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Thank you to Jo-Ann Loftus for contributing this issue's cover photo.

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

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Dear Residents:

Before the change of season becomes too hectic (or before you head to warmer climates for the winter months), please consider recognizing our dedicated staff members with a contribution to the Employee Appreciation Fund.



The contributions reflect how much we value the hard work and the ongoing commitment of our staff members. Each day, our employees tend to the multiple needs of a vast and diverse community.

Whether it is landscaping in the summer, plowing in the winter, leaf collection in the fall or planting in the spring, the staff works year-round to make Oronoque Village a pristine place to live. Please, let's show them their hard work is appreciated!

Remember, there is a "no tipping" policy at Oronoque Village. The Employee Appreciation Fund is a *once-a-year opportunity* to provide our staff members with financial rewards for their excellent service.

In past years, the fund has benefitted from contributions by 50% of our residents ... We are hopeful that, this year, we will have 100% participation.

Money accrued by the fund is dispensed during the annual employee holiday party in December. Let's wish them "Season's Greetings" and say, "We thank you for jobs well done!"

To make a contribution, please make checks out to OVCA Employee Fund and drop off at the Business Office, 600 North Trail.

Thank you for your consideration!

OVTD REPORT

ROAD PAVING PROJECT TO RESUME IN NOVEMBER

By Jonathan Towle, OVTD Roads Committee Chair



ere in Oronoque Village, we own and maintain over 50 roads, totaling more than 10 miles. The Oronoque Village Tax District is in charge of the roads, driveways and walkways, and devotes a substantial part of its budget to road maintenance. As the existing roads age, it is necessary to repave and upgrade

them in order to maintain our Village as a first-class community.

Starting in 2009, the Oronoque Village Tax District (OVTD) initiated a 20-year project to repave and upgrade our roads. During the first seven years, only one or two roads were repaved every year, and driveways and curbing were not included. In 2016, the pace of the project was increased, and driveways and curbing were added in the 2017 program.

Our progress was interrupted in 2018 by the United Illuminating project that replaced the underground conduits and wiring. Starting in the north Village, UI had to dig up the conduits wherever they ran, including some of the roads that had already been paved.

When the UI project was complete in the north Village, we resumed the paving program there while UI worked on the south Village. We were able to make substantial progress in 2019, 2020 and 2021, so today the north Village is nearly finished. This necessary wait for UI to complete its work in the south Village left a number of roads there in unsatisfactory condition.

To accelerate the road-repaving project, OVTD asked the taxpayers to approve bank financing for some of the remaining work. The taxpayers voted in favor of this proposal in February of this year, and we were able to obtain a line of credit at the interest rate prevailing then, which is much lower than we would have to pay if we applied today.

We are proceeding on a rather substantial paving project this fall, with emphasis on the roads in the south Village that are most in need of repaving. Naturally, such a large project will cause some disruption. However, our director of maintenance operations, Mark Rhatigan, will be working closely with our contractor to keep residents informed and minimize any problems.

Our plans are subject to contingencies of weather and availability, but here is the basic outline of what is going to happen: starting in the last week of October, the contractor will begin work on nondisruptive tasks, such as examining and replacing the drains and catch basins located on the roads to be repaved. Around the first week of November, the four remaining roads in the north Village — Pontiac, Nyack, Arapaho, and Cheraw — will be milled and repaved. The following week, work will begin in the south Village. These are the roads that are scheduled to be milled and repaved: Dakota, Montauk, Ottawa, Sequoia, Navajo, Piute, Seminole, the 86 ABCD cul-de-sac, Creek and the 103 cul-de-sac. This work, which will be done in stages, should be completed by the end of November.

While the total time for the project is nearly a month, residents should only be inconvenienced for the two or three days that their roads are being milled and repaved. Our operations staff will notify those impacted well in advance.

The Tax District Board members are very pleased to implement this project. As you know, there are many logistical and financial constraints in getting this type of work done. There may be a few days of inconvenience; but, in the end, we will have many newly paved roads that will enhance the attractiveness of the entire Village as well as the value of our properties.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

WANTED: ARTISTS OF THE MONTH FOR 2023

The Artist of the Month program is looking for resident artists to showcase their works during 2023.

This is a chance for you to have your very own monthlong art show at the North Clubhouse. There are two exhibit spaces: one in the front hallway and one across from the side entrance in the back hallway. Each space can accommodate one or two pieces of artwork in any medium that can be hung on the wall. It is suggested that artists change their exhibits weekly, but each participant is free to decide when they will change their works.

