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CLUBHOUSE HOURS

Monday–Thursday 7:30am-10:00pm

Friday 7:30am – 11:00pm

Saturday 8:30am – 11:00pm

Sunday 9:00am – 5:00pm

This newsletter is dedicated to the loving memory of homeowner Robert E Maree. Our deepest sympathies go out to his family & friends during this most difficult time.

New Ownership

I am pleased to announce that on November 2nd, 2011 Hometown America became the proud new owners of Oak Point. Hometown is very excited to acquire this beautiful community.

I would like to take a moment to introduce myself. My name is Fred Taylor, the new General Manager of Oak Point. I have been employed with Hometown America for 5 ½ years and am honored to have been

chosen to become a part of your community. I have a beautiful wife named Erin and two wonderful children. My daughter Peyton is 6 and my son Braxton is 4 years old. I am an avid cyclist in my free time.

My primary focus is to make this as seamless a transition as possible for each and every resident. In my first few days here, I have had the privilege of meeting many of you. Thank you for the warm welcome you have extended. For those I have not met, I look forward to meeting you in the near future.

All community phone numbers will remain the same. For customer service needs, continue to call 947-3535. For the social department, please call Debbera Silva and Carolyn Lynch at 947-5406. For the sales department, contact Stacy Gerry at 923-0002 x 12 and Barbara Brown at 923-0002 x 13.

On behalf of the entire Oak Point staff, we look forward to serving your needs.

Sincerely,

Fred Taylor

WHAT'S NEW IN DECEMBER

**SIGN UP FOR ALL EVENTS ON
THE CLUBHOUSE BULLETIN
BOARDS.**

**CONFIRM YOUR SEAT WITH
PAYMENT BY THE DUE DATE
UNLESS PREVIOUSLY SOLD
OUT. MAKE CHECKS
PAYABLE TO "OAK POINT
EVENTS" UNLESS OTHERWISE
LISTED.**

LAURA JAMES HOLIDAY SHOW

**Friday, December 2nd at 7pm
in the Ballroom. You will
love this wonderful, hour
long, holiday show by Laura
James complete with
sparkling set and staging.
Laura does a variety of
rhythm and blues music.
You will hear many old
favorites from the 50's, 60's
and 70's. Muckkeys will be
on hand with a cash bar.
This will be a great time.
Fee: \$8.
Pay by November 29th.**

GRANDCHILDREN'S

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

**Saturday, December 3rd,
9:30am to 11:30am. Enjoy a**

**delicious pancake breakfast
complete with bacon,
sausage and scrambled
eggs. Our guest of honor is
none other than Santa
himself. Climb up on his
knee and tell him everything
you want for Christmas.
Bring your camera for this
great photo opportunity.
Fee: \$7 per person.
Pay by December 1st.**

SHOPPING DIVA'S EVENT

**Saturday, December 3rd,
9:30am to 2pm in the
Ballroom. Come start your
holiday shopping without
leaving Oak Point. We will
have 20 tables of vendors
set up in the Gym for a day
of shopping. We will have
household decor, cosmetics,
books and much more. If
you would like to have a
table to sell items, please
call the Social Dept. 20
tables are available to
homeowners and their
families who sell non craft
items. If you can't do the
craft fair, this is your venue!
Tables available on a first
come, first served basis.**

There is no charge for the table. Sign up now.

PSYCHIC SUNDAY AT OAK POINT

Sunday, December 4th, 2–4pm in the Ballroom. Back by popular demand.

Participants will have fun as they–

*Receive messages, through me, from their Angels and Spirit Guides (who are always loving and uplifting!)

*Learn how to connect with their Angels and Spirit Guides (without me in the middle!)

*Identify "signs" from Angels, Spirit and Loved Ones from the Other Side (you never know who's going to show up!)

*Choose from the beautiful Angel Cards a message that is perfect for them *Gain knowledge of Spirit Messages through color, nature signs, visions and words.

Fee \$21/person.

Pay at the door.

DINNER AND A MOVIE

Monday, December 5th at 6pm in the Ballroom. Tired of the pre holiday grind? Join us for a delicious dinner of honey glazed chicken or beef tips with mashed potato, vegetables, tossed salad, rolls, coffee and dessert. Our feature movie is "Larry Crowe".

Academy Award® winners Tom Hanks and Julia Roberts come together for a romantic and optimistic comedy about how it's never too late to reinvent yourself. When he suddenly finds himself without his long-standing blue-collar job, Larry Crowne (Hanks) enrolls at his local college to start over. There, he becomes part of an eclectic community of students and develops a crush on his teacher (Roberts). Now this simple guy will discover that when you think everything worth having has passed you by, you just might find your reason to live.

Fee: \$9 per person.

Pay by December 2nd.

**OAK POINT'S THIRD ANNUAL
"SUPPORT OUR TROOPS FOR
THE HOLIDAYS" FUNDRAISER**

Wednesday, December 7th at 7pm in the Ballroom.

Recognizing the holidays as the most difficult time of the year for our troops overseas, Oak Point has again teamed up with the Oak Point Veteran's Association & Middleboro Veteran's Affairs officer, Paul Provencher to bring you this event. For a \$10 per person donation you can help support our troops overseas and their families while enjoying a wonderful program with music, cash bar, guest speakers & more. We will also be collecting items for care packages to be sent to our soldiers throughout the year.

This is an open event meaning tickets will sell out quickly. No due date given. Pay ASAP.

