

# VOLUNTEERS NEEDED


By John Werely- Social director


**Our community needs you.** Just look at the calendar this time of year. We have many, many offerings available to us. Shows, Dinners, Pool Parties, Luncheons, Dances, Breakfast Club, and then there's Bocce, Shuffleboard, Yoga Classes, Bingo and much more. Not to mention all the card games. And then we just enjoyed our first ever Oakwood Manor Olympics Competition.

All this takes volunteers. Lots of them. All this is what makes our community fun and keeps us active. So, if you're wanting to get involved, willing to help out, or looking to meet new people, **we need you.**

**A new volunteer signup form is now available at the office.**

At this time, we're specifically looking for someone to head up the Sunshine Café. This once-a-year event, the day of the flea market, supports our Sunshine Committee, serving wonderful breakfast and lunch meals with delicious homemade pies. We are also looking for volunteers to organize the Poinsettia Ball Dance on New Years Eve. Any questions regarding these opportunities can be directed to me.

So please think about it. Get involved. Have some fun. 



**OAKWOOD MANOR NEEDS YOU**  
**PLEASE VOLUNTEER**

Yes, I'd like to help.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

Check One:

I'm open to help anywhere needed or

My special interest is to help with:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Thank you.** Please return to the office. Someone will be in touch.

Your Social Director

May Gate Code—5255

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## FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT

By Judy Cowan



The Oakwood Manor Board of Directors held its meeting on April 16, 2024. Since the minutes won't be approved and posted until the fall when the Board meets on October 15, here are highlights from some of the Directors' reports.

1. Through the end of April, 17 homes have been sold in 2024. It was pointed out that not all of our new homeowners are retired and they are still working.
2. The ad hoc Communications Committee has been meeting and identified communication areas to focus on. For example, the *Acorn*, the website and Channel 2, which is the first thing they'll be addressing. Given the scope of work, the Communications Committee has been appointed as a standing committee.
3. The sewer permit from the City of Sarasota has been approved, but before construction can begin on the maintenance building, an arborist needs to sign off on the project. Stay tuned!
4. As homeowners head north for the summer, our social events slow down. However, there will be a Kentucky Derby Party on May 5 and a pool party with food trucks on May 18.
5. The Landscape Committee has met. Their members have created a mission statement and identified their duties and responsibilities. They have made recommendations for planting, refreshing or cleaning up some areas that are under consideration by our Park Manager, Bill Walsh.
6. The Board followed up on homeowners' suggestions from the March Board meeting. Pool passes will *not* be introduced because

there is no mechanism in place to enforce their use. In addition, because there is rarely anyone at the pool at 10 pm, the Board sees no reason to extend the pool hours until 11 pm on Friday and Saturday evenings.

The Board considered the following motions:

1. The Board approved the motion to eliminate "For Sale" signs on OM properties. This includes "For Sale" signs from our on-site real estate agency, Palm Realty. This policy will not go into effect until June 1, giving our Park Manager the time to notify homeowners of this change in policy.
2. There was Board and homeowners' discussion on the motion to donate the large organ which is currently housed off-stage. The Board agreed to table any more discussion and vote until further notice.
3. After Board discussion and input from homeowners, the Board voted *not* to purchase Envera Systems, a gate monitoring system.

Through the use of the *Comments Form*, two concerns were brought to my attention: the legal age to drive a golf cart and where cars can park on a homeowner's property. To address the first concern, I reviewed the Florida statute, which was changed in 2024. A golf cart operator must be at least 15 years old and have a learner's permit, and a 16 year-old with a driver's license is permitted to operate a golf cart. Anyone 18 or older must be able to show a government issued photo ID. In addition, the speed limit cannot exceed 20 mph, which coincides with OM's speed limit.

