



The Pointer

December 2021 Newsletter

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COLLINGWOOD HOLIDAY PARTY

DECEMBER 11, 2021 6:00 PM

**BEEF TENDERLOIN
TURKEY BREAST
SPECIAL POTATOES
GREEN BEAN CASSEROLE
CRANBERRY ORANGE RELISH
GREEN SALAD
ROLLS AND BUTTER**

CREAM PUFFS

\$15.00

**K FENN WILL BE AT THE CLUBHOUSE DEC. 4TH FROM
1:00 - 5:00 PM TO TAKE RESERVATIONS**

Joys & Concerns

by Nancy Starkloff

We have been sending cards and extending get well wishes and condolences to several in our community when we get info of their needs. Please call Nancy at 614-216-3865 if you know of concerns or joys that our community leadership should be recognizing.

An Original Collingwood Pointe at the Preserve Resident Passes Away



Joseph Walter Anthony Sr. went home to be with his Lord, passing away at Columbus Colony in Westerville on Sunday, November 7, 2021. He was born in Nelsonville, Ohio, January 1, 1930. Joe is survived by his wife of 67 years, Marlene Weis Anthony at xxxx Collingwood Point Place; son, Joseph W. Anthony Jr. (Linda); daughter, Lisa Anthony (Michael Stischok); sister Patty Hicks, brother-in-law Cecil Weis; grandson Joseph W. Anthony III; granddaughters Amber Bennett (Bill) and son Lucas, Brooke Bennett (Kevin), Bridget Fawn; and great-grandchildren Jasmine and Jordan Fawn.

Joe had a unique career, working first as a carpenter for the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad, next as a soldier in the U.S. Army, serving overseas during the Korean War. After returning from the military, Joe joined Carpenter's Local 200, eventually being appointed Executive Director for the 16,000 member Columbus Building Trades Council. Joe's next career move was as Director of Labor Relations at the Columbus, Ohio officer, later being transferred to the Birmingham, Alabama office, then to the Hud Regional office in Atlanta, Georgia. The next move was back to Columbus as a Construction Analyst, an early retirement offer accepted, twenty year Hud career ends. The next career move, Joe served as a Construction Inspector for the D. E. Weatherby Architect firm, Park National Bank and Ohio Capital Corporation for Housing. It should be noted that Mr. Anthony served as a founding member of the Columbus Convention Center Board, member of the Franklin County Zoning Board, and the Central Ohio Transit Authority.

Mass of Christian Burial was November 11, at Church of the Resurrection, New Albany. Military Honors followed. Private entombment was in Logan, Ohio. Many of us who knew Joe well will greatly miss him.

Sue's Musings

By Sue Ferris

I went with my daughter, Beth, to see IMMERSIVE VAN GOGH at a huge empty furniture store just west of the Mall (940 Polaris Parkway). It took my breath away, brought tears to my eyes. The beauty of Van Gogh's paintings emerging on the walls around me was accompanied by lovely music and by the reverence of the audience. The show will be here until early February and a ticket would be a wonderful present for anyone. (See <https://www.columbusvangogh.com/#>)

My niece suggested I read BRAIDING SWEETGRASS by Robin Wall Kimmerer. I did and that book allowed me to learn so much about nature and our world from the point of view of an Indigenous, botany professor, who speaks of our necessity to create, once again, a reciprocal bond between what we take from the world and what we give back. Her message is one that many of our children and grandchildren around the world have adopted as a life goal in this new age. Bless them for giving hope to us all. My lesson (a small one?) is that the "mold" growing on our trees in Collingwood Pointe is really lichens that do not hurt the trees at all but just ride on the bark and take nourishment from the air around them. The message: It's good for us all to share on this planet Earth.

The holidays, whether you celebrate Christmas or Kwanzaa or Hanukkah or Omasaka, are filled with lights and bells. Candles shine in windows, on Seder tables; lights set our trees and houses aglow. My husband and I always liked to take slow drives in New Albany neighborhoods, just to be surrounded with beautiful light glow in dark December nights.

I've heard that the Wildlights at the Columbus Zoo are worth a look.

<https://www.visitdublinohio.com/blog/post/wildlights-at-the-columbus-zoo/>



And Bells! You can't miss them if you listen to carols... "Sleighbell's ring; Are you listening?" "Silver Bells", "Jingle Bells." At our Book Club meeting, we were reminded of another bell, that many of us have rung @ the completion of chemo and/or radiation treatments. Kathy Strohm will be celebrating that on Dec. 1st. What a challenge to a person's physical and emotional wellbeing! We celebrate all those bell ringers in our families and in our community who have accepted and risen to that challenge. **"You don't know how strong you are, until there is no choice but to be strong."** - Bob Marley That's a sign at Riverside's radiation treatment center.

