Meditation, NCB, C/R (O)



### **SAVE THE DATE:**

**Thursday, July 5 ...** The Stratford Community Concert Band will perform a free summer concert at SCB at 7 p.m.

## MY VIRTUAL REALITY

By Hinda Wolf

Several months ago I received a mysterious gift in the mail. It was sent to me from Google. When I opened it, I found a piece of flattened cardboard. There were directions on how to assemble whatever it was and an e-mail address to gather information, compliments of Google.

According to Google, I now had in my hands access to the world of virtual reality. All I had to do was follow the directions and the cardboard would become my ticket to a new world. Unfortunately, Google had not reckoned with my extremely limited technological skills. After much trial and error, what emerged was a box-like entity with an obvious place for one's nose and two glass orbs resembling eyes. When I put my nose where it was meant to go, all I saw was a cardboard wall. Disgusted, I relegated the contraption to the clutter of my kitchen desk where it preceded to accumulate dust.

But the device served an unintended purpose. It made me realize that I already had my own virtual reality, already in place and readily available. I could access it when I was comfortably nestled in my bed. I needed no contraptions to assist me. The experience was always vivid, colorful and full of joy.

Here's an example: I'm walking in a dense forest with trees forming an avenue for me to follow. The sun is high

above me and I feel protected and eager to find what's at the end of the journey. I amble along. There is no sense of urgency, only anticipation. Suddenly I emerge from the denseness and a world of brilliant light is before me, with majestic mountain peaks and sparkling waterfalls. I stand spellbound at the vision of such beauty.

My virtual reality can also enter the world of the arts. Here I am elegantly dressed -- something I often aspire to, but seldom achieve -- in a gilt-decorated hall of magnificence. It is obviously one of the concert halls in Vienna, the city of my dreams. I am alone with no other distraction but the beauty of my surroundings. I hear the sounds of one of my favorite Mozart symphonies and feel blessed that I am offered the gift of music in such a fairy-tale setting.

But my favorite excursion into my virtual reality involves a day on the ski slopes. It is the kind of day I used to label a ten: bright sun, temperature in the twenties, no wind. The ski conditions are variable, but I am undaunted. I attack the moguls with grace and confidence; I skim over ice, with the surety of sharp edging; I achieve a level of speed that I never dared in my real life. I am exhilarated and full of the joy of my skill and physical ability. I never fall. No wonder I return to this virtual reality of youth and strength so often.

As I sit here, looking at Google's version of virtual reality, I realize that it will never be able to compete with mine.

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## A BEE AND ME

By Mary W. von Ziegesar

If the bee hadn't gotten into my bedroom that night, I wouldn't be here now.

What if he had simply buzzed past the rip in the screen and found his hive high up under the northern eave. Surely, I had nothing to attract him. Surely his queen and his fellow workers had some food better than my tired daffodils and peanut butter sandwich crumbs. What if I had turned on the light and found him, rather than lie in bed listening to his buzz leave the window and come toward my pillow. I should have gotten up then.

Instead, as I explained to the doctor, I quickly pulled up the sheet. I was sure I was safe. I was sure he'd flown over my lumpy body and landed on my open book.

I was wrong. His buzz was loud under the sheets, and especially loud because he landed, of all places, near my ear. Then, I thought it was the sheet that I felt; it was like a brief tickle. Then, another tickle and another buzz. That's when I swatted. My right hand whacked my right ear with more

force than needed. I swatted with a death wish for that bee. Mistake. Instead of whirling him away, I whisked him firmly into my ear. No fool was he. He started to sting and sting and sting. "Agh" I cried out. The pain was searing. I swatted again, not a whack this time, more of a swishing, my fingers light on my cheek and over my ear. The pain continued, and repeated itself.



"What can I do?" I screamed to myself. This bee had gone into my ear, way into my ear. I jumped up out of bed and ran to the bathroom. What if I try water? I thought. If I pour water into my ear, maybe he'll come out, or drown. He can't continue in my ear with cold water pouring on him, I reasoned, and the cold will feel good, won't it?

By now I saw the doctor trying to control his grin. "How did you fall, Ms. Davenport?"

"Not gracefully," I replied. "As I was pouring water into my ear, I started to get dizzy. I staggered a bit, the glass shattered on the tile floor and down I went, bee and all, into a puddle and on my right wrist."

