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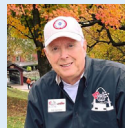
## EDITORS NOTE

As I write this, our pool has just opened for the season. There was a lot of work behind the scenes by the Board in trying to figure out the best way to open the pool. They did a great job of figuring out the details. I had a person stop by as I was changing the signs and asked if our pool is open. I told him yes. He is from Lake St. Louis, and their pool is still closed. I told him there is a way to fix that. Move to the Vineyards. ☐

COVID-19 has impacted everyone one of us in one way or another. On a positive note, I have never seen so many family and friends gathering in their driveways, parents out playing with their kids, groups walking together trying to keep their distance. Many are working from home that has increased family time. We are getting through this as a community.

You will notice the beautiful garden that is in front of a home on Seven Hills. I have seen the lady working hard to make it that way, so I had to stop and compliment her and take a picture. There will be a different picture next month. It may be from your yard.

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Beautiful Landscaping in the Vineyards (Seven Hills)



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| Streetlights                         | 800-392-3709 x4391 |
| St. Charles Hwy Dept                 | 636-949-7500       |
| Code Enforcement                     | 636-949-7346       |

2nd Quarter 2020

**Meeting Minutes**  
**APRIL 14, 2020**

Meeting Start Time: 7:00pm

Trustees in Attendance: Greg Greenwell, Dee Barnett, Sue Blasé, Keith Ernst, Mike Eilers

Board of Representatives: Irina Hale

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Committee Members in Attendance: Bob Isermann, Lisa Veit, Leslie Eilers

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Homeowner Concerns or Reports:

**Clubhouse:**

- Looking into bids to redo the bathroom flooring.
- Looking into bids for fencing repair.

**Social Update:**

- Easter Egg Hunt and Garage Sale had to be cancelled due to COVID-19.

**Pool News:**

- The pool is on track to open, but delays are possible if the county requires. ProPool is prepared and staffed. Max will be the manager again.
- New lifeguard chair has been ordered and needs to be assembled.
- 11 umbrellas, 6 loungers, and 10 umbrella bases will be ordered.
- Gate repairs are being scheduled.

**Swim Team:**

- The swim team is on hold and playing by ear with the COVID-19 measures. There may be a modified league. For more information email [vineyardsswimteam@gmail.com](mailto:vineyardsswimteam@gmail.com)
- Pool from 8am-10:45am if season goes as usual.

**Grounds:**

- Mosquito spraying starting this week to occur Monday mornings.
- Seeded and aeration completed.
- Sprinklers are set up.
- Receiving mulch bids.
- Looking into repairing sidewalks.
- The clubhouse sign is being repaired.
- The dead ash trees are being removed.
- The Beautification committee will be planting flowers in early May.

**Finance:**

- Assessments are still coming in.

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**Meeting End Time: 8:00pm**

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**Meeting Minutes**  
**MAY 12, 2020**

Meeting Start Time: 7:01 PM

Trustees in Attendance: Keith Ernst, Dee Barnett, Sue Blasé, Greg Greenwell, Mike Eilers

Board of Representatives in Attendance:

Committee Members in Attendance: Bob Isermann

Homeowners in Attendance: Bailey Turcalo

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**Homeowner Concerns or Reports:**

- Yard upkeep issues have been reported to county.

**Clubhouse:**

- Bathroom floors are being decided upon and will hopefully be completed before the pool opens.
- The clubhouse is still temporarily closed, but the office is available.
- Start turning in pool passes to be updated.
  - Drop off at clubhouse drop-box in a self-addressed envelope with the passes and waiver included. Contact the clubhouse with questions.

**Social Update:**

- Kona Ice is still on the schedule for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July as of now.
- Lenny Frisch is still coming on 6/20 as of now.
- The Garage Sale was postponed and will be rescheduled.
- Grace Hauling large item pickup is June 6<sup>th</sup>.

**Pool News:**

- We are awaiting the finalized date for the fencing repairs.
- We are looking into ProPool's plan for sanitation.
- The pool will not open in May.

