



October 2021 Newsletter



#### **Notes from the Board President**

#### Dear Residents,

As I write this, the weather is warm but there is a hint of fall in the air. The nights are already cooler and I see some leaves turning to the beautiful colors we look forward to. Sadly, because we have several positive cases of COVID, we are not able to eat in the Dining Room or gather together in the Common Areas. Please be sure to wear your masks when outside your condo. If you are not feeling well, please call your doctor and if you feel you were exposed to the virus, please get tested.

We were hoping to have a Breakfast Buffet every Sunday from 11:30 to 1 and perhaps that would bring more of you to the Dining Room. This is a correction from the recent memo from Chef James that stated that we would have our Grand Buffet on the first Sunday of the month and the Breakfast Buffet on the following Sundays. We will only have the Grand Buffet on special days like Easter, Mother's Day and Father's Day. We will hopefully be doing the Breakfast Buffets for 6 weeks starting on Oct 17. After evaluating the success of this, we will determine whether or not to continue. On Oct 10 we are hoping to have "OktoberFest." Chef James will be giving us more information on all of this and, of course, everything will depend on our residents being free of COVID.

I would like to welcome Barb Wesselhoff in Unit 344. We are so happy you have joined our Greens Family. Please introduce yourself to Barb and welcome her here.

We have requested those who desire to be a candidate for our Board of Directors to fill out the Candidate Form and return it to The Greens by mail, to Steve by email, or to the Front Desk by October 8, 2021. There will be a Candidate Forum on October 26, 2021 at 10 AM in the Dining Room. We will elect 3 new members to the Board on November 9, 2021.

The vote on the proposed amendments is continuing with the name change to The Greens of Elgin Condominium Association having received the necessary votes of affirmation to pass and the elimination of cumulative voting very close to approval. Please get your vote in if you have not already done so.

I recently read that one of the best ways for seniors to achieve happiness and purpose lies in looking outside themselves. One such opportunity came to The Greens. Jeorge Holmes had formed a choir of our residents to sing at a fundraiser for LOVE ELGIN on October 3, 2021 at Evangelical Covenant Church at 6PM. Unfortunately, due to the COVID cases we have found it necessary to cancel our involvement. We do, however, look forward to more opportunities to be involved in helping others in the future.

Thanks to our amazing staff, to all of our residents who volunteer in various ways, and to all who love living at The Greens and make it such a pleasant place to be. May God bless us all and bring peace and health to The Greens and to our world!

#### **Note from the Manager**

Hello Everyone,

The signs of fall are certainly upon us with the trees starting to turn color, leaves accumulating on the ground and the beautiful mums planted at the front entrance. It is time to grab the long sleeve shirts and light jackets with the cooler temperatures in the mornings and evenings.

Unfortunately, it is also this time of year that brings us the cold and flu season. Residents will start to spend more time inside due to the cooler temperatures and with three residents recently testing positive for Covid-19, it is crucial we all remain diligent preventing the spread of germs. Please contact your doctor immediately if you are not feeling well or have been in contact with anyone who tested positive for Covid-19. We have distributed Health and Safety Guidelines for the Association to all residents as well as posted those throughout the building. Please become familiar and adhere to these guidelines, especially when entering the common areas.

It is very important that we have current contact information for you as well as your emergency contact in the event you leave unexpectedly or if there is an emergency in your unit and you are not home. Instructions can be provided on the information form as to who you would like us to contact in the event you leave unexpectedly due to a medical condition or any other reason.

As always, please watch for future notices regarding fall services and projects such as changing furnace filters, checking batteries in smoke detectors and cleaning dryer vents. The Engineering Department will also be performing many of the fall cleanup projects as we transition to the winter season.

The suggestion box is located in the activities room. If you have any comments or suggestions as to how the Association can better serve our residents, please drop a note in the suggestion box.

As always, please feel free to come see me if there are any matters you wish to discuss or simply to just say hi.

Steven Walczak Managing Agent Dedicated Property Service

If you have a Maintenance Emergency, dial the Greens Emergency Number 630-339-5478

#### **Suggestion Box**

The Greens suggestion box is open for business. We will be reading all your suggestions in the Open Forum part of our next Board Meeting. The suggestion box is in the Activity Room below the announcement board.



#### **Reminders**

This is a courteous reminder to let all the residents know that when planning to use our bus service at the Greens that the bus will depart at the time stated on the sign up sheet. Please arrive on time, we feel this will be appreciated by all concerned.

Please do not park in the entrance circle; the drive is only for pickups and drop offs All our garage spaces are currently full.

If you are sick or feel symptoms of being sick. Please inform the Front Desk all cleaning will be suspended until you are feeling better

Rick, the Barber is no longer with us. However, Diane Ewe0rt is also a Barber as well a Beautician.

