



December 2022

THE ECHOES

Newsletter

COMING EVENTS

- Dec 1 – Bunko – 1:00 p.m.
- Dec 3 – Pancake Breakfast -8:00 a.m.
- Dec 5, 12, 19, 26 – Euchre – 6:30
- Dec 6 –Christmas Dinner Help Mtg 10:00 a.m.
- Dec 8, 15, 22, 29 - Swoop -1:00 p.m.
- Dec 8 – Welcome New Residents - 2:00 p.m.
- Dec 9 – Potluck - 5:30 p.m.
- Dec 10 – Workday – 8:00 a.m.
- Dec 11 – Christmas Parade Lineup – 5:30pm
- Dec 16 – Coffee Hour – 8:00 a.m.
- Dec 17 – Pool Party - 11:30 a.m.
- Dec 20 – Board Meeting – 10:00 a.m.
- Dec 21 – Blood Drive - 9:00 – 2:00
- Dec 24 – Christmas Dinner Prep 9:00 a.m.
- Dec 25 – Christmas Dinner – 3:00 p.m.
- Dec 27 – Social Meeting – 10:00 a.m.
- Dec 31 – New Year’s Eve (Watch for more information)

**SHIRT AND SHOES
REQUIRED**

Please wear a shirt when you come into the clubhouse to eat AT ANY OF THE EVENTS. Thank you!!

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POT LUCK



Potluck for November was great!! We had 49 attend. Bob Short was there to claim his place of honor at the gold plate table. Bob had a wonderful selection of dishes and desserts to choose from. Sharon Dougan had the lucky ticket for the December gold plate winner. Some of our snowbirds were back and hopefully more in December. Many of the new residents came to participate in a good meal and enjoyed meeting people from Covered Bridge. Potluck volunteers are needed to help with the set up and especially clean up. Please contact Linda Carl if you can help. See you December 9th at 5:30 PM with a dish to share and your drink.

Submitted by Linda Carl

COVERED BRIDGE COMPOUND

The Compound is open Friday mornings from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. for you to drop off your donations. For large items call and we can arrange a time for pick up.

Donna 607-624-8447
Bobby 607-316-3397

Submitted by Donna Palmatier

“HELPING HANDS”

Painting ...interior and exterior, also Power Washing

Contact Woody Cook at 863-531-3410.

Painting ...interior and exterior, also Power Washing

Contact Lee Maule at 309-369-9799

Need Help with Housework?

Before – during – after your stay – or all year Reliable – dependable service, references. Contact Marie Primus at 864-329-7277.

Need a Haircut?

Contact Diana Granson, at 16 Jasmine St. Haircuts are \$10, perms start at \$40, and coloring starts at \$40. You may come to my house, or I can come to you. Call 765-210-7687 for more information.

For Airport Transportation

Contact Carrie King, at 772-971-1837 (cell) or 863-531-3562.

Care Assistance

I have 20+ years of long-term care experience. I am available to sit/assist you or a loved one. Contact Ann Miller-Pedersen at 863-273-1019.

Need a Little Time Away

I can sit with your loved one while you are gone. Contact Susan Bates, 68 Venetian Pkwy, 863-840-1910.



**COVERED BRIDGE 2022
HALLOWEEN PARTY**



**EARLY VOTING FOR THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
ELECTION**

Please come by the Clubhouse from 9-11 on either Wednesday 12/28 or Friday 12/30, if you would like to cast your vote for the Board before our official Election Day on January 2, 2023.

Submitted by Kathy Haase

**THANKSGIVING
MEMORIES**

The **Thanksgiving Dinner** was a success, we served 140 people. We had a lot of help and that made everything flow easy and quickly. We also had new residents help so it also gave us a chance to get to know each other.

Alex St. Jean was the winner of the Afghan that was donated by Krabby Patty. Rick Lester was the winner of \$55.00 and Mr. Brady was the winner of \$19.00 from the 50/50 drawing. Mr. Brady donated his winnings back to Covered Bridge.

Alex St. Jean drew her brothers \$30.00 ticket. It was great that we had residents stay afterwards to play cards and help with the cleanup.

LINE DANCING



Line dancing is held on Monday and Thursday at 10:00 a.m. at the Covered Bridge Clubhouse.

Beginner's line dancing is on Monday and Thursday, at 9:00 a.m. Beginners are welcome any time of the year.

Submitted by Theresa Ziegelbauer



BLOOD DRIVE

Our next blood drive is Wednesday, December 21, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. We appreciate your support.

