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February 2021 CVPOC President's Message

By the time you see this newsletter, the first zoom drop-in familiarization session on January 30th may have already passed. The purpose of this Saturday morning session, like the one on the evening of February 8th (6-8 pm PST), is/was to provide an opportunity for any member wishing to participate in any upcoming board meeting and/or workshop to make sure that they know how to log into the Zoom meeting platform and feel comfortable moving around in it. The information you need to log into the meetings is in a handout that is on the post office table. The information is also on the Coast Village website (coastvillageflorence.com) under the Login tab. The office ((541) 997-3312) has login information for all the sections under the Login tab. The two sessions are to provide different day/time options for familiarization with zoom. You don't have to be on the familiarization session at any particular time during their two-hour windows, you can attend one or both, and you need only stay as long as you wish.

These familiarization sessions are to prep the Village members for the board meeting and its preceding workshop in the middle of February. The login information for those meetings is also included in the flyer and on the web site. It will be awhile before we are able to have in-person board meetings in the Rose Room and it is my hope that we will have more member participation in the meetings by using the zoom meeting platform. Please call me if you have any concerns using this platform. Jay Guettler 541-991-9478. And, please leave a message if you don't reach me directly. I don't usually return calls that don't have a message left, as there are too many solicitors abusing our phone systems.

On a related note, the Coast Village clubhouse will continue to be closed until it is deemed safe to re-open it. The bathrooms and showers are still available and are being cleaned thoroughly daily. Users are encouraged to bring their own disinfectant to use before and after their using these facilities. If you have a special request for use of the computer or wifi, please contact the office for arrangements. We understand that closing the clubhouse is an inconvenience for some, but these are special times and we are trying to balance needs with safety as much as possible. Be safe, wear your mask when around other people or in any of the CV buildings, and be well.

Jay

NOTICES

- ◆ **Facility Hours:** Hours for the laundry room 24-7 with code, Clubhouse bathrooms—24-7. Clubhouse is closed until further notice. "Winter hours", the mailroom is open from 8 am to 8:00 pm.
- ◆ Satellite Bath with code only.
- ◆ **BOARD MEMBER MEETING: Zoom Meeting February 20, 2019 10:00 a.m.** Check website for log on information or take a handout at post office.

The office is still closed to outside visitors through February. Any early opening will be announced.

OPERATIONS MANAGER FEBRUARY REPORT:

This month has certainly been windy! We had to repair a water main break due to the wind-storm impacting a very large fir tree along outer drive. The roots of the tree had wrapped around our main water line there and the wind caused the roots to break the line. We have replaced the line, removed the tree (much to our sorrow) and cleaned up the debris. We also had a tree across a roof on Castaway Cove. A huge thank you to Josh Johnson for being so responsive to us even while ill.

We repaired a sewer blockage on Outer Drive and replaced several feet of sewer line and added a cleanout valve. We will have to wait until warmer weather to repave that section and will be filling with rock in the meanwhile. Please take your time traveling over the spot so the temporary fix will hold.

Staff have filled in with gravel several of the “cuts” that were starting to get potholes. Please drive slowly in Coast Village to protect the streets that have been impacted.

The maintenance staff have been overloaded cleaning up brush debris from our storm, while this was unusual, we hauled several tons of brush. This is expensive as we now must haul to the garbage dump at a higher rate than we used to pay. Please going forward, try to keep your yard debris limited and put out in smaller amounts. If we must haul larger amounts you will be charged extra.

If you take down a tree and want it hauled you can make arrangements with the office. You will be charged the dump fee and a small fee for labor/truck use.

We have had a report of “extra” traffic on the south perimeter fence line off of the alley. Those of you who live on that side please keep your eyes open. It may be nothing, but we don’t want any intrusion into CV from that alley.

A number of trees have had to be taken down in the park after the storm damage this winter. Most of us hate to see this happen (I’m included in that number) but compromised shore pines are a danger to any of us when they are leaning or dead. Some fir trees also became compromised and/or uprooted and had to be removed.