#### **Front Desk**

Hello from the Front Desk

Fall is approaching and soon winter will be here. Reminder that if you are expecting packages, try to pick them up ASAP. We have limited counter space and we run out of room.

Alicja, the housekeeper, has resigned for personal issues. We are searching for a new housekeeper and hope to find one soon.

If you have any menu changes such as cancellations or entrées, call the Front Desk before 3:00pm. After this time, please call the kitchen at 224-407-4370.

If you want to reserve the Private Dining Room or Activity Room, please come to the Front Desk. not to the kitchen so there is no confusion.

I would like to inform you about the following units we have either For Sale or For Rent.

#### The following units are For Sale:

244 For Sale Listing Agent: Kent Petschow 847-627-0244108 Pending Contract/ Closing222 Pending Contract / Closing

#### The following unit is For Rent:

300 is For Rent contact local agent for information

Please do not park in the entrance circle; the drive is only for pickups and drop offs. Reminder to all family and friends to sign in at the Front Desk.

Diane Medina, Office Administrator

#### **Activity Department News**

Don't forget to come down to the Activity Room and join us for BINGO! Every Saturday at 6:45 pm.



#### **SPECIAL EVENTS**

On Wednesday, October 6<sup>th,</sup> we are going to the Paramount Theater in Aurora to see KINKY BOOTS. Please meet in the front lobby at 12:15 pm The bus will be departing at 12:30pm. You will need to show proof of your COVID -19 vacination, have a Photo ID and wear your mask.

The Greens, would like to invite you on Friday, October 8<sup>th</sup> to the Activity Room for Cider & Donuts at 10:00 am this will be a great time to chat and meet new residents. There will be a sign up sheet at the Front Desk so that we can get a head count.

We are going to Hooper's on Tuesday, October 19th at 5pm. The special is Pizza.

I am excited to share that Spirit Week will begin on Monday October 25<sup>th,</sup> thru Friday, October 29<sup>th</sup>.

We will be having a Halloween Party on Friday, October 29<sup>th,</sup> from 3pm - 5pm in the Activity Room. We will be serving cocktail drinks and appetizers. Don't forget to wear your Halloween Costumes as there will be a best costume contest!

HAPPY HALLOWEEN

Janet Soto, Activity Coordinator

#### **Vespers**

On Monday, October 18<sup>th</sup> the residents of The Greens are in for a special treat at Vespers. When resident Sandy Braun heard that the Reverend Dr. Mark Torgerson was going to be our Vesper speaker, she immediately said, "I have heard him, he is a dynamic speaker with an engaging personality, hope there will be a good turn out, he is worth hearing". Dr. Torgeson has a master of Divinity degree from North Park Theological Seminary in Chicago and a Master of Arts and Ph.D. in Theology from the University of Notre Dame. He is an ordained minister in the Evangelical Covenant Church.and currently is fulfilling his twentieth year of teaching theology and worship at Judson University

Everyone is welcomed at this service which is held in the common area by the piano, on Monday, October 18, at 3:30pm - 4:15pm,

Your Vesper Committee: Leila B., Sandy B., Joan D., Barb L., and Janice W.

#### **FOOD FOR THOUGHT**

Happy and Blessed October 2021,

Sunday October 3<sup>rd</sup> will be our first Breakfast Buffet for the month of October.

Sunday, October 10th, we will have an Oktoberfest Dinner @1:00 pm.

Sunday, October 17<sup>th</sup>,24<sup>th</sup>,31<sup>st</sup>, we will have Breakfast Buffet every Sunday serving some of your breakfast favorites.

The buffet will start at 11:30 am and go until 1:00 pm featuring...

Deviled Eggs, Croissants,
Fresh Fruit, Scrambled Eggs,
French Toast, Belgian Waffles,
Applewood Smoked Bacon, Breakfast Link Sausage,
Omelet Station, Breakfast Potatoes,
Dessert Station, Make your Own Sundae Bar.

Also starting the first week in October, we will be doing one dining room service Monday thru Saturday @ 5:00pm. Dinner will be served at 5:15pm. Delivery times will remain the same.

Thank You.

#### **Chef James**











#### **Notes from the Music Committee:**

Heather Braoudakis returns with songs of the 1950s In June, singer Heather Braoudakis took residents of The Greens on a nostalgic journey with her selection of 1950s musical favorites from Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin and Sammy Davis Jr. and the rest of the Rat Pack.

Now, it is time for the ladies of the 1950s, with great tunes from Dinah Shore, Judy Garland, Doris Day, Patti Page and many others! Braoudakis will perform her cabaret show on Friday, Oct. 8, at 7 p.m. in the piano room.

We are thrilled to have Heather return to The Greens. She is an accomplished musician with a Master's Degree in vocal performance from Roosevelt University in Chicago.

John LaBorn is coming back to The Greens! What more can we say about pianist John LaBorn? Except that he is a perennial favorite here at The Greens and has just come home from a triumphal tour in Europe.