Paintings on a wall, messages in the books we read, lights and bells celebrating the life around us. They are all good gifts to muse upon as we continue our travel in our "Trip Around the Sun". - Jimmy Buffett

Book Club: Kay Mullins will be our January meeting hostess for "Hell of a Book" by Jason Mott.

KAY'S FAVORITE HOLIDAY COOKIES

This is my favorite holiday cookie recipe. You might ask why it's a holiday cookie as it isn't particularly pretty or decorated like typical festive sweets. It's because my best friend of 50+ years, Alice, gave it to me in December of 2000 and I made the cookies for the first time just before Christmas.

It's a bit time-consuming & sticky to stuff 80 pecan halves into dates, especially if you mistakenly buy dates with pits (I only did that the first time 😊). So, pour a glass of mulled wine & play Kenny G Holiday Classics and enjoy the process, as I do.

The effort involved means I don't make these often, yet I always make them during the holidays as a reminder of my friendship (and because they're a delicious treat). So, this year, when Alice told me she now chops up the dates, throws them into the batter, and makes "cookie bars," I had to laugh. Those can't possibly taste as good as these do, lovingly stuffed with pecans, one-by-one.



RUTH'S STUFFED DATE DROPS

Ingredients

1 lb. pitted dates
70-80 pecan halves
¼ cup butter
¾ cup firmly packed light brown sugar
1 egg
1 ¼ cup sifted flour
½ tsp. baking powder
½ tsp. baking soda
½ tsp. salt
½ cup dairy sour cream

Directions

1. Preheat oven to 375 degrees F.
2. Stuff a pecan half into each date.
3. Cream butter. Then add brown sugar & beat with mixer until light and fluffy.
4. Beat egg into butter mixture.
5. Sift dry ingredients together & add to butter mixture alternately with sour cream, ending with dry ingredients.
6. Fold stuffed dates into mixture.
7. Drop onto buttered or oiled cookie sheet, or onto sheet lined with parchment paper.
8. Bake 8-10 minutes until golden brown. Cool.

Frosting Ingredients

¼ cup butter
1 ½ cups powdered sugar
½ tsp. vanilla
1 ½ - 3 tsp. water

Frosting Directions

Heat butter until amber color. Remove from heat. Add powdered sugar & vanilla. Gradually stir in 1 ½ - 3 tsp. water and beat until smooth. (The amount of water depends upon how thin you want the icing.) Spread over each cookie.

Happy Holidays!

Kay Mullins

Recreation & Fitness Space Survey Results

A hearty Thank You to the 25% of residents who completed the recent community survey to help guide decisions about our outdoor recreational space and indoor fitness room. Of those who responded, 67% are in favor of some kind of enhancement to our green space, with a majority of those preferring benches. The indoor fitness room is popular with 60% of respondents. The machines we have now (treadmill, elliptical, recumbent bicycle & universal gym) are roughly equivalent in popularity. No changes in equipment will be made for now, except to replace the broken universal gym and possibly upgrade the free weights.

We received several interesting and creative suggestions, from buying a crochet set to making a walking path around our perimeter. This survey can help guide us and future Directors as funds permit additional enhancements to our community.

Lots of New Neighbors

Gayle Hayes and **Dottie Harmon** have done a great job welcoming our new residents as they have arrived this year. The list they sent in for this article lets you know updates you might want to make in your directory until we publish a new version in the new year.



2021	NEW OWNER	DATE CLOSED	SELLER	
4723 Wenham	Joyce Ranade	01/28/21	Sally Kessler	
4595 Collingville	Ron/Pam Burns	02/02/21	Kathy Witte	
4632 Collingville	Lauri Emswiler	02/02/21	Virginia Bizjack	
4582 Collingwood	Chris Walden	05/26/21	Russ/Nancy Miller	
4540 Faneuil	Jamal/Barbara Houssami	05/25/21	Becky Meravy	
4697 Collingville	Dennis/Carol Kline	06/30/21	Paulette Maravich	
4641 Wenham	Jeff/Katelynn Lewis	06/07/21	Pat Johnson	
4514 Faneuil	Frank/Nancy Kirkland	06/08/21	Mary Rybski	
4620 Collingville	Ellis/Thelma Chalfant	06/24/21	Joan Hensley	
4550 Faneuil	Karen Brofford	06/00/21	Karen Brofford	owner moved in
4582 Collingwood	Bob/MaryBeth Thomas	08/24/21	Chris Walden	
4604 Collingville	Dave/Joan Poeppelman	08/30/21	Barb Vogel	
4682 Collingville	Tom/Sheila Beck	10/19/21	Bob/MaryBeth Thomas	
4703 Wenham	John/Sarah Zuccaro	11/05/21	Nancy Torgerson	

Edye Buchanan – Our Board Secretary

For those who have not met me, Edye is pronounced as you would spell Ed, as in “E” “D”. More commonly I’m called Eddie, Ed-gy, Ed-yee, or Ed. No one has a problem pronouncing Edy when referring to the ice cream; however, it’s rare a receptionist calls me by the correct name the first time!