> An article and a photograph of the featured artists will be published in the first Villager issue of the month, when possible.

If you are interested, please contract Barbara Stewart at 203-612-1373 or barbsmt@yahoo.com.

You can request the month in which you would like to have your works featured.

RECORD ATTENDANCE, STANDING OVATION AT PLETMAN 2022 FALL CONCERT

By Elisabeth Breslav

*lose to 90 Villagers filled the auditorium of NCB on Sunday, Sept.18, and listened in awe to young pianist Eden Chen.

At age 22, Eden charmed the audience with his enthusiasm and visible delight in sharing his music with us. This was his second appearance at Oronoque and, once again, he proved to be an amazingly talented musician.

Like last year, the program began with a composer many of us were, probably, not familiar with - the Russian Nikolai Karlovich Medtner (1879–1951). A younger contemporary of Rachmaninoff and Scriabin, this virtuoso pianist and composer remained relatively obscure for 25 years immediately after his death, but is now becoming recognized as one of the most significant Russian composers for the piano. We heard his "Sonata Tragica," with moods changing from striking and defiant chords to tragic melody, ending with a sense of inevitability.

The sonata was followed by three short pieces from "Album d' Amis (Album for Friends)" by Alexandre Tansman, a student of Ravel. The pieces are dedicated to friends who are still living today and are full of yearning, humor and excitement.

From Ravel we heard "Le Tombeau (tomb) de Couperain," a piece that pays homage to Couperain, who was one of the great masters of French music in the 1600s and 1700s, 200 years before Ravel. Composing the ancient dance suite in a modern style, Ravel dedicated each movement to a friend of his who had perished in the First World War. In this way, the music celebrates both bygone and current times.

The program ended with the rare solo piano version of "Rhapsody in Blue" by Gershwin himself.



The parts that are traditionally given to the orchestra are, here, played entirely by the piano. At one point, Gershwin traveled to Paris to ask Ravel to be his teacher, but Ravel refused, saying "I would only make you a mediocre Ravel, when you are already a brilliant Gershwin."

As I am writing this, I receive an email from Eden, from which I quote: "I had such a wonderful time sharing the music and getting to know some of the attendees afterward. Thank you for your efforts and time to arrange such a wonderful concert series. I feel privileged to share my music through it."

And wonderful it was — for everyone present that delightful afternoon! OV

DON'T MISSTHE VENDOR LIST INSERTED IN THIS ISSUE



A new Vendor List has been inserted in this edition of The Villager. The publication features business card-size advertisements from an array of vendors, ranging from air conditioning specialists, duct cleaners, home inspection experts and

healthcare providers.

Please be mindful that the companies included on this new list are paid advertisers. While we are providing this list to you as a convenience, we are not endorsing any of the products or services that are advertised. We update this list on a semi-annual basis and recommend that you retain the current list for your records.

Before hiring a contractor or any service personnel, it is imperative that residents review the following guidelines:

- 1. Always get references.
- 2. Always get written estimates and specifications.
- 3. Establish a payment schedule. Never pay it all up front. Always watch out for deals that are "too good to be true."
 - 4. Get more than one bid for your project.
- 5. Check with the Connecticut Dept. of Consumer Protection (860-713-6100) to see if there are any negative reports regarding a vendor.

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FEATURE







SAC'S BUS TRIP TO ESSEX WAS A GREAT SUCCESS

October 17 was a perfect day to visit Essex. The weather was sunny and warm. We began our trip around 9 a.m. and arrived in Essex at 11:30 a.m. There was time for shopping before having our luncheon at The Griswold Inn. Some had salmon, others chicken ... both were

scrumptious.

After lunch, we took a short walk down to the pier, where we visited the Connecticut River Museum. Our host gave us some details on historic events and archived information we would find while visiting the three floors in the museum.

We then boarded the RiverQuest for a cruise down the Connecticut River. We were not disappointed. We basqued in nature's beauty while seeing a variety of birds, including bald eagles, cranes and geese. It was truly an enjoyable and relaxing experience. We then disembarked and headed to the bus for our trip back home.

Some stopped along the way for an ice cream or candy. During the return trip, we reflected on what a beautiful day we shared. Thank you to Sonya DeBiase for organizing this event. SAC looks forward to hosting more upcoming excursions.