Our washers in the laundry room are breaking down due to overuse of laundry detergent in the energy efficient machines. Those machines only take two or three tablespoons of detergent to do their job. Please do not add extra soap as the machines overflow into the clutch system and cause a breakdown which takes close to two hundred dollars to repair. We will be adding a new dryer soon to replace one that is very old and worn out. In order to keep the cost down to residents we need to keep repair costs down. All of you can make a difference.

We have added some additional parcel boxes to the post office. With more people ordering on-line due to COVID additional boxes were needed to keep up.

I want to thank everyone that are continuing to wear their masks in the post office and laundry. We know it can be a bit of a pain, but numbers are up in Lane County. Our hope is that soon vaccines will be available and life can become more normalized.

Because Lane County numbers are up, we will continue to have the clubhouse and office closed. I had hoped to reopen it by February 1st, but I need to think about the safety of everyone. Meanwhile the bathrooms will remain open for your use.

Free table: Please do not leave “frozen” foods on the free table, we are finding foods defrosting and making everything wet as well as half defrosted foods might develop bacteria and not be safe to eat if they are not picked up right away. If you have an excess of frozen food you would like to give away let us know in the office and we can usually find a home for it. We would also ask that you not leave “dirty” clothes etc. there. Please make sure clothing items are washed and neatly folded.

Recently someone has been using the woman’s bathroom and not flushing the toilet. Please remember to flush so others are not walking into a mess.

My sincerest hope is that next month we will have a ton of “good news” to put in the newsletter, meanwhile stay safe and be careful. Watch out for each other, be kind.

Carlla vandeVyver
Park Operations Mfg.

The photo on right is the tree root that was wrapped around our water main.

The tree is history as cutting the root and the water leak compromised the tree so that it became dangerous.

Please thank our team for coming in early, and getting the work done and water leak under control.

Thanks to Scott Ryland for coming on an emergency and not charging emergency prices!



Thank you Josh Johnson for arriving sick and still climbing this huge tree. You are amazing!



Loose Wall Receptacles Pose A Real Safety Issue

Although electrical wall outlets have no moving parts, they do have metal contact points inside the body of the receptacles, which are designed to firmly grip the hot, neutral, and grounding prongs of cord plugs. Over time, these contacts begin to wear and lose their gripping power. Loose receptacles are a common problem in many of the older homes here in Coast Village. There's never a good time for a plug to fall out of an electrical outlet. Whether it's a cell phone charging overnight or an appliance you're using to make dinner, you want a plug to stay snug in place. But the greater safety issue is this: As the exposed contact points lose their ability to grip the plug, it creates greater electrical resistance where the prongs meet the receptacle. Worn or loose plug connection creates heat and problems in the wiring that may cause circuit breakers to trip or even start a fire at the plug. That's why loose or worn-out electrical outlets need to be replaced. Thankfully such a task is a relatively quick house call for an electrician, or even a "handyman." If one wall outlet doesn't hold the cord plug tightly, there's a good chance there are other outlets in the house that have the same problem. So make it a point to have them all checked--and replaced if needed. Today's electrical code requires that most outlets in living areas have AFCI (arc-fault circuit interrupter) protection. It's also code that outlets in some locations also have GFCI (ground-fault circuit interrupter) protection.



Cures For SAD:

Those suffering from seasonal affective disorder (SAD), can treat themselves. Winter is a prime season for getting SAD, a seasonal mood disorder that makes you feel sad, sluggish, and sleep the morning away. According to the Anxiety and Depression Association of America (ADAA), more than 15 million Americans suffer from seasonal affective disorder (SAD). The good news is there are a number of simple things you can try that may help improve your symptoms, including:

- Stay active. Walk daily. Get plenty of exercise.
- Get outdoors. Sunlight is a great SAD fighter.
- Make work and home environments as light and airy as possible. Sitting in the dark makes SAD worse.
- Sit near windows when you're indoors.
- Eat a healthy, balanced diet.
- Of course, avoid stressful situations. Take steps to manage stress.

It can also be helpful to talk to your family and friends about SAD, so they understand how your mood changes during the winter. This can help them to support you more effectively.



