

Florence Real Estate: *The Good, the Bad, the Ugly*

By Lanette Manzi, Village Voice Staff Writer

I recently reached out to local real estate brokers Deb Baxter and Steve Earnshaw to inquire about the state of the local real estate market and the impact of the rising housing costs on the community. Deb is a Greentrees resident and, although she is a relatively new broker (2019), she has hit the ground running winning Realtor of the Year in 2022. Steve

Earnshaw is a veteran real estate broker with a 20-year history in Florence, serving as 2004 Florence Chamber of Commerce President, President of the Central Oregon Coast Board of Realtors in 2009 and 2017, and Realtor of the Year in 2012 and 2016.

Both Steve and Deb agreed that home prices everywhere have gone crazy, but why Florence? Steve informed me that the recent boom in our once-sleepy little community started in Aug 2004 when the City of Florence was named



“Best Place to Retire” by Retirement Places Rated. Between 2005 and 2006, the Median Sale Price (MSP) increased over 30%. The crash in 2007 slowed things down, dropping prices 50% by 2008, then it took 5 years to the start of the recovery. The trend has been up ever since with COVID accelerating that curve. According to Deb, the MSP specifically for homes in Greentrees Village increased 6.1% in 2020 then another 30.6% in 2021 (normal inflation is 3-5%). This steep inflation on housing prices is great for current sellers; however, for the

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Around the Village

By Village Voice Staff Writers

Childhood Memories for a Few GTV Residents



After a two year hiatus, Rhody Days was back in bloom again in Florence and, for a few hours, GTV residents, Donna Stowe Johannessen, Dawn and Dan Kelly, Eva Hoffman, and Pamela Trevino were transported back to their childhood days on a quest for the coveted Oscar Mayer wiener whistle.

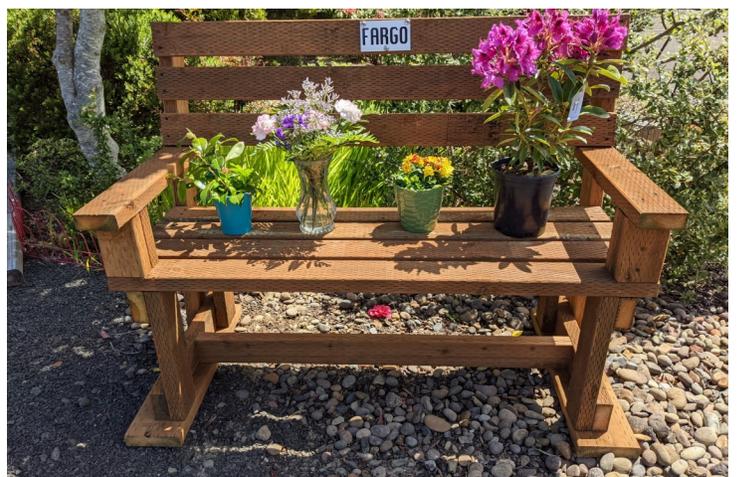
They were last spotted marching down Center Street in GTV singing the Oscar Mayer hotdog jingle...

Did you know that in the '90s Oscar Mayer actually did send a Weiner-mobile to Europe, which traveled to several American military bases. Cool factoid.

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In Remembrance of Our Beloved GTV “four-legged” Friend, Fargo



“Fargo” sign and bench courtesy of Jeff Myers Turn to **Village** Page 2

NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING TUESDAY JUNE 14TH 1PM



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by **Tom Benson**, HOA President

Speaking of a Greentrees' manager, after 7 or 8 months without one our manager search committee and our board of directors were looking forward to welcoming a new manager on June 1st. Instead we received a text from the expected manager on May 31st, withdrawing from the position. What this means is we are still looking for a new manager.

Now during the time we have been without a manager we have been able to get along because our office staff (Laurie and Julie) and Bob, our maintenance supervisor as well as others went above and beyond to keep us operating smoothly. I believe most people just enjoy living here at Greentree's and have no idea what goes into running this place and that is the way it should be.