THE TONY DEBLOIS SHOW

Thursday, December 8th at 7pm in the Ballroom. The Red Hat Club is hosting Tony DeBlois, a 37 year old musician who is blind,

autistic and is a musical savant. Tony has toured the world, plays 23 instruments, sings in 11 languages and is an inspiration to all who hear his programs. He is a graduate of the Perkins School of the Blind and Berklee School of Music from where he graduated in 1996 magna cum laude. This is a Show you will not want to miss. The cost is \$10 pp. Red Hat Members will get preferential seating. All monies raised will be donated to "Spinal Muscular Atrophy Assoc." SMA is a 100% volunteer organization dedicated to finding a cure for the #1 killer of children under 2 years of age.

**COFFEE AND DONUTS WITH
NEIGHBORS**

Saturday, December 10th at 9:30am in the Ballroom. You can still enjoy coffee and the now famous "MA's" donuts or a bagel and cream cheese and you will be supporting a different cause each month. This month will benefit the Oak Point Quilter's Guild. You'll also

have a chance to catch up with your neighbors and meet new homeowners. Sign up by December 7th. Fee: \$1 per person. If your group would like to host this event for a month, call the Social Dept.

HOLIDAY DINNER & A DJ

Saturday, December 10TH at 6pm in the Ballroom. Come share your holiday spirit. Enjoy a delicious turkey dinner with all the trimmings and an evening of dancing with Oak Point's own favorite dj, Kent Corsen.

Couples and singles are welcome. There will be all styles of dancing including line dancing, slow dancing and tunes to boogie to. Muckeys will be here with a cash bar. Pay by December 7th. Fee: \$15 each.

CHRONIC BACK PAIN: MYTHS AND MANAGEMENT

Monday, December 12th at 7pm. Come hear Dr. Jay Rosenfeld, MD, of Spaulding Rehabilitation on Cape Cod.

Dr Rosenfeld is Board certified in Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation and Pain Management. He has been on the medical staff of Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital Cape Cod since the hospital's beginning in 1995. He has special interest in stroke, neurological disease and interventional pain treatment. This is a great place to ask your questions about chronic back pain. Find out if treatment or surgery is the answer for you. Dr. Rosenfeld sees patients in Sandwich, Orleans and at our Plymouth Outpatient Center, 1 Scobee Circle in the Industrial Park, right off Rt. 44. Sign up on the Events Board.

SWANSEA COMMUNITY BAND HOLIDAY CONCERT

Tuesday, December 13th at 7:30pm in the Ballroom. Back by overwhelming demand. Enjoy a holiday performance by this 35 piece community band. The Oak Paws Pet Club is sponsoring this event.

Your ticket fee will not only get you into a great show, but all proceeds will be used to benefit the Middleboro dog shelter and other worthy animal causes. So come have a great time and do a good deed. Fee \$8.
Pay by December 10th.

GARY HYLANDER

Thursday, December 15th at 7pm in the Ballroom. Gary is finally back! As those of us who hear him regularly know, Gary loves to tie his lectures to the anniversaries of historic events. December was the significant month for the Korean War. Don't miss this talk. You will be educated as well as entertained. Fee \$8. Pay by December 12th.

HOLIDAY DANCE

Saturday, December 17th at 7pm in the Ballroom. Dance, dance, dance! We've got Paul Ashley and the 'Ol Dudes, (formerly Magic Moments) for this wonderful night of music and fun. Paul has gotten high marks from Oak Pointers for his music.

Everyone loves this band. Couples and singles are welcome. There will be all styles of dancing including line dancing, slow dancing and tunes to boogie to. Light refreshments will be served. Muckey's will be here with a cash bar. So don't miss out. Fee: \$8.
Pay by December 13th.

HANUKAH PROGRAM

Monday, December 19th at 7pm in the Ballroom. Come hear the lovely vocals of Jennifer Antebi as she sings traditional Hanukah songs accompanied by the piano. Sing along or just tap your feet and enjoy the show. She will also tell the story of Hanukah. This will be a fun night for all Oak Point homeowners. Fee: \$8.

DINNER AND A MOVIE

Tuesday, December 20th at 6pm in the Ballroom. Join us for your choice of baked, stuffed chicken or fish, rice pilaf, vegetables, tossed salad, rolls, coffee and dessert. Our feature movie is "The Help".

The #1 New York Times bestseller by Kathryn Stockett comes to vivid life Led by Emma Stone, Academy Award®-nominated Viola Davis, Octavia Spencer and Bryce Dallas Howard, *The Help* is an inspirational, courageous and empowering story about very different, extraordinary women in the 1960s South who build an unlikely friendship around a secret writing project — one that breaks society's rules and puts them all at risk. Filled with poignancy, humor and hope, *The Help* is a timeless, universal and triumphant story about the ability to create change. Fee: \$9 per person. Pay by Dec. 17th.

COME SING KARAOKE

Tuesday, December 27th, 7–9pm in the Ballroom. On the last Tuesday of each month at 7pm in the Ballroom, Oak Pointers become Frank Sinatra, Big Bopper and Connie Francis. You get the idea! It's all about fun and entertainment. The night is

hosted by homeowner, Kent Corson. Sing by yourself, with a group or support with your applause. Performers will be rewarded with a raffle ticket for the end of the night prize drawing. Bring your own beverages and snacks. Free.

NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

Saturday, December 31ST at 8:30pm to 12:30am in the Ballroom. Come party with us! We'll have music provided by our favorite DJ, Kent Corsen, cheese and crackers with fruit, and of course, hats and noisemakers for you to enjoy. Toast the New Year as we watch the ball drop on the giant screen TV! Muckkeys will provide a cash bar. This event will sell out quickly, register soon. Fee: \$10.00 per person. Pay by Dec. 28th unless previously sold out.

