



## BETHANY VILLAGE (BV) RESIDENTS' COUNCIL (RC) MINUTES

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Tuesday, September 7, 2021 @ 9:15

**Council Members\***: Kay Hess, Leona Fickel, Marcia Marsh, Ralph Tygard, Judith Clovsky, Bob Gasull, Graceann Steckbeck, Kerry Butz, Cheryl Brown, Susan Moeslein, Howell Sasser (E), Ray Saunders, John Sweeney, Lowell Starling (E), Sandra Jones, Margaret Schultz.

(\* E = Excused Absence; U= Unexcused Absence)

**Officers Present**: President Judith Clovsky, Secretary Jane Bonser, Assistant Treasurer Ralph Tygard, Assistant Secretary Leona Fickel.

**Committee Chairs Present**: Marcia Marsh, Bob Brommer, Grace Steckbeck, Kay Hess, (2), +++++Judith Clovsky, Bob Gasull, Kerry Butz, Maria Lattera, Cheryl Brown, Sandy Burns, Don Shover.

**Non-voting member present**: Jane Bonser, Secretary

**Visitors**: Mary and Dennis Smith

**Call to Order**: President Judith Clovsky called the meeting to order at 9:18 and requested a moment of silence, with special thoughts for our friends and neighbors in Assisted Living and Skilled Care.

**Minutes from June 7, 2021**: Motion made by Marcia Marsh to accept minutes as submitted, seconded by Ralph Tygard, Approved by all.

**Administrative Report**: Brian Grundusky

In the past several weeks, cases of Covid have occurred in Residential Living, Assisted Living and Skilled Care. BV had to implement the "Outbreak" status and DHS/DOH protocols in both areas. These protocols called for in-house visitation, communal dining, and social activities to be suspended. Once we go 14 days without a new positive case in these areas, we will be able to get back to normal practice. The several affected residents and associates were breakthrough cases. All residents and associates have isolated and are in stable condition. The Cumberland County positive Covid test rate has jumped above 10%. All unvaccinated Associates are now being tested twice a week. Bethany and Asbury, in coordination with CMS has moved forward with the covid vaccine being a requirement. Associates are now required to have their first vaccine by September 30, 2021 and to be fully vaccinated by October 30, 2021. We do have an exemption process for those that have medical or religious concerns. Due to the increasing rates of transmission, we again ask that all residents take the necessary precautions. Please do not put

yourselves at risk. Even though you are vaccinated, there have been several "breakthrough" cases where vaccinated people are testing positive. We ask that you continue to practice safe social distancing, mask when necessary and wash your hands when in the community, especially if you are socializing with those that are unvaccinated. If/when booster shots become approved and recommended by the Federal government, the pharmacy which provided the original vaccine for Bethany is prepared to supply the booster shots to Bethany residents. Currently, only immuno-compromised residents are encouraged to get a third vaccine shot.

Bethany finances for the last month are trending in a positive direction, with occupancy improvements. Work continues on the 2022 budget, with input being given by residents who met in a focus group during the process. There have been several challenges that we need to prepare for in 2022. These include rising food, supply, and utility costs. Also, a major cost is labor expenses, which have been rising in both the public sector and the retirement community sector. The work of Residents' Council is much appreciated for their role in being eyes and ears within BV to help keep the community functioning smoothly.

**Correspondence:** Cheryl Brown, Resignation as Program Committee Chair; Tony Wright Resignation as RC West Apartment Representative due to move to a West Cottage. Motion to accept resignations with regret made by Sandy Jones, seconded by Marcia Marsh.

**Financial Report of Aug. 31, 2021:** Presented by Assistant Treasurer Ralph Tygard; received and put on file for audit.

**Reports by Committees (C), Activities (A) and Clubs (CL)** - (If NO REPORT is listed, that standing committee, committee, activity, or club may only be active certain times of the year or did not have a meeting.)