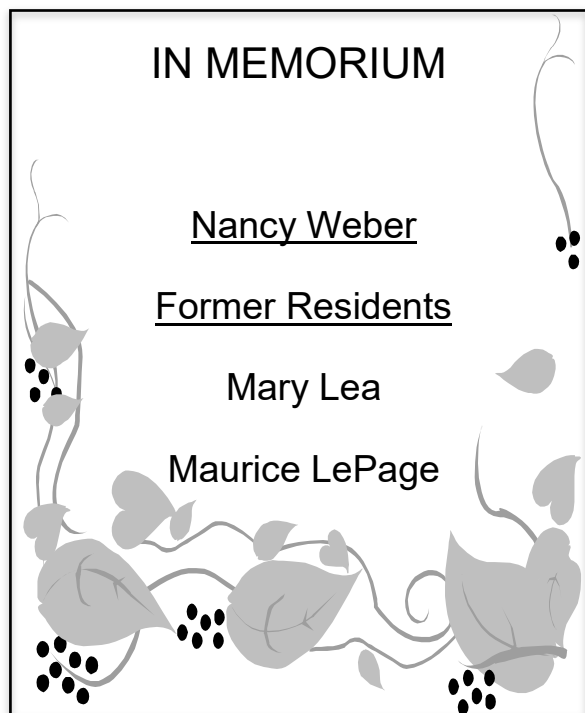
Regarding parking, here is a quick review of two of OM's rules taken from *Rules and Regulations*.

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Please notify  
the Office  
of anyone  
who is sick  
or in the hospital



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1. No motor vehicle or golf cart can park on the grass or pavers in the front yard of any home.
2. Vehicles parked on the street cannot park parallel to another vehicle on the opposite side of the street in order to allow for an emergency vehicle to pass through.

I encourage you to continue to use the *Comments Form*, or email me at [judy-cowan@oakwoodmanorassoc.com](mailto:judy-cowan@oakwoodmanorassoc.com), so that your comments and concerns can be addressed in a timely manner and by the appropriate person.

I wish each of you a wonderful summer, and I look forward to a safe return to our slice of paradise in Oakwood Manor.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

March 31, 2024

By Frank Dawes



**F**or the month of March we had operating income of \$116,035 and operating expenses of \$95,932 resulting in an operating profit for the month of \$20,103. Year to date operating income of \$325,836 less operating expenses of \$311,111 results in an operating profit of \$14,725 for the first three months. Real estate commissions for the month were \$12,780 and no unusual expenses resulted in a very profitable month.

Our month end cash balances were operating \$152,253 and our reserve funds \$605,310.

There were no additions to fixed assets during the month.

## Micekteers

By Sharon Rump

**W**e had a very interesting meeting in April talking about all things Google—Google Docs, Sheets, Forms and how to back up your data. I find that if I learn one new thing every time I go to a presentation, it is valuable. I learned more than one thing at this meeting and I think the other attendees would agree with me.

With things quieting down in Oakwood and several of our leaders being out of town, it was decided that we would take the summer off and look forward to some new information in September or October. Check out the web sight for updates and enjoy the summer.

**NEW RESIDENTS**

Joan Dunn & C.O. Dolan  
3320 Spanish Oak Terr  
720-467-8984

Ann & John DeHass  
James Faulkner  
3210 Ash Terr  
330-763-3790

Howard Fuller  
Barbara Kindig  
3323 Oakwood Blvd S  
614-565-7492  
585-943-0713

Judy Jones  
3334 Over Cup Oak Terr.  
252-207-6412

Jay & Karen Laperriere  
3230 Ash Terr  
Unlisted

Duane & Christine Leeper  
3225 Oakwood Blvd. S  
518-577-9644  
518-469-4531

Richard & Marjorie Lehman  
3226 Sycamore St.  
717-277-1043

Ed & Mable Mendoza  
3216 Sycamore Terr  
317-408-8713  
317-408-8734

Jerry & Esther Miller  
3409 Shingle Oak Terr  
260-350-0010

Lloyd & Bev Montgomery  
19 White Oak Terr  
314-303-9964  
314-303-9960

Kelly Mosley-Miller  
Dan Ohler  
3210 Sycamore  
614-354-1891  
614-216-8904

Jeffrey Purdy  
217 Willow Oak Lane  
614-736-1049

Sandy Whitton  
3229 Aspen Terr

**WONDERFUL WEDNESDAYS  
ARE BACK!!!**

Come out from 5pm to 6 pm

May 8 & 22, 2024

Bring a snack to share  
and whatever libations you like.