Looking forward, if you need help from our office from time to time they are always happy to help, if and when they can. Now there are some people (a few) I would like to ask that they be the people that they would like to be before entering the office.

Sincerely,
Thomas Benson
Greentree's President

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City of Florence, St Vincent's have Funding for Housing Rehabs

By Village Voice Staff Writers

The city of Florence, in coordination with St. Vincent De Paul of Lane County, has funding to support housing rehabilitation loans for homeowners that make less than 80% of the area median income. These funds have been provided by Oregon State's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program.

If you own your home, or currently are buying a home, you may qualify for a loan to make important repairs to your home. Appropriate projects include, but is not limited to, roof repairs, foundations, dry rot, plumbing and electrical repairs, heat systems updates, windows and door replacements, and accessibility changes, such as adding ramps or bathroom accessibility upgrades.. Loans are offered at a very low interest rate (3.0% with 1.149% APR) and no monthly payments until your home is sold or transfers ownership

Area Median Income (AMI) limits have recently been updated for 2022 by U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, so interested parties that previously did not qualify may now qualify.

Full details and additional information on this program can be found on the City's website at www.ci.florence.or.us/economicdevelopment/housing-rehabilitation-program.

Questions about the program be directed to Andy Clay, Program Manager, St. Vincent De Paul of Lane County, by email: andy.clay@svdp.us or by phone: 541-743-7128.

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The first Community Yard Sale, which are garage sales at individual homes, is Friday/Saturday June 24/25.

The gates are open from 9 am to 3 pm and always draws a good attendance from the Florence community, so start getting your sales items ready. No sign-up required.



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Permits First...Then Begin Work

By Village Voice Staff Writers & ACC Committee

Spring brings warmer weather and along with it the desire of many GTV property owners to spruce up their lots and homes. Some are probably considering home additions and exterior renovations, while others may be entertaining investing in lot development, repairing or replacing retaining walls, doing some fencing, putting in a dog run, or possibly even removing an old home and replacing it with a new one.

All are great ways to increase the value of your property and make it more attractive or more functional. But before you give the green light to your contractor, or begin the work yourself, there's one critical step that must be taken: contacting the Greentree's Architectural Committee (ACC).

Your plans must be approved by the ACC before work can begin. That's because Greentrees Village is an HOA, which means there are very specific regulations that property owners must adhere to before work begins, ACC approval is also required before you obtain city approval and the necessary permits required for such work.

To make the approval process as painless as possible, the ACC put together a special packet (available at the office & website) to assist residents in the planning and approval process, complete with the CC&R's Rules & Regs and Land Use, the forms that need to be filled out, and the contact names of ACC members who are happy to assist. "We encourage homes and properties be kept up. It benefits all of us," says Nick Woodworth, the current ACC chair. "But, at the same time, some types of work done on a lot here in Greentrees require the 'ok' from the ACC and permits from the City of Florence." Woodworth says building a deck, a dog run, making changes to the driveway, installing or removing a



Approval by the Greentrees Village Architectural Control Committee is required before work on projects such as exterior construction, retaining walls, fences, decks and driveways is done on the lot. If work is done without permits, fines will be imposed by the GTV HOA.

structure on the property, building a fence, work on retaining walls, or replacing a carport/garage/shed all require permits and ap-

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by C. Weed



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THIS & THAT

Welcome New Resident Owners:

- Lot 6 Jay Priest from Gresham, OR
- Lot 407 Doris Brown from Eugene, OR
- Lot 556 Jay & Nancy Millard from Everett, WA
- Lot 664 Diane Greer from Beaverton, OR
- Lot 691 Jack Stephen from Eugene, OR

Welcome New renters:

- Lot 589 Linda Kelly & Tricia Deckert from Florence

Recycling: The Activities Committee collects your cans and bottles (the ones with a 10 cent deposit) with all proceeds going to future activities. If you have at least a trash bag full Mark Tilchen, Activities Chair, will pick them up. **Contact Mark at 559-786-6576.**

HOA Fee Reminder: Just a monthly reminder that HOA dues have gone up to \$250 as of January 1, 2022. Please, always include your lot# on your check too.