PROGRAM NEWS

Find a list of 70 weekly & monthly classes with fees, descriptions & locations in the Oak Point Recreation Brochure located by the Social Dept.

BALLROOM DANCE LESSONS

Choreographed ballroom dance lessons will be held on Sunday afternoons starting at 2pm in the Gym. The first dance rhythm taught will be the Cha-Cha which will include classic Cha rhythm, steps and amalgamations which can be done to any Cha rhythm including country and disco. The amalgamations you learn can be brought to the Oak Point ballroom dance floor. Starts December 4th. Pay as you go.

BEGINNER COUNTRY LINE

DANCING

Our country line dance instructor, Margaret Wilson, is now offering a beginners class on Saturday mornings from 9:30am to 10:30am in the Gym. If you have wanted to join the line dancing class, but felt they were too advanced, this is your

chance to start at the beginning. The beginner class is followed by the intermediate class at 10:30 to 11:30am. The fee is \$5 pay as you go.

PING PONG

We're playing Ping Pong again! If you would like to play, join us at 3pm on Fridays. For those who didn't know, Oak Point has a fold up table that is stored in the Gym closet. Like minded individuals are invited to take the table out and play pickup games in a round robin fashion. This is just for fun. No experience necessary. Free for homeowners.

MODEL TRAIN CLUB

Oak Point's new model train club is now meeting on Wednesday mornings at 10am in the back of the Ballroom. Come join the fun. We are just in the start up stages and deciding what we would like to accomplish. So far, sharing the train experience heads the list. We may also invite speakers and hold social events for all train enthusiasts. No sign up necessary just come to a meeting.

PARLEZ-VOUS FRANCAIS?

The December outing of our French speaking group will take place at the Coonamessett Inn. A lovely Christmas dinner is planned. Call Lillian Maury at 508-947-4962 for reservation & price information.

FIRESIDERS

The women of Oak Point get together on one Sunday of each month to renew friendships and hopefully meet new friends. We will meet on Sunday, December 18th, at 2pm in the Parlor. Bring your own refreshments. Call Nancy for more info at 946-9780.

STATE REP AT OAK POINT

State Rep. Thomas Calter holds monthly office hours at Oak Point on the 3rd Thursday of each month. The next visit is Thursday, December 15th at 5:30pm in the Library. Sign up on the Events Board.

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC

Have your blood pressure checked by Dana, one of the Brockton Visiting Nurses' staff on the last Tuesday of each

month. Next clinic: Tuesday, December 27th at 3pm in the Clubroom. Free for homeowners.

TRIVIA NIGHTS

Join fellow homeowners for an informal night of trivia on Saturday nights at 7pm in the Parlor. These nights are just for fun. Bring a beverage & enjoy with your friends.

INTERESTED?

Do you have an idea for an event or class? We are always looking for fresh, new ideas. In this section, we will list a number of suggestions we have received. If there is enough interest, we will make it happen.

Interested in taking your photography to the next level? Then sign up for an Oak Point Photography Club. The club will host monthly meetings to share tips and techniques, invite guest speakers and hold photo exhibits and contests. Outings will include group photo shoots to scenic destinations like the Plymouth

waterfront. Sign up on the Interest Bulletin Board if you would like to participate.

Interested in taking a Heartsaver CPR AED adult/pediatric class for the layperson? This is a 3 hour class and covers basic CPR techniques for adults as well as children and infant with simple barrier devices. Includes the use of the automated external defibrillator. No written exam. An American Heart Association certificate will be issued upon completion. This class will be offered in January if there is enough interest. Sign up on the Interest Bulletin Board to participate.

Interested in hearing a talk by Mary Bessey, the Regional Director of SHINE? She gives presentations around the area on a variety of topics. If there is enough interest, we would have her come and talk about the SHINE volunteer program. For several hours of volunteer time, participants are enrolled in a food coop. Sign up on the Interest Bulletin Board if you would like to hear more.

Interested in hearing a talk on Women and Finance. Terri Nicklas, a financial consultant with CCO Investment Services Corp. has a lot of information on how to handle your finances, especially if you are a woman. Her topics include Women and Finance, Social Security, Basic Financial Planning, Risk Management at Any Age and How to Manage Your Portfolio. Sign up on the Interest Bulletin Board if you would like to hear Terri speak.

NOTES FROM YOUR NEIGHBORS

Do you have something nice to say to your neighbors? Would you like to say thank you for a kindness or let others know about a cause you are working towards? This is the place to do it. Just drop a note if it is short or email to Carolyn at clynch@hometownamerica.net. The deadline for each issue is the 1st of the previous month.

THANK YOU

I would like to thank all of our friends at Oak Point for their cards and prayers and spiritual bouquets for Bill. Thanks to the Veteran's Association, the VFW Post 2188 and the American Legion Post 64 for their moving ceremony at the funeral home and their salute at the cemetery. Special thanks to Ken and Dot Nickerson for their care and help with Bill on the cruise ship. It will never be forgotten.
Eleanor Condon & Family

THANK YOU

I would like to thank all my neighbors, friends and tennis

buddies for all the calls, cards, visits, meals and shopping runs during my recent back to back surgeries. What would I have done without you? I promise, if I ever get sick in the middle of the night again, I will call you and not try to drive myself to the hospital. What a wonderful caring and supportive community this is.