Hamburger Casserole

Ingredients

- 2 pounds lean ground beef (90% lean)
- 4 pounds potatoes, peeled and sliced 1/4 inch thick
- 1 large onion, sliced
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper
- 1 teaspoon beef bouillon granules
- 1 cup boiling water
- 1 can (28 ounces) diced tomatoes, undrained

Minced fresh parsley, optional

Directions

1. In a Dutch oven, layer half each of the meat, potatoes and onion. Sprinkle with half each of the salt and pepper. Repeat layers. Dissolve bouillon in water; pour over all. Top with tomatoes. Cover and cook over medium heat until potatoes are tender, 45-50 minutes. If desired, garnish with parsley.

Hmmm, have you seen
this “lovebug”?

Watch out, I think there
a few of these hanging
out in the park!

Let us know if you find
one in your yard!





The newest addition to the Van de Vyver's! Another rescue—Will I soon be known as the “cat lady” of Coast Village? Hmmmmmm Oh and her name is Poppy!

Do you have a cute photo of your pet? Please send it to Carlla for next month's newsletter.



Tuxie 2017

Nancy's Miss Kitty—giving “the look”

We are encouraged so often to check on our friends but I think it's worth saying that our first priority should be to check on ourselves. Do I have the capacity to be emotionally available for my friends and family today? Is my cup full or am I completely drained? Do I need space to savor quiet solitude or am I craving conversation? I don't care if my friends rarely or never check on me... during a global pandemic! Days can feel so heavy and challenging. We cannot carry the shame of not being "perfect" friends right now. Ask what you need and give to yourself first.



Today, do one little thing to
take better care of yourself

...then repeat tomorrow

NOTICE NEW E-MAIL ADDRESSES FOR THE OFFICE

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OFFICE: OFFICE@CVPOC.COM

CARLLA VANDEVYVER: CARLLA@CVPOC.COM

NANCY BROCK: nancy@cvpoc.com

PHONE NUMBERS AND FAX NUMBERS REMAIN THE SAME AND ARE LISTED ON THE FRONT OF THE NEWSLETTER



PLEASE DO NOT DISPOSE OF YOUR FACEMASKS ON THE GROUND! OUR STAFF HAVE PICKED UP SEVERAL. THEY ARE A DANGER TO ANIMALS AND OUR STAFF SHOULD NOT HAVE TO PICK UP YOUR DIRTY FACEMASK!

AFFORDABLE HOUSECLEANING: 541-991-3208 or 707-980-1477

Katie: cattmarks@yahoo.com



NEED PAINTING DONE? INSIDE OR OUT.

NEED YOUR ROOF AND/OR GUTTERS
CLEANED, MOSS REMOVED?

NEED YOUR WINDOWS
WASHED INSIDE/OUT?

CALL LUCAS AND GINA!

541-601-9567



TELEPHONE FOR SERVICES

- ELECTRICIAN—JON TRAIN 541-271 6869
- TREE SERVICE—JOSH JOHNSON 541-999-7989
- PLUMBING—VIKING PLUMBING 541-999-7174

This is one of the best seafood chowders I've ever had. And it's quick and easy to boot!

– Vicki Dunaway

Smoked Salmon Chowder

large leek, thinly sliced	4-5 oz smoked salmon, shredded
½ cup celery, finely chopped	1¼ cup half-n-half (or milk)
½ cup red pepper, finely chopped	1 tbsp tomato paste
2 large cloves garlic, minced	black pepper
2 tbsp flour	salt
½ cup shredded carrot	2 tbsp fresh dill (or 2 tsp dried)
1 large potato, small diced	½ tsp dried thyme
8 oz corn, cream or nugget style	1 tbsp lemon juice
½ cup chicken broth	½ tsp smoked paprika
½ cup clam juice or other fish broth	
large bay leaf	

Melt 2 tbsp butter in large pot. Add leek, celery, red pepper and stir for a few minutes. Add minced garlic, shredded carrot, potatoes and corn and sauté for a few minutes more. Add the broths and bay leaf. Simmer until potatoes are tender.

Add remaining ingredients and simmer for a few more minutes until milk is heated through.

Association Communication: While we have limited physical attendance space at our meetings you can still communicate with the Board/ Association. You can either fill out an Action Request located in this newsletter or email the Operations Manager. Action request forms are always available located just outside the office door in the clubhouse. If the decision or request cannot be handled administratively, it will be copied to the Board for discussion at a future Work Session. Then, if needed, it will be voted on at a future Board Meeting. We ask that any request for discussion at a Work Session or Board Meeting be submitted at least a week prior to the meeting with enough information for the Board to base a decision on.



