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On the cover: Two scenes from SAC's "Hot Summer Night" event, which took place on Aug. 20. The top photo was taken by Cathy Spigener, the bottom photo by Mary Ann Weaver. A story about the function appears on page 14.

The Villager welcomes photo submissions, which must be emailed as high-resolution jpeg images to cking@oronoquevillage.com.

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ENERGY IN THE VILLAGE

By Tom Aubin, Vice President, OV Tax District



Recently, my wife and I received the highest electric bill we have seen since moving to the Village at the end of 2017. In addition to this, I have read that the utilities that serve us — electric, gas and water — are all banging on doors in Hartford looking for increases. This does not bode well for anyone living on a

fixed income.

Let us look at where we are today and what the future may hold for us regarding our sources of energy. If your energy sourcing looks anything like mine, you are using gas for your heat and either gas or electric for your stove and water heater. In addition, you have an electric compressor providing your cooling needs using the same distribution ductwork as your heating system. Our supplier of electricity, United Illuminating (UI), has a commitment to be carbon neutral by 2035. This means they will reduce their dependence on fossil fuels significantly over time. You should be, too.

As gas costs will rise the most in our near future, what alternatives do we have? We will never eliminate all fossil fuels as an energy source, but other possibilities exist for us.

SOLAR

Solar panels convert the sun's radiation into electricity in the form of DC power. An inverter then converts the DC power into AC power to be fed into your main panel. From there, the power is distributed throughout your home and, additionally, any excess power is sent to the main power grid for which you receive a credit. Here, in the Village, there are several drawbacks to this solution:

- At present, there are covenants and restrictions in our bylaws disallowing this solution. This can be overcome

through revisions to such.

- Cost of installation can be high, \$15-20K average after federal incentives. Given the average age of Oronoque residents, payback will hardly be achievable in our lifetime.

- While third-party ownership tied to a lease agreement can be a solution to costly personal ownership, transference of the contract and cancellation fees can be significant. Third-party ownership is presently barred by our bylaws.

- There are significant shortfalls in the ability of our roofs to support a solar panel array. Construction efforts to solve this will add to the already significant costs of installation.

Presently, solar, as an independent unit installation, would not appear to be a solution. Community solar, however, could be part of a larger, hybrid solution.

While community solar has its upsides and downsides, it would appear to be more palatable to our needs here in the Village. Some of the issues we will have to overcome are:

- Large blocks of land would be needed to satisfy the entire population. We would have to search nearby availability of a large tract of land for which to place a large solar field.

- This solution would require a great deal of coordination with the Town of Stratford to acquire the necessary permits for what effectively would be our own power plant.

- The South and North Clubhouse parking lots can add to what we already have on the clubhouses.

- In this solution, individual unit owners would join a collective and, again, after their draw from the system, any excess would be placed back on the grid and would be available for credits.

Community solar would appear to have merit and needs a great deal of study to understand the square footage needs and overall costs of a system resulting in satisfying the power needs of the Village. Land availability would be the largest problem to solve for this effort.

AIR-SOURCE HEAT PUMPS

Heat pumps offer an energy-efficient alternative to furnaces and air conditioners for all climates. Like your refrigerator, heat pumps use electricity to transfer heat from a cool space to a warm space, making the cool space cooler and the warm space warmer. During the heating season, heat pumps move heat from the cool outdoors into your warm house.

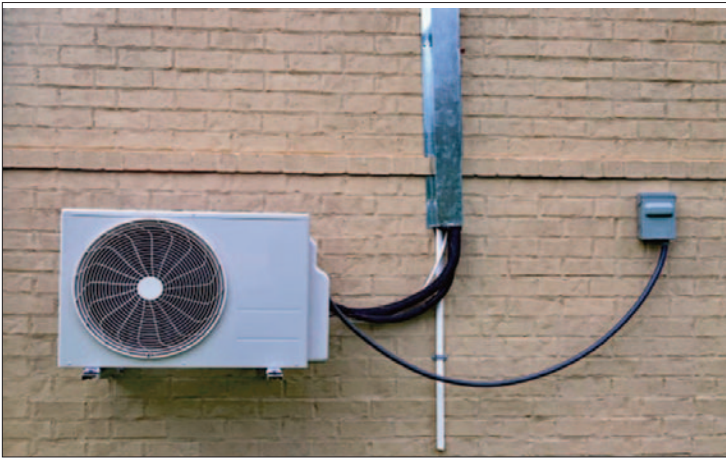
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Mini-split heat pump

During the cooling season, heat pumps move heat from your house into the outdoors. Because they transfer heat rather than generate heat, heat pumps can efficiently provide comfortable temperatures for your home.

Today's heat pump can reduce your electricity use for heating by approximately 50 percent compared to electric resistance heating, such as furnaces and baseboard heaters. High-efficiency heat pumps also dehumidify better than standard central air conditioners, resulting in less energy usage and more cooling comfort during the summer months. Air-source heat pumps have been used for many years in all parts of the United States, but until recently they have not been used in areas that experience extended periods of subfreezing temperatures. However, in recent years, air-source heat pump technology has advanced so that it now offers a legitimate space-heating alternative in colder regions.