Thank you all again.

Jan Butts

THANK YOU

To all of our friends and neighbors at Oak Point for all the cards, calls and prayers received during Frank's surgery and recovery. Also, to Fran, Jack, Joni and my mahjonnig ladies who were so helpful and supportive. Everything would have been much more difficult without them and we can't thank everyone enough.

"Blessed are the givers and Grateful are the receivers."

Frank and Helen Santorelli

THANK YOU

Fred and I would like to thank all of the homeowners and friends who participated in any way or sent in donations for the Alzheimer's Benefit Dance in July and the Swansea Community Band Concert in September. In total we raised

over \$1,300 which was donated to the Alzheimer's Organization. They are very appreciative for the support they received from the wonderful folks at Oak Point. Our annual fundraisers are getting bigger and better and we hope to see a greater participation next year. Please watch the newsletter for the next benefit in the fall. As usual, the Swansea Community Band put on a terrific performance. This band performs only for a nominal donation and a special thank you goes out to the person who won the raffle and donated the winnings back to the band. It truly was a great gesture and much appreciated. Also, a special thank you to Carolyn in the Social Sept. for helping make the evening such a success! And to my neighbor, Carol Nutile for helping sell raffle tickets! Again, many thanks for your generosity and let's hope they find a cure for this disease very soon.

Claire Betti and Fred Morton

THANK YOU

A big shout out to the "Green Wave" community and all the wonderful new people we have met since landing here on Sept. 18th. Big John held morning meetings in the garage as he was breaking down

packing boxes. Everyone stopped and said hello and welcome to the neighborhood. We have enjoyed coming to the many activities at the Clubhouse and especially the swimming pool, quilting group, line dancing and all of the walkers in the hallway. They were the best source of information! What a wonderful atmosphere. A big thank you to Rose & Sal Litchman for being such great watchmen as our house was being built. They sent pictures and made phone calls to keep us in touch. A big thank you to everyone we have met for making this transition a gracious, friendly and welcoming change. A special recognition to the front office for making this an easy and uncomplicated decision and a smooth transition, Ed, Stacy, Barbara and last but not least, Bobby. We look forward to meeting each and every one of you.

John & Karen Silipigno

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Do you know of any organizations that are looking for volunteers? We are hoping to include opportunities for homeowners who are looking to enrich their lives by volunteering their time. If so, let the Social

Department know and we will include it in the next newsletter. We will post the name of the agency, a contact person and a phone number.

Halifax Library Adult Literacy Program

Some of us at Oak Point are involved in this program. It is most rewarding. Help improve someone's life by meeting with them once a week at the Holmes Public Library in Halifax. There are adults who want to improve their English speaking, reading and writing skills. Take a free training course at the library. This course meets four times in 2 hour sessions. You do not need to be a teacher to do this. Tutors from all occupations are welcomed and trained. A 6 month commitment of one hour per week is suggested. Join a group of volunteers who give back to their community by making a difference in others lives. Call Elaine at (781) 293-2271.

Vivian Lerner & Lois Spector

Middleborough Public Library

The Middleboro Public Library is looking for volunteers to assist staff by re-shelving returned items. Because we have books on high and low shelves, good health is essential. Knowledge of the Dewey

Decimal System can come with training. Attention to detail is required. Contact Danielle Bowker at (508) 946-2470. Also, the Friends can always use new people to volunteer for various fundraisers. There are often book sales and they would like to hold a weekly or monthly coffee hour. For the Friends group please contact Roni Haywood at rhaywood689@gmail.com.

DONATION CLOSETS

There are two closets located in the Ballroom foyer that have bins for donations. Please do not drop off used items that are not specifically requested.

Eye Glasses & Hearing Aids:

Gently worn eye glasses & aids are being collected by the Lions Club.

Food Items: Non-perishable food items are being collected by homeowner Susan Beaulieu for Roads to Responsibility.

Flags: Worn American Flags are being collected by the Oak Point Veterans Association for retirement.

Dog & Cat Food: The Oak Paws Pet Club collects donations of dog & cat food as well as blankets, towels, pet toys and treats to be distributed to the Middleboro dog shelter and surrounding animal shelters.

To adopt a dog, call the Lakeville Animal Shelter at 508 947-3891. They have a large selection of dogs.

Care Packages: Items for care packages for our troops serving overseas are being collected by the OPVA & Oak Point. Please no sample sizes, as they do not list ingredients.

Personal Care Items: Personal care items are being collected by the Oak Point Women's Club for the Conway House. They also accept household cleaning supplies.

Toys: New toys, still in the packages are being collected for Roads to Responsibility to assist those less fortunate than us in celebrating the holiday season.

****If you wish to collect donated items for a worthy cause, stop by the Social Department for more information.**

MOVIES

***Please note that movies listed may need to be substituted on occasion due to availability. We do our best to provide a well rounded schedule of movies that are new to the shelves and hopefully, new to you as well. Feel free to call or stop in anytime with questions.

Friday, December 2nd & Saturday, December 3rd- "Father Of Invention"

Millionaire infomercial guru, Robert Axle (Kevin Spacey) loses everything when one of his inventions has a design flaw that accidentally chops off the fingers of thousands of customers.

Friday, December 9th & December 10th -"Water For Elephants"

Based on the acclaimed bestseller, 'Water for Elephants' presents an unexpected romance in a uniquely compelling setting. Veterinary school student Jacob meets and falls in love with Marlena, a star performer in a circus of a bygone era.