Maintenance

If you have an emergency maintenance issue on the weekends you may call the Park Manager at (360) 521-8428 and we will do our best to assist you. If it can wait until Monday please call the office after 9:00 a.m.

All of the staff are here to serve you, please let us know if there is something we can do for you.

Our Maintenance Staff: Mikhail and Mike



Who to call for:

- Water leaks on your property & home: POM—360-521-8428 or Office 541-997-3312
- Water leaks near the road or common area: POM or office
- Fire: 911
- Injury or non-responsive person: 911
- Trespassers: 911
- Loose dog or threatening dog: Police 541-997-3515
- Wildlife (bear, cougar, coyote) notify POM
- Dog barking incessantly for hours, early or late disrupting sleep: Code Enforcement: 541-999-1714 and also notify the Office.
- Music or disruptive parties after 10 pm: 911
- Cars that don't stop at stop sign (take a picture if you can): POM
- Wellness check: Police 541-997-3515

If you think your question is not a true crisis, please wait until morning and notify the POM or Office.

If you have questions about removing brush, trees, foliage please check with the office. You may be referred to the ARC but the office may be able to address your concern.

Questions about building an addition, garage, shed, fence: You will be referred to the ARC.



FREE FIREWOOD—CONTACT THE OFFICE.

This is cut rounds left from the trees that had to be removed on Redwood Street. Makes great fire pit wood.

Note: There is still some wood left up for grabs.

MAINTENANCE TEAM (541) 997-3583

Carlla van de Vyver, Park Operations Manager

Mikhail Renner, Lead —Days

Michael Brady—Days

Dennis Barker—Janitorial Monday thru Friday

Remember to call the Park Manager on weekends if there is an issue.

360-521-8428

COMMUNITY CORNER

Good Friends and Sunshine!!

CV is a great place to live!!



Coast Village residents are looking forward to warmer days, COVID vaccines, eating together at potlucks, card games, etc. Let's all think positively about a brighter healthier 2021!

Meanwhile we are still enjoying seeing one another while socially distancing and wearing our masks for safety.

Hope is the thing with feathers that perches in the soul and sings the tune without the words and never stops at all." – Emily Dickinson

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 Garbage 9 am	2 Brush 9 am	3	4	5 Water Shut Off 8 am to 1pm	6
7	8 Garbage 9 am Zoom Familiariza- tion Meeting at 6:00 p.m.	9 Brush 9 am	10 No Coffee Klatch thru COVID-19	11	12 Water Shut Off 8 am to 1pm	13
14 Valentines Day!	15 Garbage 9 am	16 Brush 9 am	17 No Coffee Klatch thru COVID-19 Zoom Board Workshop Meeting 11 am	18	19 Water Shut Off 8 am to 1pm	20 Zoom Board Meeting 10 am
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Please see the CVPOC Flyer for detailed information about the Zoom Meetings or call the office for times and meeting information.



Here's to celebrations! Happy Birthday!

Gerry Lowe February 4th
Gloria Wood February 17th



An anniversary is a time to celebrate the joys of today, the memories of yesterday, and the hopes of tomorrow.

No Anniversaries!

If you would like your birthday or anniversary added to our newsletter just let the office know. You can call Nancy at 541-997-3312 or just stop by the office.



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An additional bit of wind blew through, this time taking a tree down that impacted our outer perimeter fence on the north side of the park. Staff have put a temporary fix in and we are waiting for a part to finish it.

Spring is just around the corner! Soon we hope to see happy gardeners in the garden planting, weeding and enjoying the outdoors space.

1. Start Seeds. There's nothing more thrilling than to sow tiny seeds, then see them germinate and pop up out of the soil as small seedlings in a matter of days. Seed starting is a great gardening tip as a way to get kids involved in gardening. It's so easy -- all you need is potting soil, a vessel (or the ground), water, and seeds. Seed starting is also the most inexpensive way to raise plants.

1. To remove the salt deposits that form on clay pots, combine equal parts white vinegar, rubbing alcohol and water in a spray bottle. Apply the mixture to the pot and scrub with a plastic brush. Let the pot dry before you plant anything in it.