Heat pumps can be supplied as a mini-split system providing two-zone air conditioning. One of these feeds would go to circulator feeding your existing ductwork while the other feed would service a ductless unit for your downstairs needs. This would then provide two-zone air conditioning with two independent temperature controls. Benefits to this mini-split heat pump solution are:

- Moderate costs to install
- Significant electric cost-savings
- Elimination of gas

This discussion, so far, has dealt with sources of energy, but what about retaining the heat and cold generated by these various sourcing systems?

One of the most significant efforts you can accomplish is through insulation, window replacement and caulking. I own a Thoreau and was able to add 18 inches of insulation to my crawl space, replace my windows and accomplish the necessary caulking identified in an en-



Ductless heater/cooler

ergy audit. The results were significant in that I saw an immediate, 30 percent drop in my heat bill.

I have had many discussions with Arnold Gans — a local architect, District 6 representative and Architectural Committee member — regarding the issues outlined above.

Arnold's prime interests are on the retention side where his architecture experience provides great value. While I, as part of OVT, am interested in the infrastructure side, Arnie's concerns are related to the design and materials inherent in our 50-year-old units.

Arnie and Mark Rhatigan are working closely together to identify new materials for siding and roofing that provide a higher R factor resulting in energy cost-savings. This requires a great deal of study related to costs and ROI (Return on Investment).

In addition, Arnie has conceived design changes for units with vaulted ceilings to create a "false" ceiling where insulation may be installed.

CONCLUSION

The final solution for our energy needs will be a hybrid solution using both renewables and other systems, such as heat pumps and ductless wall-mount products.

Studies related to all of the above initiatives are ongoing and will require some time for all the answers to be known. While studies are ongoing for the long-term products, we can immediately move away from gas and improve our residence's ability to retain heat/cold.

The roadmap to a greener lifestyle with short-term and long-term solutions should be a key component in our vision for Oronoque Village.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

GERSHWIN'S 'RHAPSODY IN BLUE' TO HIGHLIGHT SEPT. 18 PLETMAN CONCERT

By Elisabeth Breslav

Recently returned from an extensive concert tour in Europe, virtuoso pianist Eden Chen is looking forward to his return visit to Oronoque Village on Sunday, Sept. 18, at 3 p.m. at NCB.

Like last year, Eden plans to present a challenging program, including works by Medtner, Tansman, Scriabin and Ravel. "Rhapsody in Blue for Solo Piano" by Gershwin will end what promises to be a not-to-be-missed musical experience.

Eden, 22, is a Young Scholar Alum of the Lang Lang International Music Foundation and a Jack Kent Cooke Young Artist. He holds a master of music degree from The Juilliard School. His solo performances have taken him to Italy, Austria, Poland, England and China.

Admission is \$5. Proof of vaccination is required. Mask wearing is optional.

In addition to five concerts at Carnegie Hall in New York and two at Millennium Park, Chicago, he has performed two benefit concerts in Zhongshan, China, and one for the New York Presbyterian Morgan Stanley Children's Hospital.

Eden has shared music with thousands of children during school visits and performances in the United States and United Kingdom, including one for an audience of 1,200 in the Leeds Town Hall.

As a concerto soloist, Eden has performed with the Torun Symphony in Poland, the Midwest Young Artists Symphony in Chicago and the Antelope Valley Symphony in California. During 2019-2020, he gave a multimedia recital at The Juilliard School, featuring John Milton's poem, "Paradise Lost," and the visual art of Spanish artist Pablo Auladell. He



was featured online by Grammy Award-winning soprano Isabel Leonard and Pianist Magazine. His other virtual performances include an adaptation of Aaron Copland's "Appalachian Spring" with the Juilliard Green Club and the inaugural "Play it Forward" virtual concert presented by the Lang Lang Foundation. During this time, Eden received the Gluck Community Service Fellowship for designing virtual performances for senior homes most affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Admission is \$5. Proof of vaccination is required. Mask wearing is optional.

Upcoming Pletman Concerts will take place Oct. 16, featuring the Yale Slavic Chorus, and Nov. 13, with a chamber music performance by Adam Grabois, cellist, and Margarita Nuller, pianist.

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STRATFORD PD REMINDS RESIDENTS TO LOCK YOUR CARS

The Stratford Police Department (SPD) reminds residents to lock their vehicles when they are parked outdoors.

"The greatest deterrent to car theft is locking your car," states Stratford Police Chief Joe McNeil.

Chief McNeil strongly advises residents practice due diligence and follow the recommendations below:

1. Keep your vehicle locked at all times.
2. When parked, do not leave your keys in the car. Close all the windows and the sunroof.
3. Never leave your car running and unattended.
4. Never leave valuables inside your vehicle where passersby can see them.

Chief McNeil urges residents to contact that SPD if they see any suspicious persons in this community. "Suspicious activity can refer to an individual or activity that seems unusual or out of place," he said. "If we are notified, we will come out and investigate. That's what we are here for."