CALL-IN PROGRAM OFFERS A VALUABLE SERVICE

By Kathy Lukens, OV Monitor Coordinator

Oronoque values its residents and strives to ensure all our residents are safe and comfortable. From early on in our history it became apparent that some of residents would be living alone for the first time without close contact with their families.

To ensure peace of mind for all involved, we instituted a Call-In Program for those residents who wish to take advantage of this service.

If you desire this service for yourself, or perhaps your loved ones who live in the Village, we ask that residents provide the following: a copy of their house key to our Business Office at the North Clubhouse.

We also request a listing of nearby neighbors, family or friends as contacts if the resident can't be reached and, most important of all, assurance from the residents that they will call a designated phone number each weekday. The residents simply call the number and leave a message in which they identify themselves and report that they are

alright. This should occur about 9 a.m.

The volunteer monitor on duty checks the voice-mails each day and, if no message is left, will call the resident to do a phone check. If the resident doesn't answer after several tries, the monitor will reach out to the family and/or nearby neighbors or friends who have agreed to be a secondary contact.

If the monitor is unsuccessful in reaching anyone, the Maintenance Department is asked to do a welfare check.

On weekends we have monitors who call and check in with each of our residents who have signed up for the Call-In Program.

Of course, if a resident is away for a weekend or takes a vacation, advance notification needs to be given to the Call-In Program.

Volunteer monitors and substitute monitors also are needed.

For more information, contract Kathy Lukens at wklukens@comcast.net or 203-612-6685.



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CORNHOLE

Cornhole is played on Thursdays, 10 a.m. to noon, at SCB.

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 Oct. 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

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ner 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.

PING PONG GROUP

• Ping Pong is played at SCB on Tuesdays, 9-11 a.m., and Thursdays, 6-8 p.m. For information, contact Dina Glantz: dinabob7@comcast.net / 203-231-4753 or Maddy Lapides: mslapid@gmail.com / 203-927-8577. Play is scheduled via the TeamReach app.

POOL SOCIAL GROUP

• Anyone who enjoys socializing in and around the pools during the summer is invited to attend a get-together from 4-6 p.m. at SCB on the second Monday of each month. Come with your favorite appetizer and or beverage (or nothing) for reunions and conversations. Call Sonya at 203-377-1515 for more information.

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@opton line.net or call 203-767-9760. Proof of vaccination required.



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Kenneth Colman, Treasurer

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Thomas Becker, Treasurer

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).

MONDAY, OCTOBER 17

- 10:30 a.m. Low-Impact Exercise (Bring Weights), NCB
- 4:00 p.m. Maintenance Committee, NCB
- 5:00 p.m. Tai Chi, SCB
- 6:30 p.m. Drop-in Bridge, NCB

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18

- 9:00 a.m. Ping Pong, SCB
- 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 Board Meeting, NCB

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19

- 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
- 2:00 p.m. Movie Club: Elvis, NCB
- 5:00 p.m. Sebastian's Poker, NCB
- 6:00 p.m. Gerry's Poker, SCB

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20

- 10:00 a.m. Cornhole, SCB
- 10:00 a.m. Zumba, 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
- 6:00 p.m. Ping Pong, SCB
- 7:00 p.m. Men's Club Bingo, SCB

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21

- 10:30 a.m. Low-Impact Exercise (Bring Weights), NCB
- 10:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study, NCB, B/R
- 6:00 p.m. District 11 Meeting, NCB

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22: No events scheduled

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23: No events scheduled

MONDAY, OCTOBER 24

- 10:30 a.m. Low-Impact Exercise (Bring Weights), NCB
- 6:30 p.m. Drop-in Bridge, NCB

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25

- 9:00 a.m. Ping Pong, SCB
- 10:00 a.m. Dollcrafters, NCB
- 10:00 a.m. Zumba, NCB
- 7:00 p.m. OVTD Meeting, NCB

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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26

- 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. Gerry's Poker, SCB

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27

- 10:00 a.m. Cornhole, SCB
- 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. Ping Pong, SCB
- 7:00 p.m. Gubernatorial Debate Event, NCB

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28

Business & Maintenance Office Close at 3 p.m.

