



The Village Chatter

AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 2020

THE VILLAGES OF OSCODA A Beautiful Place to Live and Visit



Board of Director's Corner

Our Annual Homeowners Association Meeting will be held on Saturday, September 19, 2020 at 10:00 am. This will be a Virtual Meeting brought to you by Zoom, the leader in modern enterprise video communications. You've no doubt seen their commercials on TV. Not only is Zoom a great way to connect to your friends and family, it also gives us the freedom of meeting safely during this Covid-19 pandemic. In case you haven't heard of Zoom we have a quick link to a short video on how to join a meeting. Simply copy this Zoom link tutorial and paste it in your browser window.

<https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362193-Joining-a-meeting>

You will also find it on our website under the "What's New" tab at the top of the page. We are very excited to be able to offer the Co-owners this opportunity to still voice their opinions and to submit questions. The Board will be informing co-owners on what we as an Association have done since the last Annual meeting. This is a great time to catch up with what is going on in the Villages of Oscoda and there are quite a few things happening, as well as new changes to tell you about. There will also be a Q & A at the end of the meeting when co-owners can ask questions or make a comment. If you are unable to join the meeting via Zoom, you may submit your questions to the Office prior to the meeting. As usual, all questions will be addressed and if time runs short, they will be posted and answered on our website. It is important for everyone to attend the Annual Meeting of Co-owners, and this year you can do so from the comfort of your own home...How great is that? See you at the meeting!

Beverly Knickerbocker, Trustee

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Board of Directors

Mike Munson - President
Sherry Proulx - Vice President
JoAn Nink - Treasurer
Christian Gualdoni - Secretary
Beverly Knickerbocker - Trustee
Dennis Dunn - Asst. Secretary

Board of Directors Election

There are five (5) candidates running in the election this year for the three (3) seats that are available on the Board. You will find the *Candidate Profiles* included with this newsletter on **pages 2 & 3**. Voting ballots will be sent out for the Board of Director's election in early August. Only those Co-owners that were current on their Association dues as of July 10th AND have a valid *Voter Designate* form on file with the office are eligible to vote.

How TO Vote:

1.) By Email Ballot: An Authorization for Electronic Transmission form must be on file at the office to receive a ballot and to vote by email. **2.) By Mail-In Ballot:** When voting by mail, please include ONLY the Board Election Ballot or Proxy form in the return envelope provided. ***It's important to remember to not include anything else in the envelope provided when returning your ballot. Payments for the monthly Association dues must be mailed in a separate mailing.*** Proxy forms are available at the office if you are unable to return your ballots and would like someone else or a Board member to cast a vote in your place. Call the office for more details on voting by proxy. **3.) By Drop-Off Ballot:** Ballots may also be dropped off at the office through the slot for the secured drop-box, located to the left of the Clubhouse doors (Follow brick path on left side of cement).

Ballots must be completed and returned to the Association as listed above. Ballots not received by 12:00 noon on September 19th will be disqualified.

Sherry Proulx (Incumbent)
9750B 8th St.

My name is Sherry Proulx. I am running for a position on the Villages of Oscoda Board of Directors. My husband and I have been residents of the Villages of Oscoda, HOA since 2005. I am retired from the Department of Human Services. During my employment as a Case Manager with the State, I served on the "Total Quality Management" team and was the Health and Safety Representative for the UAW.

I have been an Election Poll chairperson in Oscoda for the past 10 years. I am also a member of the Lions Club of Oscoda. I have served on the Board of Directors for the past 2 years as trustee and then as Vice President. I would like the opportunity to continue serving our community.

Thank you for your consideration.

**JoAn Nink** (Incumbent)
8104B Delaware

My name is JoAn Nink. My husband Fred and I are full time residents of the Villages of Oscoda. We have resided in the Villages for the last nineteen years, moving here from Grand Rapids, MI. I retired from HHS, Inc. which implemented the Medicaid Waiver Program for the State of Michigan. I have owned and operated a small business. Since moving into the Villages of Oscoda, I was active in the Village Watch, pursuing the demolition of the former 8000 area, as well as serving on committees, such as the election of the first board member and procuring a building to house the Villages of Oscoda Association office and activities. I have been active in revamping the RV Storage Lot, helped get funding for enhancements for the commons area foot paths, contracting lawn care personnel, and other projects too numerous to mention. I believe in being involved in my community. I am a member of the Oscoda Township Zoning Appeals Board as well as I have worked the state and federal election the last 15 years for Iosco County.

If elected, my goals are to have a positive impact on the activities of the BOD and the overall management of the Villages of Oscoda. I will act in the best interest of all the residents and homeowners of the Villages of Oscoda. I will work to keep the Villages a safe and beautiful place to live. It's been my privilege to serve you over the years.

Thank you.