The Stratford Police Department can be reached at the following numbers:

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GORDON MICHAELS TO PERFORM AT WEEKENDERS' FINALE

By Carol Tepper



Carol Tepper

Weekenders was formed in 1999. I had moved to Oronoque Village two years prior and felt that there was a need for entertainment in the Village on Saturday evenings to accommodate us working folks. During the first few years, events include "Covered Dish Nights," "Villagers' entertaining" and holiday celebrations, such as St. Paddy's Day (with every-

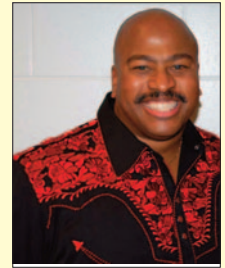
one in green) and Halloween (with apple bobbing, etc.). On Sundays, we had excursions to various areas, i.e., a cruise on the Connecticut River, Sunday brunches and theater and dinner events in New York City. We also attended Connecticut's own Shakespeare Theater. Doo-wop concerts, which took place at some of our monthly meetings, were always well-attended.

Fifteen years ago, a new approach was founded in setting the evening up as a dinner theater, using top-notch entertainment and serving dinner for a nominal amount. The fee was just enough to cover the costs of producing an evening, and we have enjoyed these events for many years. Weekenders has offered its events to all Villagers without a yearly fee.

There are many who helped plan and serve at these events; we even had our own caterer plan the meals: the late Sam Levinson with the help of his wife Sharon, Arlene and Ken Block and Nan and Burt Schwartz. Jerry Brown also sat at the door with me and loudly greeted the attendees. So many Villagers offered their help in setting and cleaning up that I cannot list them all but I deeply appreciated their support. Further, a few relationships blossomed between couples who met during Weekenders events.

Twenty-three years later, on Oct. 15, 6 p.m., at the North Clubhouse, it will be Weekender's final evening.

This special night will highlight an exceptional singer, Gordon Michaels, who started singing at age 3 in his church choir and his passion for professionally performing has only increased as he aged. He attended New York City's Music and Arts High School and earned a scholarship to the Boston Conservatory of Music for Opera.



Gordon Michaels

He eventually realized his love of musical theater, which led him to earn his bachelor of fine arts degree. He has traveled around the world with internationally known singers, including Patti Labelle, James Taylor, Aerosmith and Natalie Cole. Also, he has performed on many Broadway stages.

He also appeared in performance for Pope John Paul II and was in the movie 'Fame' More recently he has weekly shows performed at different nightclubs in the Boston area, which is where he hails from.

He is at ease singing show tunes, jazz, blues, pop and gospel and even throws in some country tunes. He is a consummate artist who knows how to entertain. As a vocalist, he will leave you spellbound.

To attend this fabulous Weekenders' finale, put your checks for \$25 per person (made out to Weekenders) with any seating preference in our box at the North Clubhouse by Oct. 8.

As always, Scott from Lasse's Restaurant will serve up a delicious dinner. There will also be a repeat of the fabulous desserts that were served at our last event plus a few extra! Questions? Call Carol Tepper at 203-375-2101.

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THE ELECTIONS ARE COMING, THE ELECTIONS ARE COMING!



By Tom Fuchs, District 11 Rep

A year ago, I wrote that I had discovered that it takes a village to run a village. After reviewing all the OVCA By-Laws, Declarations, Rules, and Regulations relating to OVCA district elections, which take place this month, I am, once again, sharing my findings with hopes of encouraging my “newbie” friends and neighbors to volunteer for one of the 110 elected positions in our 11 districts.

Did you know that there are over 170 elected and volunteer positions in OV? Hopefully, you already know that each of our 11 districts is comprised of a district rep, maintenance rep, Social Activities Committee (SAC) rep and Tax District nominator. Each of these positions has an alternate rep. Add to that a secretary and treasurer for each district. That’s 110 elected volunteers in our districts alone! All told, about one in every seven residents is needed to help run this place.

Since the district elections are upon us in the next few weeks, here is a brief recap of district positions and responsibilities: District reps (DR) chair district meetings and are responsible for representing their districts as a voting member at the monthly Board meetings. Elected every two years, they hold three district meetings per year to keep their residents informed and to solicit feedback. An alternate DR is elected to fill in for a DR when absent from his/her duties (also serving a two-year term). All the remaining district positions are for a one-year term: The maintenance rep is responsible for interfacing with the Village’s director of maintenance operations, executive director and the 10 other district maintenance reps

during monthly committee meetings. The maintenance reps act as a liaison between unit owners and the Maintenance Department. They serve along with an alternate maintenance rep. The Social Activities Committee (SAC) rep is a member of the Social Activities Committee along with the 10 other SAC reps, who plan and execute social events for the residents throughout the year. They also serve along with an alternate SAC rep.

Currently, a Tax District nominator serves on the Tax District Nominating Committee. An alternate nominator serves when the nominator is absent or unable to act.

The district treasurer administers funds collected by the district while the district secretary records proceedings and coordinates the district elections.