2. To prevent accumulating dirt under your fingernails while you work in the garden, draw your fingernails across a bar of soap and you'll effectively seal the undersides of your nails so dirt can't collect beneath them. Then, after you've finished in the garden, use a nailbrush to remove the soap and your nails will be sparkling clean.

3. To prevent the line on your string trimmer from jamming or breaking, treat with a spray vegetable oil before installing it in the trimmer.

4. Turn a long-handled tool into a measuring stick! Lay a long-handled garden tool on the ground, and next to it place a tape measure. Using a permanent marker, write inch and foot marks on the handle. When you need to space plants a certain distance apart (from just an inch to several feet) you'll already have a measuring device in your hand.



NOTICE: Our TV in the post office that is used for messaging has failed. If anyone has a 42" or larger flat screen TV that needs a home and you would like to donate it, please contact the office.

In less than 5 weeks,
it'll be March.
Daffodils 🌼, sunshine
☀️, warmer days 👗,
longer days 🏠 & new
beginnings 🐣 🐑 .
Keep going everyone,
we can do this ❤️ ❤️ ❤️

Memories!



Our Coast Village members planting a fruit tree in Diane Kroger's memory.

Thank you Jerry and Becky. Jerry planting and the beautiful charm for the tree, and Diane's family.

This is truly a wonderful and peaceful place to call home.



WHAT THE NEXT BOARD MEETING MIGHT LOOK LIKE

I was reading an article in the Washington Post and wanted to share a bit of what it had to say about governing during the pandemic. The indented sections are from the article. ~Dory Hethcote

The pandemic has opened everyone's eyes to how laws need to be more flexible for community associations to operate and govern efficiently. States are beginning to adapt and adopt laws that allow associations to operate remotely. Board members should monitor these developments as they plan for the future.

Depending on the jurisdiction, associations can hold their membership meetings virtually, and some states have permanent legislation allowing meetings to be conducted remotely. Many states, however, require community association boards of directors to meet in person, so residents can observe the decision-making process. These statutory requirements prohibit boards from making decisions outside of a meeting to ensure transparency, but they did not contemplate the advent of a pandemic that would place lives at risk if people were to meet with others outside their immediate household. Association boards have had to explore alternatives to meet and conduct business while prioritizing the health and safety of board members and residents.

In some states, resolutions and executive orders were adopted during the pandemic to allow boards and their committees to meet by way of remote participation or to adopt emergency procedures to continue their operating and governance functions.

CVPOC ByLaws Section 5.1 states that "Board members may attend regular, special and emergency meetings electronically, provided accommodations have been made to permit all attending board members to hear each other simultaneously or otherwise be able to communicate during the meeting. A member of the Board of Directors participating in a meeting by this means is deemed to be present in person at the meeting." In addition, the CVPOC BOD passed an AWM on DATE NEEDED (NEED TO CONFIRM) that states: "The CVPOC BOD accepts electronic video format meetings to fulfill the requirement of regular Board meetings."

This trend of holding virtual meetings will continue as people realize the unexpected benefits of conducting association business remotely, which includes:

- *Increased member participation.
- *Eliminating the need to find a large, physical location to conduct a meeting.
- *Flexibility for owners to attend using their phones, tablets and computers from

wherever they may be at the time the meeting is convened.

*Ease of sharing information through screen-sharing.

*The ability for the presiding officer to oversee a more orderly meeting through the use of chat conversations, electronic hand-raising functions and muting speakers until recognized.

Boards and committees can successfully conduct their meetings virtually by using the following approaches:

*Provide proper notice of the meeting. Send an email with a link and access instructions. Ensure that it's a private meeting, where the host(s) can verify the identities of participants before allowing them in. Establish a way for association members to participate, either by dialing or logging in to the meeting platform. Residents should have the ability to listen to the meeting, follow the agenda and, when appropriate, provide comments. Encourage participants to turn on their cameras, because this tends to foster a greater sense of community among neighbors.

*Govern by the same parliamentary procedure or rules that apply to in-person meetings when running these virtual meetings. Agendas need to be prepared, motions need to be made and seconded, and participants must speak only when recognized by the chair.