1. **Art (C)** - Marcia Marsh, Chair - In July, the Committee updated our inventory of pictures, removed some paintings to sell at the Fair, set aside paintings that need repair, etc. In August, we hung new pictures throughout the main areas of Skilled Nursing. In September, we will be refreshing the walls in the Court by replacing some of the paintings with new ones.
2. **Associates Appreciation Fund (C)** - Nan Keiser, Chair - No report
3. **Audio-Visual (C)** - Bob Brommer, Chair - The Committee continues to support the Morning Announcements, with a dedicated group of volunteers doing an excellent job. We now support the bi-monthly broadcast of Bethany Bingo from the Rife Center, choosing winners from the Rife Center in-person players as well as from the home viewers who join in via Channel 956. Live broadcasting of Vespers has resumed, with Tony Wright serving as backup for this service. Touchtown installation is 75% completed, with several big projects ahead to complete the task. The hope of the committee is that as planners look to the future, consideration can be given to upgrading AV equipment to accommodate High-Definition format to improve the quality of sound and picture on Channel 956.

4. **Audit Committee (SC)** - Tony Wright, Chair - No report
5. **Benevolence Fund (C)** - Anne Wagoner, Chair - The Committee continues to process the Vesper offerings each Sunday evening as well as any donations made by check. We will meet in mid-November to determine the distribution of the collections for 2021.
6. **Bethany Village Fair (C)**- June Kostrab, Chair - Marcia Marsh reported that the Fair is planned for October 22 and 23, for associates and residents only. The Covid situation will determine if there are changes in the current plans.
7. **Bylaws Committee (SC)** - Judith Clovsky, President - No report
8. **Campus Outreach (A)** - Graceann Steckbeck, Chair: Status of vacancies: Center Rental, 0; Court Apartments, 6 available; West Apartments, 17 available (includes 2 model apts. plus Marketing #2133) and Contracted, 2. Completed moves for June, July, August: Center Apts. 2; Court Apts. 6; West Apts. 8; East Cottages 3; Data for other living areas is unavoidably unavailable at this time and will appear in next month's report to the Council.
9. **Care Assurance (C)** - Kathy Salmon, Chair - No report
10. **Courtesy (A)** - Kay Hess, Chair - Get Well Cards Sent: June - 12; July - 12; August - 22. Sympathy cards sent June - 2; July - 2; August - 0. Sympathy cards are sent to bereaved spouses.
11. **Dining Services (C)** - Dale Meadowcroft, Chair - No report
12. **Executive Committee (SC)** - Judith Clovsky, President -The Executive committee met on August 31 and applicable items have been placed on today's RC agenda.
13. **Facilities (C)** - Bob Gasull, Chair - At the August 30 meeting, Maintenance Director Mark Ruiz provided a list showing staffing vacancies and projects that are being planned. Current activities include painting in the West Apartments, annual testing of the emergency generators, replacement of light fixtures, installment of micro-farm and street cleaning. Mark Ruiz briefly talked about the many items included in the capital budget, including landscaping and annual maintenance items. Concerns discussed: Difficult handicapped access to lavatories; top row mailboxes inaccessible for short people; some curbs need larger cutouts for wheelchair access; Art in the halls in West Apartments; hot water availability in West apartments; possibility of new thermostats in West Apartments; sheer curtains in halls need to be cleaned or removed. Other: benches around the fountain will be added in the future.
14. **Garden Club (CL)** - Kerry Butz- No report
15. **IT (A)**- Maria Laterra, Chair - The IT team spent the summer repairing resident network-related problems to the Asbury technical support group (ThriveNet) and cleaning off resident computers and tablets for re-purposing or donating. The printer in the library was replaced with a donated one.
16. **Library (C)**- Ellie Meadowcroft - Librarian/Chair - The library has been busy over the summer with 40 large-print and 34 regular-print new books added. The Committee met on July 13 to discuss new management responsibilities, new volunteers, and the status of the Sustainable Shelves program. We will support the Rock-a-Thon again, with a sub and pretzel sandwich sale. Orders are being taken and stand at 148 at this time.

