



Summerfield Summary

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SCA OFFICE CLOSED

Monday, December 26

for the Christmas
Holiday

Summerfield 2023 Assessment Fee; \$650/person

After many weeks of discussing the 2023 budget, which includes looking at requests from the different groups from around Summerfield, assessing a professionally curated Reserve Study, assuming the least desirable economic trend of increasing utility costs, considering the age and condition of equipment and places where change is needed to move in a forward-thinking direction, the Board of Directors has determined the monetary needs for running Summerfield for next year. There was a lot of thought that went into numbers; while we are lacking a crystal ball, consideration for the state of the economy is made. At Summerfield, we are fortunate that we have the funds available to continuously renew and upgrade the aging facilities to keep them looking beautiful and full of the amenities that keep us all active, social, and proud. Consideration was taken that while the economy does, what it is going to do—it doesn't just affect businesses, but it affects all of us from our personal home utilities, and grocery bills, and the knowledge that retirements and savings have also been affected. It is with all this, that the announcement that the 2023 Assessment Fee which is due for each Resident per year is \$650.

As in previous years, you cannot pay for your 2023 annual assessment until 2023 (this is an auditor requirement). Do not ask the office to "hold" your check, and do not mail in your check early. Please be thoughtful of the time and the responsibilities of the office staff and make your payment after the New Year. And as always, cash or check is accepted. The office will be accepting payments from January 3 through February 15, 2023, and after that late fees will be added. The ideal situation is payment mailed into the office so as to avoid a human traffic jam during our limited office hours. At this time, you may also pay for and pick up your Annual Golf Pass, Cart Pass, and perhaps additional Resident Fobs to enter the Clubhouse you may need. If you need to talk about Event Scheduling/Calendar please refrain from doing so during this time if possible. The 2023 Resident Directory will also be available for pickup.

Read more about 2023 Fees on page 8

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

"Of all the months of the year there is not a month one half so welcome to the young, or so full of happy associations, as the last month of the year." – Charles Dickens

Now I wonder how it can be December! Just a short time ago we were enduring or enjoying, depending on your perspective, 85-degree temps and drought. Now morning has broken at 31-degree freezing temperatures. The days are shorter and the nights are longer. Golf continues on our beautiful course, but instead of 11 hours of play, we have 7 if we're lucky. And stay on the cart path as the course is well watered. Pickleball and Tennis are limited by cold and rain. The pool is closed but our Clubhouse is open and activities abound. The Clubhouse is being decorated for the holidays and parties and celebrations all month.

Music fills the Clubhouse with performances by our Encore singing group and Summerfield Singers to lighten everyone's spirits. Many of our Clubs and Committees have holiday parties to celebrate the season. Check out *the Summary* Newsletter, calendar in the lobby, the bulletin board, and our new website for information.

The Golf Course will hold the Annual Santa Claus Open, always a fun event, and an Open House in the Golf Pro Shop the same day with refreshments and some great gifts for that special golfer.

Many of our Townhomes and Condominiums hold celebrations for their residents also.

So, Summerfield remains active and involved during the holidays. And we hope that you choose to be a part of these activities. Your involvement is what makes Summerfield an inviting and inclusive community.

However you choose to celebrate this special time of the year, we wish you a safe season, health, and happiness.

"The color of springtime is in the flowers; the color of winter is in the imagination." – Terri Guillemets

SCA President, Tom Clancy

Architecture Landscape Committee

As the new Chairperson of the Architecture & Landscape Committee, I'm looking forward to continuing the great work the committee does to ensure Summerfield always looks its best. I want to thank the committee members for their work, and especially want to thank Bev Anderson and Mary Kay Stroum for their leadership over the past years.

Winter is a quiet time for many home and landscape projects, but it's a great time to begin planning for spring, especially with the limited availability of supplies and contractors. Don't forget that a Change Request is needed for most any project involving a home exterior or landscaping, other than general cleanup/maintenance. You can get a CR from the clubhouse, or from the Summerfield55 website. And don't forget to speak with your neighbors about your project.

Scott Owen, A/L Committee





SCA BOARD MEETING RECAP

President Tom Clancy called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

Minutes: Motion made (Phelps), seconded (Gattuccio) to sign and to accept the minutes from the October 10, 2022, regular Board Meeting.

Golf Course Report – Palmer: The Maintenance Shop lift project is complete and it is in operation. Arborvitae removal and fence building surrounding the Maintenance Shop is beginning this week. Looking to schedule an arborist to evaluate all golf course trees since there have been so many showing age and disease this past year.

Golf Pro Shop Report – R. Lindsey: The time available to play is very short in the winter which has an effect on revenue. So far this year the Golf Course has exceeded 40,000 rounds so far this year. Rob will host a Pro Shop Open House December 6, 5-7 PM for all residents.

