

The Village Report

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Comedy is BACK!!!

National Touring Comedians... These Comedians that have been on Bob & Tom, Comedy Central, Leno etc.



**Don't Miss
our weekly Poker
Tournament..**

Get your poker face ready!

Poker night is back!

Tuesdays in
Mulligan's Bar N' Grill
at 7pm.

One time \$20 buy in.
All money is paid out.

Everyone Welcome

Must be at least 21 to play



Speeding

Speeding has once again become a major issue at CMV.

It is critical that everyone abides by the posted speed limits. If you witness speeding please contact the front desk at 253-1000 immediately and we will do our best to track down offenders.

From the Desks of Scott Rao~ GM and Steve Sease ~ AGM GUNG HO WINNERS!

Congratulations to Fred Schrubring, Tom Morse, Jim Lauth, and Gary Sweda for winning Gung Ho. Scott Carlson sent in a nomination to corporate for this group's hard work during the gas conversion project. This group spearheaded the project of bringing natural gas to 400+ units that are spread out over 1200 acres while still keeping operations running. Each of these individuals handled a specific task and worked with our outside contractors to accomplish this feat in 4.5 months, much faster than expected and with very little inconvenience to our owners and guests. The utility company commented that this was "the best, most coordinated, most enjoyable job that they have been on in their history and that they wished all could run as smoothly." This project is truly wonderful, the cash conservation alone is huge and is pushing close to \$250,000 a year by the early estimates. The operational efficiencies are a fuel that burns better; resulting in less usage which means less use of gas and electricity, the system runs on a lower pressure so there are less issues with regulators, control valves etc... that can go wrong. Overall their work and dedication allowed this project to happen and to happen successfully in all directions for Bluegreen and our owners. **Great Job Team!**

Comment Card Contest:

As many of you know last year Christmas Mountain started a friendly competition amongst its employees. For every good comment they received they were rewarded a ticket that was placed in a bucket. So the more good comments they received the better their chances at the end of the year to win the prize of a free week's vacation to any Bluegreen Property. Well last year's winner was Deb Marano in maintenance and she just returned from her stay at the Fountains in Orlando, Florida. "What a great trip" was her comment, she and her husband experienced things that she never would have done had she not gone on this trip. She has never been to Florida before but cannot wait to go again. She saw things at the Fountains that would be great to do here at CMV. She met people from Europe who have never been to Wisconsin and didn't even know where it was located in the US. They made a great friendship with them and hope to visit them or have them come and visit here. But perhaps the best part of the trip was that this was her first plane trip and she had quite a good time. Deb has some great pictures from her trip and I'm sure she would love to share with you her experiences as she has shared with me. So the next time you see her ask her about her experience I'm sure she will tell you to make an effort to visit any of the Bluegreen properties you will have memories to last a lifetime.

*Daily Lunch Specials and
Nightly Dinner Specials

at



*All You Can Eat Friday Night
Fish Fry

*Saturday Night Prime Rib

*Jolly's closed for the Season

Food & Beverage Update:

Mulligan's is now smoke free!! So far the response to the law has been very positive. We proactively took steps to accommodate the many smokers that do regularly come in by adding on to our deck and re-attaching it to the covered patio. We are currently adding TV's that can be viewed from the deck. We are also incredibly excited to have just rolled out our new summer menu. We added about twenty new items, and made improvements to many of your favorites.

We look forward to seeing you!!

Congratulations:

Lets take a moment and congratulate John and Sam Sage on their new addition. They welcomed their beautiful little girl Zoey Parker to their family on May 27, 2010. She was born at 2:44pm at the Reedsburg Hospital. Zoey weighed 5lbs 10 ounces and was 18 1/2 inches long. The entire family is doing well. When you see John and Sam make sure you congratulate them again on the birth of their daughter.

Maintenance Update:

Gas Savings:

The natural gas conversion project for the Associations yielded a nice reward this past fiscal year (June to May) to the amount of some \$315,794.00 for all the associations combined. The project was completed in a record time, before most of the heating season started, so these savings occurred in just a 6 month time frame! The benefits also extended out to the residents in the Christmas Mountain neighborhood by getting natural gas lines also extended to them as well. A great big thank you to all who helped on the project from getting it started and coordinated this pushed through to those who installed the lines and converted the units. This really helped this area and resort immensely.

Cable TV update

We know that this year has been challenging as we work through improvements to the cable system we have. The line delivery has been improved by the replacement of failing amplifiers at a cost slightly over \$17K. We are now working on getting resolved some of the splice issues and jumper issues that are cropping up and failing. We are addressing it with our vendor that is going to be coming in this month to start replacing and fixing all of the jumpers and splice issues through out the system. Our team is also looking into reconfiguring the distribution system to allow all sections to be active except for where the issue is. Presently if one area goes down in the front part of the distribution system it will take down the whole network. We are pricing and projecting when this type of work could happen. We thank you for your patience through this improvement process.