**Grounds:**

- The Clubhouse sign is being repaired.
- Mulching is starting this week at the clubhouse then moving to the cul-de-sacs
- Beautification has begun planting at the clubhouse.

**Finance:**

- COVID has impacted the rental revenues as well as assessments.
- Other expenses are on target.
- We will begin shopping for insurance since rates went up quite a bit.

**Meeting End Time: 9:00**

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**Meeting Minutes**  
**JUNE 9, 2020**

**Meeting Start Time: 7:05**

**Trustees in Attendance: Keith Ernst, Greg Greenwell, Mike Eilers, Sue Blasé**

**Board of Representatives in Attendance: Irina Hale, Sarah Claus**

**Committee Members in Attendance: Patti Unterreiner, Julie Weissflog, Bob Emery**

**Homeowners in Attendance: Multiple homeowners in attendance**

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**Homeowner Concerns or Reports:**

- A house on French Oak has exposed wires on both sides of the house. Erosion worsened by kids sledding down the hill onto the common ground behind her. Believes there is an easement on the left side (facing the house) but is unsure about property lines. She has paid to have both sides sodded in the past but does not know where the wires go to and if she is the one that is responsible for them. We will be checking the property lines to see how to proceed.
- When will the clubhouse/ workout room open? We will need to wait until the state lessens social distancing guidelines. A house on Vineyards Lane has an 18-wheeler that pulls into the house every week between 7-8am to store building materials in their backyard. Throughout the week, employees will come by early in the morning to pick up needed materials. The neighbor is reporting due to the excessive noise/ early hours. We will be checking county guidelines about this report.

**Pool Specific Concerns/ Suggestions:**

- Guest passes on weekdays only? Those days are slower, and many families expressed concern because of babysitters and grandchildren. We have reached capacity on the weekend, and during the week, so we still have to wait until Phase 2. There are also liability issues with guest passes to be addressed.
- Allow 16+ or 17+ in? We are allowing 18+ because that is when the pool pass color changes to green. In addition, we are doing so to ensure proper social distancing from younger children.
- When will chairs come back? We removed chairs because if they are left on the pool deck, then the lifeguards must clean them every hour. The sanitizing duration is already 15 minutes, so we are trying to keep this as short as possible.
- Longer/ different hours? We will talk with the pool company about the cost of adding an additional hour. Or, we may also adjust the hours to be more accommodating for the neighborhood.

**Clubhouse:**

- We still cannot host events, but tentative date reservations are still being taken up to 3 months in advance.
- To redo the Clubhouse bathroom, we will need to replace the subfloor first. We are looking into companies and handymen currently.

**Social Update:**

- Lenny Frisch will still be coming on June 20<sup>th</sup>.
- Requests for more food trucks have been noted and we are looking into where to host them.
- Kona Ice will be here from 1-2pm on July 4<sup>th</sup>.
- As of now, the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade is still on.

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**Pool News:**

- We bought new umbrellas for resident usage.
- Guards are reported to be doing well.
- Pool furniture is being removed Tuesday the 17<sup>th</sup> to make more room on the pool deck.
- Kurt, the technician, suggested switching to a tank chlorinator to fix the cloudiness and green water. He will be submitting a proposal.

**Swim Team:**

- Practice starts Monday with a cap of 72 persons.
- Practice starts at 8am and ends as 11:20am.
- There will be no meets, but potentially an inner-squad meet/ party at the end of the season.
- There are 3 coaches this year.
- The swim lock box is on its way.

**Grounds:**

- Current hose kinks too much so we will be getting a new one.
- Mulching is completed.
- The Clubhouse sign is being worked on.
- Some of the bushes at the entrances have been replaced.

**Finance:**

- We are behind on assessments, likely due to COVID-19.
- Despite being well below on projected rentals, we are still on target overall.
- We are reshoppping insurance; more information is coming within the next week or two.