City of Tigard Liaison Report – Sherman: November Election results; Heidi Lueb is Mayor Elect; Maureen Wolf elected two-year term City Council Chair; Yi-Kang Hu four year term City Council Chair; and the second four-year City Council Chair position is still too close to call between Jai Raj Singh and Tom Anderson. Police Chief McAlpine gave a report on local crime statistics. City of Tigard has established 20 mph as the legal speed limit for most residential streets, which becomes effective at the time that current 25 mph signs are replaced with the new 20 mph signs. Summerfield is due to have it's signs replaced before the new year.

Treasurer's Report – Knutson: Operating account: October 2022 total income of \$59,318.05; October 2022 total expenditures of \$91,547.24; Cash on hand as of 10/31/2022 \$751,857.38. Reserve account: October 2022 total income of \$1,026.66; October 2022 total expenditures of \$619.74; General reserve balance as of 10/31/22 \$1,370,421.06. New Buyer

Fee income for October \$6,152.40; New Buyer Fee expenses for September \$63,343.41; New Buyer Fee interest \$33.68; New Buyer Fee account balance as of 10/31/22 \$185,360.97. Total General Reserves plus New Buyers Fee Account as of 10/31/22 \$1,555,782.03. Checks written in October: From Key Bank Operating checking account regular checks: #19428-19479, paychecks: #50374-50377; From US Bank Reserves checking account checks: 651-652; From Washington Federal Reserves Checking Account checks: 245-249. Motion was made (Gattuccio), seconded (Blake) and approved to accept the entire Treasurer's report.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business:

Policy and Procedure updates in reference to House bill 2574

HB 2574 was passed by Oregon Legislature to remove any discriminatory language from HOA documents. A motion was made to accept changes to policy and procedure documents that had language that could be seen as discriminatory (Blake), seconded (Phelps) to accept new updates. Motion passed.

Proposed 2023 Annual Assessment Amount

After several weeks of budget meetings, the amount of \$650 per resident for the 2023 assessment was proposed. A motion was made (Knutson), seconded (Gattuccio). Motion passed.

Accept 2023 Reserve Study: Rough Draft

A motion was made (Knutson), seconded (Phelps) to accept the rough draft of the 2023 Reserve Study by Schwindt & Co. Motion passed.

Administrator's Report: 4 homes sold in Summerfield in the month of October. Received thank you note from Diane Ragsdale addressed to the Board, thanking them (and Summerfield) for the Retirement Send off. New signage up

around the Clubhouse including First Aid signs, AED signs and restroom signs.

Director's Roundtable:

Sharon Hughes: Pool—No Report

Steve Blake: CALC, Greens, Marketing—

Poplar trees to be removed December 5-9. Cliff Thorne resigned as Chairperson for Greens Committee. Motion made (Blake), seconded (Kellogg), to accept new members Joyce Knutson and Barbara Kelley on the Greens Committee. Motion passed. Motion made (Blake), seconded (Kellogg), to approve Rick Knutson for additional year on Greens Committee. Motion passed. Rick Knutson will serve as Greens Committee Chairperson until a replacement can be established.

Dianne Phelps: Library, Courts, Disaster Preparedness - Disaster Preparedness Committee is working on creating educational folders for residents as well as researching solar light options.

JJ Gattuccio: Arch/Landscape, Sub Associations – Scott Owen is now acting Chairperson for Arch./Landscape Committee.

Penny Kellogg: Clubhouse, Clubs/Activities, Newcomers, Neighborhood Watch – Neighborhood Watch will evolve while under new organization to include Safety within Summerfield. Sound system upgrades are scheduled to take place in the Ballroom and blinds have been fixed in the Ballroom. Holiday decorating will take place on November 28, around the Clubhouse.

Carol Knutson: Pro Shop, Volunteer Appreciation - Huge shout out to the people on the Volunteer Appreciation Committee for the Appreciation Event as well as the Veteran's Day Event.

Motion made (Hughes), seconded (Gattuccio) and approved to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 11:00 AM. Motion passed. **Next Agenda Meeting December 5, at 9 AM. Next regular Board Meeting is December 12, at 9:00 AM.**

OUR OFFICE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Many Summerfield residents have by now met Cherie Nef, who started working as the civic association's bookkeeper/administrative assistant in the front office at the Clubhouse on Aug. 15. She admits that she was over-qualified for the job she found on Indeed.com, but it was exactly what she was looking for. "I was looking for something to do until I retired," Cherie said.

After working at various jobs as a teacher or a librarian or an accountant or a combination of those positions for nearly 30 years in her home state of Utah, Cherie took a leap of faith and moved to Oregon in mid-2020 because one of her four children lives here. She was looking for a part-time job that offered medical benefits and was people-oriented where she could utilize her extensive background.

"I applied for 30 to 40 library and bookkeeping jobs, and then four job offers came in the same week," Cherie said. "It went from nothing to boom!"

Luckily the Summerfield job was perfect for Cherie, who originally earned bachelor of accounting and master of accounting degrees from Utah State University and five years ago a master's degree in library and information science from San Jose State University. She also passed the CPA exam but never became a CPA.