Monthly Gate Code: Call or stop by the office for the monthly "contractors code". The code changes on the first day of each month. You can also find it on the GTV website in the Owner's Area.

Family Pool Opening: On Saturday May 28th the family pool area open for the summer. The pool will be open from 8:00 am to 7:30pm.

Green (trees) Thumbs: Need with minor front yard maintenance and unable to complete tasks due to personal limitations? **Call Bonnie Costa at 541-404-6343.**

Dumpster Use: Please don't put any branches longer than 3 feet long and 3" thick in diameter in the yard-waste

dumpsters here in Greentrees. No plastic bags. No household trash. Only yard waste. Dumpsters are emptied on Tuesdays and either Thursdays or Fridays weekly for the summer, starting June 1st.

GARDENING

GREENTREES GREENHOUSE OPEN

If you have a green thumb and a hankering for a place to grow herbs and veggies, we have a greenhouse that's perfect for such endeavors. The greenhouse is located in the maintenance area next to the GERT container and the big dumpsters. The little enclosed "community garden" has a nice watering system, and numerous GTV residents stop in to plant and maintain a variety of fresh produce, which they freely share with others. Check it out.

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Club & Group's Corner

By Diana Lindsley

GERT – For June, GERT will have a class on radio communications. They are forming a new GERT Radio Group. All interested are encouraged to attend. Bring your own handheld radio if available; there are a few available if needed. Meeting will be Thursday, June 9 at 1 PM in the Rec Hall. Contact Kristel Buechner for more information.

Quilt Group – The Quilt Group had a successful paper piecing class in May. For June, Carol Parrish will be showing how to do an 'international tie' where no stitches show. Meeting will be Thursday, June 16 at 1 PM in the Rec Hall. Contact Diana Lindsley at 541-590-3623 for more information

Knit & Crochet Group – This is a new group and will be meeting the 2nd and 4th Friday of the month, from 2-4 PM in the Multi Purpose Room. If you are interested in participating, please come join them. Contact Diane Freburg at 541-997-8334 for more information.

String Instrument Class – This group meets the 2nd Sunday of each month from 1:30 – 3 PM. Come learn about playing a string instrument. Contact Larry Galleger at 541-590-3676 for more information.

Book Club – This group meets the 4th Thursday of each month at 2 PM in the Multi Purpose Room. Rather than everyone reading the same book, each month members are encouraged to bring a book that they have read or are reading, talk about the book, and give a short presentation. This not only gives a variety of books to be discussed, but sharpens people's presentation skills. For more information, please contact Charles Lugg at 541-590-3871 or Don McGehe at 541-590-3421

Other Groups? – If you belong to a group and would like your group info shared here in the newsletter, please contact Diana Lindsley at 541-590-3623 to get your group activities added to the Group Corner section.

Optimizing Your Health and Wellness

By Shanti Chagnon & Village Voice Staff Writers

We've heard health and wellness used synonymously; however, they are actually very different concepts. Health is focused more on your physical body and how well-functioning it is or is not. Your health is clinically determined by how well you can move your body and the absence of acute or chronic diseases.

Wellness is focused on lifestyle choices that produce well-being, such as choosing to exercise, mindfully reducing your stress, or eating nutritious foods. Focusing on wellness can help you achieve good health for a lifetime; however, a wellness lifestyle is achievable whether you have perfect health or



you're struggling with a chronic illness or injury.

Together, good health and focus on wellness can help you achieve your best self and a high quality of well-being. Just choosing to take a walk in the fresh air and sunshine puts you on a path to optimal health and wellness.

Practicing Yoga is one way to start your health and wellness journey. Yoga is a low impact form of mindful movement, perfect for our aging bodies. The benefits of yoga are numerous, including improved circulation, strength, flexibility, lung capacity, mobility, stress relief and reduced inflammation, just to name a few. Are you ready to start your journey to wellness?

