



The Greystone Connection

A Monthly Newsletter

Building the Greystone Community Together!



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A MESSAGE FROM BILL AND SUSAN

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

It is truly difficult to believe that it is already September and that spring and summer have flown by so quickly. We were, just a short time ago, welcoming the start of summer with our July 4th celebration and now we are talking about our Labor Day party and how we enjoyed ourselves while saying farewell, as the unofficial end of summer is behind us. Kids are returning to school, there is a crispness to the night air, and Halloween candy and decorations are everywhere you turn. How did that happen?

September is really a special month, especially for the many of us at The Greystone who are retired. The weather is still beautiful, vacations are over, so there are fewer crowds and prices have dropped, as it is now “off-season”. What a great time to go to the city where many Broadway shows are offering tickets 2 for 1. Visit a museum or walk through Central Park and sit on a bench at Strawberry Field and listen to the entertainers singing John Lennon songs. Did you know that many public libraries have passes to museums so that a family can attend for free? The Hastings-on-Hudson public library has free passes to The Frick, Guggenheim, Museum of the City of New York, Hudson River Museum and also to museums in Cold Spring, and others in Westchester County. Visit the website and look at services and learn which museums are part of this program and how to go about getting your free pass.

Let’s not forget our beautiful Untermyer Gardens. Admission is free and this is perfect weather to walk around and enjoy the beautiful gardens and peaceful surrounding overlooking the Hudson River. Let’s not bemoan the ending of summer but, instead, enjoy the fall months and all that is available to us.

Bill and Susan



LABOR DAY CELEBRATION!



On Sunday, our Labor Day celebration was one of the best events ever. Thank you to Joaquin Perojo and Brielle Berrios for constantly offering to

help days before the party and staying late to help in cleaning up. We especially have a big shout out to Matt Carle and Natividad Munoz, who organized the event, planned for and bought the food and arranged for a movie on the pool deck, along with popcorn and smores, outdoor games, dancing and delicious food, along with desserts and wonderful holiday decorations to make the event very festive. It was a really enjoyable holiday event and a great time was had by all. Let us not forget to give a special “Thanks” to Berli, who manned the BBQ, kept the food coming, and helped make the celebration a huge success. Many more events are planned, and we hope that we continue to have a great turn-out and successful, fun times as a community in the coming months. Our next event will be Snack and Yak Bingo to be held in the Community Room on Sunday, September 15th at 4 PM. Look for notices on the bulletin boards for details.

THE 2024 POOL SEASON COMES TO AN END

Sadly, the summer has flown by so quickly and Labor Day Weekend has passed. Although we are still feeling the humidity and living with hot weather, a crispness is in the air. This summer was a very quiet and successful one. Our lifeguards were just amazing. They were attentive, pleasant, and did everything possible to keep our swimmers happy and safe. For those of you who enjoy taking a swim for exercise or just to relax after work, etc. we are keeping the pool open past Labor Day and the pool *will be in use through the end of September or longer, weather permitting.* There will be no lifeguards during the week, all safety locks will be in use, and this will be a “swim at your own risk” situation. All residents using the pool must come with a companion and not swim solo, just in case there is a problem and help is needed. At least, there must be another adult on the pool

deck in order for one to swim. The pool will be open during the week from 12 noon until 7:00 PM. On weekends, until further notice and based on pool use, the hours will be from 11:00 AM until 7:00 PM. These hours and lifeguard duty discussion will be ongoing, based on our needs. We know that all will cooperate and follow the rules that are made for your safety and well-being.



*Wishing
Peace and Goodness
to all our neighbors
who are Celebrating
Religious Holy Days
this month.*

SEPTEMBER RELIGIOUS HOLIDAYS

- 9/15 - Mawlid al-Nabi (Muslim)
- 9/21-9/29 - Mabon (Wiccans and Pagans)



GREYSTONE COMMITTEES, ACTIVITIES, EVENTS

WHY NOT JOIN A COMMITTEE?

Thinking of how you can get more involved in our community? Why not join a committee? A list of committees is posted on the Board bulletin boards in the mailrooms. Send your interest to Greystone1085Bill@gmail.com and your name will be given to the chair of the committee.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE

info by Sue McAnanama

The Environmental Concerns Committee meets approximately every two months. Our next meeting is September 23rd at 7 PM in the community room where we will be discussing the Greystone food scrap program, electric vehicle, charging stations, and creative ways to reduce, reuse, and recycle in our personal lives.

This meeting is open to all residents.

LOOKIN UP!...FROM THE GREYSTONE

Info provided by Sharon Deep

The Astrological Chart of The Greystone
Looking at the astrological chart of The Greystone, which was constructed based on the working assumption that The Greystone was as if "born" when the doors opened for an open house on 4 September 1971, it is quickly noted that birthday wishes are in order for The Greystone. The Greystone is 53 years old!
"Happy Birthday to The Greystone!"

The Greystone has revolved around the Sun 53 times.

In astrological terms, a birthday is considered to be a "Solar Return"

The Sun is in the exact same position in the sky these days as it was during the open house 53 years ago. Looking at the planetary aspects and the available astrological energies available to The Greystone these days, the thought comes to mind that this is a very good time for each and all of us to make a birthday wish for The Greystone.

Make a wish!

The heartfelt wishes that are sent out on behalf of The Greystone, with a concern for all of us living together in community cooperatively, will align with the available astrological energies precipitating these days from Neptune, Uranus, and Pluto as we prepare together for another spin around the Sun.