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## LAST OF PLETMAN 2018 SPRING CONCERTS LEAVES AUDIENCE IN AWE

By Elisabeth Breslav ~ Photo by Bob Krakovich

The May program – presented by pianist Jessica Osborne – was a modern take on the 19th-century salon, where artists, musicians and philosophers used to gather, often hosted by a significant patron or patroness. Since many of the patrons had pianos in their homes, the salon offered a wonderful venue for piano recitals, especially for women who did not often find opportunities for their works to be performed.

The concert featured two famous European women concert pianists/composers. Agathe Grandahl, proclaimed one of the century's greatest piano artists by George Bernard Shaw, who remarked on "the sensitiveness, symmetry and artistic economy" of her compositions, qualities that were beautifully interpreted by Ms. Osborne in the "Sketch in A-Flat Major, op. 19, no 4" and the "Etude in B-flat minor, op.11, no.1."

Clara Schumann, who gave her "Variations on a Theme by Robert Schumann, op. 20," to her husband as a present at their last dinner together before he left for the mental hospital to be treated for bipolar disorder. Members of the audience later commented on the pain and anger expressed so movingly in the composition. One listener confessed to having had goosebumps.

Frederic Chopin was represented by "Andante Spianato and the Grand Polonaise," performed with all the bravura this popular repertoire piece demands. It was followed by Wagner's "Selections from 'Tristan und Isolde'" arranged for piano



by Franz Liszt, which greatly influenced Alexander Scriabin's "Vers la Flamme, op.72," the closing piece of a concert that brought the audience to its feet and the outstanding performer back for a second bow.

The Pletman Fall series will take place on Sept. 16, featuring pianist Chelsea Guo; Oct. 28, with Carol and Tom Woodman in a new program of Art Songs; and Nov. 18, with a program to be announced. OV

### Bee ... continued from previous page

"It's a clean break," the doctor said, now sporting a wide grin, "I think you will be fine in 5 or 6 weeks. We'll get you into an air cast and we'll stitch up the cut on your arm. You'll be as good as new.

"Now, what happened to the bee?"

"I'm not really sure how he got out of my ear. When I fell down, I hit my head sharply on the vanity. That thwack may have jostled him out. I found him on the floor, his buzz slowed by wetness. All I could think about was what if he hadn't come out? I'd be in here with a broken wrist, a nasty cut, and a bee in my ear."

At this point, the doctor's grin became a full-fledged laugh and despite feeling quite miserable, I couldn't help myself. I broke out into a robust laugh, too.

"Well," the doctor continued, "so what did you do, squish the bee and feel some vindication?"

"Actually not," I said with an escaping giggle. "I thought he deserved to go on with his life. I nudged an envelope under him, I opened the bathroom window and screen, and I watched him fly up toward the roof and home."

What I didn't share with the doctor was that when I released the little bee with the big buzz, I decided that honey will always taste a bit differently. And what if I'd never had a bee in my ear? I'd probably never have had a break in my wrist or a scar on my arm.

And I definitely wouldn't appreciate honey as much as I do now. OV

## RESIDENT PHOTOGRAPHS



Having fun during Karaoke Night are, from left Regina Archakazi, Gery Cuccaro, Angela Alvisi, Joanne Sutphen and Jeanne Hartley. (The ladies sang "All My Loving" by The Beatles.) Thanks to Sonya DeBiase for submitting the photo.



Carolyn Novotney shared this scenic view from her deck, overlooking the corner of North Trail and Pontiac Lane.



Peter Feick submitted this shot of a lawn ornament on Iroquois Lane.

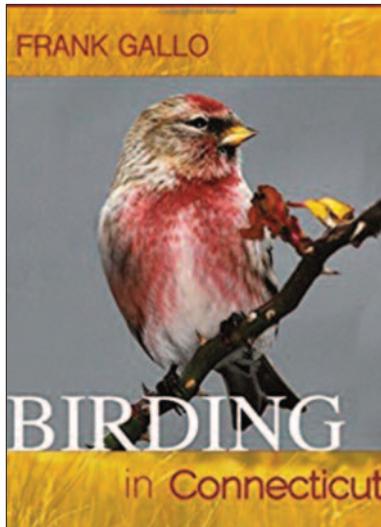


The Stratford Historical Society (SHS) recently featured a presentation by resident Dan Libertino (left), who is president of the Igor I. Sikorsky Historical Archives. He was welcomed by Dennis Brunelle, president of SHS and also a resident of Oronoque Village. For more info on SHS, visit [www.StratfordHistoricalSociety.org](http://www.StratfordHistoricalSociety.org). Thanks to Jeanette Caron for submitting the photo.