**Robert Murray**
9513B Montana St.

Hello, I'd like to introduce myself, my name is Robert Murray. I live at 9513B Montana St in the Villages of Oscoda. I intend on running for the open board member position. I have lived on the base for the past four years and am originally from the Ann Arbor area. I retired from Ford Motor Company as a lead supervisor after 32 years of service. After retiring, I started my own trucking business called RGM Expediting. I owned and managed four semi-trucks and had multiple employees.

I am now fully retired and looking for a way to contribute to the area. I believe the leadership and problem-solving skills I've acquired from my career and small business will help me be a major asset to the team. I deeply care about the well-being of this community and would like to be a part of making it even better. I hope to gain your support on my commitment to becoming a new board member. I look forward to hearing from you, I can be reached at (734) 883-7587. Thank you for your time and consideration.

**Chad Adams**
10217 Tennessee

Oldest of 6 brothers.

Graduated Tawas High School 1990

Alpena Community College 1991-1992

United States Marine Corps 1993-1997 (Helicopter Mechanic)

Civilian Helicopter Mechanic 1998-2005

Aircraft mechanic, inspector and trainer 2005-present with Kalitta Air.

Father of 5, grandfather to 3.

Daughter, son in law and 3 Grandchildren live in the Villages.

I am a resident of the Villages and own multiple properties in the Villages.

Currently full time employed at Kalitta Air for 15 years.

Fun facts- Taught 11th and 12th grade Aircraft maintenance at IRESA for 1 year.

Hold a Private Pilot certificate and own and operate my own airplane.

Enjoy mountain biking, ORV's, and power boating in summer.

Enjoy education and advocating for personal financial freedom.

Statement- I look forward to working with others to help guide the future of the Villages in the right direction and working through issues with residents in an effort to help maintain a peaceful balance....Thank you

**Jacki Gonterman**
8613A Nebraska

My name is Jacki Gonterman, I live at 8613A Nebraska Street. My husband and I moved to the Villages of Oscoda in 1998. I was previously on the Board of Directors in 2004-5 and 2005-6, as the Association took over from the developer Aspen Mgmt. I have been serving on the Architectural Control Committee since 2015, currently Secretary, since being on the ACC it has approved 98% of the applications. I was also the Secretary of the Bylaws Committee for 4 years until February 2020.

I have an Associates Degree in Liberal Arts from Schoolcraft College in Livonia. I worked in Advertising/Marketing at major advertising agencies on accounts Michigan Lottery, Weight Watchers, Highland Superstores, Nestles, and at Comcast Cable as Regional Co-op Coordinator and Ad Sales Manager for Detroit and Pittsburgh.

I attend the Oscoda Township Meetings and work sessions plus the monthly Planning Commission meeting. To keep up on the happenings of the township, on anything that might affect the Villages of Oscoda.

I volunteer for activities throughout the township, by belonging to River Aux Sables Chapter DAR. I attend and volunteer at all Veterans events including the raising of the flags on Memorial Day. I am an original member of the NOW (Need Our Water) group. I help at the Lake Theatre during the summer. I helped plan and organize the 2019 auction/fundraiser for the Historical Society,

I genuinely believe this is our Association and we have a say. Let us keep it, a nice and friendly place.

Due to the pandemic, there will not be a "Meet the Candidate" event this year. If you have any questions for the candidates, we encourage you to submit them to the office and the staff will forward your questions to the candidate.

CAST YOUR *Vote*



Notice of Annual Meeting of Co-owners

The Annual Meeting of Co-owners, which was scheduled for
10:00 a.m., July 18, 2020, Association Clubhouse, 5631 Georgia Dr., Oscoda, Michigan 48750

HAS BEEN RE-SCHEDULED FOR

Saturday September 19, 2020, 10:00 a.m.,

The Annual Meeting will be held remotely by Zoom Webinar,

Register in advance for this webinar meeting (Copy the link below and Paste into a web browser)

https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_pPoseogSTXOJJKVmhmbT2w

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

- * The new due date to submit Candidate Profiles will be Friday, July 17, 2020, by 5:00p.m.
- * To qualify to vote, co-owner must be a “*Member in Good Standing*” with their account paid in full no later than 5:00 p.m. on July 10, 2020
- * Election ballots will be mailed/mailed the first week in August.
- * To qualify to vote by email, Co-owner must have a signed “*Authorization for Electronic Transmission*” on file with the office.
- * Voting by Proxy is permitted. Contact the office to obtain a Proxy form.
- * Election Ballots are to be returned no later than the close of the Annual Meeting of Co-owners on September 19, 2020
- * Ballots received after 12:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 19, 2020 will not be counted



- ⇒ A letter from the Board of Directors outlining the Associations current plans to deal with Covid-19 is included with this Newsletter.
- ⇒ The trees that came down in the recent windstorm will be removed by Griff & Sons Tree Service as soon as they are done with their emergency removals. If you have a tree that was effected by that storm and would like to get on their list, please call 989-739-0111.
- ⇒ Please remove weeds and tall grass sprouting up from the cracks in your sidewalks, driveways and parking areas as this is not a responsibility of the lawn crew

We will need 12 volunteers to help with the
Board of Director's Election Vote count on
Tuesday, September 22nd at 10:00 a.m. at the Clubhouse.