17. **Model Railroad (CL)**- Lowell Starling, Chair - Work continues on building the new layout for the lobby in The Oaks. On September 23, from 11:00 to 4:00, the Train Club will participate in the Rock-a-Thon by offering people a chance to become an "honorary engineer" by operating one of the Garden Trains in exchange for a donation. Badges available that day in Martha's Garden. On Thursday, Oct. 7, the Club will hold its annual end-of-year Night Train Run in Martha's Garden at 6:00 pm. There will be trains running, light refreshments, and a sing-along of railroad songs. There is no cost but please sign up with Resident Life so we can plan for seating and refreshments.
18. **Nominations/Elections Committee (SC)** - Kay Hess, Chair - Residents' Council Representative Nominating Forms went out to residents on September 1st. The form has been rewritten and approved by the Executive Committee. We are on schedule for the October election.
19. **PARCR Committee (C)**- Lowell Starling - The next Quarterly PARCR meeting will be on October 13 via ZOOM. The meeting will feature a keynote presentation on "Becoming Dementia Friendly", with speaker Kimberly Korge, BS,ED, CDP. Kim is a Memory Care Coach, Certified Dementia Practitioner, and Support Group Facilitator from Cross Keys Village, New Oxford. She will explain how to identify some of the issues experienced in communicating with people who have dementia. As part of the program, participants qualify to become Dementia Friends and will be encouraged to help others practice the techniques in their communities. If you have the need to communicate with someone who has cognitive impairment, this program is a must. Because the meeting will be via ZOOM, the meeting is limited to PARCR members and delegates. Individual memberships are \$20 a year; registration materials are available at PARCR.org
20. **Program (C)**- Cheryl Brown, Chair- Recent events have been well received, including Hershey Gardens, and the Rusty Rail. The Bethany Babes breakfast series continues with good attendance. Planned events include a trip to Oyster Mill Playhouse, Rock-a-Thon, Garden Train, Alzheimer Walk and Corvette Parade. Potential future programs: tours with Tour Escapes and Conestoga Tours; trip to PA Grand Canyon, Rich Little at Majestic Theatre, Canadian Rail Tour, Collette Tours (Finger Lakes, Grand Canyon), train tours to the West. All planned events depend on the CDC Recommendations related to travel during the Covid pandemic.
21. **Remembrance Garden (A)**- Dale Meadowcroft, Chair- No report
22. **Special Events (A)** -Sandra Jones, Chair - Residents' Council is supporting a Rock-a-Thon team of rockers, including Kerry Butz, Judith Clovsky, Howell Sasser, Sue Moeslein, Maria Laterra, Linda and Arnold Cushner, Deb Mihalich, Carol Pennington. All rockers are hoping for sponsors at one dollar for 30 minutes or any donation to benefit the Alzheimer's Association. Asbury Amigos has been contacted by The Oaks Social Worker about the need for visits to the residents in Skilled Care and Assisted Living. Watch The Scoop for details about Asbury Amigos.

23. Spiritual Life Enrichment (C), Don Shover, Chair - At a meeting on August 18, the following items were discussed: Review of Committee membership, email information; possible future special event centered around Rev. Fred Pratt Green, English Clergyman, poet, and hymn writer; Chaplain Brand Eaton gave an update on in-person Vesper services; list of more than 100 acolyte and communion volunteers was reviewed; Chairman Shover will prepare a new schedule of acolyte and communion volunteers for Sept. 2021 through Oct. 2022. Brenda Snyder will schedule the women volunteers for communion servers. Memorial Service for deceased residents will be held on All Saints Sunday, Nov. 7th.
24. Wellness(C) - Carol Leidig, Chair - No report
25. Wood Shop (A) - Joe Kearney, Chair - Basic maintenance and cleaning are ongoing. Kerry Butz and Bob Brommer repaired the bandsaw. Kerry Butz repainted a rocking chair for a resident who will be in the Rock-a-Thon. A reminder that the Woodshop is open to all on Thursdays from 10 AM until noon. During this time, residents may bring items in for minor repair or get help with a project of their own.

#### Old Business

Residents' Council will sponsor an Associates Appreciation Lunch on Thursday, Sept. 16. President Judith asked for volunteers to help deliver the meals to various parts of the Campus.

New Business: None

Announcements    Executive Committee Meeting – Tuesday September 28, 2021 @ 1:00pm

Residents' Council Meeting – Tuesday, October 5, 2021 @ 9:15am

Rock-a-Thon - September 23

Bethany Fair - October 22 and 23

Adjournment: Motion made by: Graceann Steckbeck at 10:40 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jane H. Bonser, Secretary