## BEYOND THE VILLAGE

The Milford Library presents "Bird Walk with Frank Gallo" on Wednesday, June 27, at 6:30 p.m. Bring your binoculars and wear your comfortable shoes ... bird expert and author Frank Gallo will lead all attendants on a one-mile walk to see what feathered friends can be spotted. Afterwards, he will speak about his latest book, "Birding in Connecticut."

The library is located at 57 New Haven Ave., phone: 203-783-3290, website: [www.milfordlibrary.org](http://www.milfordlibrary.org).



The Hudson Shakespeare Company returns to Stratford Library on June 30 for its annual outdoor Shakespeare program. "The Tempest" will be performed at 2 p.m. in the outdoor amphitheater.

Bring a lawn chair or blanket to spread. In the event of rain, the performance will be held in the library's Lovell Room. This event is free and open to the public.

For further information, call 203-385-4162 or visit the library website at [www.stratfordlibrary.org](http://www.stratfordlibrary.org).

Captured live from the National Theatre in London in high-definition, "The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night" will be shown at Ridgefield Playhouse on June 15 at 7 p.m. This production has received seven Olivier Awards (2013) and five Tony Awards® (2015). Tickets range in price from \$15-\$25. Visit [www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org](http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org) or call 203-438-5795.

Two no-cost self-guided walking tours of the historic New Haven Green are available. A 30-minute audio walking tour can be accessed on any cell phone by calling 203-672-4384. The narration shows the visitor

the fascinating historical events that occurred on the green.

A brochure-based walking tour also is offered. Brochures can be acquired at the Info New Haven Visitor Center at College and Chapel Sts., Yale University Visitor Center at College and Temple Sts. or downloaded from <http://www.gardenclubofnewhaven.org>.

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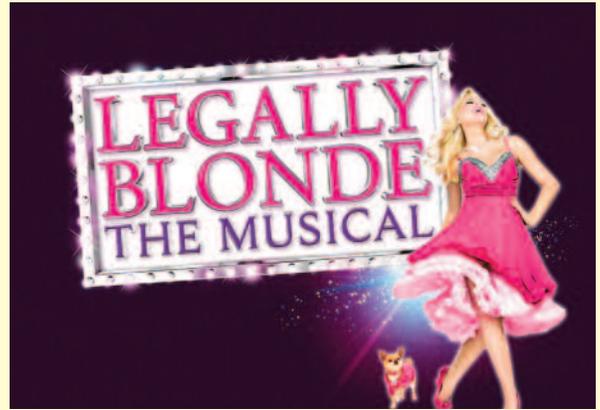
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**Funseekers has added a new trip for 2018.**

**On Sunday, September 23rd, at 7 PM, we will see "Legally Blonde: The Musical" at the Downtown Bridgeport Cabaret.**

**The cost is \$29 per person.**

**We have reserved 64 tickets for that evening.**



**This fabulously fun, award-winning show is based on the adored movie that follows the transformation of Elle Woods. Life is turned upside down for Elle when her boyfriend, Warner, dumps her so he can attend Harvard Law School. With the support of some new friends, Elle tackles stereotypes and scandal in pursuit of her dreams.**

**Funseekers members have first choice for these tickets through June 30th. After that date, remaining tickets will be available to all other Villagers. Drop your check in the Funseekers mailbox at NCB. Call Ann Gallo (203) 380-1022 with any questions you may have.**



**Oronoque Village**

**Farmers' Market**

**Opens Friday, June 15<sup>th</sup>**

**10 AM to 1 PM**

**South Clubhouse Parking Lot**

**Fresh vegetables, fruit, honey, greens, jams and preserves,  
plants, freshly baked breads, pastries, flowers,  
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**14th Annual Oronoque Village  
Golf Tournament**

**Monday, August 13th**

**9:00 a.m.**

**At Oronoque Country Club**

*Supporting: Center for Family Justice  
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Register at 9:00 a.m. for a full breakfast. Driving range practice and putting contest with cash prizes, included in your entry fee. Tee off time is 11 a.m. with a shotgun scramble.

This event is always fully subscribed, so please sign up *now* to reserve a place.  
Registration is open to all residents of Oronoque Village and their guests.

An array of prizes will be awarded throughout the 18 holes of play, including: a prize on every par 3 (including a car for a Hole in One on the 12th hole!), longest drives, closest to the line and closest to the pin.

The tournament concludes with an Awards Dinner (beer, wine, soda and coffee are included) and many raffle prizes.