John will be bringing his exceptional piano playing and unique sense of humor for a command performance on Friday, Oct. 29 at 7 p.m. in the piano room.

Residents will take note of the 7 p.m. start times for both these shows, slightly earlier than in the past, because of the new dining schedule.

Music Committee Chair: Marilyn Foster. Members: Jim and Carolyn Gathman, Coral Reinert, Joyce Shannon, Joan Stevenson and Sue Williams.





## Labor Day Cookout!









## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!







### **Birthdays!**

October 5 - Sharon S

October 9 - Eileen F

October 18 - Leila B

October 24 - Pegg F

October 30 - Pat Q

October 31 - Roxanne S

#### **Employee Birthdays!**

October 9-Amy B

October 21- Yarianis V

October 31- Janet S



# Fall decorations are up! How exciting!!







# Spending time with Good Friends





## October 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 11am Bed Bath & Beyond 1:00pm Fitness Class	2 2pm Movie (Topper Returns) 5:15pm Dinner
The distribution					4pm-5pm BYOB	6:45pm Bingo w/ Myrna
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10:30am Prayer Service	11am Claude playing the Guitar	11am Walgreens / Local Banks	10:30 am Exploring the Scriptures with Jim G.	10am-1pm Podiatrist	10:00am Cider & Donuts	2pm The Movie (Lavender Hill Mob)
11:30am -1pm Breakfast Buffet	1pm Fitness Class	1pm Bingo w/Janet	12:30pm Kinky Boots	1pm Walmart	11:00am Parkinson's Support Group	5:15pm Dinner
2:30pm Knitting & Crocheting Club	6:30pm Bridge	2pm Painting Pumpkins	12pm - 2pm Chair Massage by Nora	2:30pm Bingo w/ Janet	1:00pm Fitness Class 4pm-5pm BYOB	6:45pm Bingo w/ Myrna
		6:30pm Hand & Foot Games		6:30pm Hand & Foot Games	7:00pm Heather Braoudakis	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
10:30am Prayer Service	11:00am Burlighton Coat Factory	10am Board Meeting	10:30 am Exploring the Scriptures with Jim G.	1pm Jewel / Osco	11am-2pm Grand Victoria Casino	2pm Movie (The Lady Killers)
1:00pm Oktoberfest	1pm Fitness Class	11am Walgreens / Local Banks	11am - 2pm Chair Massage by Nora	2:30pm Bingo w/ Janet	1:00pm Fitness Class	5:15pm Dinner
Dinner 2:30pm Knitting & Crocheting Club	6:30pm Bridge	1pm Bingo w/Janet	1pm Resident Birthday Party	6:30pm Hand & Foot Games	4pm-5pm BYOB	6:45pm Bingo w/ Myrna
		6:30pm Hand & Foot Games				
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
10:30am Prayer Service	11am Dollar Tree	11am Walgreens / Local Banks	10:30 am Exploring the Scriptures with Jim G.	10am-1pm Podiatrist	11:00am Parkinson's Support Group	2pm Movie (Rear Window)
11:30am -1pm Breakfast Buffet	1pm Fitness Class	1pm Bingo w/Janet	12pm - 2pm Chair Massage by Nora	1pm Butera	1:00pm Fitness Class	5:15pm Dinner
2:30pm Knitting & Crocheting Club	3:30pm Vespers Service	5pm Hooper's	2pm Root Beer Float	2:30pm Bingo w/ Janet	4pm-5pm BYOB	6:45pm Bingo w/
	6:30pm Bridge	6:30pm Hand & Foot Games	7pm Book Club	6:30 pm Hand & Foot Games		Myrna
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
10:30am Prayer Service	1pm Fitness Class	11am Walgreens / Local Banks	10:30 am Exploring the Scriptures with Jim G.	1pm Meijer's	1:00pm Fitness Class	2pm Movie (Vertigo)
11:30am -1pm Breakfast Buffet	6:30pm Bridge	1pm Bingo w/Janet	11am - 2pm Chair Massage by Nora	2:30pm Bingo w/ Janet	3pm -5pm Halloween Party	5:15pm Dinner
2:30pm Knitting & Crocheting Club Spirit Week	1M/ O	6:30pm Hand & Foot Games Wear Something	Wear Something	6:30pm Hand & Foot Games Wear Halloween	7:00pm John LaBorn Wear your best	6:45pm Bingo w/ Myrna
Starting10/25/21	Wear Something Orange	Black	Green	Socks	Costume	
31 10:30am Prayer	depry-		a (Monday from 8:30a			
Service 11:30am -1pm Breakfast Buffet 2:30pm Knitting & Crocheting Club		(Beautician) Dee Wednesday by Appointments (847)224-9499  (Beautician) Diane Friday and Saturday (847)997-3073				