THE GREYSTONE READERS' CIRCLE

The Greystone Readers' Circle will meet this month as follows...

Date: Tuesday, September 24th
Time: 7:00 - 8:00 PM
Place: - Pool Deck - Weather Permitting
Book: **Good Town**

Author: Mary Louise Wells

Good Town is a heart - wrenching tale of complicity and courage during Nazi Germany, told through the eyes of a father and daughter. Based on a true story, this gripping historical fiction will take you on a journey through one family's struggle to survive in the face of unimaginable evil.

For further information contact Diane Rosen at dlr49@aol.com or Sharon Olang at solang777@optonline.net.

ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND



"Autumn is the season to find contentment at home by paying attention to what we already have."

-Unknown



THE GREYSTONE SOCIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE

The Social Events Committee has been busy planning events to foster building our community. Plan to attend the following *Snack and Yak* gatherings. (Dates subject to change)

- September 15 – Bingo fun night
- October 27- Halloween Night at the movies
- November 17- Harvest Dance Potluck
- December 8 – Tree Decorating in Lobby
- December 15 = Café Greystone Holiday Sing along
- December 25 – Lighting of First Candle of Hanukkah

The Greystone Reaches Out...

- November Food Drive – November 1 - 23
- December Toy Drive – Nov 30 – Dec 14

Greystone Holiday Door Decorating Contest...

- Register to enter Holiday Door contest at Doorman's Desk November 18 - 27

TRASH DISPOSAL- CLARIFICATION

In the August issue it was noted that **no trash is to be left on the floor of the compactor rooms. ALL TRASH MUST BE THROWN DOWN THE COMPACTOR CHUTE!** There is no excuse that "my bag was too large and did not fit into the chute". If you are using bags that are too large to fit through the chute you must use smaller bags. Do not bring bags of trash to the basement either. **BAGS OF TRASH ARE NOT TO BE LEFT IN THE BASEMENT.** We cannot have bags containing food waste left in the compactor room or in the basement to attract rodents and insects. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

DONATION AND DISPOSAL OF ITEMS

If you have an item that you want to donate to the building, please do not leave it in the Lobby, Community Room or in any of the public areas of the building. Take a picture of the item and email it to the *Décor Committee* at Greystonedecor@gmail.com.

The *Décor Committee* will decide whether the item is something the building would be able to use.

Reminder:

Furniture, lamps, bedding, carpeting, appliances or other large items may never be left in elevators, hallways, stairwells or compactor rooms. Contact the acting superintendent for disposal instructions. There is a disposal fee for each large item that does not fit in a black bag.

SPOTLIGHT ON FALL HAPPENINGS



More wonderful fall events to do near and around The Greystone. September and October are great months to participate in outdoor activities that you can enjoy with the entire family. Don't forget...

- Untermeyer Gardens - 945 N Broadway, Yonkers, NY 10701
- Ridge Hill Outdoor Mall - One Ridge Hill Boulevard, Yonkers, NY 10710
- Hudson River Museum - 511 Warburton Ave, Yonkers, NY 10701
- Van Der Donck Park – 1 Larkin Plaza, Yonkers, NY 10701
- Philipse Manor Hall – 29 Warburton Ave Yonkers, NY 10701
- Science Barge - 99 Dock St, Yonkers, NY 10701
- Lenoir Preserve - 19 Dudley St, Yonkers, NY 10701
- Center For Urban River Beczak - 35 Alexander St, Yonkers, NY 10701
- Yonkers Riverfest – Downtown Yonkers – Saturday, September 17th
- Harvest Moon Farm/ Orchard "Pick-Your-Own" – apple, berry, etc.
- Hilltop Hanover Farm – Pick your own apples, berries, pumpkins...
- Kykuit – Former Rockefeller estate
- Sunnyside – Washington Irving's house
- New Croton Dam
- Glen Island Park
- Van Cortlandt Manor
- Town of Sleepy Hollow
- Rye Nature Center
- Edith G Read Wildlife Sanctuary



The above are just some ideas of local places and events to visit during the fall months. Just a walk over the Mario M Cuomo Bridge is a great way to spend a few hours. Take advantage of what Westchester County has to offer.



Open Board ZOOM Meeting
September 9th at 7:00 PM
In person and Zoom
Zoom link will be emailed to you.

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*The Board of Directors has decided to keep our pool open,
as weather permits, for your enjoyment.*

***It is important and Imperative to follow the
below pool rules for a safe and enjoyable time
on the pool deck.***

- All gates will be open for pool access:
Weekdays from 12 PM to 7 PM. Weekends 11 AM to 7 PM
To enter, use the security code. (0327)
- Safety equipment will be left on the table next to the pool.
- After 7 PM, the 2 most westerly gates will stay open until 8:30 PM for BBQing.
To enter, use the security code. (0327)

Weekdays there will be
**"NO LIFEGUARD ON DUTY,
SWIM AT YOUR OWN RISK"**
(Lifeguards are present only on Weekends)

LIMITED HOURS: Weekdays 12:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Weekends 11:00 AM – 7:00 PM

- CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 16 **MUST BE ACCOMPANIED** BY AN ADULT.
- NO INDIVIDUAL** IS PERMITTED TO BE IN THE POOL UNLESS ANOTHER ADULT IS ON THE POOL DECK.
- ANY VIOLATION WILL RESULT IN REVOCATION OF POOL PRIVILEGES.