The all-inclusive cost is \$105 per player and includes all meals, carts, greens fees, prizes and beverages (beer, wine, soda and coffee are included.) *Non-playing guests may attend the Awards Banquet for \$40.*

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Oronoque Village residents are responsible for payment of their players and guests.

Your check is your reservation, made payable to OVCA. Place check, with form below, in NCB Outside Dropbox. The cost is \$105 per player and \$40 per non-playing dinner guest(s).

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Oronoque Village Resident: \_\_\_\_\_

Address/Unit # \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Players' Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Dinner-Only Guest(s): \_\_\_\_\_

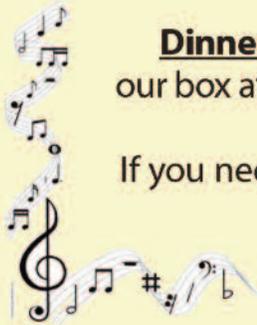
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**Weekenders' next gala will be held on Saturday, July 14th, at 6 p.m. in the North Clubhouse.**

We will present "The Airborne Trio," whose members will perform a variety of songs, styles and genres with their beautiful trademark sound of island passion and urban emotions.

Formed in the 1980s, Airborne has years of recordings, concerts, and community and corporate events to their credit.



**Dinner is included!** Please get your checks for \$20 made out to Weekenders in our box at the NCB to ensure your attendance ASAP.

If you need special consideration for your table, checks need to be put in at one time. Unpaid seats will not be saved so that we can accommodate as many attendees as possible.

?????s Carol Tepper - 375-2101

**OV ARTS GUILD INVITES ALL RESIDENTS  
To the opening reception for our summer show,  
"Life in Oronoque."**

**Date:** Sunday, July 8

**Time:** 4-5 p.m.

**Where:** South Clubhouse

*Come gather together with friends to enjoy refreshments, meet the participating artists and celebrate life in our beautiful Village.*

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LAZY AFTERNOON SOCIAL RESERVATION FORM (DUE 6/18/18 IN SAC BOX AT NCB)

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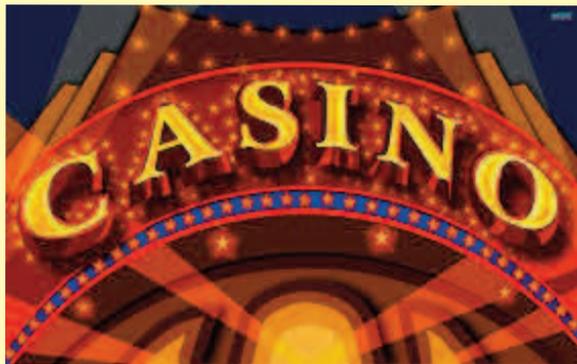
Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ # of Reservations: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$10.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Please enclose check payable to SAC with this form)*

**JOIN US FOR  
"IT'S 5'O'CLOCK SOMEWHERE"  
ON THE FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH  
AT NCB at 5 P.M.**

**BYOB \* Relax and Mingle \*  
Drop By With An Appetizer to Share**

***Please note that we have a new start time  
for the summer! Looking forward to  
seeing you at 5 P.M. at NCB on July 6!***

***Hosted by SAC***



**MEN'S CLUB TRIP TO MOHEGAN SUN  
MONDAY, JULY 16  
DEPARTING REAR OF SCB AT 1 P.M.  
LEAVING CASINO AT 8:30 P.M.  
COST PER PERSON: \$25**

**A check made out to Oronoque Village Men's Club is your reservation. Please place check in the Men's Club box in the North Clubhouse. Questions? Call Sandy Lunt: 203 377- 5833 or Jerry Brown: 203 378-7781**

Refreshments  
will be served

Open to all



Questions?  
Call Sandy Lunt  
203-377-5833.

**Bingo: Presented by the Men's Club**  
Thursday, June 21. at 7:00 pm at SCB  
Come and bring your friends. Cost: \$2.50/card



## MARTHA TALBURT OFFERS COLORED PENCIL CLASS

This 10-week class, taught by Martha Talburt, introduces students to a marvelous medium with jewel-like colors. "Meditative" is how Martha describes the careful and methodical approach required for colored pencils. During the first five weeks of the course, students are taught basic color theory along with specific ways to handle the pencils -- varied strokes and color mixing methods, including layering, scumbling and burnishing. The second half of the course focuses on portraiture.

