

DOMINICAN OAKS

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

JUNE 2021

A MESSAGE FROM OUR ADMINISTRATOR

Father's Day is such a special time of year! As we appreciate father and father-figures in our lives, what are your three favorite memories? Growing up in Ohio, the memory that comes to mind first is my father sitting in "his chair" in the living room after dinner drinking coffee as he listened to me practice the piano. Yes, we were there five evenings per week! Although he did not play a musical instrument, it was very important to him to expose his children to music ... and, of course, he would SING!

My second favorite memory is fishing on Saturday or Sunday afternoons ... hoping for the BIG one! If we were fortunate, there would be beer-battered bass for dinner! Yummy, I still love that experience and maybe that's why I love the water!

My third most popular memory comes from Dad sitting at the dining room table helping with homework ... algebra was a challenging subject for me and he wasn't knowledgeable about the course, but he was our support system offering positive coaching. And, I wish I had a quarter for every time I heard him say in the morning as we were departing for school " get me an A" ... and we "got him an A"!

Enjoy your memories this Father's Day!



FATHER'S DAY CELEBRATION

Chef Matt will be serving up his annual Father's day BBQ on the Dining Room Patio complete with flame grilled steaks, sausages and all your favorite picnic sides.

As a special treat, we will be providing an ice cream Sunday bar with all the classic toppings!

GRAB N' GO LUNCH

Reminder that a grab n' go lunch option is available at no charge any day of the week. Please call the Front Desk to order BEFORE 7 AM the day of.

ROSE DEDICATIONS FOR DEBORAH

As mentioned in her departure celebration on May 5th, we have renamed the Rose Garden located in Dwing The Routley Rose Garden. You may have noticed our Rose Garden is lacking its name sake. Residents are welcome to donate to the Rose Fund which will be used to plant new roses in dedication to her commitment to the community.

If you wish to contribute please visit the front desk. They will be accepting cash donations until June 12th.

JUNE EVENT HIGHLIGHTS



SATs

Great Courses DVD Series is back by popular demand! National Geographic "The Guide to Birding in North America" is a 24 lecture series hosted by James Currie, a birding expert. **Join us each Saturday** at 11:00 am for two 30 min. lectures in this series.

SUNs

We are so excited to have Zumba instructor Lauri Raffetto returning **every Sunday** at 1:30! We know many of you have missed her enthusiastic and energizing exercise classes.

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Father's Day BBQ and ice cream sundae bar in the Dining Room. Menu will be distributed

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Community favorite Chris Pucci sings

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Tandy Beal & Co will be bringing performers to play for us the afternoon of June 29th for an outside show. The times of the shows will be announced later in the month.

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Chef Matt is back with another one of his cooking tutorials. Get a glimpse behind the scenes of Dominican Oaks Dining and learn a new dish!

COMMUNITY CLUBS

KNITTING AND CROCHETING

Join the knitting and crocheting group which meets every Wednesday in the Acorn Room at 3:15 pm. Join other residents and share ideas and show off your current projects

JEWISH CULTURE CLUB

The Jewish Culture Club will meet the 2nd and 4th Friday of the month in the Oaks Room. The 2nd Friday will be a 3:00 pm Shabbat Service led by Susan Karon, a member of Temple Beth El. The 4th Friday of each month at 1:30pm will feature a guest speaker. June's guest speaker is Professor N.Duetsch.

CATHOLIC BIBLE STUDY

Catholic Bible Study group will meet each Monday at 1:00 pm in the Acorn Room

ITALIAN DINNER CLUB

Are you looking to brush up on your Italian language skills? The Italian Dinner Club is looking for alternate members. They meet weekly to improve their Italian vocabulary over dinner in the dining room. Call activities for more information.

MUSIC SHARING GROUB

Check the monthly calendar for our Music Sharing group. This is a great opportunity to bring your favorite CD's and play a few tracks for each other. We welcome any and all genres of music. Come share, listen and learn about different types of music.

WANT TO START A NEW CLUB?

Clubs are a great way to connect with new people of like minded interests. We encourage all residents to join a community club or even start one of their own! If you are interested in starting your own club please call Activities Dept at 831-462-2806 ext 822

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

01 Judi Williams

04 Donn Kennedy

06 Lynne McCall-Caldwell

12 Gert Goldman

13 Marge Fawcett

14 Elizabeth Ghest

15 Estelle Appleby

21 Linda Turner

24 Ann Saylor

28 Sally Lichtenwalter

30 Sally Bould

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

08 Charles & Hilda Murray

12 Rodney & Rachel Lowe

13 Rowland & Pat Rebele

14 Roy & Beverly Viglicca

15 David & Muriel Rosenthal

SUMMER IS APPROACHING AFTER A DRY CALIFORNIA WINTER.
PLEASE HELP US

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CONSERVE WATER



DOMINICAN OAKS IS DEDICATED TO ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH. WE WILL SOON RECEIVE WATER CONSERVATION GUIDELINES. WHILE WE WAIT, SIMPLE WAYS YOU CAN HELP ARE BELOW.