Utilizing her first two degrees, Cherie started as a teaching assistant at Utah State University and then owned her own accounting firm in Utah before spending 13 years as a teacher/librarian at Thomas Edison Charter School in Utah.

Cherie has two sons and two daughters, with two children living in Utah and one living in Idaho along with her grandchildren plus the son in Oregon. After moving here in July 2020, Cherie worked as an accountant for a solar company in Tualatin before becoming a long-term substitute teacher/librarian at Oregon Episcopal School in Portland.

After starting at Summerfield, Cherie trained under Diane Ragsdale before she retired, and while Cherie has been doing the day-to-day office work, she and Administrator Jennifer Stiffler also have been working to make some of the processes more efficient. Cherie said that she was surprised to learn that more of Summerfield's processes such as paying assessments aren't online.

"I am a problem-solver and like to get information," Cherie said. "The calendar has been a challenge. When I was being interviewed for the job, I was asked if I could deal with continuous interruptions. Yes, I can."

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MONDAY MORNING COFFEE

Come join us each Monday from 9 – 11 AM for Morning Coffee. **On December 19, the Spirit of Christmas will fill the Lobby** as the Summerfield Singers, directed by Julie Helle, and accompanied by Nancy Vink, lead us in **Holiday Songs**. **Christmas goodies** will be served with coffee, tea, or hot chocolate.

Submitted by Connie Jones



HOLIDAY LIGHT HANGING

For many years, **Tigard High School's Service Club** has hung up and taken down Christmas lights in Summerfield and King City. We have come back to life and would like to hang lights for you. We will be out on the morning of **December 3** to put them up, and on **January 7**, to take them down. There is **no charge** for this service.

Please call Jay Leet, at 503-989-7077, or advisor Fred Holts at Tigard H.S. at 503-431-5448.

Encore! Presents....

Together for the Holidays
A free musical concert of
memories, mirth and merriment
at the Summerfield Clubhouse

Two performances available:
Sunday, Dec 4, 4:00 PM
Saturday, Dec 10, 1:00 PM

Concerts start promptly on time.
Walk-ins will be accommodated if
seats are available.

Line Dance

Ultra-Beginners, Monday mornings 10:30 – 11:30 AM is in full swing and now a closed class. This group of 35+ new dancers are progressing quickly, and we look forward to them being ready to attend our December Christmas dinner/dance.

OTHER LINE DANCE OPPORTUNITIES

Monday evenings from 6 – 7:30 PM will be a combination of dances from beginner to low intermediate levels of dance.

Wednesday afternoons 1:30 – 3 PM combination much the same as Monday evenings.

Our Annual Christmas dinner/dance will be held on Monday evening, December 12, at 5:30 PM. We look forward to seeing our newer dancers join in for this fun evening.

Thank you, Summerfield Dancers,
for another fun year of dancing.
We look forward to a happy,
healthy New Year.

With much gratitude,

Diane and Brian



JUST-FRIENDS SINGLES

Let's play Cornhole on Thursday, December 1st at 3:15 PM in the Lakeview Room. It's a lot of fun and easy to learn!

Planning meeting for future activities. Saturday, December 3rd, 11:00 AM in the Conference Room. Bring your **2023 calendar!** We'll go out to lunch afterward.

Holiday Party on Thursday, December 8. This is for dues-paying Singles only! This year, it will be held at the **Claim Jumper Restaurant**, 18000 SW Lower Boones Ferry Rd., Tualatin, 97224. **We will start at A NEW TIME OF 5:30 PM.** Everyone will be ordering from the menu and will pay for their own meal. Check out the menu at:

www.claimjumper.com. **There is a limit of 24 people, so you must sign up on the bulletin board by December 1.** If you sign up and then cannot go, please cross your name off the list. To carpool, meet in the Clubhouse Lobby at 5:00 PM.

Let's go to breakfast on Friday, December 16, at the Cracker Barrel Restaurant in Tualatin, (7415 SW Nyberg St., 97062). Check out the menu at: www.crackerbarrel.com. **To carpool, meet in the Clubhouse Lobby at 9:00 AM.**

Got the blahs after Christmas? Then come to Game Night on Tuesday, December 27, at 6:30 PM in the Game Room. Please bring your favorite game **AND a leftover goodie or hors d'oeuvre** from Christmas dinner. You know it won't taste good next year if you put it in the freezer!

Questions about these activities? Call Linda Henning at 858-481-6868 or attend the meeting on December 3rd.

Submitted by Nancy Vink



"Everyone has been so great. Jennifer is the best boss I have ever worked for, and I like the people who come by. I like the Monday morning coffee people. Everyone is so nice and friendly and accommodating."

When Cherie isn't on the job, she has two key interests. She has always been a voracious reader, noting, "I love libraries. I have many library cards and four online library cards."

Back in Utah, Cherie said she read 300 books a year, but now that she has a new life in Lake Oswego and a boyfriend, she only reads about 52 books a year.