For more information, visit <https://www.oronoqueville.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/District-Rep-Roles-Best-Practices.pdf>

While I am about to complete my first year as district rep, I have learned that many residents who have been here for some time have previously filled most of these elected volunteer positions. Many have paved the way to allow new residents to step up to help run the Village.

So, as we embark on a new election season, the Village will be an even better place if some of the “newbies,” like me, can find a little time to fill a district position. Managing the financial, social and administrative responsibilities at OV does require a village of willing and able residents to share their talents in moving the Village forward. Then we can help with the everyday decisions needed to make this Village all that it can be. It really does take a village to run a village, especially Oronoque Village.



RESIDENT REMINDER

SAVE PIPES, DON'T FLUSH WIPES!

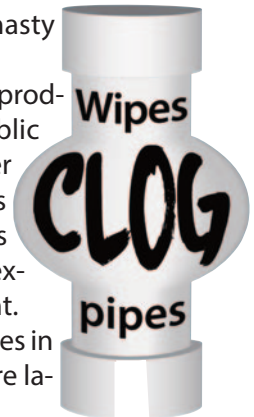
Many household cleaning products are labeled and marketed as disposable; many baby hygiene products are labeled both disposable and flushable. While these products may be marketed as a convenience item, the truth is that these household wipes have the ability to clog and stop up your sewer pipes. They can also cause blockage and service problems in town sewer systems and pump stations.

Unlike toilet paper, these products don't break down once they are flushed. They can cause blockages in your sewer lines, especially older pipelines that may have grease, roots or other obstructions already existing.

Line blockages can lead to nasty sewer backups in your home.

On a larger scale, when these products make their way into the public sewer system, they collect together and cause clogs in sewer main lines and get tangled in pump stations requiring repair or possibly even expensive replacement of equipment.

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BOCCE

• Bocce is played on Thursdays, 10 a.m. to noon, at NCB.

DOLLCRAFTERS

• Dollcrafters meets at 10 a.m. on Tuesdays in the NCB Library

CURRENT EVENTS

• The Current Events Discussion Group meets in SCB Card Room 1 at 10 a.m. on Wednesdays Sept. 21, Oct. 5 and 19, Nov. 2 and 16 and Dec. 14.

DROP-IN BRIDGE

• Drop-in Bridge takes place on Mondays from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the NCB Lounge. All levels of bridge players are encouraged to attend; no need to bring a partner. There is no fee to participate. For information, please contact Wendy Swain at 203-386-9125. Proof of vaccination required.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY

• The Ladies Bible Study welcomes all resident women. Proof of vaccination is not required, but nonvaccinated ladies must wear masks. There are no fees to join. Purchasing study materials is optional. Meetings are on the second and fourth Fridays in the NCB Board Room from 10:30 a.m. to noon (excluding July and August). Questions? Call Angie McKelvey (203-227-3222) or Tina Vermette (203-375-0291).

LINE DANCING

• Line dancing classes are held on Wednesdays at NCB. Beginner classes are held at 9:30 a.m., followed by a class for all levels at 10 a.m. No masking is required for anyone who has received the booster or third shot. All others must wear masks. Call Sonya DeBiase at 202-377-1515 for information.

LOW-IMPACT EXERCISE CLASS

• Low-impact exercise classes, taught by Renee Zinn, are held at 10:30 a.m. on Mondays and Fridays at NCB. Bring weights and water. Proof of vaccination is required. Those without proof of booster shots must wear masks.

QUILTING GROUP

• Village quilters meet at the NCB Card Room on the first and third Thursdays of each month from 10 a.m. to noon.

TEA, TALK & CRAFTS

• Tea, Talk, and Crafts meets at 1 p.m. on Thursdays next to the kitchen at SCB. Annual dues are \$10. Questions? Call Irene Sanzone at 203-378-2010. Vaccinated members only. Please show proof.

WRITER'S GROUP

• The Oronoque Village Writer's Group (OVWG) is a group of writers who enjoy the challenges of writing and of sharing their work in a trusted environment. Members commit to attending workshops twice a month in a respectful, supportive and professional environment with hopes of expanding their writing and publishing horizons. Our members include published authors and hobbyists. Our works include essays, memoirs, poems, short stories, treatises, humorous tales, heart-wrenching histories. The group meets on alternate Tuesdays at 2 p.m. in the Card Room at SCB. For information about joining, contact Mary von Ziegesar at MvonZ@optonline.net or call 203-767-9760. Proof of vaccination required.

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CALENDAR

Dates, times and locations of events are subject to change. To update a Calendar listing, please contact Linda Arvers at larvers@oronoquevillage.com

For the latest on OV news & events, go to www.oronoquevillage.com or OVTV (Channel 591 for those with a cable box and Channel 121-591 for those without a box).