**Beautification:**

- Finished planting the flowers in front and on the pool deck.
- Julie donated some new pot rollers for the pool deck.
- Will be fixing the leaky faucet on the Clubhouse.

**Meeting End Time: 8:15**



**When you see something that someone has worked hard to make their property look nice, take a picture and send it to me. Let's recognize our neighbors for their hard work!**



## **LET'S GET TO KNOW OUR NEIGHBORS**

Bob & Mary Jo (MJ)

Meet Bob and MJ. Mary Jo goes by MJ for short. They purchased their home on Seven Hills last October; however, they wanted to make it their own, so MJ did some redesigning by removing a wall here or there and moving the laundry area to the second floor. Well, I guess I can say, they practically did a complete makeover.

As they were explaining all that they have done, I thought I was listening to a program on HDTV. Don't get me wrong, the home they purchased was very nice to start with, but it is always nice to have the opportunity not only to buy a home but totally change it to the way you want it.

Bob and MJ finally moved in during May this year. They came from Florissant, and they are both delighted living in the Vineyards. They choose the Vineyards due to our clubhouse, a great neighborhood, and close to family. They have family right down Gallo. Of course, they have great neighbors, Barb and I live next door. ☺

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Bob is an avid golfer. He says he plays about three days a week! This is why retirement is wonderful! They both enjoy walking and riding their bikes.

Welcome Bob & MJ to the neighborhood! I know you will enjoy living here.

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### **VINEYARDS GENERAL INFORMATION**

**If you are new or have been around for years living in the Vineyards, here are some items that may interest you: (COME OUT AND GET INVOLVED)**

- We have a neighborhood trash program through Grace Hauling. In addition to a very low rate, Grace also provides trash and recycling to the clubhouse, which saves all of us money. Please support this company and help us keep the rates low and reduce the amount of truck traffic in the neighborhood. <https://www.gracehauling.com/>
- We host many social events during the calendar year, where neighbors can get to know each other better. A shortlist: a. Easter Egg hunt with a special visit by the Easter Bunny b. Spring and Fall Garage Sales sponsored by one of our neighborhood realtors c. Bands, food trucks, and other events at the pool throughout the summer d. 4th of July parade with a special visit by the Cottleville Fire Department. A dive in movie late summer f. A Common

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Ground Party g. Clubhouse Decorating parties for holiday décor h. Breakfast with Santa i. Additional clubhouse events put on by residents (poker tournament, vendor fair, card making classes, Wine Wednesdays.

- We have a neighborhood website where you can check on things like clubhouse hours, copies of the indentures, meeting minutes, etc. <http://www.vineyardsclubhouse.com/>
- We have a swim team. The Vineyards Volcanoes. <https://www.teamunify.com/Home.jsp?team=recvv> If you have a child who might like to participate, this is a great way to meet others in the neighborhood and have some fun activities at the same time.
- Board meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month at the clubhouse. We'd love to have you more involved.
- There are always opportunities to volunteer to help out around the neighborhood which would allow you to become more familiar with the community and your neighbors. a. Be part of the committee that helps with beautification around the clubhouse (tending plants, watering, outdoor décor, etc) b. Become a board member and take part in the operations of the clubhouse c. Have a special skill or trade that would benefit the Vineyards? d. We always need extra hands for clubhouse projects and tasks.

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**POOLS OPEN!!**  
**Who were the 1<sup>st</sup> of 2020**  
**In the Pool?**



**Here they are.....  
Kristen and Danny.**

**Enjoy!!!**

**POOL UPDATE**

With the Governor of Missouri lifting many of the COVID-19 restrictions we are going to make some changes to the current pool rules. This will be rolled out as we coordinate with the pool company.