"When I was a school librarian at the middle and high school level, I read the books in the library that were more controversial," Cherie said. "I thought it was important for me to read them so if parents complained that a book should be removed from the library, I could discuss it with them."

She added, laughing, "I am a teen fiction expert. Now I am catching up on my adult reading."

Cherie's favorite genres are teen fantasy such as the "Harry Potter" series and time travel, although "I like everything," said Cherie, who also has traveled extensively on five continents.

Cherie's other key interest is swimming, or more accurately, water jogging. The community where she lives has a swimming pool, and most afternoons, Cherie can be found jogging in the water while listening to audio books.

In water or on dry land, Cherie has definitely found her niche in Oregon.

Submitted by Barbara Sherman

CREATIVE ART GUILD

Looking back over 2022, the Creative Art Guild has appreciated all the support and words of encouragement from Summerfield's residents. It's been a privilege to share works of art on the Clubhouse Gallery Walls and also bring back the Summerfield Art Show!



New works are up on display in the Clubhouse and whether you're partial to watercolors, oils, acrylics, photography, mixed media, pastels, or pencils, you're sure to enjoy the interpretations of our chosen theme, "Through A Window".

Note to Art Guild Members: It's time to recharge the "artistic batteries", so we will not be meeting in December. See you in January!

Submitted by Lori Owen



Garden Club

The Garden Club enjoyed having a speaker from the Tualatin Riverkeepers. We learned about their programs to protect, restore and enjoy the Tualatin River and the watershed.

Our Holiday Luncheon will be held on December 12, at 12 noon in the Lakeview Room for our paid members and is always a fun time. We each bring a wrapped \$10.00 gift for our gift exchange.

RSVP to Karen Walker at

503-964-4923 or

karenrw@comcast.net

by December 7.



CLUBHOUSE COMMITTEE

The holidays are upon us!

And with the holidays come more opportunities to gather with friends and family. When using the Clubhouse for your gathering, please be aware of the usage guidelines and please be gentle with the facility! Open the doors with a fob or a wave; gently raise and lower the blinds; clean up spills right away, and so on. There is a holiday event scheduled almost every day, so please be considerate of the next event after yours! This will ensure our lovely Clubhouse is always ready to use and looks its best.

We are expecting 2023 to be a very active year involving some exciting projects. If you are interested in joining the committee, please contact Deb Simpson.

Submitted by Clubhouse Committee

Bible Study



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to
all Summerfield residents!

You are welcome to come to the

Summerfield Bible Study

We usually meet every Wednesday at 9:30 AM for Coffee and fellowship and at 10 AM for our study. We will finish up Romans in December and begin Ephesians in January 2023. We gather together at Southwest Church of Christ on Durham and 98th. **Due to the holidays, we will not meet on November 23, December 21' and December 28.**

Submitted by: Mary Kay Stroum 503-479-5430

Qigong Yoga

Holidays are here already! Keep moving to stay healthy!

Do you want to become stronger and more flexible?

Would you like to feel more openness in your body?

These are some of the many benefits you may experience from regular participation in **Qigong Yoga** (pronounced CheeGong).

We use chairs as props and sometimes yoga straps to help improve our posture and find more openness in the body.

We move mindfully into poses and exercises that encourage more energy, flexibility, and balance. Variations are offered based on each student's needs.

If you have a yoga mat, feel free to bring it, although it is not necessary to enjoy the practice. Looking forward to seeing you in class!

Tuesdays – 10:30 AM - In the Lakeview Room

Questions? Call or text Pamela at 503-320-5150

Submitted by Pamela Olzman

Bingo

Join us for the last Bingo night of 2022.

December 9, 7 PM – 9 PM

Enjoy some holiday spirit and
good wishes for the coming new year.

Submitted by Marlene Christensen



Cribbage

We play cribbage from 9:30 AM until 12 noon on Monday mornings. We have all the materials. A great place to learn how to play or refresh your memory on how to play. Come join the fun!

Submitted by Steve Moore

2023 CIVIC ASSOCIATION ASSESSMENTS AND FEES

CIVIC ASSOCIATION ANNUAL ASSESSMENT \$650.00/person*

*Payable between January 3 – February 15, 2023. *Vacant homes assessed at rate of just one person, regardless of number of previous occupants

*Late fee of \$25.00 plus 12% per annum will be assessed after February 15, 2023.