This is your chance to meet  
and greet your neighbors.

Information- Bette Lou 941-955-7102

## FOOD TRUCK POOL PARTY EVENT

Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024  
from 1 pm to 4 pm

**C**ome enjoy "Two Guys to Go Food Truck" featuring a New York style tradition Menu of sandwiches with specially made cheese sauce. For those who do not desire cheese on their entree, those requests can be accommodated as well. Offerings are hoagies with ground beef, onions, cheese and lettuce or try a hoagie filled with chicken or for veggie lovers you can choose your hoagie filled with mushrooms cheese, lettuce & tomato. Drinks such as sodas and water can be purchased.

"Welcoming back - Jamie's Cake Creations Truck" featuring cannolis, fried cheesecake, ice cream cones dipped in chocolate or strawberry, donut holes, chocolate ganache cake and more! Delicious for sure!!!! I heard rave reviews about this dessert truck when they were here in January!

Specifics of menus will be listed in the foyer of the clubhouse and on inside and outside bulletins boards for all food vendors.

No tickets to purchase. Bring cash, debit/credit cards. The trucks will be located in the parking lot in front of the clubhouse. Once your purchase has been made join your friends on the East Veranda and socialize.

This event is a pool party so come dressed to get wet in our amazing Oakwood Manor pool!!!



We hope you'll join us in the fun at this event !!!



Feedback has been most positive for the food trucks!

This event is sponsored by the Pool Party. Questions may be directed to Lois Charen (941) 735-5160 or Alice DeLair (941) 809-7314.



## BRANSON BY JET

There is a trip in the planning stage  
November 2 - 6,  
4 Night/5 Day Jet Tour  
4 Nights at Thousand Hills Resort Hotel  
4 Hot Breakfasts, 3 Dinners, 6 Shows

-If you are interested in more details,  
Call Sharon Rump at—941-587-1927

## COMMUNICATIONS- CHANNEL 2

By Michelle VanLoon

**T**he purpose of Channel 2 is to provide Oakwood Manor residents timely news and one-time event information about our community. There have been times of the year when it can take more than ten minutes for the many slides to complete their cycle. We have a busy community!

In order to focus the kind of information presented on Channel 2, the Communications Committee (Greg Reynolds, Sharon Rump, Neil Cowan, and Michelle Van Loon) under the direction of Board members Ron Fransoo and Marcia Berkey have updated the policy for the kind of announcements that will be broadcast on Channel 2. The full policy is on the request form. This form is available at the office. *There will be a blank form available on our website in the near future.*

Channel 2 will no longer be used to broadcast ongoing, regularly scheduled events. That information can be found in *The Acorn* monthly newsletter and on our website ([www.oakwoodmanorsarasota.com](http://www.oakwoodmanorsarasota.com)). Slides will run for no more than two weeks, so plan ahead carefully if you have an event you wish to promote. Channel 2 will not be used to advertise commercial businesses. It may be used to advertise the carport sales of residents.

Hopefully, these changes will make Channel 2 more efficient and user-friendly for everyone.

## NEW NEIGHBORS

by Marcia Berkey.

**W**e have many new residents to welcome. We value the contributions that each of our new residents will bring to our community. We have great current residents, and we welcome our new members and invite you to join our community family.

**Kelly Mosley-Miller and Dan Ohler**, 3210 Sycamore, have been together for 24 years. They have two sons and one granddaughter they love so, so much. They met at work for the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities. Kelly and Pam Walters on Oakwood West are best friends. A long time ago, they went on spring break when the children were little and visited Pam's grandparents in Oakwood Manor. Kelly's oldest son, Alex, when in the third grade wrote a paper about his favorite thing on his very exciting spring break and it was playing putt putt at Oakwood Manor! Awww! Dan likes golf, gardening, pool, tennis, and cars. Kelly plays Euchre, cooks, gardens, and loves the sun. She is dreaming of not being in central OH in the Winter. They are seasonal residents.