Friday, December 16th & Saturday, December 17th- "Hangover II".

In the follow-up to the record-breaking hit comedy 'The Hangover,' Phil (Bradley Cooper), Stu (Ed Helms), Alan (Zach Galifianakis) and Doug (Justin Bartha) travel to exotic Thailand for Stu's wedding.

Friday, December 23rd - "Thirteen" .

Vince Ferro is a man in desperate circumstances. While on a quick fix-it job, he steals an envelope containing instructions for a mysterious job that promises a potential fortune. He assumes a false identity and follows the instructions, only to find himself a numbered participant in an underworld Russian roulette competition, where gamblers place bets on who'll survive when the trigger is pulled. The stakes are high, but the payout is more than he can resist.

Friday, December 30th & Saturday, December 31st- "Change Up".

Growing up together, Mitch (Ryan Reynolds) and Dave (Jason Bateman) were inseparable best friends, but as the years have passed they've slowly drifted apart.

Trip Information

MOHEGAN SUN

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18TH 8:30AM-6PM

\$25.00

HOLIDAY WITH THE POPS

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20TH 12PM-

7:30PM

\$61.00PP

CHECK OUT THE OAK POINT TRIPS BOARD LOCATED ACROSS THE HALL FROM THE SOCIAL DEPARTMENT FOR THE LATEST TRIP INFORMATION.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

John Lane	December 1 st
Judi Gordon	December 3 rd
Shirley Jones	December 3 rd
Rose Dould	December 5 th
Jim Johnson	December 5 th
Cathy Gill	December 5 th
Sheila Sweeney	December 6 th
Ed Murphy	December 7 th
Maureen Ready	December 8 th
Nancy Caron	December 9 th
Beverly Snyder	December 10 th
Joyce Durnin	December 10 th
Ruth Ghelfi	December 10 th
Sandra Furze	December 11 th
Gordon Lyons	December 11 th
Joe Traniello	December 12 th
Deanna DiSalvo	December 12 th
Al Hoffman	December 12 th
Billie Mae Gordon	December 12 th
Donald Reynolds	December 13 th
John Warren	December 13 th
Lorraine Ledoux	December 13 th
Fran Smith	December 14 th
Debbie Norton	December 14 th
Louis Ghelfi	December 14 th
Maureen Schramm	December 15 th
Barbara McCarrick	December 15 th
Bruce Bean	December 16 th
Bob Jacques	December 16 th
Richard Gray	December 17 th
Frank Mostow	December 17 th
Marilyn Akley	December 18 th
June Novio	December 19 th
David Berman	December 20 th
Bill Dillon	December 20 th
Ruth Bringardner	December 21 st
Jacquelynne Beard	December 21 st
Madeline Day	December 21 st
Charles Long	December 22 nd
Claire Klein	December 23 rd
Jackie Gillespie	December 23 rd
Susan Beaulieu	December 24 th
Alice Distasio	December 24 th
Shirley Holmes	December 24 th
Walter Newman	December 24 th

Eileen Cargen	December 24 th
Marianne Cave	December 24 th
Sandra Flanagan	December 25 th
George Murphy	December 25 th
Don Jones	December 25 th
Pat Pizzi	December 26 th
David Kanevski	December 27 th
Helen Sanpietro	December 27 th
Judy Borland	December 27 th
Pauline Larue	December 27 th
Linda Palmer	December 28 th
Carol Kalchthaler	December 28 th
Thomas Day	December 29 th
Elinor Stanwood	December 29 th
Dick Lincoln	December 29 th
Teresa Savignano	December 31 st
Carolyn Caswell	December 31 st
Tom Cronin	December 31 st

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Herve & Barbara Gasse	December 1 st
Nancy & Cliff Chiasson	December 10 th
Ira & Dottie Kaye	December 10 th
Richard & Lorraine Barnes	December 13 th
Dick & Eileen Washburn	December 20 th
Norman & Gail Goldfarb	December 24 th
Buzzy & Sandy Goldstein	December 25 th
Ed & Judi Murphy	December 28 th
Chuck & Carole Barber	December 28 th
Neil & Patricia Connolly	December 28 th
Al & Arlene Lewis	December 28 th

Red Hat Society

Congratulations to the Oak Point Drama Club for doing a "fantastic" job this year on their Show. Everyone did a superior job and we all had lots of laughs.

On Sunday the 6th of November, 15 of us attended the show at BSU, "Guys & Dolls" which was also a wonderful presentation.

*Looking ahead, we have our **December 8th Show** starring "**Tony DeBlois, a 37 year old blind, autistic musical savant who has toured the world sharing his great gift.** He has been on The Good Morning America Show as well as the Today Show and has appeared in concert halls from Dublin to Taipei to Washington, DC's Kennedy Ctr. The latest book, "Some Kind of Genius" which shares his extraordinary journey and was written by his Mother Janice & Antonia Felix will be on sale at the Show along with CD's that Tony has done.*

You DO NOT want to miss this presentation. This Show will be open to all Oak Pt. Residents & their friends. Call Nancy Downie, 508-946-5533 for tickets.

Dates to save are; January 26th for The 50th Anniversary Show for the Cabaret in Hingham and February 12th for The Hasty Pudding Show at Harvard called "The Great Flood"

Nancy Downie, QueenBee

NEWS FROM THE WOMEN'S CLUB

Once again, our Programs committee has been hard at work bringing us interesting, informative and entertaining programs. Mark your calendar for our **Saturday, Dec. 17th meeting** when **Miss Massachusetts 2011, Molly Whalen**, will bring us our entertainment. Formerly, Miss Taunton, Molly lives here in Middleboro. We welcome you to bring your daughters and teenage granddaughters to the entertainment portion beginning at 10:30.