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The Activities Committee

by Mark Tilchen

Next meeting Monday, June 13th, 10am, Rec Hall.

The Mother’s Day lunch was a celebration event with lots of smiles and happy tummies. Residents got a treat with Sangria included, homemade strawberry shortcake for dessert, and roses handed out to the ladies. Numbers are down from before COVID, but we still had nearly 100 as people start joining in the events. The next community lunch is on Father’s Day, Sunday, June 19th, and will be a swiss steak lunch with homemade rolls, all the fixin’s, and a hot fudge brownie sundae for dessert, all for a bargain cost of \$7 at the door. The lunch will be presented by Tom Benson and Lou Manzi, with the help of our valued volunteers. Please sign up in the library room if you want to attend, or to help with the event. We base food preparation on the sign-ups, so we can’t guarantee you will get a plate if you don’t sign-up.

The May Potluck numbers were down due to the holiday weekend, but still lots of great dishes to choose from and lots of fun had by all. Potlucks are held on the 4th Friday of every month, at 6pm, in the Rec Hall. For potlucks, please bring your own table setting, drink, and a dish to share (on average about 40 people attend each month).

May’s Coffee Social was standing room only, spilling out into the Library Room. In addition to the goodies provided by the Activities Committee, Mark Tilchen brought some healthy, and very yummy, scones, and Lou Manzi brought homemade donuts (watch out, guys, he’s practicing like mad for the Donut Throwdown on

June 3rd (too bad for him that he’s disqualified)). The next Coffee Social is June 11th, 10am, in the Coffee Room – residents are free, a \$1.00 donation to Activities Committee for guests is appreciated.

Don’t forget the community yard sale June 24/25th. The gates on both sides will be open to the public from 9 am to 3 pm both days and you are free to set out items for sale at your home.

Also coming up in July is the annual July 4th hot dog lunch and the annual Flea Market on July 9th where residents pay for tables and sell their



Greentrees Village



FATHER’S DAY LUNCH

Sunday June 19th
RECREATION HALL

Register 12 noon—Lunch Served starting 12:30 pm

Late Seating till 1:15 pm (not guaranteed without signup)

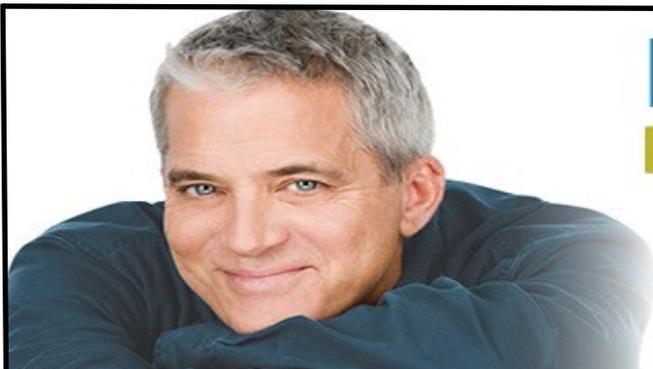
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Gourmet Lunch Menu

Swiss Steak
Mashed Potatoes & Gravy
Served with Charred Corn with red peppers
Father’s Day Dessert
Vanilla Bourbon Hot Fudge Sundae on a
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Please follow food safety guidelines (see Activity bulletin board for tips.) Label your dish, especially if it contains potential allergens such as milk or nuts.

2022 GREENTREES ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE

OTHER ACTIVITIES MAY BE ANNOUNCED LATER.
ACTIVITIES SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Monthly Coffee Social, 2nd Sat 10 am
Monthly Lunch Out 3rd Wed, 11:30 am (local restaurants) - Start Apr 20
Monthly Potluck Dinner, 4th Fri 6 PM - Starting Apr 22 thru Sept