1. CHECK FOR LEAKY PIPES, IF YOU NOTICE A SUBSTANTIAL LEAK, NOTIFY FRONT DESK.
2. TAKE SHORTER SHOWER. RECOMMENDED SHOWER TIME IS 5 TO 10 MINUTES OR CONSIDER TAKING A BATH WHICH USES SIGNIFICANTLY LESS WATER.
3. INSTALL WATER SAVING SHOWER HEADS.
4. TURN OFF THE WATER WHILE BRUSHING YOUR TEETH OR SHAVING.
5. PLANT DROUGHT RESISTANT TREES AND PLANTS.

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!

Volunteering or joining one of our resident groups is a great way to get to know the other residents, learn new skills and perhaps discover a new hobby!

Please call the Activities office at 831-462-2806 Ext 822 if you are interested in volunteering for any of the following:

- Bingo Caller for our resident run Wednesday night bingo games.
- Lectors for Saturday Catholic Mass.
- Book Volunteers. This entails labeling donated books and assuring the library and various bookshelves throughout the community are stocked with a variety of good reads. We could also use help delivering books from the Public library book mobile to fellow residents. Speaking of the Book Mobile, if you would like to request books please Contact Eric Chalfant at the Santa Cruz Public Library Phone: (831) 427-7700 ext. 7659 email chalfante@santacruzpl.org.
- Bridge or Mahjong players
- New resident welcoming committee volunteers. See back page for more information.



Masks are Still Required While on Dominican Oaks Property- Even outdoors!

Dominican Oaks is a business that is requiring the use of masks. We are also required to continue this practice based on our RCFE state guidelines. We will notify you via memo as soon as anything changes. We are just as eager to get back to normal as you are. Thank you for your continued patience and understanding.



The Shopping Shuttle is back!

We are offering shopping trips to local grocery and drug stores every Monday, Thursday and Friday at 9:00am. Each week will be a different location, please refer to the Activity Schedule for specific store destinations. Space on the bus is limited so please sign-up only once per week.

MEET YOUR NEW NEIGHBORS

PETE & PHYLLIS MOLINARI

Pete was born in Kansas and came to California half-way through the 7th grade. After graduation from Livermore High, he went to Kansas and got his Bachelor of Science in Business Administration at Kansas State University. From there he spent 3 years on active duty in the Army. One of those years was spent in Vietnam as a helicopter pilot. After the Army he spent 42 years as the owner of a property/casualty life insurance agency. Pete enjoys reading, playing games and meeting people and is a fan of the Warriors and Giants.

Phyllis was born in New York City. After attending school, she went on to work on Wall Street for a brokerage firm. She moved to California and soon met her husband Pete, had a daughter, son and many dogs. Phyllis filled her days being an at-home mom and volunteering for several organizations of interest. A favorite pastime is doing hands-on projects in and around her home.

Pete and Phyllis have two great grandchildren and one grandchild. They moved here to be close to their son and split their time between here and southern California where their daughter lives.

BETTY MATTHEWS

Betty was born in North Dakota and raised in Albany, California. She graduated from Albany High School. In 1946 she married Patrick Matthews and went on to have 2 children, daughter Linda, son Dennis. Betty now has 5 grandchildren and 9 great grandchildren. Patrick taught Betty golf which they played together for years and traveled.

Betty comes here from Walnut Creek to be closer to her daughter and her husband. In fact, most of her family live in this area so she looks forward to being close to them. Betty looks forward to making lots of new friends especially if they are Bridge or Domino players!

RESIDENT COUNCIL UPDATE

The RESIDENT COUNCIL is comprised of elected persons here at Dominican Oaks who meet monthly to represent all fellow residents in order to help, through communication with management, bring about activities mutually beneficial to the residents and management. The group makes recommendations to aid in the in the planning and operation of this facility.

Another function is to communicate the concerns, questions and suggestions of you, our fellow residents, to the Administrator. The Resident Council term is a two year position. Council members also represent and/or participate on various committees, such as: the recycling, annual appreciation fund, community fund, welcoming new residents, new resident social, food, and garden committees.

If any resident who has lived here for one year, beginning in August of 2020, wishes to run for a position on the Council, please contact Bob Beck (425-4918), Mary Margaret Hogan (226-8884), or Jane Salm (419-5726) no later than June 15.

We will hold our annual meeting of all residents in August, at which time you will hear from each candidate in order to make an informed decision on who would best represent you as your Council members for the 2021-2023 term. Your ballot will be placed on the shelf outside your apartment shortly after this annual meeting.