*Allow members to speak for a designated time during an open forum. *Require all non-board or committee members to mute themselves when it's not their turn to speak.

*Record minutes during the board or committee meeting. These minutes must be part of the association's records, and in some states, distributed to the membership.

*In states with executive session laws, meet in executive session as long as the residents are removed from the online meeting.

*Consider using a video-meeting platform that allows for screen-sharing, such as Zoom, Webex or Microsoft Teams. This lets members see the materials being considered by the board or committee in real time and will defuse any concerns that the board or committee is not being transparent in its conducting of association business. We will be using Zoom along with instructions for the community to access the Zoom.

One issue is whether to record meetings and make them available to members; there are arguments in favor and against doing so. A positive aspect is that residents can review meetings on their own time, allowing a greater percentage of the membership to be informed on their community's affairs. This being said it could be difficult to control who can receive and view the recording allowing recordings to be viewed and shared beyond the association membership.

In addition to virtual meetings, association boards also had to adopt new ways for residents to participate in board member elections and vote on other community matters.

Before conducting a virtual meeting or voting electronically, our board will need to consult our HOA attorneys to confirm their options in conducting their annual meeting and election.

As a BOD, we hope to keep you updated and informed as we find out more about navigating through these unprecedented times. We hope you will ask questions and let us know about your concerns. Thank you...Dory Hethcote Treasurer CVBOD and Jay Guettler President CVBOD

To find out further information discussed in this article please link to: "For homeowners associations and condo boards, the show must go online" by Todd Sinkins in the Washington Post Real Estate Section Jan. 13, 2021 (<https://www.washingtonpost.com/business/2021/01/13/homeowners-associations-condo-boards-show-must-go-online/>)



Happy New Year neighbors!

We're still here in town. In our last article we said we were back in town to get some medical things taken care of for Michelle. Her first specialist visit (a video one at that) is December 24th. (I write this on December 23rd). We're sure there will be tests to be scheduled after that call, so you may be stuck with us for a bit longer. Kim's getting some things dealt with as well.

Last night, December 22nd, I (Kim) hopped into Noel's boat with Elsie, Barb and Tim. Noel had decorated the boat with some lights. He pulled us all through Coast Village while we "sang" along with Christmas carols playing on a loud speaker. Michelle and my mom, Dianne trailed behind us in our car for quite a while watching the fiasco while keeping warm in the vehicle. Many of you popped your heads out! We saw Gloria, Gina, Lucas, Carlla, Paul, Nancy, Ann, Matthew, Becky, Jerry, Pam, Jay, and many more! We gave out some candy canes to kids (and a few adults) and hollered lots of "Merry Christmas-es" and even blew some kisses. If you heard some caterwauling outside that night, it was us. What we lacked in talent we made up for in spirit. After we sang a gleeful rendition of "We Wish You a Merry Christmas" outside of Ann's house I said, "Hey! We sounded pretty good!" To which Tim replied, "Yeah, except we were all in a different key." We all laughed. It left Barb, Elsie and I wondering what a key was. There are rumors that it will happen again tonight.



Michelle and I don't quite know when we will be hitting the road again. With Michelle not feeling very good she's been spending lots of time researching things on the internet. This researching brought us to make an offer on a 20 acre piece of off- grid property. It has no sewer, no electricity, no water, no phone, no nothing. It is located in West Texas between Big Bend National Park and Big Bend Ranch State Park. Now she is researching how to install her own septic tank. We'd also have to build a water catchment system. We'd want to make an archery field course there and some other fun stuff for us to do when we visit there. We're in the dreaming stages right now because we're not in contract yet. This would be a pit stop for us on our travels. A place to hide from COVID. Or to just get away from everything for a while.

We sincerely wish this New Year will bring great joy for all of you!

Love,
Kim and Michelle



Note from the editor: This should have went in last month, so we are a bit late. Due to Kim losing her mother she didn't feel much like a new article this month. So we dedicate this to Diane, who enjoyed all things Christmas. We will all miss your warmth and contributions to our little community. The "left-overs" or a special dish, the kindness to others, treats brought to the office, the thought that contributed to our new Christmas gate design and that beautiful smile so like your daughter.