RESIDENT ANNUAL GOLF TAG \$600.00/person*

*Must purchase tag before playing golf

PUBLIC ANNUAL GOLF TAG (see policy E.5.03) \$800.00/person

DAILY GREEN FEES - 9 holes:

	<u>Residents</u>	<u>Guests</u>	<u>Public</u>
Winter Rate –all days (January through March, and November through December)	\$ 12.00	\$ 13.00	\$ 14.00
Summer Rate – Weekdays (April through October)	\$ 12.00	\$ 14.00	\$ 16.00
Summer Rate – Weekends & Holidays (April through October)	\$ 14.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 18.00
Punch Cards (8 rounds)	\$ 96.00		\$ 120.00
Junior Rate (ages 8 through high school)			\$ 11.00

GOLF CART PERMITS: \$110.00

Note: Summer rate for 18-holes for Resident is \$22/\$26, for Guest w/ Resident is \$26/\$30 and for Public is \$30/\$34 (weekday/weekend)

Note: 'Twilight Rate' and start date / time set at Golf Pro's discretion

Note: Active duty military personnel (with ID) play free round when accompanied by paying player

LOCKER RENTALS:

Mens & Womens Fitness Center: 3 ft. - \$12.00 / 6 ft. - \$18.00 / Box - \$6.00 (Price based on size of locker)

THE UNPOPULAR POPLARS

In the last year, Summerfield has had more tree issues come up than anyone can ever remember in the past. A lot of this has to do with the changing weather patterns we are experiencing here in the Pacific Northwest – extremely hot summers, incredibly wet and windy winters, and new to the area tree-unfriendly insects. We have had cases where an issue affected a single tree or a group of trees. Some trees are owned by residents, some by the City of Tigard and most of these belong to either the Golf Course or are Common Area trees of the SCA. In the office, I have even received phone calls from other local like HOA organizations asking if we are experiencing this because they too are in disbelief about how many trees they are talking about in Board Meetings.

One grouping of trees causing a lot of fuss for the last year is made up of about 15 Poplar-Cottonwood Hybrids, to the right of the ninth hole just off the Golf Course. These trees can be seen from the Clubhouse living room as well as hang over Durham Road. These trees are estimated to be at least 25 years old if not more. They were typically planted because they grew tall and matured quickly. They make a nice canopy and for the most part look natural to the area. Many residents may not have noticed them before. The residents who live near them may have choice words for them as they drop loads of cotton fluff in the summer. These trees are also responsible for some rather large limbs that have dropped on the Durham side of the brick wall that contains most of the Southern border of Summerfield.

In 2021 the SCA requested permission from the City of Tigard to take out the trees as they were an nuisance and originally the plan was denied by the City and it was determined that we could trim them. Many things got in the way of scheduling the trimming at the time and the job was not done. In 2022, the plan was resurrected regarding these trees and the SCA received new bids for the job and it was discovered by a 30+ year tree specialist that the trees showed a lot of sign of disease and it was found that the average lifespan of these trees is only 15 years. The SCA revisited the idea of removing the 15 Poplars and with the help of the arborist and a few months of waiting for answers, it was finally accepted that these trees were no longer healthy and it was approved that we have them removed. The SCA had hoped that the approvals would come in time to take them out from the Golf Course side of the property without interfering with Golf but also before the grounds got too wet for the removal equipment. Unfortunately, the timing did not play out the best and the work is finally scheduled for **December 5-9**.

Why am I writing this to you all? Most importantly, for transparency's sake. Secondly, because there is going to be a lot of disturbance on Durham including traffic control and heavy machinery as they remove the chain link fence over there and use cranes and whatnot to remove these 15 trees and we beg your pardon for the trouble it may cause and please know we tried to do this from our side first. Lastly, because we want you all to know that we LOVE trees too and do not want to take out anything that is beautiful and serving a purpose, but we do not want to deal with the decay of these trees or the climbing price tag of contractors if we waited longer. If a limb were to drop again on the Durham side – it could be on a pedestrian or vehicle.

The SCA plans to replant new trees in place of the removed ones but we want to make some educated decisions about what type of tree to put in the ground to provide beauty, canopy, sound barrier and even habitat for nature.

Submitted by the SCA Office

Book Club

We discussed *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings* at our November book club meeting. Carolyn Ward led the group with a lot of information about the amazing author, Maya Angelou. Those attending all voiced their admiration and enjoyment of the book and the author. Thank you, Carolyn, for stepping up and doing this for us.

December 13, will be our next meeting in the Conference Room of the Clubhouse at 2 PM. We won't be discussing a book, but we will be voting for the books that have been nominated by members of our group. Thank you all for your nominations. We will have over 20 titles to choose from for our 11 months of meetings in 2023. Here is your chance to vote for the books that you would enjoy reading next year.

Besides voting for books, we will take this opportunity to have a little Holiday cheer by enjoying the snacks that we brought. Please bring your own drink that you would like and cookies or a favorite Christmas-type snack that you would like to share. We can partake in these while we discuss the books and vote. The Book Club is about sharing ideas about books and now about Holiday snacks.

Submitted by Neal Sanders

The Speed of Summerfield

The topic of speed has come up as a complaint and question many times in the last couple of months. The SCA Board is working on forming a group, a team, perhaps a committee to take on the task of safety within Summerfield from taking in complaints and recognizing areas with poor signage, faded signage or even areas where we need increased signage.