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

- 10:00 a.m. – Bocce, NCB
- 10:00 a.m. – Quilting Group, NCB
- 10:30 a.m. – Yoga, SCB
- 1:00 p.m. – Informal Artists Group, A/C Rm, SCB
- 1:00 p.m. – Tea, Talk & Crafts, SCB
- 6:00 p.m. – Gerry's Poker, SCB
- 7:00 p.m. – Bingo, SCB

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

- 10:30 a.m. – Low-Impact Exercise (Bring Weights), NCB

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17: No scheduled events

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

- 3:00 p.m. – Pletman Concert, NCB

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

- 10:30 a.m. – Low-Impact Exercise (Bring Weights), NCB
- 3:30 p.m. – BRAVO Rehearsal, SCB
- 5:00 p.m. – Tai Chi, SCB
- 6:30 p.m. – Drop-in Bridge, NCB

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

- 10:00 a.m. – Dollcrafters, NCB
- 10:00 a.m. – Zumba, NCB
- 2:00 p.m. – Writer's Group, SCB
- 7:00 p.m. – OVCA Election, NCB

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

- 9:30 a.m. – Line Dancing, beginners, NCB
- 10:00 a.m. – Line Dancing, all levels, NCB
- 10:00 a.m. – Sculpture Class, SCB, A/C Rm
- 10:00 a.m. – Current Events, SCB

- 5:00 p.m. – Sebastian's Poker, NCB
- 5:30 p.m. – District 8 Meeting, NCB
- 6:00 p.m. – Gerry's Poker, SCB
- 6:00 p.m. – District 4 Meeting, SCB

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

- 10:00 a.m. – Bocce, NCB
- 10:00 a.m. – Zumba, NCB
- 10:30 a.m. – Yoga, SCB
- 1:00 p.m. – Informal Artists Group, A/C Rm, SCB
- 1:00 p.m. – Tea, Talk & Crafts, SCB
- 3:30 p.m. – BRAVO Rehearsal, SCB
- 6:00 p.m. – Gerry's Poker, SCB
- 6:00 p.m. – District 11 Meeting, NCB

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

- 10:30 a.m. – Low-Impact Exercise (Bring Weights), NCB
- 10:30 a.m. – Ladies Bible Study, NCB, B/R
- 6:30 p.m. – Karaoke & Dance Party, SCB

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24: No events scheduled

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25: No events scheduled

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

- 10:30 a.m. – Low-Impact Exercise (Bring Weights), NCB
- 3:30 p.m. – BRAVO Rehearsal, SCB
- 5:00 p.m. – Tai Chi, SCB
- 6:30 p.m. – Drop-in Bridge, NCB

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

- 10:00 a.m. – Dollcrafters, NCB
- 10:00 a.m. – Zumba, NCB
- 10:00 a.m. – Healthy Lifestyle Discussion, SCB
- 5:00 p.m. – District 5 Meeting, SCB
- 5:00 p.m. – District 7 Meeting, NCB
- 7:00 p.m. – Brosowsky Card Game, SCB

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

- 9:30 a.m. – Line Dancing, beginners, NCB
- 10:00 a.m. – Line Dancing, all levels, NCB

- 10:00 a.m. – Sculpture Class, SCB, A/C Rm
- 5:00 p.m. – Sebastian’s Poker, NCB
- 6:00 p.m. – District 10 Meeting, NCB
- 6:00 p.m. – District 3 Meeting, SCB
- 6:00 p.m. – Gerry’s Poker, SCB

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

- 10:00 a.m. – Bocce, NCB
- 10:00 a.m. – Zumba, NCB
- 10:30 a.m. – Yoga, SCB
- 1:00 p.m. – Informal Artists Group, A/C Rm, SCB
- 1:00 p.m. – Tea, Talk & Crafts, SCB
- 6:00 p.m. – Gerry’s Poker, SCB
- 6:00 p.m. – District 2 Meeting, SCB
- 7:00 p.m. – District 6 Meeting, NCB

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

Server maintenance scheduled.

Business & Maintenance Office Close at 3 p.m.

- 10:00 a.m. – Arts Guild Show Setup, SCB
- 10:30 a.m. – Low-Impact Exercise (Bring Weights), NCB
- 3:30 p.m.– BRAVO Rehearsal, SCB
- 5:30 p.m. – District 9 Meeting, NCB
- 6:00 p.m. – District 1 Meeting, SCB

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1: No scheduled events

DISTRICT ELECTION MEETINGS

District 5 Election Meeting will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 27, at 5:30 p.m. at SCB. A supper will be served before the meeting. If you haven’t paid your dues for 2022 per person, please put your checks into the District 5 box at SCB.

Residents of District 11 will meet at 7 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 22, in the North Clubhouse to conduct an election for District positions. Proxies are available by emailing District Secretary Marge Heffel at mchef fel@gmail.com or by text or phone at 203-913-5695. Candidate announcements and a voting form will be placed in D11 resident black mailboxes on Sept. 16. The election will be followed by ice cream, coffee and dessert. A drawing for some fabulous door prizes will be held as well – a resident must be present to win.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2

- 4:00 p.m. – Hadassah Dinner & Movie, NCB

MONDAY, OCTOBER 3

- 10:30 a.m. – Low-Impact Exercise (Bring Weights), NCB
- 5:00 p.m. – Tai Chi, SCB
- 5:00 p.m. – SAC Committee Meeting, NCB
- 6:30 p.m. – Drop-in Bridge, NCB
- 7:00 p.m. – Bulls & Bears, SCB



FEATURES



SAC'S "HOT SUMMER NIGHT" AT ORONOQUE

Enthusiasm ran high for this anticipated Aug. 20 SAC event held at the SCB. The theme and name, "Hot Summer Night," held true. Temperatures that night, both inside and out by the pool, were, indeed, "hot."