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

SAVE THE DATE:

Hadassah willI hold a Hanukkah Party on Dec. 7 at 1:30 p.m. at the North Clubhouse. All are welcome to attend.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29: No scheduled events

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30: No scheduled events

MONDAY, OCTOBER 31

- 10:30 a.m. Low-Impact Exercise (Bring Weights), NCB
- 6:30 p.m. Drop-in Bridge, NCB

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1

- 9:00 a.m. Ping Pong, SCB
- 10:00 a.m. Dollcrafters, NCB
- 10:00 a.m. Zumba, NCB
- 2:00 p.m. Writer's Group, SCB
- 7:00 p.m. Men's Card Game / Brosowsky, SCB

ORONOQUE OPEN ANNUAL MIXED-DOUBLES TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Story by Carolyn Charnin ~ Photo by Peter Feick

The Sept. 17 Oronoque Open Annual Mixed-Doubles Tennis Tournament began with much laughter, lighthearted banter and friendly good wishes on a sparkling morning made for tennis.

Skillful rallies on all four courts by tournament participants delighted friendly tennis fans. Players were Avlyn Ashterman-Reece, Wayne Cotter, Clodomiro and Aida Falcon, Peter Feick, Al Gafa, Peter Geltner, Bob Grosso, Linda Libertino, Betty Mulholland, Janet O'Leary, Pete Penny, Laurie Salvati, Lynnette Thompson, Tom Ward and Kathy Weidner.

At the tournament's end, Laurie Salvati took the women's trophy and Bob Grosso took the men's trophy; congratulations to Laurie and Bob! Many thanks to Linda Libertino and Pete Penny for organizing the tournament and to our scorekeepers, Edie Feick and Carolyn Charnin.

Following the tournament, about 40 Oronoque Village Tennis Club members enjoyed a delicious brunch organized by Kathy Weidner and team with homemade muffins and quiche, as well as bagels and trimmings, a fruit bowl, croissants and pastries.



Women's and Men's winners Laurie Salvati and Bob Grosso with Carolyn Charnin, scorekeeper. Missing from photo are the tournament organizers, Linda Libertino and Pete Penny.

Many thanks to bakers and volunteers Sharon Geltner, Eileen Cain, Sue Pfannkuch, Karen Epstein, Edie Feick and Bob and Carolyn Charnin.

OV SNAPSHOTS: SO LONG TO SUMMER



Joseph Bologna took this photo of the water aerobics class in action.



Lori Hedman submitted this image of her garden area.



Barbara Stewart photographed the northside pond.



Joe MacKenna submitted this photo of Kathy Weiss' garden on Bison Lane



Kathy Flynn shared a picture taken in her North Trail garden.

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FEATURE



Robert Hower (fully immersed), Sonya DeBiase, Tony Palumbo, Debbie and Bill Alletzhauser, Kathy Spigner, Manny and Teri Campisi and Bill Spigner.



From front left, Gary Griswold, Bill Spigner, Manny and Teri Campisi, Robert and Wendy Hower, Cathy Spigner, Bill and Debbie Aletzhauser, Jack O'Connell, Mary Scully and Tony Palumbo.

POOL ENTHUSIASTS BID 'GOODBYE' TO SUMMER

By Sonya DeBiase

A group of hearty individuals got together at the South Clubhouse to toast the closing of the pool on Sunday, Oct. 2.

We had good intentions of taking the last dip for the season, but the outdoor temperature was 52 degrees with the wind chill factor making it 48 degrees. We all agreed that if the heated pool was heated (something had malfunctioned and the water was cold), it would have been a

"go." As it turned out, some of us did go in the water ankle or knee deep to say we did it. The only brave soul who took a last swim of the season was Robert Hower.

Just before 8:30 p.m., the group chimed in for a count-down to the official closing time of the 2022 pool season.

Though the outdoor pools are now closed, friendships and conversation will continue during the Winter Pool Social Group get-togethers, which take place at the South Clubhouse, from 4-6 p.m., on the second Monday of each month.





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The Karaoke/Dance Party on Fri., Oct. 28, at 6:30 p.m. at SCB will be a Halloween theme.