Jun 19 Sun	Father's Day lunch
Jun 24-25 Fri-Sat	Community Yard Sale (gates open 9-3) – Resident's homes
Jul 4 Monday	Hot Dog Lunch
Jul 9 Sat	Flea Market & Silent Auction – (east gate open)
Aug 6 Sat	Annual Meeting Lunch
Aug 26-27 Fri-Sat	Community Yard Sale (gates open 9-3) – Resident's homes
Oct 9 Saturday	Craft & Holiday Bazaar (east gate open)
Oct TBD	Octoberfest/Music Festival
Oct 28 Friday	Halloween Party & Potluck (4 th Fri potluck moved to 5 th Fri)
Nov 6 Sunday	Veteran's Appreciation Dinner
Nov 25 Thursday	Thanksgiving Dinner
Dec 25 Sunday	Christmas Dinner

personal items at the Rec Hall. Reserve your table at the Greentrees office, before we run out (\$10 for residents and \$15 for nonresidents). Please note that, even though the gates will be up, yard sales at individual homes are NOT permitted during the Flea Market.

Please see the bulletin boards in the Library room, for details and signups for community events. And, speaking of bulletin boards, please note that there are multiple bulletin boards for different purposes within the clubhouse – what can be posted is noted at the top of each board. If you post something, please ensure it is on the correct board. Please help us maintain the boards by removing your post when it is no longer needed.

Our GERT trailer is always in need of First Aid and Medical Equipment.

If you have unwanted mobility aids (walkers, crutches, canes, wheelchairs) or unused first aid/medical supplies (bandages, pads, incontinent pads) the GERT trailer needs your items.

If you are unsure if your items can you used, please call first before disposing of them.

Call Kristel Buechner (541.997.0909) for questions or to arrange pick up or drop off of items for GERT.

Bicycle Raffle

The winner will be announced at the Greentrees Flea Market on July 9, 2022 at 2 pm in the Rec Hall. You need not be present to win. Proceeds go to the Activity Committee for future events.

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GERT NEWS

GERT RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

By Kristel Buechner, GERT Coordinator

How do you communicate in an emergency when the power, cell service, and internet is all down?.

GERT's June class will be covering emergency communication. If you have a GMRS Radio, bring it. Greentrees is in need of an emergency communications team. If you are interested in joining the new radio communications team, but don't have a radio, no problem.

GERT meeting will be on Thursday June 9th at 1pm in the multipurpose room. You can attend the meeting with no commitment to joining the radio team. Any questions?

Contact Kristel Buechner,

GERT trainer coordinator at 541.997.0909

PREPARE YOURSELF: Learn how to prepare yourself and loved ones in the event of an emergency. **Greentrees Emergency Response Team (GERT) meets 2nd Thursday of each month at 1pm**, Multipurpose Room at the rear of the Recreation Center.

The Eclectic Greentrees Geek

By Village Voice Staff Writer (anonymous)

E-bikes Part 2 from last month:

Yeah, e-bikes are not cheap! Now that you added the motor, you need to add the power to run it. Expect a battery to cost from \$2-500, or more. Neither is gas or health care or anything else lately. So, don't use dead dinosaurs, get some exercise and fresh air, and grow a garden with all that healthy etrike energy. Might even pay for itself! But only after you recover from the bummer of the battery conundrum.

I'll get you up to speed with a definition: batteries are composed of multiple cells. The duracell "battery" is really just a cell. Put two together and voila, a battery with two cells. Now the questions. How many watts? What the heck are volts? Amps, amperage, Amp hours (Ah), milliamps??? Back to simple grade school math: Volts multiplied by amps equal watts ($V \times A = W$).

Watts hardly matter for battery selection so forget about them. Volts carry the electricity and if you have more, and your wire is big enough, **you get more power!** In general, the higher the voltage, the more efficient and powerful the system and the more amps it can "push". Most ebikes use 24, 36, or 48 volt systems. Stick with 36v or more if you have hills or a heavy load. Amps are the stuff that do the work. Amp hours measure "current flow over time" or as I like to say, how long can I use the dang thing. Usually ampere-hours are the cost basis for batteries. Amps, *and dollars*, are stacked on simply by adding more cells of the same voltage to the battery.