Dining Out will be Wednesday, December 14th at Luciano's in Wrentham. Sign up will be at our Nov. 19th meeting. Reservations must be made with Jacquie Trepanier or Shirley Modica by Dec. 9th.

The demand for local food pantries is greater than ever as the holiday season approaches. At our Oct. meeting we presented a check to Bill Pye for St. Vincent dePaul who anticipates meeting the needs of 950 families during this holiday season. Remember to bring your food donations to our monthly meetings. Nov.'s donation goes to St. Vincent dePaul and Dec.'s to Central Congregational.

We are tossing around several ideas for our 2012 fundraising events. One idea is a "Bridal Tea" in June wherein we feature bridal gowns throughout the years. With this in mind, are you a person who saved your wedding gown and would be willing to let us borrow it? (Don't panic we won't ask you to model it). Call Dottie Weikel, 508-947-3325, if you do. *P.S. this is not a definite fundraiser at this point.*

On behalf of the Women's Club, we wish you a *Happy Thanksgiving!*

Submitted by Barbara Gasse, Secretary

A MESSAGE FROM THE HOMEOWNERS SCHOLARSHIP ASSOCIATION

Hi to everyone, I hope that everyone's summer was enjoyable and that our fall weather continues so we can enjoy these pleasant days a little bit longer.

I would like to take this opportunity, to again say thank you. The wonderful generosity from everybody, both in volunteering and donating, is what made this year's yard sale such a huge success. So far the bottles and cans have been going very well. Collections are roughly running about \$35.00 per week. This cannot be said enough, your generosity seems to know no bounds when it comes to a worthy cause. For those that may not know we have a drop off box for all of your returnable bottles and cans. It is located behind the white fence at the end of the club house. The box says Muckey's redemption, all proceeds from your returnable's goes towards the Scholarship fund.

Our first meeting of the Scholarship Committee to start planning for the next yard sale will be held on Monday January 9th at 7:00pm in the parlor. Please remember that all of you belong to the Association and we would love to have you attend.

I will try to keep everybody updated as to the goings on at the meetings as we move forward towards next years yard sale

Thank You

Jerry Ellis
Chairman
Scholarship Association

SINGLES CLUB

The past few months have been busy for members - dining out at Stockholders and attending a fantastic show Guys & Dolls in October. November includes a visit to the Sandwich Glass Museum and diner at Daniel Webster Inn. Please remember the 3rd Thursday of each month is Singles Club.

NOVEMBER 21 GLASS MUSEUM & DANIEL WEBSTER INN

Both locations are in Sandwich, MA. Glass Museum is featuring the second annual glass blowers Christmas Nativity Artistry - event does not begin until Nov. 21. Museum hours are 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is \$5.00. Leave parking lot at 10:00 a.m. Contact: Bernadette Yoders 947-7426

**DECEMBER 8 BLITHEWOLD MANSION,
BRISTOL, RI**

Open for Christmas - November 25 through January 1. Admission is \$8.00. We have three restaurant suggestions right in the same area on the water - Redlefson, SSDion and the Lobster Pot. Decision to be made at next meeting. Departure time 10:30 a.m. Contact: Ann Narr 947-1074

DECEMBER 15 CHRISTMAS PARTY

The annual Singles Christmas party will be held on our regular meeting night for December. Gifts should be ready for wrapping for our **NEEDY**

FAMILY EVENT. This is always such a joyous event - snack a little - wrap a lot- (or visa/versa) and leave with a full heart knowing we contributed in small way to make Christmas happier for others.

Sign up sheets on the Singles Bulletin Board with cut-off dates noted for the above events.

Respectfully submitted,
Bernadette Yoders

DECEMBER NEWS FROM ART ASSOCIATION

We spent our time during the November meeting doing something we all do at meetings....."Doodling"! Janet Ilmonen led us through the fun activity called "Zentangles". Some very interesting, creative and mysterious pieces of artwork were turned out by the "Doodlers". We were able to take our kits home to have our family try their hand at it, especially the little ones.

Bob Weikel and Tom O'Connor were responsible for a show of our artwork in the Mayflower Bank lobby. Bank employees reported good attendance and very favorable comments of the fourteen paintings on display during October.

We are extremely pleased to have Randy Julius as our featured demonstrator at our December 14th meeting. We all know Randy as a member of the group "Dale and the Duds". They are a great favorite of homeowners for their music here.

Randy is also famous in his own right as an accomplished wild life painter. He has won many awards, including his latest—the Massachusetts Duck Stamp.

The Art Association invites all homeowners to join us for Randy's demonstration.

Please mark your calendar December 14th at 2:30

for the demo, located in the Main Ballroom.

Respectfully submitted, Sheila Dilulis

OAK POINT CLASSIC CAR CLUB

The Oak Point Classic Car Club hosted the October coffee and doughnuts.

Thanks to the Oak Point residents who contributed \$1.00 each, we presented a check for \$120.00 to the Middleboro Council on Aging for their food program.

They were pleasantly surprised and appreciative.

The monthly meeting of the Oak Point Classic Car Club will be held on Wednesday December 21 at 7 P.M.

This is a free, casual get together for anyone interested in Classic/Antique cars and motorcycles.

Owning a classic car is not a requirement.

We discuss subjects related to classic cars – local car shows, mechanics, where to buy and sell cars, etc.