**Ann DeHass**, 3210 Ash Terrace, was referred to Oakwood Manor by Alta Miller in 2018. Ann previously lived on Sycamore where she lived across the street from Kay Beyer in 2019. Ann and **Jim Faulkner** will be seasonal residents. Both Ann and Jim are in their 80s and they enjoy spending a long-time drinking coffee in the morning. Jim retired from police and detective work and Ann owned restaurants and bakeries. They are in their 8<sup>th</sup> decade and see that as a gift. They are so thankful for this time in their life and the spirit of community and safety in Oakwood Manor. She mentioned that you can have the grandest house but without the spirit of community that Oakwood Manor has, it isn't enough.

Please welcome **Jerry and Esther Miller**, 3409 Shingle Oak, from Topeka, Indiana. They

already have many friends in the community. Jerry still drives trucks or buses three days a week. Esther is a retired elementary food services manager.

**Judy Jones** is from the Outer Banks, North Carolina, on the island of Water Lilly. It is 25 minutes from Kitty Hawk and their tourist season in the summer. Judy has cousins and an aunt and uncle in the area. She just got to be the right age and wanted to plan for her future, so she invested in Oakwood Manor. She plays tennis, bikes, and likes to be outside. She is a full-time resident, and her mother will join her later. She previously worked at the tax department of the local courthouse.

Please welcome **Mable and Ed Mendoza** to 3216 Sycamore Terrace. Mable and her two brothers, Daniel and Norman Bontrager inherited a property in Oakwood Manor from their mother, Dorothy Bontrager, a few years ago. Daniel (and Linda) and Norman (and Lori) live on Oakwood Boulevard and now Mable and Ed are moving into Oakwood Manor, too. It's another family affair. Mel (deceased) and Iva Miller, longtime residents, are Mable, Daniel, and Norman's uncle and aunt. Mable and Ed lead luxury bus tours across the country from April through December for Land Cruise. When I spoke with them, they were scouting a new tour through Michigan and Mackinaw Island. Mable was born in Goshen and lived in Middlebury. The Mendozas now live in Fort Wayne. They will join us for 3-4 months each year.

**Howard Fuller** (Columbus, OH) and his sister, **Barbara Kindig** (Rochester, NY) reside at 3323 Oakwood Blvd. South. Howard was self-employed as a commercial painting contractor and Barbara worked at a school and coached crew rowing. They rented in the past and made many friends. They have already jumped in with a great community spirit and can be seen volunteering many places. They are seasonal for 5-6 months.

Please welcome **Michael & Marjorie Lehman**, 3226 Sycamore Terrace.

**Lloyd and Bev Montgomery** join us from Saralake Estates. They have several friends in Oakwood Manor who used to be their neighbors in Saralake. While not snowbirds, they will split their time between St. Louis, Missouri and here as they have family in both places. They have 3 children and 4 grandchildren. Lloyd retired from being a Fire Marshall and then worked another five years as a Building Commissioner before retiring a second time. He is also a veteran from the Air Force. Bev retired from being a Computer Analyst and from business ownership. She still likes to learn and share things about the ever-changing world of computers. The Miceketeers are happy to hear that! She likes to play the piano and pickleball. Both play cards and shuffleboard.

Congratulations and welcome to **Duane & Christine Leeper** are current owners who bought 3225 Oakwood Blvd South.

**Sandy Whitton** and her daughter, **Holly Tamas**, have purchased 3229 Aspen Terrace and will be full-time residents. She moved to Sarasota with her parents and two sisters in 1953. Sandy retired from an insurance company. She has cousins in Oakwood Manor: Mary Kukainis, Claudia Gutknecht, Rick and Renee Holder, and a good friend Elsie McDonald.