Lithium Ion, Lithium Iron Phosphate, Lead Acid...ok, enough! Lead acid weighs a ton compared to the lithium and stinks for e-bikes, The pricey lithium choices, lithium ion (Li Ion) and lithium iron phosphate (LiFePO4) reign superior in

power to weight ratios so you get a lot of juice without a lot of weight. Perfect hey?

Are you a fellow space case, or do you remember to plug in your phone before it dies? Lithium batteries require moderately more attention than lead acid. Some types of lithium ion batteries become flat out dangerous with neglect, however, lithium Ion is still the best battery chemistry when weight counts. Honestly, lithium ion batteries are very safe now because special electronics monitor and shut down battery packs before issues become problems.

Enter Lithium Iron Phosphate from the bench (LiFePO4) for the save! LiFePO4 cells don't burn or explode, last 4-5 times longer than lithium Ion, and work better at colder temperatures, a lot better. Recently, LiFePO4 batteries finally got close enough to lithium ion in that power to weight thing and now companies are transitioning to the new LiFePO4 technology.

As always, if you have questions, or are wanting to convert your traditional bike to an ebike, contact

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Greentrees community, there are equal amounts of good, bad, and ugly associated with this trend.

First, the good (or great) for sellers: According to Steve, for residents that are considering a move, homes today have the most equity they have had in the history in the GTV development. In April, the Federal Reserve increased interest rates an unprecedented 0.5% to slow inflation. But, unlike 2008, Steve and Deb both agreed that, with equity at an all-time high and debt at an all-time low, the likelihood of the housing bubble bursting is low. Higher interest rates will slow the market, but the inflation curve will likely continue trending up for the short term. In fact, the short-term effect has been an increase in inventory, with homeowners wanting to sell before the market starts to soften, only feeding the already high demand.

With the good, comes the bad: HUD created quality standards for manufactured homes in 1976. Without HUD certification, your home will not qualify for HUD, FHA, or even some conventional loans. Because GTV was established in 1973, HUD certification is generally not an issue. But tie down requirements may be an issue for residents wanting to sell their homes. Tie downs were introduced to the HUD standards in the early 1990s to help stabilize manufactured homes against movement caused by environmental forces (earthquakes and high winds). Many of the homes in Greentrees which were placed prior to this requirement will need to add tie downs to qualify for financing. But, if you own one of those older homes, and you still want to sell to maximize your

equity, don't despair. Both Steve and Deb also noted that most buyers of Florence real estate are from California, or other drastically inflated housing markets, that can afford to pay cash and may not care about HUD certification.

But, escalating home prices in a high-demand real estate market has an ugly side effect for every single resident in Greentrees and our surrounding community – when your favorite restaurant is closed due to staffing issues, when your pharmacy closes because there is no pharmacist, when the Peace Harbor walk-in clinic is closed due to a nursing shortage, when new residents can't find a local doctor, dentist, or even a veterinarian, that is accepting new patients... There are many reasons that the entire nation is facing staffing shortages in the healthcare and service industries; however, one thing is sure – we will be unable to entice workers back if they cannot find housing. Both the higher interest rates and escalating home prices have eliminated the entry-level buyer, and many rental homes have been taken off the market and sold to individual owner occupants. Florence also lacks multi-family rentals. Although there are some meager attempts to add to the affordable-housing pool in Florence, it is a drop in the bucket compared to what is needed. Steve and Deb both expressed concern that we no longer have enough affordable housing in Florence to support the service-based workforce of a town that is partly based around tourism and partly a remote retirement community with local healthcare needs. Whether you are selling, buying, or planning on living in Greentrees for years to come, the real estate market does affect each and every one of us. The free market has done a great job of creating housing for our more affluent retirees to enjoy our great coastal lifestyle but has fallen short of providing housing for our workforce. And one thing is sure, the ability of those chosen in the November city elections to entice and provide for our local workforce in the short term directly affects the future of our community, good, bad, or ugly.

ReStore June Art Market

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Bear Aware and Kritters Too

By Mark Studer

Well it's been pretty quiet this month. As of May 11th no bear activity.