We welcome new members!

ANTIQUe CLUB NEWS

The next meeting of the Antiques Club is scheduled on Monday, December 26. at 7pm in the Back of the Ballroom.

The October meeting was attended by 11 members. Items on hand that night included antique watercolors, china & porcelain, advertising and old books. A framed Confederate Civil War Bond complete with all certificates received great attention since it was a most unusual item. Owners of these items discussed their significance and provenance.

All Oak Point residents are invited to attend the December 26 meeting.

Everyone who attends is encouraged to bring an antique item for discussion. The club is free and open to all residents. No dues are ever collected.

Submitted by: Mary O'Neill, Club Secretary

Computer Club

The Computer Club meets on the first Monday and the first Wednesday of the month at 6:00 PM in the back ballroom.

Someone is usually there earlier, so feel free to look for us as early as 5:00 if no one else is using the room.

The Monday meeting usually has a theme or a presenter. Wednesday is reserved for troubleshooting and questions.

Free for homeowners.

OAK POINT GARDEN CLUB....December,2011

The December regular meeting of the Oak Point Garden Club will meet on December 6,2011, Tuesday, at 6:30 PM, for the Holiday Potluck Party in the clubhouse ballroom. Members are asked to bring a wrapped holiday gift, (\$10 value), garden related. We will have an old fashion Yankee Swap. Noelle Shufelt won the Craft Fair Drawing and Anne Ricco was the winner of the October club drawing item.

Members of the club will be meeting to decorate several areas of Oak Point for the holidays. Our theme this year will be Angels and Stars. Last year

many homeowners also used our theme to decorate their homes. See how

creative you can be. Our final day to decorate will be December 4th and all members are welcomed to join us for hot drinks and donuts at the Gazebo

at 9:30 AM where we will decorate and put up the tree. We always love the

holiday music. Board members are reminded to bring a copy of your annual report to the December meeting. Call Donna Beauregard if any questions.

The garden club sent \$100 worth of apples to the food pantry. Thank you to

Carolyn Christensen who took care of this. We will send more fresh food in November and December.

Marie Clory donated a green arbor and two winter clematis plants for the

Brittany Jane Richardson Memorial Park.

Thank you to Irene Reed and Loretta Batchelder for installing the arbor and planting the clematis plants.

The club will not meet during the months of January & February. Have a healthy, safe winter.

Joanne Menice, Secretary...508-947-3937

OAK POINT/MUCKEY'S GOLF LEAGUE

GOLF "FACTS"

- In the U. S., the golf population by gender is 77% men/
23% women. (By comparison, our league is 62%/38%.)
- Don't fret about your high handicap – 80% of all golfers will never achieve a handicap less than 18.

Although the 2012 golf league season seems far off, applications are coming in at a very brisk pace. Application blanks are available in the entryway to the fitness room, and from Linda Lupo, Bob Cargen, Mike Sweeney, and Walter Reed. Assignments to your preferred day of play (Monday or Tuesday) are on a first come, first served basis, so don't hesitate if you have a preference. Reminder: payment must accompany the application forms.

Details for 2012 as follows:

Regular Dues - \$75 Sub Dues - \$40
Deadline for applications - April 1, 2012
Kick-Off Meeting – April 30th at 7:00 in the Grand Ballroom.
Play starts (4:30 shotgun) May 7th & 8th
Play ends September 17^h & 18th
Banquet - Wednesday, October 3, 2012, at 7:00 (Doors open at 6:00) in the Grand Ballroom
Course – The Back Nine Club in Lakeville (on the web at thebacknineclub.com)

Bob Cargen/Secretary – 774-213-9387
(b.cargen@comcast.net)

THE TRAVEL CLUB AT OAK POINT

CHECK Club's Bulletin Board for details of current trips. LOCATION: Clubhouse Hallway between fitness center & indoor pool.

JOIN THE TRAVEL CLUB: Forms on the club's board.

2012 TRIPS – Info on Club's Board

*All trips open to members, their guests, and non-members. Paid members eligible for trip priorities, discounts, or bonuses, if offered.

1. March 9, 10, & 11 – Cape Cod Irish Village
Enjoy two to three nights at the Irish Village in South Yarmouth and see the St. Patrick's Day Parade. Irish Village is known as the "The best of Ireland on Cape Cod." The website states, "As Patty Page once sang, "You're sure to fall in love with Olde Cape Cod." Plan your own transportation. Make your own reservations before December 31, 2011. Detailed info & attendance sheet on club's board.

2. May 18-May 23 – Bermuda 7-day cruise on the Norwegian Dawn departing from Boston Friday, May 18. Reference the Travel Club at Oak Point when making reservations through the club's contact: Wendy Morrison, AAA: 617 332 9900 wmorrison@aaasne.com . Prices subject to change. Reservation info on club's board.

ENHANCE COMMUNICATION

*Members should send their email addresses to Marie, mbootscoot@comcast.net. The club only sends travel club information, minutes, & updates. Email addresses are not available to groups or other individuals.

MEETINGS: MONTHLY ON 2nd TUESDAY 7 pm in Back Ballroom

*January 10: Board Elections and Lisa Berrios, Bloom Tour & Charter Services.

*February 14: Mike Pittsley, AAA, a 'Hawaii' Night.

Ann Davis Goodrum ag1@comcast.net

Country Piecemakers' Quilt Guild

It's party time for our guild. A time to celebrate another year of our work, our trips, our stories, and our special projects. At the December meeting each year, we donate several dozen Love Quilts to Tufts New England Medical Center for Children.