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FUN WITH HAND & FOOT

Lessons Offered

Tournament Results: We had a fun tournament on November 8, with 16 players. Kudos to First Place Gary and Maria, who lagged for a bit and then gained their second wind and won, outpacing second-place Irma and Michelle by 1,020 points! The Booby Prize went to Paula and Susan, who started strong with two hands at the A table but fell behind on the far turn and lost it in the home stretch. Great game partners! We had a lot of fun, with yummy potluck treats.

We have a very fun, casual group that plays every **Tuesday at 1:30 P.M. in the Game Room. Please plan on being there 15 minutes early for the table assignment.** We start to play promptly at 1:30. Late arrivals cannot be seated, as table seating is drawn and we cannot interrupt a game that has started.

If you have never played or feel rusty, Susan is offering tutorials at 12 PM on Tuesdays, just prior to the regular games, **to those who RSVP at least a day ahead.** Learn the basics without the pressure of a game. You may direct questions or RSVP to Susan by phone at 818-648-5356 or by email at scallihan7308@gmail.com.

The Hand & Foot group no longer requires masking unless OHA returns to mandate. Some of our players may choose to continue masking, and that is their prerogative. However, by consensus of our regular players, we will continue to require that players be vaccinated due to the number of immunocompromised or at-risk members of the group and the periodic resurgences of this virus and variants around the country.

We ask that if you travel or are in close contact with someone who has recently traveled, to not attend for 5 days after your return or after that contact. If you feel ill, please do not attend.

Paula Henry and Susan Callihan – Co-chairs

Veteran's Day Event

The Summerfield Volunteer Appreciation Committee hosted a Veteran's Day Event in the Clubhouse Ballroom on November 11, and it was a huge success. There were approximately 130 veterans, their families, and friends in attendance. A short clip about the History of Veterans was shown, a moving recap from Jerry Kerns on his Honor Flight to Washington DC., and our local Summerfield Singers, directed by Julie Helle, provided a sing-along of patriotic songs. Our vets displayed memorabilia items, including the quilt given to Jerry from the Northwest Quilts of Valor, an organization whose goal is to recognize veterans and those who need healing. Paper poppies were made by Nora Pirrie, a Life member of the Tigard American Legion Auxiliary.



The committee served an assortment of cookies and bars, with coffee and iced tea.

We want to thank all our Veterans and their families for their service. Let us never forget their sacrifices, past, present, and future.

Thanks to Eldon Tichenor, our MC, and the Volunteer Committee: Cheryl, Beth, Joy, Joanne, and Joyce. A special thanks to Rich & Debbie Cruse for their outdoor silhouette display of two soldiers standing at attention.

Submitted by your Volunteer Appreciation Committee



Pictured above: Resident George Stone



Top of page: Soldier Salute shadow display

Top right: Summerfield Singers



Bottom right: Jerry Kerns' Quilt of Valor

Disaster Preparation: “What if”

Observing current conditions in the world, both natural and man-made, one can see there are numerous cases where disasters of different scales might occur. We can script through and see “What If” they happen and what would you likely be faced with from a preparedness standpoint.

Here is a list of possible disasters in the Pacific Northwest and the likely conditions they might present:

Severe Windstorms: one might expect **power outages** from several hours to days, possibly weeks while distribution systems are repaired or replaced from damage by flying objects and falling trees. **Water supplies and natural gas supplies** would most likely be maintained unless they required significant power for operation. **Sewer systems** would most likely still function. So, one might need emergency supplies for cooking, heating and lighting - and a reserve food supply if food sales and distribution are affected.

Floods: while most of Summerfield is about 200 ft above sea level, most flood damage here should be minimal, however **water and sewer** services might easily be influenced or curtailed and possibly power sources, for hours to weeks. One might need **reserve water supplies, substitute sanitation equipment and possibly a back-up power source.**

Volcanic eruptions: Mt. Hood, Mt. Saint Helens and other Cascade peaks are still active volcanic sources and can produce widespread destruction and damage due to **pyroclastic flows, ash deposits and ground tremors.** Likely damage might occur to roads and transportation systems, degraded air quality and one might need the ability to better seal off the home and prevent breathing problems.

Minor/Moderate Earthquakes: Shallow local tremors often occur with minor damage to **structures and possibly underground utility systems.** One might need contractual aid in repairs and replacement work, but generally utility systems will not be greatly affected. Reserve food supplies might be handy.

The 200-to-600-year cycle Big Quake: Predictions are that the ground will shake for 4 min solid, with significant after-shocks and most bridges and roads will be impassable. Passage to the coast and possibly to Cascade passes will be blocked for weeks to months. Moisture trapped in the soil will tend to liquefy the soil and heavy structures will tend to settle greatly. Wooden homes/ structures will tend to give with the shocks but other buildings will most likely crumble. Most normal services might be out for weeks to months, in the major quake zones – the coast will be severely hard hit and the Willamette Valley may have significant damage. One will need significant supplies of **water, food, power and lighting back-up, sanitation supplies, first aid supplies, pet support and medication reserves.**

Our function in the Disaster Preparation Committee is to help you learn how to prepare for all these events and provide information on sources, assets and equipment to survive in a healthy and safe manner. If you are interested in Preparedness, please attend our meetings on the 3rd Monday of each month at 7 PM in the Clubhouse Conference Room. Stay well and stay prepared!