Eugene has had a bunch of activity, probably because it's warmer over there. A few tidbits though; There has been report of a few coyotes making a racket near the south trail. Be aware if you run into them especially in a pack, **be careful!!** They are looking for dinner. Enough said.

We have some mid 60's coming next week so you never know. The Sun brings me out so.....Safe travels.

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proval from the ACC before work can begin. Projects that don't require GTV or city approval include interior remodels, electrical work done by a certified electrician, landscaping, house painting, gutter work, window replacement, roof repairs or replacing siding. The best way to avoid any potential HOA issues (fines) is to fill out a "Request For ACC Approval" card available at the office and a member of the ACC will contact you quickly to see if the work you want done needs a permit and/or HOA approval. "We usually contact the homeowner the same day we receive the request form," says Woodworth. "We are here to help, not hinder. After all, we're homeowners, too," said Nick, also, "Homeowners are welcome to come to our ACC Meetings, too. Check Village Voice calendar for time, or call me for appointment: Nick Woodworth, Chair: 541-997-1022."

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Join me for an all-levels gentle flow June 7th @ 4pm in the Rec hall. Bring a yoga mat and an open mind.

Shanti began her yoga & mind body training in 1998 at the Shoshoni Yoga Retreat and has since earned group fitness certifications in Centergy, Group Active, and Aquatics exercise. She has been practicing and teaching wellness for over 20 years and has over 2000 hours of yoga training experience. As a new GTV resident, Shanti is looking forward to sharing her knowledge of wellness with you.



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5	6 Pickle Ball 8:00 am Tai Chi 9:00 am Exercise Class 10:00 am	7 Property Cmte 10:00 am Yoga 4 pm (Rec hall)	8 POOL CLOSED Pickle Ball 8:00 am Tai Chi 9:00 am Exercise Class 10:00 am Bridge 1:00 pm	9 Finance Cmte. 10:00 am ACC Cmte 1:00 am	10 Pickle Ball 8:00 am Exercise Class 10:00 am Knit & Crochet Group 2:00 - 4:00 pm	11 Coffee Social 10:00 am Bocce Ball 11:15 am Bingo 6:00 pm
12 String Instrument Class 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm	13 Pickle Ball 8:00 am Tai Chi 9:00 am Exercise Class 10:00 am Activity Cmte. 10:00 am	14 BOD Meeting 1:00 pm Card Exchange 1:00 pm Yoga 4 pm (Rec hall)	15 Pickle Ball 8:00 am Tai Chi 9:00 am Exercise Class 10:00 am Luncheon Out 11:30 Bridge 1:00 pm Sound Healing Circle 6:00 pm (Rec. Hall)	16 Quilting Group 1:00 pm	17 Pickle Ball 8:00 am Exercise Class 10:00 am	18 Bocce Ball 11:15 am Bingo 6:00 pm
19 Father's Day Lunch 12:00 - 2:00 pm (Rec. Hall) \$7.00 per person (Sign-up sheet in the Library)	20 Pickle Ball 8:00 am Tai Chi 9:00 am Exercise Class 10:00 am	21 GERT Meeting 12:30 pm MPR Yoga 4 pm (Rec hall)	22 Pickle Ball 8:00 am Tai Chi 9:00 am Exercise Class 10:00 am Bridge 1:00 pm	23 Book Club 2:00 pm	24 Pickle Ball 8:00 am Community Wide Yard Sale 9:00 am - 3:00 pm Exercise Class 10:00 am Knit & Crochet Group 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm Pot Luck 6:00 pm	25 Community Wide Yard Sale 9:00 am - 3:00 pm Bocce Ball 11:15 am Bingo 6:00 pm
26	27 Pickle Ball 8:00 am Tai Chi 9:00 am Exercise Class 10:00 am	28 Yoga 4 pm (Rec hall)	29 Pickle Ball 8:00 am Tai Chi 9:00 am Exercise Class 10:00 am Bridge 1:00 pm	30		

National Donut Day June 3rd

By Lou Manzi, Village Voice Staff Writer

At one point or another in our lives, most of us have had a donut craving. When you think about it, it's not really a surprise that this treat hits the spot like no other. Whether you spell it "Donut" or "Doughnut", who doesn't love the many varieties of chewy, deep-fried, or baked, sweet golden goodness?