**Jeff Purdy** will be a full-time resident at 217 Willow Oak Lane but will be in and out. He is a retired plumber. He has two boys, one a plumber and one an electrician, and two grandchildren. He found Oakwood Manor through his brother, Chuck Purdy.

**Jay and Karen Laperriere** have purchased 3230 Ash Terrace. They have already started a big remodel on it. Jay is Ty's brother. They have lived on Potter Street in Sarasota since 1982 and are excited to be full-time residents as soon as their home is finished. They like bowling, shuffleboard, swimming, and playing cards. Karen has been busy with caregiving and watching grandchildren. She wants to start scrapbooking and walking in our safe community. She also enjoys working on puzzles. Jay is a veteran and was in the Air Force and National Guard. Jay has worked for CeMix for 19 years and drives a semi to deliver cement blocks to new homes. Karen is a retired preschool teacher. They have

3 children, 6 grandchildren, 3 honorary grandchildren, and one great-grandchild. All but one of them live locally! Jay is related to Ty and to Wanda Smith and they are friends with Paul and Diane Knaus.

**Joan Dunn and C.O. Dolan** purchased 3320 Spanish Oak Terrace and will be full-time residents.

Originally from Colorado, they have worked across the country doing resort & estate property management prior to moving to FL in 2021 and are moving here from Sebring. They enjoy outdoor activities including water sports of all kinds, biking, and yoga healing arts. They are looking forward to learning pickleball!! C.O served in the Navy off the coast of Viet Nam. It was then that he got the name of C.O. for Colorado and it stuck. Joan has a sister in Bradenton. They didn't know anyone here when they came to Oakwood Manor – let's fix that right away!

**Deb and Denny (Den) Kimball**, 107 Oakwood Boulevard, have bought 107 Oakwood Blvd. Deb is the niece of Roger and Joan Corbeil. They are full-time residents coming from Maine. Deb still works virtually for Maine Medical and Denny is a professional painter and has many other skills. They have three adult children and are expecting their first grandchild (a girl) this July. Please welcome Deb and Den to Oakwood Manor!

**Roland Wolske and his mother, Else**, have purchased 3345 Laurel Oak Way. Else has 2 children and 1 grandchild. They have worked hard in grain and fruit farming in southwest Michigan, near Eau Claire. They have been friends with Sharon Prough since they were in a youth group at the Sturgis Church of God. They will be here about four months each year. Roland said they are about as Amish as you can get with a red pickup truck.

**Donna McManis** is a new potential friend in 340 Laurel Oak. Donna is from the Cincinnati, Ohio area and lives in northeastern Kentucky now. She has a son and 2 stepchildren, 8 grandchildren, and 2 great grandchildren. Donna and her late husband visited *Doc*, Gary, Sroufe and found the Oakwood Manor paradise. She will be here seasonally for now. Donna retired a couple of years ago from 45 years as a respiratory therapist. 🌸

# Shuffleboard Club News May

By Vicki Gregory



**I**t's May and most of the Snowbirds have left the Oakwood Manor nest. Same goes for Shuffle Club. We have had a wonderful season up at the courts, although we have had to deal with windy conditions and cooler temperatures we still enjoyed the renewal of old friendships and even developed new ones.

The Oakwood Olympic was such a pleasant experience at the courts. Maybe more of us can participate next year! Marty, it's all up to you!

Our Annual Banquet and Meeting was held March 23<sup>rd</sup> at the clubhouse and well attended. The catering once again from Dutch Valley Family Restaurant didn't disappoint the group.

Our Awards segment of our meeting were presented to our membership that night as well. Here's the list:

Singles winners Gwen Newcomer and George Manekas



Doubles winner were CJ Yoder and Bob Lincoln



Mixed Doubles winners were Gwen and Gene Newcomer



Special Awards were presented to Margaret Steury for her many years in Shuffle Club. If you need anything, Margaret is the person who is always willing to give her time and baking skills.



Another Special award was given to Joyce Klees for her years playing Shuffle and for her 5 years of our Valentines Day Dance Chair. She and her Team Members always provided an excellent evening of memories for Oakwood Manor residents.



