

Walden Village Newsletter - # 65

Fall, 2024



(Path to the Pool on a gorgeous Fall afternoon)

Walden's Centenarian!!

On Monday, August 5, at 5:30 pm, Walden Village held a poolside event for Dorcas Abell's 100 Birthday!! The celebration was very well attended by over 50 people, including Dorcas's family. Food and cake were plentiful and the rain held off. The board and social committee and many residents were instrumental in helping plan, set up, decorate, and coordinate this event. It was great to work together to honor and celebrate our amazing and inspiring Dorcas !



From the President's corner

There is so much to be thankful for here in the Village. Our summer was blessed by some wonderful weather for the pool. We were able to extend the pool days to the middle of September.

We had some great gatherings thanks to the Social Committee and shared good food at the pool and at the winery.

Peter has been hard at work to insure the lawns look beautiful and dead trees and bushes are removed. The main retention basin is in good shape. A second retention basin behind #47 Walden has also been cleared by Peter.

The board has worked with owners to remove some very large pine trees near the front of the village.

The website has proven to be a useful tool for the board and residents.

The tennis courts are in the process of being resurfaced.

The Environmental Committee has processed a number of residents requests to make improvements to their property.

All in all, I say we have a beautiful Village.

Jeff

Social Committee Information

Summer is over, Fall is definitely here, and the Holiday Season is quickly approaching. The Social Committee enjoyed hosting the various poolside events again this year, starting off in June with the afternoon Hot Dog Cookout, which followed the morning Annual Meeting. The Poolside Pizza Party followed in July and in August we held the Birthday Celebration for our wonderful Dorcas. The Labor Day Weekend Brunch signaled the end of summer and the closing of the pool.

In September we enjoyed our Sunday afternoon get together at Balderdash Winery. Crust Pizza Night will be coming up soon and the Holiday Kickoff Event is in the planning stages. More information will be posted and shared with everyone soon.

For those of you leaving Walden Village for the Winter months we wish you all safe travels and we look forward to your return in the Spring. As always, the Social Committee welcomes your suggestions and ideas for future events.

Glenna Gerard

Ann Callahan

Cheryl Meunier

Pam Soldato

Tennis Court Repair:



Repair has begun on the tennis courts. to date, the old posts have been removed and some patching has been done. The work will be completed in the spring.



Did you know?

All who drive through Walden Lane are familiar with the holding pond, across the road from the mailboxes. Home of the famous beavers, at one time! But, did you know that there is a second, smaller pond behind 40-42 Walden? This pond is more of a drainage, rather than a holding pond. Altogether, there are five drain pipes to handle the water coming down from all of the units on the south side of Walden Lane. Peter has done an excellent job of cleaning this pond out of all growth, thus insuring that the water can continue into the wetlands. Note the pipe at the bottom of the photo. This pipe is from 40-42 Walden. In time, it had become buried in silt and growth and the owners had to replace about 50 ft. of very clogged pipes. Peter has carved a wide path to the pond and maintains it. Feel free to take a walk down to admire his work. Thanks, as always, Peter, for a job well done.



In Memoriam

Loralee Talis passed on September 28, 2024. Lori and Tony moved into the Village at # 17 in August, 2019. She willingly and professionally served as Secretary for the Village from 2021-2024. Lori was a vibrant personality and a proud member of Walden Village. In her memory, the Village made a donation to Hospice Care in the Berkshires.

May she rest in peace and may her memory be a blessing to all.

New Resident

A big Walden Village welcome to William (Bill) Murray who recently purchased 2 Walden Lane. Bill will be moving into our village in mid-November. Please note the following information for your directory:

William Murray

2 Walden Lane

Cell: 847-293-3648

Email: blmurray1@comcast.net

Keep an eagle eye open for further notices of upcoming events!

For those who have gone or will be going to warmer climates for a few months, our best wishes for a safe journey. Keep in touch and we will try to keep you posted on Village events.

Bill Frazier,
Editor