According to Smithsonian Magazine, doughnuts got their name in the mid-19th century when Elizabeth Gregory, a New England ship captain's mother sent spiced fried dough, with lemon zest to combat scurvy and colds, with her son on his voyages. She put hazelnuts or walnuts in the center, where the dough might not cook through, and literally called them doughnuts. But doughnuts really came into their own during World War I when women volunteers (donut lassies)



hand-rolled dough into simple crullers, then cooked seven at a time in a soldier's helmet filled with hot lard, bringing comfort to homesick American "doughboys" in the trenches of France. This practice was formalized by the Red Cross Service during World War II where women staffers (doughnut dollies) manned vehicles modeled after London Green Line buses. The Clubmobiles had a kitchen with a built-in doughnut machine

and a primus stove for heating water for coffee. One side of the kitchen opened out to serve food and drinks while the rear served as a "lounge" area with built-in benches (doubling as sleeping bunks), a Victrola with loud speakers, current music records, books, candy, gum and cigarettes. The Beantown Girls by Jane Healey is a delightful fictional story, based around historical events, of one such Clubmobile.

In 1938 "Donut Day" was established as a way to honor the members of the Salvation Army that came to the aid of soldiers during World War I.

National Donut Day falls each year on the first Friday in June, this year it is on **June 3rd** and we are going to celebrate in style! Residents start your fryers (or ovens) because we are having a **Donut Throwdown Challenge** (A non-sanctioned GTV event) in the **Coffee Room at 9:00a to 10:30a**. Join us

(Lou & Lanette Manzi) and bake or deep-fry a dozen of your best donuts for a fun morning of tasting and choosing the best of the best. Come share some fun and friendship or friedship, along with a morning of cup of joe and a donut, to honor those courageous Donut Lassies. All challenge entries must be home baked (no Big Dog, Freddy's or Safe-way). Prizes for the top three entries. gtvnewseditor@gmail.com for more info.



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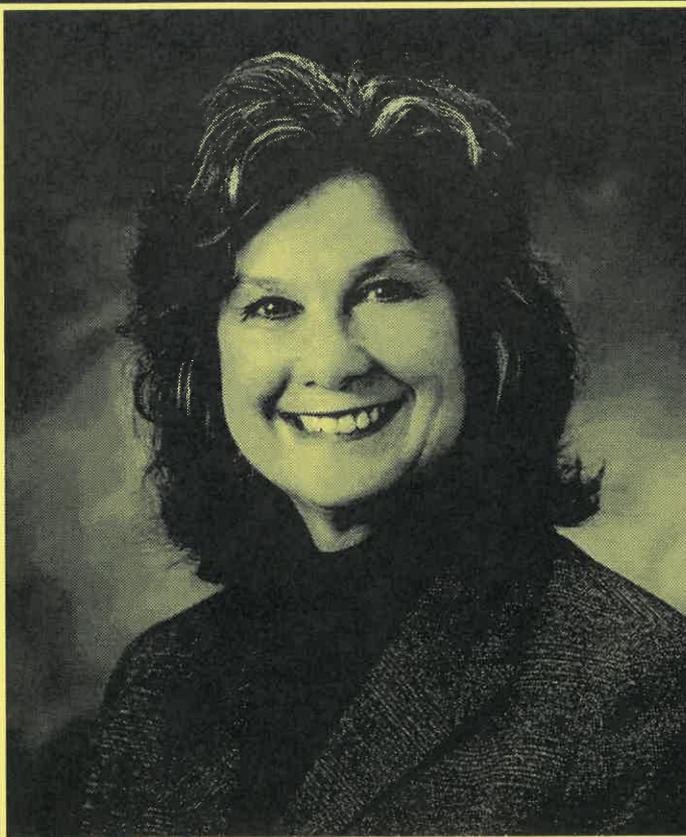
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