Lasse's was the caterer and, as usual, did not disappoint. There was plenty of assorted appetizers. Many attending brought their appetizers outside to enjoy at one of the "pool tables" along with their wine or drink.

Appetizers were followed with a scrumptious dinner of salmon, chicken piccata, eggplant and a prime rib carving station. There was also a medley of roasted vegetables and

rice pilaf. Dessert was cheesecake with strawberries with chocolate drizzle.

The D.J. of the night was Earl Crutchfield, who played a wide variety of songs and requests.

As the night ended, a lot of the attendees went outside to mingle and sit at tables around the pool. The lights around the pool area and above the pergola lit up the fountain in the pool.

This event was "sold out" with 150 attending. Though there were a few changes from previous years (before Covid), the majority attending had positive feedback. **OV**

50th ANNIVERSARY DISPLAY



EXHIBIT CHANGE

Story by Sanford Lunt ~ Photo by Ray Vermette

Looky, looky, looky, there has been a change in the exhibit appearing the front card room in the South Clubhouse. It shows the results of the 50th anniversary celebration. Take a good look, it is spectacular and denotes the fabulous events held on May 14 and May 15, 2022.

The committee members — Dee Varholak, Tina Vermette, Judy Waldeyer and Sanford Lunt, chaired by Mary von Ziegesar — originated the exhibit.

This is the first of many changes to come. **OV**

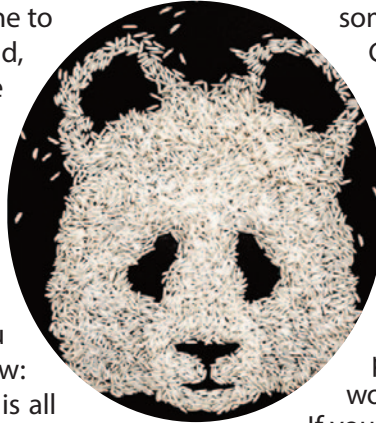
ANNOUNCEMENT

CALL FOR ART, SEPT. 30, 10-11 A.M. AT SCB

By Barbara Stewart

The theme for our fall art show, "See Beauty in the Ordinary," is to encourage everyone to appreciate the things we see every day and, perhaps, take for granted. Maybe it's the view from your window or an old tool or a worn pair of shoes. Or, it could be someplace you pass every day but no longer notice. On another track, how about creating a three-dimensional work of art made of ordinary things?

Here are some quotes to get you thinking about your artwork for this show: "Let us come alive to the splendor that is all around us and see the beauty in ordinary things," Thomas Merton. "The whole world is a series of miracles, but we're so used to them we call them ordinary things," Hans



Christian Anderson. "If you allow yourself to be enchanted by the beauty to be seen in even ordinary things, then all things prove to be extraordinary," Dean Koontz. "I love to take something ordinary and make it really special," Ina Garten.

All mediums are welcome. All submissions must be your own original work. Hanging artwork must be wired securely across the back of the piece and three-dimensional artwork can be displayed on a pedestal. The exhibit will be on display through the end of December.

Bring your artwork to the SCB on Friday, Sept. 30, between 10 -11 a.m. Artists exhibiting in the present show are asked to, please, pick up your artwork on Thursday, Sept. 29, between 3:30 and 5 p.m. If you have questions or need to make other arrangements, please contact Barbara Stewart at 203612-1373 or email barbsmt@yahoo.com.




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FACEBOOK REMINDER & POSTING TIPS

Reminder to Residents: OV Connections, the community Facebook page, is supported, regulated and administered by Oronoque Village.

Please note that Oronoque has full content control over the postings on this page and will remove any/all postings that do not conform to the regulatory social media guidelines that were established by the community. The purpose of this medium is to assist in the lifestyle enhancement of residents of Oronoque Village.


Please review the Oronoque Village Social Media Guidelines, as follows:

The site is not designed for Oronoque Official Business information, but rather is a social media site of Oronoque Village. It is an inter-Village social site.

The site is private and only available to residents. Residency must be verified by an administrator prior to allowing membership in the site.

The purpose of the site is to enhance and accelerate communication among our residents. The site is a vehicle to enhance social interaction among residents, encourage and promote organizations, events and social groups within Oronoque Village. Importantly it will aim to help new residents with their orientation to Oronoque Village and the surrounding area.

The site does not allow any Oronoque Village, local, state or national political and/or religious views, comments or opinions to be posted. It will also not allow critical comments directed towards any individual, representative, group, office, club or organization within Oronoque Village. If comments are posted, they will be removed as soon as possible by the site administrator.

Postings containing any offensive material or commentary will also be removed as soon as possible by the site administrator. Restaurant reviews are allowable. 