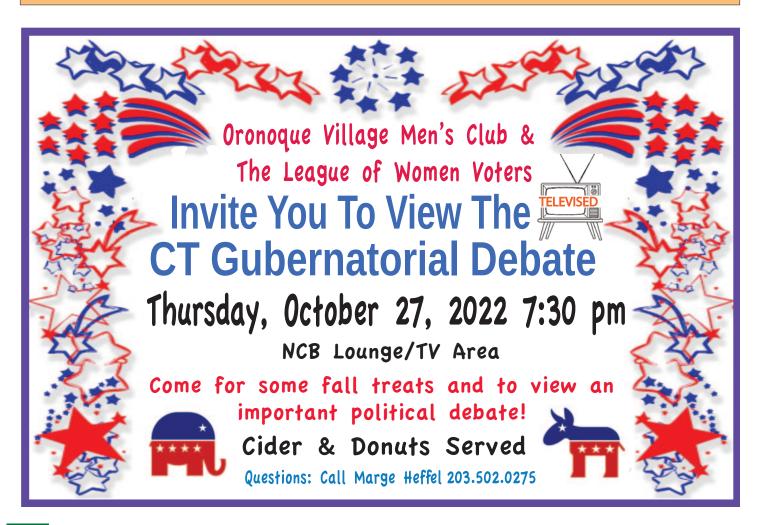
This is your Halloween party here at OV, so, please, spread the word!



No fees or dues are required to attend.

All are encouraged to dress up and wear a Halloween costume/outfit. Not mandatory, but the more the better. There will be a prize for best outfit as judged by the audience!

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



STIVE CELEBRA

TURDAY, NOVEMBER 12. 2022

Join us for a fabulous evening featuring a delectable dinner and exciting entertainment! The group, RSVP, are top-notch New York musicians with extensive studio and live performance experience. They were awarded "Best of 2021" by The Bash. 107 reviews rated them 5 out of 5 stars! This band features 3 amazing vocalists who will play guitar, percussion, bass, keyboard. RSVP's huge repertoire covers styles from the 50s to the present day. Enjoy **2 hours of fabulous music** while you sit back and relax or dance the night away!

DOORS OPEN AT 5:15 PM, DINNER SERVED AT 5:30.

Buffet dinner catered by Chefs a l'Orange Caterers

MENU INCLUDES: 🌣 🌣 🌣 🌣 🌣 🌣 🌣

- Specialty Salad, Bread Basket
- Chicken Blanquette with Carrots, Pasta Primavera Mushrooms and Pearl Onions
- Wild and Brown Rice Medley
- Broiled Mahogany Salmon
- Stuffed Tomatoes Genovese
- Chef's own Raspberry Vanilla Cake
- Soft Drinks, Coffee/Tea

(BYOB)

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED. Tables up to 10 quests. Place names of all quests sitting together with enclosed checks in one envelope. (Checks made out to Funseekers) Don't have a table? We invite singles, couples and small groups to attend; everyone will be placed at reserved tables. Please note: Funseekers members will have first opportunity to sign up including one non-resident quest per single resident.

Reservations will only be open to members and one guest per single resident starting October 18th through October 28th. Drop off at NCB Funseekers' mailbox. Starting on October 29th, if there is space availability, member residents may sign up non-resident guests.

ALL RESERVATIONS WILL CLOSE ON NOVEMBER 4TH. Please note, an official waitlist will be made. All reservations, table assignments and cancellations must go through Funseekers.





Questions? Call Lynn Collins 203.260.4644

Proof of vaccination and one booster required. However, if you have vaccinations but do not have booster, you may present at the door a formal Covid test report taken at an official testing site. Test must have been taken within 48 hours of the event.

BINGO IS AT SCB AT 7 P.M. ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20



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.

The book for Nov. 2 is *The Four Winds* by Kristin Hanna. A powerful American epic about love and heroism and hope, set during the Great Depression, a time when the country was in crisis and at war with itself, when millions were out of work and even the land seemed to have turned against them.

The Four Winds is a rich, sweeping novel that stunningly brings to life the Great Depression and the people who lived through it—the harsh realities that divided us as a nation and the enduring battle between the haves and the have-nots. A testament to hope, resilience, and the strength of the human spirit to survive adversity, The Four Winds is an indelible portrait of America and the American dream, as seen through the eyes of one indomitable woman whose courage and sacrifice will come to define a generation.



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.

OV Wine Club Holiday Event, November 18

Come join us for our Holiday Wine Tasting Event. Michelle DeWyngaert, our wine sommelier, will present wines from around the globe that pair well with festive holiday meals. Snacks and appetizers to complement the wine tasting will abound.



Join your wine-tasting neighbors for an enjoyable social evening to kick off the holiday season

When: Friday, Nov. 18, 7-9 p.m. at NCB
Cost: \$30 per person. Attendance is limited to 40 respondents.
Your check to OV Wine Club is your reservation.
Deposit checks in OV Wine Club mailbox in NCB no later than Nov. 12th.