**As of Friday, 6/19 start of the pool day**

1. Kids of an appropriate age with the appropriate color pool pass can come to the pool on their own. If the **child is 12 or older with a valid pool pass, they can come to the pool on their own as in years past.** Please discuss Social Distancing expectations with your child as the guards will be monitoring this and will be empowered to address issues. As is always the case the guards may also require children to perform a swim test if there are concerns about their abilities.
2. **The two yellow guest passes can be used again. If you are bringing a guest you will need a signed COVID-19 waiver signed by each adult guest and if you are bringing any children as guests you will need a signed COVID-19 waiver signed by either the parent of that child (with their contact information) or you can sign taking full responsibility. Unaccompanied children are not allowed to bring other children as guests on the yellow guest passes**
3. **We are removing the pool capacity issues but we still encourage people to practice social distancing** as they choose and to respect the boundaries of others.
4. You will **still need to bring your own chairs as the pool chairs are still off limits**

**As of next Tuesday (6/23) or Wednesday (6/24) we plan to go back to our standard pool hours once we can coordinate the staff changes with the pool staff.** We will announce this as soon as possible. **Adult swim Monday should return the following week and will be announced.**

**Things that will remain in place from the first phase of the pool opening:**

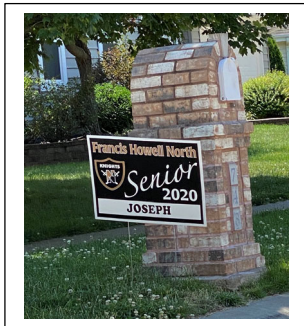
1. We **will still do adult swim the last 15 minutes every hour** for cleaning/adult swim
2. **Still bring your own chairs**
3. **Still encourage social distancing**
4. **Residents still signing the waiver when they get their passes stamped by the clubhouse.**
5. **Pool hours 12pm - 7pm until new schedule is stated.**

**Thank you for your patience and help in making sure we have a safe and fun pool season!**

**LOOKS NICE, DOESN'T IT?**



**IT'S YOURS TO ENJOY!!**  
**Photo's Around the Vineyards**



**Reminder to Parents (Ding-Dong Ditch)**

I have been asked to put this in the newsletter asking parents to please talk with their kids about why they shouldn't be doing this Ding-Dong Ditch. Some neighbors are having issues with this. Only a few are doing this -BTW, for those that don't know what this is, it's a children's prank in which a doorbell of a home is rung, and then the pranksters run away before the occupants of the home open the door.

**\*\*Keep Your Eyes on the Subdivision Signs**

**For Upcoming Events\*\***

**SPOTLIGHT ON  
SHERIDAN ALEKSICK**

**CONGRATULATIONS SHERIDAN!!**

UA-ARC Intern Sheridan Aleksick announced as Anna Sobol Levy Fellow



The [Anna Sobol Levy Foundation](#) provides fellowships to U.S. citizens who are college graduates to pursue a master's degree in Counterterrorism at the prestigious IDC Herzliya's Raphael Recanati International School, located in Israel. Historically, future U.S. military officers from ROTC programs have been the backbone of the program.

Aleksick is an Honors College student majoring in Middle Eastern and North African studies with a double minor in Arabic and Military Science. Sheridan has spent her college years developing critical language skills both inside and outside the U.S. Between 2017 and 2018, Aleksick was named both a [Project GO](#) awardee and a [Boren Scholar](#). These opportunities led her to spend a year and half in the Middle East studying Arabic and working as an intern with the [King Abdullah Special Operations Training Center](#).

Her studies and future are complemented by leadership roles in the Army ROTC program where she serves as the Battalion S2, which is responsible for all Intelligence Operations, and as the Arabic Project GO and Flagship liaison. She was recognized as a Distinguished Military Graduate, an honor bestowed on the top 15% of cadets nationwide, and will be commissioned as an Army Military Intelligence Officer in the spring of 2020.

Upon completion of the fellowship and serving her time in the military, Aleksick hopes to attend Law school, focusing on International Trade Law.

Congratulations, Sheridan!

All of us in the Vineyards wish you all the luck in the future. Be careful and hurry back.

The Vineyard Community

**(Everyone let me know when someone has accomplished something that they or you are proud of so we can share it with other here in the Vineyards. There is nothing wrong with tooting your horn everyone once in a while.)**

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