THE DOS AND DON'TS OF SOCIAL NETWORKING ONLINE

By Kelly Whitt

Many of the rules for good Facebook etiquette are the same rules that apply to any online communications. Common courtesy, decency, good manners and the golden rule apply on Facebook as well.

Don't type something you wouldn't say in real life. You shouldn't hide behind a computer and say hurtful things that you wouldn't dream of saying to someone's face.

Don't share something on your page or in your status that you don't want everyone on your Friend list to know. (Do use Facebook messaging for sharing more private things.)

Don't share identifying information such as your ad-


dress or telephone number.

Don't feel obligated to add applications because friends sent them to you.

Do be careful what you post. While it's okay to vent, remember that if you are venting about your boss, just because he or she is not on your friend list does not mean it won't get back to him or her, somehow.

Do be careful of your tone. It can be hard to tell when people are joking or being sarcastic.

Don't type in all caps unless you really mean to shout, otherwise it's just annoying and becomes tedious quickly.

Facebook can be a great tool, just remember to use common sense and follow the Golden Rule: treat others as you would want to be treated. 

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**It's 5 O'clock Somewhere,
presented by the
Social Activities Committee,
takes place the first Friday of
each month at NCB.**

**All residents are
invited
to attend.**

**BYOB &
an appetizer to share.**

NOTICE: PLEASE OBSERVE THE GOLF COURSE WALKING HOURS

**FOR SAFETY'S SAKE, RESIDENTS MAY WALK ON THE
ORONOQUE COUNTRY CLUB GOLF CART PATH
BEFORE 7 A.M. AND AFTER 8 P.M.**



**OTHERWISE, WALKERS RISK
BEING HIT BY A
HIGH-VELOCITY GOLF BALL
AS PEOPLE USE
THE COURSE FOR PLAY.**

BRAVO *Presents*

"Burlesque-Oronoque Style"

Saturday, October 8th, 2022 7pm SCB

Produced & Directed By Bob Krakovich 

Featuring Burlesque-era songs, skits, and one-liners

Our villages very own "QT-Pie" will perform a tastefully done "striptease"

Doors will open at **6 pm**, Admission is **\$5 pp** paid at the door. Villagers and guests are welcome.

Desserts & refreshments following the show.

Any questions, call Bob Krakovich 203.752.6105

NOTE: Proof of vaccination or negative covid test required.



**Together - Under one roof
at the same place, at the same time!
September 23, 6:30 p.m., at SCB**



Come join D.J. Chris Albino for Karaoke and Dancing. Hear and dance to your favorite songs Both Karaoke and Dance Party are being combined into one show each month, so this is your chance to get up and get moving again! Never a charge or dues to pay.

Proof of vaccination is required to attend. BYOB, food and snacks.

**BINGO IS AT SCB AT 7 P.M.
ON THURSDAY, SEPT. 15**



**Bingo — presented by the
OV Men's Club — is held at SCB
on the third Thursday of each month
(excluding December).**

Games begin at 7 p.m.

The cost is \$2.50 per card.

**Questions?
Call Sandy Lunt at 203-377-5833**



**The OV Book Club meets on the
first Wednesday of each month
at 7 p.m. in the NCB Library.**

On Oct. 5, the Book Club will discuss *Social Graces* by Renee Rosen.

1876. In the glittering world of Manhattan's upper crust, women are valued by their pedigree, dowry and, most importantly, connections. They have few rights and even less independence—what they do have is society. The more celebrated the hostess, the more powerful the woman. And none is more powerful than Mrs Astor.

Sweeping three decades and based on true events, this is the mesmerizing story of two fascinating, complicated women going head to head, behaving badly and discovering what's truly at stake.

Prepare to be caught up in a high-society feud, as old money clashes with new money in the battle to reign among New York's upper crust.



LINE DANCING CLASSES ARE BACK!

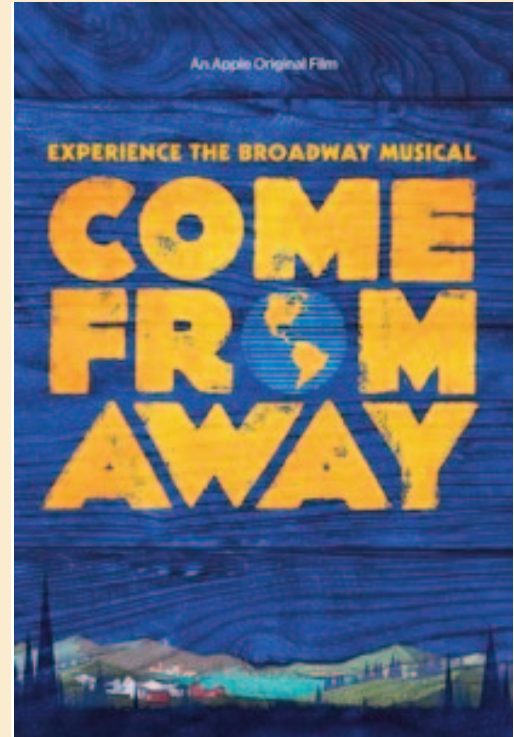
Weekly line dancing classes are offered on Wednesdays at NCB. Beginner classes are at 9:30 a.m. Classes for all levels take place at 10:00 a.m. For information, call Sonya at 203-377-1515.