Please, no checks before Oct. 18th



The event will include:

Entrance wine (bubbly)
Informative Commentary by Michelle
Tasting 6 wines (3 red & 3 white)
Appetizers and snacks to complement the wine tasting
Post wine-tasting goodies by Dorothy Tanski



Proof of Vaccination required

Questions: contact Charlie DiGiovanni 203-258-8063 or Dorothy Tanski 203-540-5389



The Oronoque Village Monitor program needs volunteers as monitors and substitutes. The monitors maintain a presence at the South Clubhouse, spending two hours a week in the office.

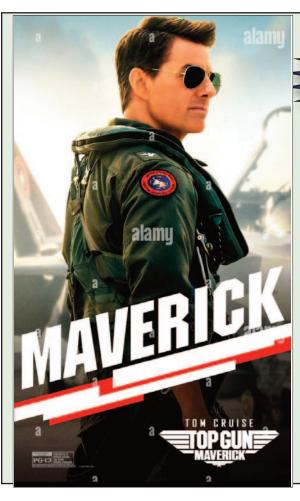
Special duties are:

- 1. Check visitors in and out.
- 2. Patrol the building, checking thermostats and locked doors.
- 3. Participate in the Call-In Program, which enables residents who live alone to check in daily or have monitors check up on them.

Feel free to bring a book, knitting, needlepoint or any other hobby with you to pass the time. There is a television in the office if you'd like to watch.

This is an easy and pleasant way to volunteer your time and help with the safety and security of our Village. Also, it is an opportunity to meet fellow residents.

To learn more, contact Kathy Lukens at wklukens@comcast.net / 203-612-6685.



The Movie Club Presents

Top Gun: Maverick

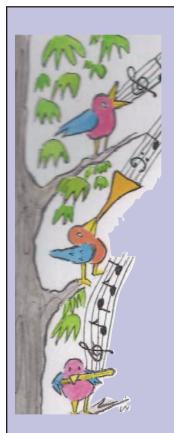
Nov. 11, 7 p.m., NCB

Nov. 16, 2 p.m., SCB

After thirty years, Maverick (Tom Cruise) is still pushing the envelope as a top naval aviator, but must confront ghosts of his past when he leads Top Gun's elite graduates on a mission that demands the ultimate sacrifice from those chosen to fly it.

\$1 admission includes popcorn proof of vaccine required





PLETMAN CONCERTS PRESENTS THE RETURN OF THE RENOWNED DUO:

ADAM GRABOIS, CELLIST & MARGARITA NULLER, PIANIST ON SUNDAY, NOV. 13, AT 3 P.M. AT NCB

Back by popular demand, Adam Grabois, cellist, and Margarita Nuller, pianist, will once again delight the audience with a program of chamber music.

Adam has a varied career as chamber musician, soloist, teacher and recording artist. He is the cellist of the New York Chamber Soloists Kravis Center.

Margarita graduated from the St. Petersburg Conservatory, Russia. Since her arrival in the United States in 1990, she has performed extensively as a soloist and chamber musician in Brazil, Russia, Spain, Portugal and the U.S.

Admission is \$5 at the door.

Proof of vaccination is required. Mask wearing is optional.



Presents

ANTIQUE SAMPLERS

Thursday, November 10, 2022 3pm SCB

Barbara Dierolf has been a resident in Oronoque Village since December of 2013 & is a member of OVCA Arts Guild. Needlework was her first artistic experience.

Her counted cross stitch embroidery lead to an interest in stitching reproduction samplers based on the original antiques from museum collections, which lead directly to learning all she could about those original antique samplers. It didn't take long before she yearned for a collection of her own original antiques and so in the Fall of 1984 she began The Hunt.

Barbara will share the remarkable story of where and how she 'found' her very first sampler (which will be on display during the presentation) along with a lot more fun facts and fascinating historical details about other school girl samplers in her collection. Included will be an original sampler dated 1806 titled 'Advice' (by the maker) which may possibly be one of the earliest documentations of the Feminist Movement.

Members free-guests pay \$8 Vaccination Cards Required

Reception following program

Questions? Call Barbara Stewart 203.612.1373



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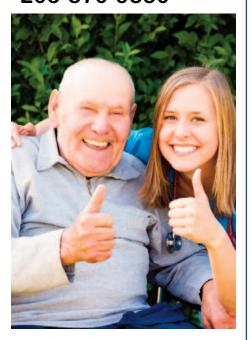
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