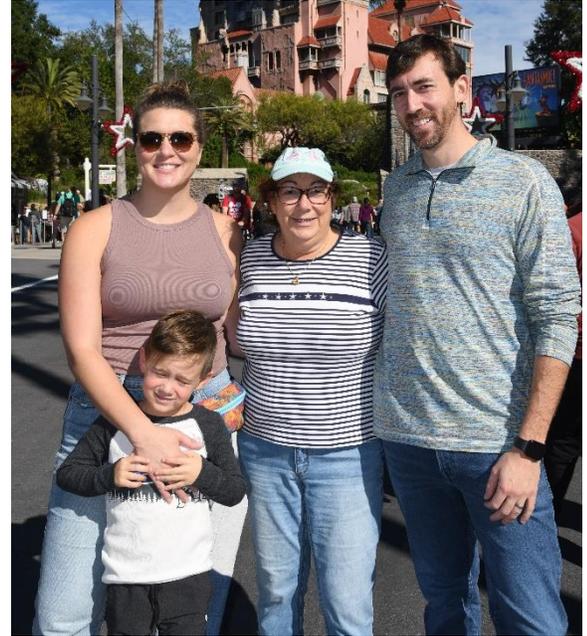
I moved to Collingwood Pointe in August 2018 after living in Grafton, Ohio for 24 years, with a 10 month stay in Worthington in between. Why would someone quit their job after 24 years only to face unemployment in Columbus? Have you seen my precious grandson? It doesn’t get any more complicated than that! But as they say, here’s the rest of the story.

Until I moved to Columbus, I spent nearly my entire life in Lorain County. I did live near the Continent/French Market area when it was a “cool” place to live. At the time, my late husband worked for Ashland Chemical. Between changes in employment and living arrangements, we moved 3 times in 3 months, finally settling in Grafton where we raised my son Steve. Unfortunately, Chris passed away a month after Steve’s high school graduation, turning my life upside-down. My “new normal” had me immersed in my combustion engineering career which did come with some rewards. One was being named by the National Association of Manufacturers’ as one of the top 100 women in Science, Technology, Engineering and Production for 2014. Honorees of the STEP Ahead award are presented with a trophy having a pink boot. In addition to engineering gas burners large enough to crawl inside of, I was recognized for my leadership in the Society of Manufacturing engineers. When people asked me what type of engineer I was, my response was, “professional pyromaniac.”

I was very lucky to have found a job here after 3-1/2 months. I hung up my steel-toed boots and have now developed calluses on my fingertips from all the typing I do. My position in technical sales and marketing has me working on a wide variety of projects. If you “google” my name, you’ll find me on BriskHeat’s YouTube channel talking about our products. You will also find a white paper I wrote on making mead, otherwise known as honey wine. Yes, my company did pay me to make and write about making wine! A few friends at CPP have told me it tastes pretty good. I’ve also published articles in several professional magazines. No, my company did not pay me to distill cannabis oil and I have no experience in doing it; however, I did publish in Extraction Magazine!

When I’m not working, I still volunteer with SME, currently serving on their International Board of Directors. I’ve been scuba diving since 1992, starting with my late-husband and continuing with Steve. Cozumel, Hawaii, Honduras, Australia, and Belize are some of the places I’ve dived. My passion is sailing on Lake Erie and in the Caribbean. I’m part of a group that annually charters a bare-boat catamaran, spending 10 days sailing places such as the Bahamas, British Virgin Islands, Belize, and St. Lucia/St. Vincent. Nirvana is a vacation where I combine diving and sailing! During the summer you’ll find me leading a water aerobics group at the CPP pool which has helped me meet so many nice people here. I also joined the CPP Board this past summer and serve as secretary. My advice to new residents is to take advantages in the activities offered here such as Mahjong, Texas Hold’em, and lunches, but also think about coordinating a new activity.

Earlier in November, my family went to Disney World. On my return, I adopted two kittens which provide endless entertainment. I hope to meet more of you after the spring thaw.