Once again the courts are quieter, the sunshine and heat moves the shuffle play to the evening hours.

Thanks to everyone for making this season special. Until we meet again in October. 🍁



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

We would like to wish all of our residents a very Happy Birthday and we are listing the May birthdays here so you can send best wishes to your friends and neighbors on their special day. If there are any errors or omissions please let the office know so our records can be updated. If you do not wish your birthday to be listed, please notify Sharon Rump and she will make sure your name is not published.



Charlie	Allen	May 1	Kelly	Mosler-Miller	May 12	Robert	Enderle	May 23
Zygmunt	Barszcz	May 1	Kristin	Noel	May 13	Karen	LaPerriere	May 23
Vicky	Person	May 1	Donald	Clemens	May 13	Jane	Muir	May 24
Karlyn	Dawes	May 2	Gerallynn	Lambris	May 13	Don	Blackwell	May 26
Sandra	Weber	May 2	George	Moyer	May 13	Lynda	Barber	May 26
Marie	Kozenewski	May 2	Don	Thurlow	May 14	Bob	Gibbons	May 27
Wilma	Hostetler	May 2	Joan	Kaye	May 14	Garry	Blount	May 27
Joseph	Warner	May 2	Pam	Ernst	May 14	Neil	Mackinnon	May 27
Joanne	Engel	May 3	Jacqueline	Johnson	May 14	Del	King	May 27
Maynard	Miller	May 3	Julie	Sirignano	May 14	Rich	Pfaff	May 27
Sharon	Bailey	May 4	Barbara	Kroell	May 15	Greg	Reynolds	May 27
Kelly	Anchors	May 5	Dexter	Vaughn	May 16	Donna	Minotto	May 27
Freeman	Mullet	May 6	Christine	Gray	May 16	Judy	Jones	May 27
Barbara	Reid	May 6	Brenda	Werely	May 16	Janet	Hardin	May 28
Richard	Shehorn	May 6	Robert	Bucher	May 17	Anita	Murphy	May 28
Lynne	Kirchhoff	May 8	Linda	Short	May 17	Bonnie	Gerst	May 28
Deb	Arthur	May 8	Maredith	Vendrely	May 18	Galen	Miller	May 29
Don	Taylor	May 9	Ken	Abt	May 18	Barbara	Adams	May 29
Marilyn	Graf	May 9	Thomas	Salzinger	May 18	Florence	Donaghy	May 30
R.H.	Bennett	May 9	Sharon	Martin	May 19	Marilyn	Aldrich	May 30
Carol	Pemberton	May 10	Rita	Piccolo	May 19	Mary Ann	Miller	May 30
Dan	Ohler	May 10	Michele	Schmidt	May 19	Judy	Cowan	May 30
Carol	Luetjen	May 11	Ian	Reese	May 20	Hugh	Turner	May 30
John	Huddleston	May 11	Karen	Cochran	May 20	Norm	Wilcox	May 31
Donald	Ciarlone	May 11	Kay	Fontaine	May 20	Sondra	Davidson	May 31
Nancy	Freshcorn	May 11	Leland	Sapp	May 21	Janice	Hildenbrand	May 31
Scott	Johnson	May 11	Liz	Avicolli	May 22			
Marsha	Yoder	May 12	Joan	Dunn	May 22			
Bernard	Sirignano	May 12	Phyllis	Davis	May 23			
Becky	May	May 12	Peggy	Haseloff	May 23			

# Happy Birthday




## WELCOME TO LADIES LUNCHEON

Wednesday, May 1st at 11:30 am. \$6.00

As our friends return to their northern homes  
It seems time for the remaining ladies to rest.  
SO! We are having our annual Pajama Party!  
(Night gowns accepted too)

Sign up to bring either a salad or a dessert or buy a ticket  
Remember ladies to bring your luncheon settings.

For information: Barbara 937-218-1550 or Vicki. 918-260-9388 



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