
10 YEAR ANNIVERSARY

Oakcreek Cohousing

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Oakcreek Senior Cohousing September 2022 Newsletter



October 2022 will mark the 10 year anniversary of the first occupancy of Oakcreek Senior Cohousing Community. And right on schedule, the community arranged for a complete exterior painting project. Due to the expert planning of the Community founders and the financial management of its Finance Legal Team, the funds were readily available to cover this major expense. The importance of members' regular contributions into a well funded Reserve Fund was



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apparent.

Unfortunately, the painters were faced with 105 degree temperatures during much of the project, but they've persisted and work is nearing completion.



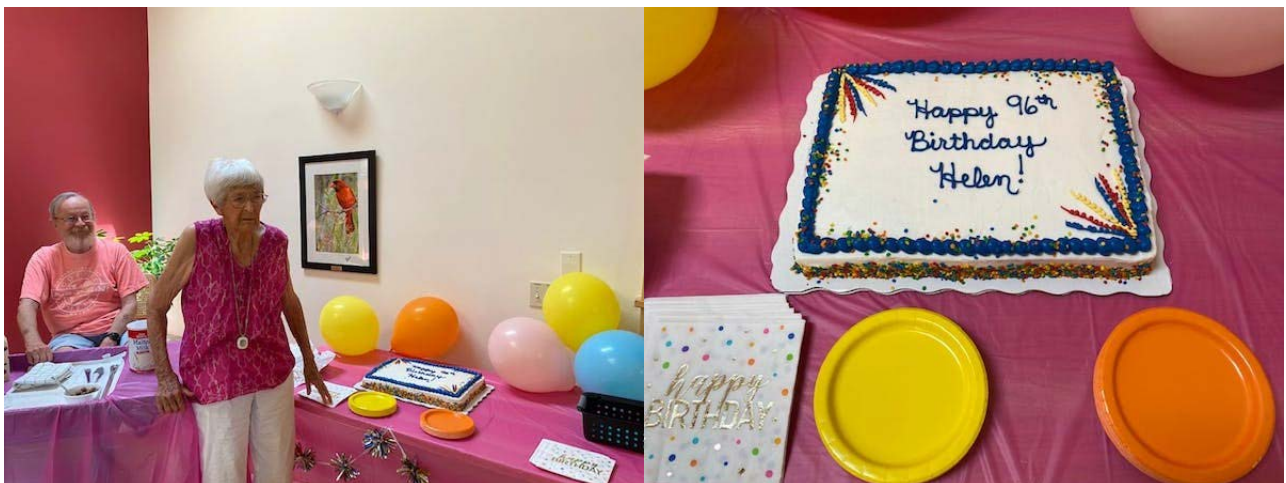
With 24 homes and multiple paint colors, a bank of garages and carports, a large Common House, and a number of outbuildings, our painting crew have had their challenges. But they were kind enough to fashion a 'peephole' for Cheryl's new kitten, who was upset by the windows being taped and papered over.

Neighbors have exercised a lot of patience with ladders, paint buckets, and drop cloths on site. Despite this, we have managed to



have a couple of special birthday celebrations.

Pat's party was an impromptu event, with 25+ gathering for cake and conversation.



For birthdays age 90 and above, we try to arrange special parties, and we celebrated Helen's 96th this year, featuring John's homemade ice cream. Helen's our inspiration for healthy, active living!



Helpful neighbors step in as needed.



Stillwater experienced the super heated 2022 summer, along with most of the rest of the country. A number of our members beat the heat with trips to cooler climates. Bob took the cake, though, traveling to Utqiagvik Alaska for a Climate Change STEM camp for Alaska Native High School Students, where temperatures hovered between 32-35 degrees.



Anne's road trip to southern California included stops at:

Petrified Forest



en route to beautiful Santa Monica

and, finally, a meeting with her brand new grandson in Long Beach.



Sue trained for months in preparation for her great adventure walking the Camino de Santiago in Spain.



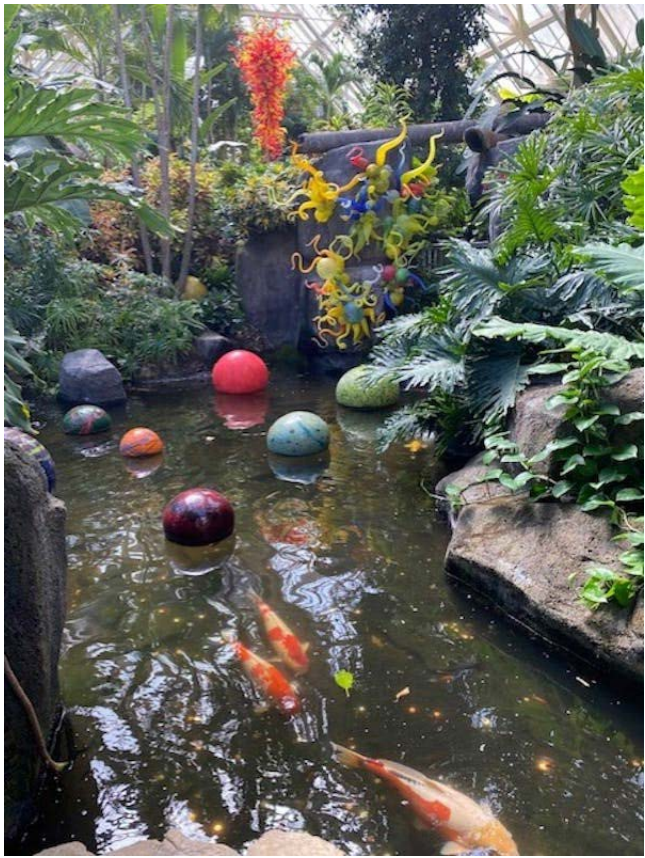
Steve and Pat took a couple of unique trips this summer --



one to Cleveland and the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame with their grandson, and to visit the Franklin Park Botanical Garden in Columbus, and,



a stop at a horse auction. Yes, they like variety, and regularly entertain us with stories from their travels.



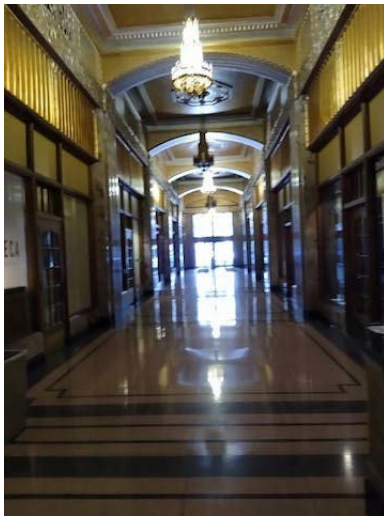
Pat's travel to Oregon
included family time in the
kayak,



followed by a snooze in the
library. Grandkids have that
effect on us!



Closer to home -- some of us enjoyed a Saturday morning tour of the Tulsa Tunnels, connecting a number of the beautiful art deco buildings downtown.



While some neighbors are 'on the road,' there's plenty for the rest of us to do together -- gardening, cooking, and just joining neighbors for a pop-up ice cream fest when the temperature has dropped below 90 degrees -- finally!



With August comes the arrival of thousands of new students at OSU in Stillwater. Oakcreek Community is looking forward to hosting 15-20 of them in September, as they volunteer to assist us with maintaining our 7+ acre grounds.



Fall temperatures will find more of us walking or biking around Boomer Lake, and discovering sunsets like this. Or, sometimes, just snapping the photos to share.

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