HADASSAH INVITES YOU TO DINNER & A MOVIE 4 PM, OCT. 2, NCB

The movie will be "Come From Away," a filmed version of the award-winning Broadway musical that tells the story of 7,000 people stranded in the small town of Gander, Newfoundland after all flights into the U.S. are grounded on Sept. 11, 2001. As the people of Newfoundland graciously welcome the "come from aways" into their community in the aftermath, the passengers and locals alike process what's happened while finding love, laughter and new hope in the unlikely and lasting bonds that they forge.

A buffet dinner will include a garden salad with chicken, macaroni and cheese and dinner rolls. Coffee/tea/dessert will be offered. The cost is \$15. RSVP no later than Sept. 28. Please make checks out to Hadassah and drop off at the box at NCB.

Questions? Call Carol Tepper at 203-375-2101 or Barbara Brown at 203-378-7781.



FUNSEEKERS

PRESENTS

DOMINIC MANTUANO, INTERNATIONAL AWARD WINNING VOCALIST



Tuesday October 11, 2022 7 pm SCB • Doors Open At 6:15



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Records produced his album. Dominic has worked with major talents such as Tom Jones, Rod Stewart, Smokey Robinson and many more. YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS THIS EVENT!

Advance reservations required. Payments will be accepted from Sept. 16th-October 4th. Open to resident Funseekers' members and one guest per single resident until Sept. 26th. Starting on Sept. 27th, member residents may sign up non-resident guests. Please put \$4.00 check per person (\$7.00 non-resident) into FUNSEEKERS mailbox, NCB.

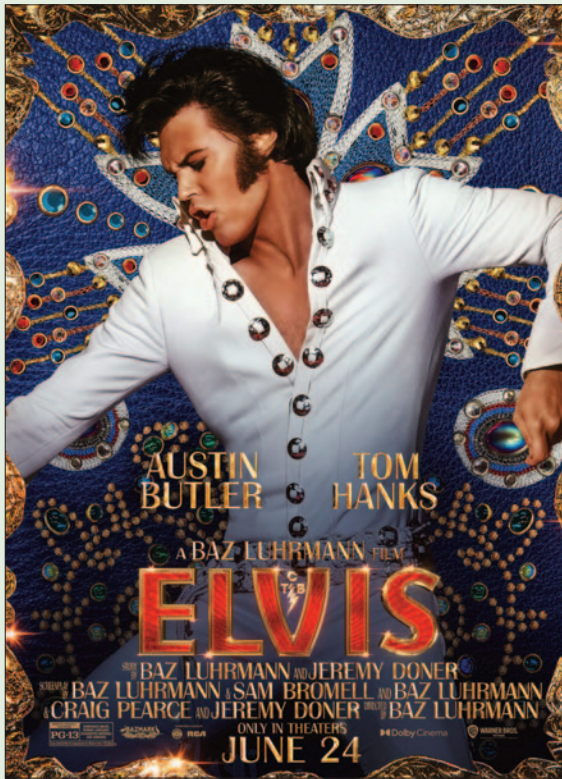
Questions? Call Lynn Collins 203-260-4644 Not a 2022 member? - Join for \$15 per person.

Proof of vaccination and one booster required (or instead of booster), formal Covid test taken at an official testing site within 48 hours of this event. Bring official Covid report to door if this applies.



COFFEE, TEA, SOFT DRINKS & DESSERT TO BE SERVED

BYOB AND SNACKS!



The Movie Club Presents
Elvis

Oct. 7, 7 p.m., NCB
Oct. 12, 2 p.m., SCB

From his rise to fame to his unprecedented superstardom, rock 'n' roll icon Elvis Presley (Austin Butler) maintains a complicated relationship with his enigmatic manager, Colonel Tom Parker (Tom Hanks), over the course of 20 years. Central to Presley's journey and happiness is one of the most influential people in his life -- Priscilla (Olivia DeJonge).

\$1 admission includes popcorn - proof of vaccine required



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Monday October 10, 2022

1:00 pm SCB

Dessert & Coffee/Tea served after the program

CARD PARTY & LUNCHEON

September 21, 2022 12:00 Noon \$35.00 per person

Oronoque Country Club (The Lodge)

Buffet Lunch.....Cheese & Crackers

- * Chicken Piccata
- * Chicken Marsala
- * Haddock
- * Roasted Potatoes, Vegetable Medley, Salad
- * Dessert, Coffee/Tea, Soft Drinks



Please place checks in Hadassah mailbox in NCB by Friday, September 16.

Include the names of the people you would like to sit with.

Questions, call : Carol Tepper 203-375-2101 or Barbara Brown 203-378-7781



Call-In Program Is Available To Oronoque Residents

If you live alone, you might want to consider signing up for the **Call-In Program**. To participate, you need to call the South Clubhouse (203-377-5435) every morning between 9 a.m. and 10 a.m.

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If you are interested in learning more about this program, please call Kathy Lukens at 203-612-6685.

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