Submitted by Roy Metcalf, Committee member

Turf Tales

In the year 1242, the king of France was informed that the largest armies Europe had been able to put into the field in centuries had been soundly defeated by the Mongols. There was now no one capable of stopping the invaders' inexorable march to the Atlantic Ocean. As a lifelong Mets fan in Oregon, having suffered a 36th straight year without winning the World Series and the aggressive malaise of another relentlessly dreary winter on the horizon, I think to myself maybe 1242 wasn't such a bad time.

Winters in the Northwest are not an easy time for people or for grass. The major problem is simply the lack of sun. For people, we fight with lowered vitamin D levels because at our latitude we can't get vitamin D from the sun starting in October and continuing till March. Add to the lack of Vitamin D, a heaping helping of Seasonal Affective Disorder brought on by the disruption of our circadian rhythms and you can get a time when our immune systems are weak and our mood bleak. For grass, it is not so different. Because sunlight is so scarce in the winter, the ability of grass to use photosynthesis is greatly restricted. This means that turf grass grows slower, has less ability to repair itself, and is more susceptible to disease. While grass does "harden off" and go into a semi-dormant state to help protect it during Willamette Valley winters, it is still a dangerous time for turf. If turf is damaged during this time of the year, it will take a very long time for it to recover if it can recover at all. Therefore, we try not to expose the grass to extra stressors this time of year, like driving or walking on frosty turf any more than we feel is necessary.

There is one thing we simply can't avoid that is very hard on the grass, however, and that is the sweeper picking up leaves. That machine is really hard on the grass, but the alternative of not getting the leaves picked up relatively quickly is even worse. So please understand that I realize if you consistently have leaves blown near your house you may be frustrated by that, and I really am sorry for any leaves that end up in your yards. Just know that we are really trying our hardest to not blow leaves onto your property, while still needing to move them to areas that are both easy to blow leaves to, and relatively less damaging to pick the leaves up from.

While we are not exactly battling Mongol Hoards out there, it is a difficult time to balance what we need to do with protecting as much grass as we can. So, all I ask is that you bear with us, and understand there are some tradeoffs that must be made. Thank you all for your patience!

Submitted by Zach Palmer

The Speed of Summerfield Continued from page 10

It has also become very apparent that with phone apps on every dashboard that Summerfield has become a favored "short cut" to many people from outside of the neighborhood.

In 2021, the City Council approved an ordinance bringing many residential streets from 25 mph down to 20 mph with their 20 is Plenty campaign. All of Summerfield's streets were deemed eligible for the decreased mph and the City Transportation Office has Summerfield slated to get the new signs throughout November and December. The legal speed limit is what you see posted, so for the moment most of us are looking at 25 mph but once you see that sign change – please adhere to the new limit of 20 mph within our neighborhood. We are lucky that there have not been any major incidents involving traffic and pedestrians and we would really like to see it continue this way.

Submitted by the SCA Office

Summerfield Women's Golf Club

The 2022 golf season was celebrated and new officers for 2023 were announced at the Closing Luncheon held on October 27. Marja Gillan, outgoing President, introduced our new officers:

President: Carol Hargis

Vice President: Mary Reeves

Secretary: Debbie Cruse

Treasurer: Jo Heintz

Congratulations to our new officers and thank you to the outgoing officers...your service is greatly appreciated!

It was also announced at the closing luncheon that the 2022 SWGC Most Improved Player was Debbie Cruse and Honorable Mention was Sylvia Dorney. The 2022 OGA Most Improved Player was Sylvia Dorney and Honorable Mention was Cheryl Baldwin. Congratulations to all of you!

Winter Golf started November 1 and continues through March before the start of our 2023 SWGC season in April.

It has been a fun golf season and a blessing that we were able to resume our luncheons and events. We welcomed many new members and are so fortunate to have great camaraderie and such a beautiful golf course. Looking forward to another wonderful golf season next year!

Wishing you healthy and happy trails until we meet next Spring.

Submitted by Cheryl Riggs



From the Golf Shop

As winter continues and the busy holiday season rapidly approaches, don't forget that our golf shop is fully stocked with merchandise and ready to provide those last-minute Christmas gifts.

Tuesday, December 6, will be our annual Christmas Open House from 5-7 PM. Come down and enjoy each other's company celebrating the holiday season. Everything in the golf shop (except golf balls), for one night only, will be 20% off.

One last reminder for all Men's and Women's Club members; please check your respective club's bulletin board for credit book balances. As of January 1, all credit will be zeroed out for the New Year.