As we thank our officers, program chair, and committee members, we give our best wishes to the members who are stepping forward to be our leaders in 2012. After five years as secretary, I, too, will retire. Thanks to all in the guild and the larger community for your kind comments about our quilting column and occasional articles in the newspaper.

Country Piecemakers is open to all Oak Point residents who are interested in quilting. Our December meeting will be held at 6:30 P.M. on Wednesday, the 14th, in the Club Room.

Nancy Emerson, Secretary

NEWS FROM THE GREEN TEAM

The next meeting of the Green Team is Thursday, Dec. 8th at 7 pm in the back of the ballroom. Is there more we can do here at Oak Point as a team? Join us as we discuss future possibilities.

A special thank you to our community for your efforts in the recycling of paper. The funds raised has allowed us to make a contribution of \$850 to "Christmas Wishes", a local organization that provides Christmas gifts as well as food to people in need in both Middleboro and Lakeville. In 2010, 189 families were thankful for the generosity of businesses, groups and individuals who support Christmas Wishes. This year they anticipate even more families requesting assistance.

Submitted by Dottie Weikel, Facilitator

TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS

Fred Taylor, General Manager
947-3535
Barbara Brown, Sales Rep.
923-0002 x 13
Stacy Gerry, Sales Rep.
923-0002x12
Debbie Silva & Carolyn Lynch,
Social Directors 947-5406
Peter Conant, Property
Management
947-3535



FROM CUSTOMER SERVICE

To avoid delays in the processing of your Customer Service requests, please do not insert correspondence to the Customer Service Dept. with your rent payments.

Correspondence for the Customer Service Department should be placed in a separate envelope marked "Customer Service".

Unfortunately residents will no longer be able to Email customer service requests via the Oak Point website. To email a customer service request, please send your request to

fred_taylor@hometownamerica.net.

Thank You

AUTOMATIC PAYMENT OF MONTHLY FEE

You can now have your monthly fee automatically drafted from your checking or savings account. To sign up please complete the "Hometown America EZ Pay Direct

Payment " form and return to the Social Department or mail to:
200 Oak Point Drive
Middleboro, MA 02346

Applications received by the 15th of the month will be processed for the third of the immediately following month, unless otherwise noted. The fee will be taken out on the third of the month. If the third falls on a holiday or weekend the fee will be deducted on the next business day.

FROM THE SOCIAL DEPT.

Newsletter items must be emailed to both clynch@hometownamerica.net and dsilva@hometownamerica.net

All items MUST be received no later than the 1st of each month.

Submissions received late will be added to the next newsletter.

REFUNDS & CREDITS

All events are NON REFUNDABLE unless otherwise specified.

WELCOME NEW HOMEOWNERS

Michael & Barbara Marcoux
3408 Pheasant Lane

Steven Fradkoff & Judith
Siref
410 Waverly Road

FALL/WINTER HOME CHECK LIST FROM CUSTOMER SERVICE

Install storm windows on skirt vents: For proper ventilation; make sure 1 vent remains open year-round. If you need assistance with the installation of your storm windows – contact the Customer Service office for an appointment. Installations can be done for \$45.00. This charge will also include removal of the storm windows in the spring. If you do not have storm windows – they can be purchased from the Customer Service Department for \$25.00 each.

Furnace filter replacement and annual cleaning & servicing: The Customer Service office has furnace filters in stock. For service you can contact E.M.S.–HVAC Service at 781–635–7338, Middleborough Gas & Electric at 508–947–1535, Standish Oil at 508–947–0150, Mass State Plumbing and Heating at 888–822–1301 or any plumbing/heating contractor of your choice.

Heat tape: Inspect your heat tape to ensure it is working properly. If you need assistance with checking the heat tape – contact the Customer Service office for an appointment. Inspections can be done for \$40.00.

Fireplace: Inspect to make sure it is lighting. Replace batteries in the remote and receiver.

Battery replacements: Replace batteries in smoke detectors, gate remotes, and garage door opener remotes. It's a good idea to replace these at least twice a year. A handy tool to help you remember to replace your batteries is to change them when you change your clocks forward and back.



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As always you can customize a themed wine basket, beer bucket or a liquor basket. We also have our Wine of the Month bag, they make a great hostess gift. Each bag has a red and white wine with literature about the wine and a copy of Food and Wine



If you are interested in any of these items please come visit us at Muckey's or you can email your requests/questions to susan@muckeyliquors.com.

To All Oak Pointers,

It is our turn again to say thank you! Everyone at Oak Point makes us feel very welcome when we are there, to work the bar, attend a function or to fill the vending machines, there are always people coming up to say "Hi". You make us feel really good to know we have so many friends. For those of you that did not attend the Drama Club show, you missed a great time. Thank you for inviting Cindy and myself.

We appreciate you shopping at Muckey's. We all work hard to have the best store in the area and we are always thinking of new ways to make your shopping at Muckey's a great experience.

We don't know each of you by sight or name so next time you are in please make a point to let us know you are an Oak Pointer. We are always looking for feedback and would greatly appreciate your thoughts. Please e-mail bill@muckeyliquors.com. Again, we all thank you for your support.

Bill, Cindy, Kim, Billy, Al, Missi, Susan, Christine and everyone at Muckey's Liquors.

Don't forget.....delivery service to Oakpoint residents, Monday through Friday. A propane fill up, \$16.00 or purchase of \$50.00 or more with no delivery charge, place order by 3:00 pm for same day or next day delivery.