Submitted by Patty Hynes

CARD DAY CHANGES

We have started **Euchre** on Monday nights at 6:30. We had people ask for **Swoop** to be added on Monday afternoons. So, we will play Swoop twice a week, once on Monday night at 6:30 and on Thursday at 1:00 in the afternoon.

Submitted by Cindy Hubbel

WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS!!

James & Kathleen Morris
20 Jasmine St

James & Holly Ward
127 Woodside Dr

Louis & Valerie Kaleal
10452 High Grove Ave

Roger & Sandra Fry
10453 High Grove Ave

Tracey Douville
49 Pinecrest St

All new residents are invited to the welcoming event, held every 2nd Thursday of the month, at 2:00 p.m., in the Covered Bridge Clubhouse.

Submitted by
Barb Brigante and Patti May



THANK YOU

Workday was very busy in November; we got a lot of projects done and a lot of cleaning. Thank you everyone for your hard work. It's great to see all of the help working together. A special shout out to the Jack Creek crew, you had a tough job and performed it marvelously.

Submitted by Cindy Hubbel



Wishes for a speedy recovery are extended to each resident who is not feeling well.

Jack Gasior
Linda Grohler
Terry Myers

Butch Hall
Nancy Winters
Bill Fowler

If you know one of our residents who might be ill or just not feeling well, please contact **Joyce Ryan (our Sunshine Lady)** at 863-273-0461 so she can send them a special card. Joyce collects this information and provides it to the Echoes as well. If she doesn't know then we don't know.



CONDOLENCES



The sympathy of the entire Covered Bridge community is extended to the family and loved ones on the death of the following residents since our last Echoes preparation, as submitted by Joyce Ryan.

Gilbert Hodges
William (Bill) Burse
Jan Wirsing



LADIE'S CHRISTMAS 2022
LUNCHEON



THANK YOU

Thank you so much from all the Ladies that were at the Christmas luncheon for your donation to the Humane Society. They are always in need, so this is well appreciated. I'm sure all the fur babies wish they could thank you in person.

Submitted by Patti May



CHRISTMAS PARADE
AND CAROLS

It's time to decorate our golf carts for our Christmas Parade. The **Parade** will be on Dec. 11, at 6:00. Golf cart line up will start at 5:30 p.m. We will parade around the park a couple of times, stop for cookies, and then head back to the clubhouse for refreshments. The Jammers will be playing Christmas Carols, and everyone is invited to sing along.

YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE IN THE PARADE TO COME TO THE CLUBHOUSE.

Submitted by Cindy Hubbel



CHRISTMAS DINNER



We will have a Christmas Dinner **helpers meeting** on Tuesday Dec 6, at 10:00 a.m.

The **Club house will be closed** on Dec. 24 to get set up for the dinner.

The doors will be open at **3:00 for Christmas Dinner.**

You must be signed up **before Monday Dec. 19th.**

We will be **collecting money for the tickets** on December 12th at Cindy Hubbel's home, 110 Oak Grove St. from 9-3. Price for tickets are \$18.00.

Submitted by Cindy Hubbel



THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

We want to thank **Judy Heroux** for all the planning and cooking that she arranged for all the residents, during Hurricane Ian. Judy worked hard and diligently for several days, making sure that everyone, that wanted one, could have a hot meal three times a day. You made all the chaos so much easier for all of us and we thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

Submitted by grateful residents



From your editor,
Joanne Novelli



HIGHLIGHTS OF
NOVEMBER 15, 2022,
HOA BOARD MEETING

The November Board of Director's meeting met on November 15, 2022. **Three new residents** introduced themselves, Tina and Ray Peart and Mike Rice. They were warmly

welcomed.

Nominations for the **Election Committee** are Kathy Haas, Barb Brigante, Sue Lily, Phyllis Klase, Karen Hertel and Terri Wacker. Motion was made to accept them and approved. Kathy Haas thanked the last few years' committee for their continuing help.

Patty Hynes made a motion to appoint **Tom Wacker** as the replacement for the recently deceased Board Member, **Bill Burse**. Motion was approved. Thank you, Tom Wacker, for your support for Covered Bridge.

Treasurer, Leigh Russ, reported that the **account balance** as of October 31, 2022, is \$84,969.35. This operating account is in good shape. This is less than ordinary income compared to last year's budget. Leigh Russ asked for some information concerning the cost of the **road project**, as it relates to budget concerns.

OLD BUSINESS

Patty Hynes commented on the following subjects:

Reminded us of the **20 MPH** speed limit that is in place in Covered Bridge, as speeding has been reported by some residents.