Andy Godin wishes his wife Eileen a very happy 68th wedding anniversary.
Andy and Eileen were married on Thanksgiving Day.

Happy Anniversary from your Collingwood family.

Calendar of Events and Fun Things here at Collingwood Pointe Place

By Linda Elko

Collingwood Pointe is a busy place bustling with wonderful activities for all to enjoy. As new residents move in, new activities are evolving. In response, a new committee has been formed TO FACILITATE, SUPPORT, and CENTRALLY COORDINATE COMMUNITY GAMES AND ACTIVITIES. The committee consists of **Linda Elko, Dottie Harmon, and Nancy Starkloff**. All current activities are ongoing with no changes (**Except as adjusted due to the Covid19 constraints**). If you want to schedule an activity at the clubhouse please check to be sure there isn't a conflict with a regularly scheduled activity. That includes Social Committee events, clubhouse rentals or other commitments the Board has notified the community about. If you would like to start a new activity/event repeatedly, and be the leader, please fill out a New Activity Form found on our website or in the clubhouse, and email it to davlaelko@aol.com or drop it off at Linda Elko, Dottie Harmon, or Nancy Starkloff's home. This will help to facilitate coordination, managing the risks for the association, and Board awareness of community plans.

December

2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 Mahjong – 1 pm	3	4 Party Reservations at Clubhouse 1:00-5:00
5	6 Men's Romeo Lunch – meet at pool parking by 11:30	7 Bridge 12:30- * is held at Arlene Secrist condo not clubhouse	8	9 Mahjong – 1 pm	10	11 Holiday Party at Clubhouse at 6:00
12	13 NO Ladies Coffee Mahjong – 6:30	14 Bridge 12:30- *	15	16 Mahjong – 1 pm	17	18
19	20 Mahjong – 6:30	21 NO Book Club	22	23 Mahjong – 1 pm	24	25
26	27 Mahjong – 6:30	28	29	30 Mahjong – 1 pm	31 New Year's Eve	

Event/Recurring Date	Contact Person	Contact Information
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CP Ladies Coffee	Kay Fenn	Email: rexykaygolf@aol.com
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Mocktail Recipes for your Holiday Party - It Could Save Lives

From Ohio AAA

The holidays are here, and it is time to celebrate responsibly. While many love being able to travel to see family and friends for the holidays, this also leads to the holidays being a time for some of the highest drinking and driving rates of the year. Consider these mocktail recipes as a delicious and safe way to enjoy the holidays. **Full details and more recipes are available at [AAA.com/Mocktails](https://www.aaa.com/mocktails).**



Ruby Sparkle Punch

Ingredients:

- 20 oz. frozen strawberries in syrup, thawed;
- 64 oz. Ocean Spray Ruby;
- Red grapefruit juice drink
- 10 oz. frozen strawberry daiquiri mix concentrate, thawed;
- 28 oz. club soda

Preparation:

Place strawberries with syrup in blender. Blend until smooth. Combine strawberries, grapefruit juice drink and daiquiri mix in a large punch bowl. Mix well. Pour in club soda just before serving.

Slow-cooker Cranberry Cider

Ingredients

- 8 c. cranberry juice
- 4 c. apple cider
- 1 c. fresh cranberries
- 2 Tbsp. brown sugar
- 4 cinnamon sticks
- 1 Tbsp. whole cloves (tied in a cheesecloth)

Preparation

Combine all ingredients in slow cooker. Cook on high for 2-3 hours. Allow to simmer until ready to serve, stirring occasionally. Serve hot.

Mock Champagne

Ingredients

- 2 (2-liter) bottles ginger ale
- 46 oz. pineapple juice
- 64 oz. white grape juice

Preparation

To make ice ring: fill a ring-shaped cake pan to $\frac{1}{2}$ with ginger ale. Freeze until partially frozen. At this stage you can place edible flowers or pieces of fruit around the ring. Fill pan with ginger ale and freeze until solid. Place in punch bowl just before serving. In a large punch bowl, combine 1 bottle ginger ale, pineapple juice, and white grape juice. Mix well. Add the ice ring and serve cold.

Sparkling Mojito – recipe adapted from Princess Cruise Lines

Ingredients

- 7 Fresh mint leaves, plus more for garnish
- 4 oz. lime juice
- 4 oz. simple syrup (4 oz. water plus an equal amount of sugar, boiled until syrupy)
- 20 oz. Sprite

Preparation

Crush mint leaves with the back of a spoon. Add lime juice and simple syrup. Stir to mix. Add crushed ice, then top with Sprite. Garnish with mint leaves, if desired.

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