This course is recommended for the committed art student who has taken Martha's basic drawing and portraiture classes, or the equivalent, and is interested in augmenting classwork with

work at home. Please bring a box (minimum of 48) of Prismacolor Softcore Pencils (available on Amazon). Martha finds these pencils are easiest to use while yielding the most satisfying results.

The weekly class, which begins on Friday, July 13, takes place from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the back card room at SCB. The cost is \$150. Please make checks out to Martha Talburt and place in the Arts Guild Box at SCB.

**Questions? Call Martha at 203-218-3831.**



## FUNSEEKERS PRESENTS:

**JOHN PAOLILLO**  
**One-Man Band**

**At 7 PM on Tuesday, July 10, at SCB.**

John Paolillo will be our July entertainment. John is a guitarist/vocalist who utilizes backing tracks to sound like a 4-5 piece band. Great for dancing! As a full-time musician, John has performed at over 400 events per year.

John's promise is to entertain and provide 100% of musical enjoyment for an evening you won't forget. His music ranges from classic rock to Motown, standards, beach, oldies, jazz, blues and more. With over 20 years experience, John has performed at restaurants, clubs, senior events, birthday parties, pool/beach parties, cocktail hours, weddings and concerts.

**No Advanced Reservations Required. Admission \$2 Members, \$5 Guests. BYOB/Food/Snacks if you wish. Desserts and beverages following the event.**

**Questions? Contact: Bob Krakovich 203-752-6105**

## The Movie Club Presents *Maudie*

**Friday, July 13, at 7 p.m. at NCB**  
**Wednesday, July 18, at 2 p.m. at SCB**  
**\$1 admission includes popcorn**



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

Based on a true story, this is an unlikely romance in which the reclusive Everett Lewis (Ethan Hawke) hires Maudie -- a fragile, yet determined woman (Sally Hawkins) -- to be his housekeeper.

Bright-eyed, but hunched with crippled hands, Maudie yearns to be independent and passionately desires to create art. Unexpectedly, Everett finds himself falling in love. *Maudie* charts Everett's efforts to protect himself from being hurt, Maudie's deep and abiding love for this difficult man and her surprising rise to fame as a folk painter.

**The Oronoque Village Book Club meets at 7 p.m.  
on the first Wednesday of the month at NCB.**

**All Villagers are welcome.**

**Need a ride or information? Call Hinda at 203-385-3855.**

*(The group will not meet on July 4. Please note date change.)*



The book for July 11 is *The Last Days of Light* by Graham Moore. Inventors take the stage in this historical fiction/legal thriller based on the lighting of New York City in the 1890s. The story is told by Paul Cravath, an attorney hired by George Westinghouse to take on Thomas Edison in a battle over light bulb patents.

Graham Moore digs deep into long-forgotten facts to give us an exciting, sometimes astonishing, story of two geniuses locked in a brutal battle to change the world. Every so often a work of historical fiction comes along that captures the imaginations of legions of readers.

The book for August 4 is *Remains of the Day* by Nobel Prize winner Kazuo Ishiguro.



## *OV Wine Club: Grape Expectations!*

Join us as we take a wine-tasting journey to the “Land Down Under.” Once again Len Gulino, “The Wine Tutor,” will be our tour guide.

Australia is the world’s 8th largest wine producer and New Zealand is 15th. Combined they would rank 6th. Notable varietals from Australia are Shiraz and Chardonnay and New Zealand is noted for Sauvignon Blanc and Pinot Noir.

*Come along as we sample some of the fine wines from “Down Under.”*



The event will include:

Entrance Wine

Informative commentary by Len

Tasting 6 wines (3 red, 3 white)

Cheese, crackers, snacks

Post wine-tasting cookies (by Dorothy Tanski)

When: Friday, June 22nd, 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 June 17th.  
Questions? Contact Charlie DiGiovanni 203-375-0054 or Bill Tanski 203-540-5389*



## New OV Karaoke Club

No fees or dues

No commitments

Just fun!

Join us for our June event on  
Thursday, June 28, in the South  
Clubhouse Auditorium from 7-9pm.

Open to all Oronoque residents. You all had such a great time at the last one...let's do it again!

No need to RSVP...just come on over, grab a seat, and either watch or join the fun by putting in a song or two!

**BYOB and refreshments**

**A NOTE FROM ANOTHER  
SATISFIED VILLAGE NEIGHBOR**

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*J.H. (A Village Resident)*



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<b>BACARDI</b>	1.75L	<b>19.99</b>
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