Tom Taylor will report on the **sprinkling system** proposal at the December meeting.

Any changes to your **phone book** information must be made through the office ASAP. This applies to the Vial of Life on your refrigerator, also.

Workday is Saturday and that is when the shutters will be removed from the Clubhouse.

Alerted us to someone taking a multi package of **paper towels** from the Clubhouse.

There's no further response from SWFWMD regarding the trees in **Jack Creek**. She will continue to bug them.

Concerning the **traffic light** at Lake Francis Rd and Route Hwy 27. The pole number is needed when reporting a problem.

NEW BUSINESS

Budget - Leigh Russ reported that the **budget** will be voted on at our next meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Architectural - Elliot Miller reported six **approvals** for changes to homes.

Clubhouse - Tom Wacker reported that an electrician will advise us about the **bathroom lights** during a hurricane. He thanked the volunteers who helped moved the pool chairs from the library.

Storage compound - Gene Fischer reported no new problems. Please check your storage item and the surrounding area for problems. He noticed **streetlights out** near the bridge. When reporting lights out to Duke Energy, give the pole number and a nearby address. If the light is on Covered Bridge property, we are responsible for it.

Grounds - Herman Bott reminded us there are many jobs to accomplish on workday, so please join your friends and neighbors at the Clubhouse to receive assignments.

Social - Cindy Hubbel thanked the cleanup group from the Christmas Sale. Great job! She also mentioned that many new residents are joining in and helping with activities.

For a listing of Events planned for the month of December please see "Coming Events" on the front page of the Echoes.

Cindy voiced our Christmas Tree dilemma. Old ornaments vs new, handmade ones. A show of hands decided in favor of the old ornaments. (On the old tree)

RESIDENT'S COMMENTS

Theresa Ziegelbauer commented that many **post lamps** are off. Please check yours when it's dark.

Frank Brown, our pool expert, reported a **leak in the pool**. He will clean up the area. Welcome back, Frank!

Patty Hynes wondered about the **fence screening** to keep leaves out of the pool area. No one seemed to know.

Donna Palmatier announced the proceeds from the **Christmas Sale** was \$1,547.00! Many thanks to all who helped in any way.

Kay Wheeler asked for any volunteers for our first **Pancake Breakfast** on Dec. 3.

Carol Eldred asked about a **photo book** of residents. Cindy replied too many frustrations organizing people and times and computer related set ups. It's a full-time job! Patty Hynes suggested using the driver license photo IDs in the office files.

Cindy Hubbel motioned to adjourn the meeting; Leigh Russ seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned.

Respectively submitted,

Claire Leffler, Acting Secretary



2023 BOARD OF DIRECTOR CANDIDATES

Cindy Hubbel 110 Oak Grove

Cindy has work experience in operating a cash register for a commercial business. She worked as an office manager of a car dealership.

She had her own machine quilting business.

Cindy has 2 years' experience on the Covered Bridge HOA Board and 4 years of directing the activities within Covered Bridge.

Cindy is a member of the Moose and the American Legion.

Cindy has skills in teaching and has taught classes in Pine Needle Basket making and sewing.

Cindy also is skilled in bringing people together, cooking for groups of people and organizing community activities.

Cindys hobbies are making pine needle baskets, sewing, and playing assorted games. She also enjoys boating and jet skiing as well.

If elected Cindy would like to see things done faster and residents receiving answers sooner. She is very interested in hearing residents' opinion and questions.

Gavin Walls 112 Edgewater Drive

Gavin's work experience was in farming, truck driving, and RV Sales.

Gavin was President and member of an HOA Board for 4 to 5 years and served on the Farm Bureau Board.

Gavin's skills are in driving a semi-truck, and

forklift operation. Is a hard worker, and good with numbers.

Gavin's hobbies and interests are golf, cards, and sports.

If elected Gavin would like to see the pool and the grounds around the Clubhouse updated. And he would like to make the park entrance more attractive. He would also like to have a dog park voted on.

Sue Lily 12 Hillcrest Street

Sue's experience has been as a custodian for 30+ years.

Sue is a 20-year member of the Local Union (AFSCME 1421) and served as Secretary of the Lapeer Harley Owners Group Chapter for 5 years.

Sue's interest and hobbies are in quilting, gardening, and motorcycle riding. If Sue is elected, she would like to see the community stay the clean and safe community that she was attracted to.



"DON'T WORRY, MOM...IT WILL MELT."