**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED**

To sign up, please contact the office if you would
like to participate in the vote count.



OFFICE HOURS

The office will be closed on
 Monday, September 7th
 In observance of Labor Day.
 Normal office hours
 will resume on
 Tuesday, September 8th.
HAPPY LABOR DAY

Trash Pick-up Delay



Due to the Labor Day holiday on
 Monday, Sept. 7th,
 Trash will be picked-up on
 Tuesday, Sept. 8th

August & September 2020 EVENTS

- * August 7th—ACC Requests Due-date
- * August 13th—ACC Meeting - 10:00am
- * August 14th—Monthly Board Meeting—3pm
- * August 21st—ACC Requests Due-date
- * August 27th—ACC Meeting—10:00am
- * Sept 4th—ACC Requests Due-date
- * **Sept 7th—Office Closed for Labor Day**
- * Sept 8th—Monthly Board Meeting—2:00pm
- * Sept 10th—ACC Meeting—10:00am
- * Sept 18th—ACC Requests Due date
- * **Sept 19th—**Annual Meeting of Co-Owners****
- ⇒ **Virtual Meeting on ZOOM Webinar—10 am**
- ⇒ **Election Ballots due by 12:00 noon**
- * September 24th— ACC Meeting—10:00am

Annual Picnic

The Board of Directors is sad to announce that the *Villages of Oscoda Annual Picnic* has been cancelled this year, due to the Covid-19 pandemic, in compliance with the Governor's restrictions on gatherings and the recommended CDC guidelines for social distancing.



Thank You Corner



- ◆ A HUGE thanks to the homeowners who came out with their saws to help cut and remove the downed trees blocking the roads at Georgia & Bissonette, next to Freedom Park, after the violent storm that knocked out power for two days and brought down many trees.
- ◆ Thanks to Jean H. for always taking the time to pick up the litter found blowing through our parks & streets.

*If you would like to thank a special someone for helping you out,
 please send us an email so that we can put it in the next newsletter. A thank you can go a long way!*



**THE VILLAGES OF
OSCODA, HOA**

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The HOA office hours are:

Mon., Wed., Thurs. and Fri. 8am - 5pm & Tues. 10am - 5pm.

THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON

SATURDAY & SUNDAY

Please remember there is always a drop box for your convenience!

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Clubhouse Activities

**IN ORDER TO DO OUR PART TO HELP REDUCE
THE RATE OF SPREAD OF THE CORONAVIRUS,
ALL CLUBHOUSE ACTIVITIES & MEETINGS
HAVE BEEN CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**



Classifieds

Pet Care: Riverside Pet Lodge is a new state of the art boarding kennel nestled in the woods beside the Pine River just north of Oscoda. We offer boarding, daycare and grooming services in a loving atmosphere. Our building has heated floors, indoor/outdoor runs and two play yards. Daily woodland walks also available. Send your pets to “camp” while you are out of town! Stop in and see us or give us a call. Riverside Pet Lodge, 2910 Kings Corner Rd., Oscoda, MI 48750; 989-739-5039; www.riversidepetlodge.com; “Like” us on Facebook!

Handyman Services: My name is Darryl Hollenbeck resident of the Villages and I am a Certified Handyman with the national Association of Certified Handyman Professionals. I provide thorough, knowledgeable home improvement and repair services for your home or business. But what makes this the areas premier handyman service? The answer: Experience and credentials: 40 years trade experience Former Real Estate Broker Certified Michigan Home Inspector, Insured, Reliable, Trustworthy. www.handymandarryl.com (989) 906-0148

Real Estate Services:

Sunrise Realty - Sharon Wasielewski, Agent & Resident. Cell# 704-408-0192 - 12 year Village resident and is in Oscoda year around and is ready to help you buy or sell!

Real Estate One - Roxanne Costea, Associate & Resident...23 Years experience. 406 S State St. Oscoda, MI 989-739-9129.

Sunrise Realty, Inc. - Penny Lee, Agent & 19 year Resident. Sold many homes in the Villages . Please let me help you! 989- 305-0437

Real Estate One - Looking to sell your unit in the Villages? As a full time Realtor and local real estate investor, I have a pulse on the market to best serve your selling (or buying) needs. Call or text me anytime! Jeff Pukall, 712-852-6190

If you would like a list of contractors in this area, stop by the office and grab your copy! Are you a resident in the Villages that would like to place your ad in The Village Chatter? Contact the office for more info.