

Algonquin House Newsletter

Around the House



Social Events...

● The TGIF will be hosted by the 2nd floor on **November 17th**. *This event is always scheduled for the third Friday of each month and the hours are from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. The host floor provides set-ups and decorations. Guests BYOB and a food contribution to share.*

● November's movie is "**Paris Can Wait**". This romantic comedy tells of the wife (Diane Lane) of a preoccupied movie director (Alec Baldwin) taking a road trip from the south of France to Paris with her husband's business associate (Arnoud Viard).

It will be shown on **Wednesday, November 15th at 1:30pm**. The movie runs about 1-1/2 hours.

● **The annual Algonquin House Residents Holiday Party** will be held **Thursday, December 14th**. Tickets for this catered event will go on sale soon.

● **The Belly Dancing Class** meets **Mondays** at 10:30 am and some **Wednesdays at 10:00am** in the Algonquin Room. **The cost is \$5.00 per session**. New members are welcome! This is more of an exercise class than a dance class, and stresses building up core strength.

Mark your Calendars...

● **The monthly Board Meeting** will be held on Tuesday, **November 28th**, starting at **9:20 am**, for the Homeowner's forum. **The formal meeting starts at 9:30 am**. An additional 10 minute homeowner's forum will be held immediately following the Board meeting.

Special Announcements:

- Our new Board of Directors are:
President: Ellie Marasco 10K
Vice-Pres.: Sid Roberts 5D
Secretary: Don Hammer 3K
Treasurer: Norman Goldwasser 4J
At-Large: Margaret Magnussen 4B

Many, many thanks to our outgoing President, Glenda Greenhouse, for her service on the Board. She has been a very dedicated Board member and Board President, devoting much time, energy, and sleepless night to all the issues and projects over the past few years. She regularly went above and beyond the call of duty in time, energy and responsibility. Thank you, Glenda!

● A sad goodbye to Lesle Palmeri 9J, who recently lost her brief but courageous battle with pancreatic cancer. Condolences may be extended to her son, Patrick, and former husband, Jack, at 125 10th Ave., Seaside, OR 97138.

● The next quarterly **Riverfront Civic League** meeting will be held here in January, date not yet announced. Toni Pridgen 2F (408-1817) has volunteered to be our Algonquin House representative. All residents are welcome to attend to hear the latest news about our neighborhood and have input on upcoming projects.

● There are potted herbs (parsley, basil, and rosemary, etc.) ready to enhance your recipes until the first frost. They are located on the back patio.

● Plans continue for an **Oyster Reef** to be placed along the bulkhead. The success of our wetlands buffer zone plantings has encouraged several agencies (Lafayette Restoration Project, Elizabeth River Project, and the City of Norfolk) to observe our dedication to conservation of the river and wetlands. These agencies are actively helping us in seeking funding sources for the oyster reef. Several Algonquin House residents have offered to help fund the reef. Meanwhile, enjoy the blooming pink muhly grass in the buffer zone that was planted along the bulkhead last spring.

● Thank you to the Social Committee for assisting the third floor with October's TGIF.

- Election Day is **Tuesday, Nov. 7**. Polls are open from **6am until 7pm**. **Our voting precinct is at the Second Presbyterian Church**, located at the corner of Hampton Blvd. and North Shore Rd.
- The Cantabile Project is hosting a fundraiser concert presenting love songs of Robert Schumann and Jake Heggie **on Sunday, November 12 at 4:00 p.m. at ODU's Chandler Hall**.

Around the Corner...

- **All Saint's Day** **Nov. 1**
- **Election Day** **Nov. 7**
- **Veteran's Day** **Nov. 11**
- **Thanksgiving** **Nov. 23**

● **Daylight Saving Time** ends Sunday, Nov. 5. Following the rule "Spring ahead, Fall back", turn your clocks **back one hour** before going to bed Saturday night and enjoy the extra hour of sleep!

● **Wanted: Book Reviews:** Have you read a good book recently that you would recommend to others? Please write a review and submit it to Sally McPhillips for publication in a future newsletter.

● Our pool has closed, ending the 2017 season of "fun in the sun". A particular thank you to all residents who helped maintain the pool area by removing trash when needed.

● **From the Manager:** Once again I want to apologize to all owners for the delays in the sign-in procedure and distribution of ballots at last week's annual meeting. I believe an explanation is in order: In past years there were name labels on the ballots which also indicated the owner's ownership percentage. This is important, because the ballots are weighted. The Board and I received requests from owners that the ballots be "secret", without owner names on them. Distributing the right ballot to the right owner without having names on the ballot is very difficult for the folks assisting with sign-in, as very few owners know their ownership percentages. I had a last-minute brainstorm on how to resolve this but it came too late, was more labor-intensive than I anticipated, and I did not accomplish it in time. I am happy to report that the Election Committee and I are already formulating plans for how to handle this next year!

Did You Know...

- Parker Brothers introduced the world to the game of Monopoly on November 5, 1935.

- In 1863 Pres. Abraham Lincoln declared the last Thursday of November to be a Day of Thanksgiving.
- The flower for the month of November is the chrysanthemum, which also symbolizes optimism and joy.

Poems...

"I like spring, but it is too young. I like summer, but it is too proud. So I like best of all autumn, because its tone is mellower, its colours are richer, and it is tinged with a little sorrow. Its golden richness speaks not of the innocence of spring, nor the power of summer, but of the mellowness and kindly wisdom of approaching age. It knows the limitations of life and its content."

- Lin Yutang

"Winter is an etching, spring a watercolor, summer an oil painting, and autumn a mosaic of them all."

- Stanley Horowitz

Helpful Hints...

- Please don't use the trash chute for pizza boxes, watermelons, and other large or heavy items. Bag those items up and carry them to the receiving room for placement in the dumpster. If the chute door is broken by a heavy object, no one can use the chute until it is fixed.
- **Leave the lights on in the laundry room** while the machines are being used. The light switch controls the exhaust vent fan and the ceiling fan, which helps keep the room from getting too warm.

... Just for laughs

- A *garage sale* is actually a *garbage sale* but the "b" is silent.
- A bus station is where a bus stops. A train station is where a train stops. On my desk, I have a work station...

Many thanks to Lyn Tucci for serving as Editor of the "Around the House" Newsletter for the past several years. Lyn is taking a break. Contact the new editor, Sally McPhillips, 6H, at 486-9578 or sbmcphil@gmail.com with information you'd like to see or share in a future Newsletter.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

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