Upcoming changes:

There will be some changes around the Pro-Shop and Mulligan's entrances coming in the month of July. A whole new landscape package is going to be installed to the area. The new look will enhance the entrance to the Pro-Shop through the use of shrubs, perennial plants and ground covers. These added features will give better definition to the fronts of the Pro-Shop and Mulligan's. The project encompasses added irrigation to the backside of the restaurant which will also service the front of the Pro-Shop area as well.

Kitchens outdoors?

There are also plans to add some new outdoor cooking areas to the resort. We are still in the design and placement stages but these are able to be added through some great product buys and overages through our relationships with the vendors. Once these plans are complete and the locations determined, it is our hope to have them up here in the near future. These places are being designed to help bring families together and to enjoy the experiences of the resort.

The plant update:

To date we have planted over 30,000 plants on the resort, over 45 hanging baskets have been added, some 30 planters have been placed and over 200 perennial plants have been installed! So far this year the greenhouses have been quite successful in providing us plants for the resort in a volume that will hopefully turn some heads to see. We are already planning next year's beds and plant arrangements and have some more great ideas to put into action. Thanks to the horticultural team that made it all possible.

August 8th, 2010 @ Christmas Mountain Resort, WI Dells, WI

Time: 11:00 Tee Time

All proceeds go to support the Sauk County Humane Society. Each year hundreds and hundreds of dogs and cats pass through our doors on their way to a new forever home. Vet care, spay / neuter, medications and housing are just a few of the expenses each animal incurs prior to adoption . **PLEASE HELP**

- Deluxe Buffet Dinner / Merchandise GC
- Welcome Gift / Chance to Win Cash or a Car
- \$75 each or \$300 for a team of four (4)
- Singles (1) welcome (will be grouped game day)
- \$400 Business Team of four (4) (includes Hole Sponsorship)
- Sponsorships available - \$50 Fairway, \$100 Tee, \$150 Hole

Mail Registration deadline August 1st, 2010

**Payment: Checks -Sauk County Humane Society
Visa, Debit, Discover and Master Card Accepted**



Name	Address	City/State/Zip	Phone	Email

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Because Everyone Needs a Laugh:

Bill Gates is hanging out with the chairman of General Motors. "If automotive technology had kept pace with computer technology over the past few decades," boasts Gates, "you would now be driving a V-32 instead of a V-8, and it would have a top speed of 10,000 miles per hour. Or, you could have an economy car that weighs 30 pounds and gets a thousand miles to a gallon of gas. In either case, the sticker price of a new car would be less than \$50." "Sure," says the GM chairman. "But would you really want to drive a car that crashes four times a day?"

Some Amusing, Funny and Thought Provoking Quotations of Benjamin Franklin [1705-1790] In the great tradition of American humor, the title of "First American Humorist" rightfully belongs to Benjamin Franklin. He was the beginning of a long line of writers who created a uniquely American form of humor filled with clever wit, folksy wisdom, and a generous portion of irreverence.

In his Poor Richard's Almanac, Franklin wrote many clever sayings which are still part of our cultural heritage today. At 26, Franklin published the first edition of Poor Richard's Almanac under the pseudonym Richard Saunders.

Remember that time is money.

A little neglect may breed mischief: for want of a nail, the shoe was lost; for want of a shoe the horse was lost; and for want of a horse the rider was lost.

A penny saved is a penny earned.

Any fool can criticize, condemn and complain and most fools do.

Early to bed, early to rise makes a man healthy, wealthy, and wise.

Fish and visitors smell in three days.

Genius without education is like silver in the mine.

God helps them that help themselves.

Haste makes waste.

Hide not your talents. They for use were made. What's a sundial in the shade?

It is hard for an empty bag to stand upright.

Little strokes fell great oaks.

Never leave that till to-morrow which you can do to-day.

Housekeeping Update:

Resort Housekeeping did 654 work orders in the month of June for our guest.

Units Master Corp cleaned month of June was 2320

For each association total units cleaned in the fiscal year:

June 09 to May 10

Cottage. - 5986

Villa - 5771

Timbers – 12,832

Total units cleaned for fiscal year for the property – 24,589



Pavilion Rental

The summer season is fast approaching and with that the phone calls for reserving the pavilion are starting to come in. Residents and owners may rent the pavilion located by the activities building for a rental fee, payment is required in advance to guarantee the rental.

It is reserved on a first come—first served basis.

To reserve the pavilion please contact Lisha at 608-254-3990.