Upcoming Events

12/6 Santa Claus Open (10 AM Shotgun)

12/6 Golf Shop Holiday Open House
(Holiday Sale/Social) 5-7 PM

1/4 Polar Bear Open

Submitted by Rob Lindsey

If you would like to mail in your 2023 SCA Assessment Payment you can do so addressed to:

Summerfield Civic Association

10650 SW Summerfield Drive

Tigard, Oregon 97224

Checks made payable to: SCA or Summerfield Civic Association

Please keep in mind, we cannot accept any payments until AFTER the new year. They are due PER RESIDENT for the year.

Office hours are from 8 AM—12 Noon, Monday through Friday unless otherwise noted.



Summerfield Men's Golf Club

MARK YOUR CALENDAR: Santa Claus Open: Sign Up from 11/9 to 11/29. Play 12/9.

Polar Bear Open: Sign up from 12/6 to 12/28. **Play:** 1/4/2023.

IN MEMORY OF MEL NIELSEN: Longtime friend. I remember losing to Mel 5-4 in my first match play. Only took 5 holes.

MEN'S CLUB DUES REMINDER: To get your 2023 discount, dues must be paid by 12/31. By 12/31 your dues are \$60.00, which include both SMGC and OGA fees. After 12/31/2022 your cost will be \$70.00.

WINTER PLAY & WINTER RULES: Play has gotten off to a great start, ha ha, second day of Men's Club was a rainout. Outlook? Who knows, but it looks good if you are a polar bear. Check out the bulletin board for Winter Play, now until 3/31/2023, and Winter Rules for proper pick and clean and ball placement

CHAPMAN DINNER SURVEY: Has been sent out. Don't forget to respond. Six choices. Pick one.

PRESIDENT'S CLASSIC TOURNAMENT: Flight A: Low Gross 1st B. Smith. 2nd G. Heintz. Low Net: 1st R. Reeves. 2nd S. Blake. 3rd R. Thibodeau. Flight B: Low Gross: 1st M. Tsujimura. 2nd S. Nelsen. Low Net: 1st J. Fitzgerald. 2nd D. Madden. 3rd R. Knutson. Flight C: Low Gross: 1st K. Masterson. 2nd L. Bunch. Low Net: 1st J. Vanderpool. 2nd: J. Endicott. 3rd P. Howard.

PRESIDENT'S CLASSIC PUTTING CONTEST: 1st D. Jordan. Tie 2nd R. Cruse, D. Brosowske, Mike Simrell, K. Masterson. Tie 6th Nine players.

TURKEY SHOOT RESULTS: (Top 3) Great day for golf, although a little breezy. The Bald Eagle overhead chased away the turkeys, which meant higher payouts to the top 22 finishers. **A Flight: Low Gross:** 1st D. Jordan. 2nd G. Lett. 3rd J. Massaro. **Low Net:** 1st M. Scott. 2nd M. Simrell. 3rd Larry Comstock. **B Flight: Low Gross:** 1st Bob Barnett. 2nd Frank Anderson. 3rd Gary Nelson. **Low Net:** 1st D. Strain. 2nd R. Sacconaghi. 3rd H. Thieman. **KP's: Under 19 Handicap:** B. Miller. **Over 19:** No result!

DID YOU KNOW SCROOGE LOVED GOLF? Yes he did! He even wrote a song about it after seeing the 3 ghosts of Christmas. His lyrics went something like this: "I like golf. Golf likes me. Golf and I fully agree. Golf is fine. Golf is good. Especially mine, which is just as it should be. I like hitting the ball, and why not? Golf is life's pleasure that I deny not. I like golf. Here and now, golf and I made a mutual vow. Till I die, golf and I, we'll both try to be better somehow. Why? Because I like golf". Scrooge also in the end, really did like life, and as it turned out he really did have a Merry Christmas and discovered the true meaning of life.

With that in mind, here's hoping everyone has a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and great golfing in 2023.

Submitted By: Ken Rose



BRIDGE SCORES

Monday Bridge - 10/17 P. Wilson 4330. 10/24 B. Finch 5960. 10/31 C. Currie 4080. 11/7 B. Finch 3940. 11/14 M. Scarborough 3690.

Wednesday Bridge - 10/19 D. Jordan. 10/26 S. McGuire 4840. 11/2 B. Finch 3180. 11/9 M. Lynch 3910.

Thursday Night - 10/20 D. Jordan 3420. 10/27 B. Finch 3260. 11/3 S. McGuire 3090. 11/11 K. Mullen 2740.

Thursday Duplicate - 10/20 1st B. & C. Forward. 2nd C. Grubescic & A. Windsor. 10/28. N/S 1st J. Nelson/ B. son. 2nd H. Benscheidt/C. Williams.

E/W 1st B. Moore/N. Remple. 2nd N. Sahler/D. Nangle. 11/3 1st B. Meier/J. MacNeill. 2nd B. Moore/N. Remple. 11/10 N/S 1st M. Scarborough/B. Meier. 2nd H. Benscheidt/L. Derington. E/W 1st J. MacNeill/B. Robbins. 2nd J. Nelson/B. Fuson.

Submitted by Maggie Scarbourough



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