The Village Voice

Bradford Village— Villagio Senior Living

Pandemic Pastimes

Some of our residents drew upon the past and present opportunities to help pass the time during this pandemic.



Ted Perrin and his son, Steven, built an above ground garden. Ted planted it everyday Ted and Karen checked the progress. Plantings were cucumbers, peppers, and tomatoes. The first tomatoes were about \$250.00 each. However, each item gathered is now only worth about \$10.00 each. The third member of their household, Kat, has found a new place to sunbathe.

Birthing butterflies is not a topic that is dis-



cussed in most arenas. However, Donna Suenram is an exception. She has done this for a while. Rather than risking misinformation I suggest that you look on your technical device and read about the caterpillar, chrysalis, and butterfly. It is most fascinating.



Have you driven down

Hadwiger and looked north about midway? You might just see Jim Davidson working in his shop. One of many projects he has is the beautiful sun deck that is on the east side of 16 Hadwiger Lane. It is beautiful and the flower boxes are gorgeous. Drive by and appreciate!



Our community offers a great big thank you to Sue Fraim, Kathy and Lou Meszaros and the others that have spent hours preparing for the community garage sale. The sale this year will be held at 213 Lincoln. The shopping dates are Friday and Saturday, September 18 and 19.

Volunteers are needed to work these two days. It is very well done and is ready for customers. It is

almost time to for shop-

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Do you have a need to have ironing done or mending or alterations? Clara Adel is at your service. Clara loves to sew and is ever ready to do someone else's ironing. As you can see, she has the perfect place to do her tasks. Her fees are priced by the job.

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Pandemic Pastimes



There is an awareness that many neighbors enjoy reading. I have heard of many of us reading a lot during this unusual time. But have you kept many of them? Joe Binkley always has at least one book going at a time. He is covered up with books. He told us that he had at least ago.

ered up with books. He told us that he had at least 2000 books in his library! Can anyone top this?

While Sandy Binkley has spent a large part of her pandemic era recouping from a major heart surgery, she enjoys crocheting and is back at it. There is no telling how many items she has made in just the time they have lived in Bradford Village. If you have one of her items, consider yourself lucky!



Have you seen the bird houses handing at 400 Spence Court? Bill Cather moved the car tags with him when he

moved here almost 6 years ago wanting to use the car tags as roofs for bird houses. Maybe this really is a good outcome from the pandemic! Bill also spends hours working on genealogy.

What was your pandemic pastime? Let the VV know. You can contact Ann or Karen in writing and we will share it in another Village Voice.

HELP YOUR VILLAGE VOICE VOLUNTEERS. There is much discussion about the start of school this year. We would like to hear from anyone who has experienced an unusual school year. Could be fun, unusual, interesting, or even scary. Write it down and give it to Ann or Karen.

Note from the Executive Director:

Five months to the day when Covid forced us to lock everything down, we are finally returning to a little bit of normalcy. The pandemic forced us all into having a life of complete upheaval and change. Who had heard of the term "social distancing" before this year? Who thought face masks would become an everyday fashion item? Who thought we would have a drive through for meals? By the grace of God we have all made it to a point of getting to sit and have meals with friends and regain a sense of community.

But we are not out of the woods by any stretch. It is in incumbent upon all of us to continue to practice preventative measures so that we can all stay safe and march forward. Life as we knew it has been turned upside down, but we are a resilient group. We will continue to ensure we are doing our individual part to keep all of us protected. Each of us has a singular responsibility to ensure the whole of us remains out of harm's way.

On behalf of the staff I want to thank each of you for the patience and grace you have extended to us during this time. There is no doubt that we will have to continue to ask for this as we cautiously proceed with unknown challenges. Until next month, stay safe, and stay healthy.

Eric Legleiter

LOOK! SEE! ENJOY! APPRECIATE!

The lazy, hazy days of summer are upon us. Couple this with the humdrum of the virus and sometimes we need to look hard for something interesting. There are some very pretty yards and spaces that hold nature as a wonderful focal point. There are the places that help make our neighborhood a positive place. Thank you to the providers of beauty and those who appreciate it.

















September Birthdays*

5 – Joe Binkley 22 – Richard Cutter

5 – Bill Williams 24 – Lee Reeder

6 – Don Chilcutt 24 – Carol Andrews

15 – Lura Fabian 27 – Gerald Skinner

15 - J.W. Michael

*Welcome to our new residents and friends. If you have a birthday this month and we missed it, we are sorry. We are working from our 2020 Village calendar.

Hello and Welcome!!!

Bradford Village has several new residents that the Village Voice has not featured. Today, the VV is introducing Lora Stewart.

Lora and her husband visited Bradford some time ago. Her husband died and Lora knew that she could not maintain the home and several acres. She knew from the previous visit that Bradford could be the place for her. She was brave and moved during the pandemic.

Lora was born and raised in Northwest Arkansas where her great-great grandfather obtained land through a land grant in 1859. She had one sister who is now deceased.

After high school, Lora attended business college and 20 years later went to college. She studied business and accounting. Lora later worked for Phillips Petroleum Company in Tulsa and American Airlines also in Tulsa. Later, she was self-employed. She also was employed in Environmental Management in Guthrie.

Exercising, photography, gardening, and making greeting cards from the result of her photography are her hobbies. The greatest joy in her life was meeting her best friend who became her soulmate and being his wife for 42 years. Buddy, a black labradoodle, is now her companion.

WELCOME LORA!

Ann Cather—Editor

Karen Perrin—Consultant/Proof reader/Photographer /golf cart driver

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