# Residents' Council of Bethany Village

## Statement of Financial Position

As of August 31, 2021

	TOTAL
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
11020 Members 1st-Savings	5.00
11030 CD Members 1st - March 2019 36 month	10,728.11
12000 Peoples Checking	76,526.61
12010 Peoples Money Market	32,638.63
<b>Total Bank Accounts</b>	<b>\$119,898.35</b>
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>\$119,898.35</b>
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<b>LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Credit Cards	
12040 Peoples Credit Card	114.84
<b>Total Credit Cards</b>	<b>\$114.84</b>
Other Current Liabilities	
80010 Associate Appreciation Fund	38,418.00
80020 BVRC RR Fund	3,787.22
80030 Garden Fund	2,537.08
80040 Vespers Fund	7,037.94
80050 Instrumental Music	530.37
80060 Library Fund	741.67
<b>Total Other Current Liabilities</b>	<b>\$53,052.28</b>
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Equity	
30000 Opening Balance Equity	0.00
33000 Unrestricted Net Assets	63,198.07
Net Revenue	3,533.16
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>\$66,731.23</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$119,898.35</b>



# **FOCUS ON THE LIBRARY**

## **New in June, 2021**

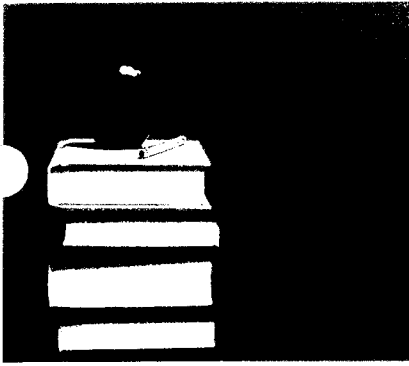
### **NEW BOOKS added in June**

#### **REGULAR PRINT FICTION:**

The Summer Wives by Beatriz Williams; c. 2018  
The Moonlight School by Suzanne Woods Fisher; c.2021  
At Lighthouse Point by Suzanne Woods Fisher; c. 2021  
The Glass Ocean by Williams, Willig, and White; c. 2018  
The Last Thing He Told Me by Laura Dave; c. 2021  
Later by Stephen King; c. 2021  
The Viscount Who Loved Me by Julia Quinn; c.2000  
The Final Twist by Jeffery Deaver; c. 2021

#### **LARGE PRINT FICTION:**

The Bake Shop by Amy Clipston; c. 2019  
Legacy by Nora Roberts; c. 2021  
Unyielding Hope by Janette Oke; c. 2020  
Sustaining Faith by Janette Oke; c. 2021  
The Duke and I by Julia Quinn; c. 2013  
Picnic in Someday Valley by Jodi Thomas; c. 2021  
Unfinished Business by J.A. Jance; c. 2021  
The Vanishing Half by Brit Bennett; c. 2020  
Golden Girl by Elin Hilderbrand; c. 2021  
Family Reunion by Nancy Thayer; c. 2021  
The Kitchen Front by Jennifer Ryan; c. 2021  
An Amish Surprise by Shelley Shepard Gray; c. 2021  
Forever by Your Side by Tracie Peterson; c. 2020  
The Seeds of Change by Lauraine Snelling; c. 2021  
Where the Grass Is Green and the Girls Are Pretty by Lauren Weisberger; c. 2021  
Active Defense by Lynette Eason; c. 2021  
The President's Daughter by James Patterson and Bill Clinton; c. 2021  
Save the Last Dance by Shelley Shepard Gray; c. 2020  
The Newcomer by Mary Kay Andrews; c. 2021  
Turn a Blind Eye by Jeffrey Archer; c. 2021  
21<sup>st</sup> Birthday by James Patterson and Maxine Paetro; c. 2021



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### **New in June, 2021**

#### **REGULAR PRINT MYSTERY:**

Death With a Double Edge by Anne Perry; c. 2021

#### **LARGE PRINT MYSTERY:**

The Bullet by Iris Johansen; c. 2021

Find You First by Linwood Barclay; c.2021

The Suspect by Fiona Barton; c. 2019

Jackpot by Stuart Woods; c. 2021

#### **REGULAR PRINT BIOGRAPHY:**

Stronger by Cindy McCain; c. 2021

The Triumph of Nancy Reagan by Karen Tumulty; c. 2021

#### **REGULAR PRINT NON-FICTION:**

1776 by David McCullough; c. 2005

Running with Sherman by Christopher McDougall; c. 2019

The Haunting of Alma Fielding by Kate Summerscale; c. 2020

The Burning Blue by Kevin Cook; c. 2021

Lincoln's Mentors by Michael J. Gerhardt; c. 2021

Life on the Line by Emma Goldberg; c. 2021

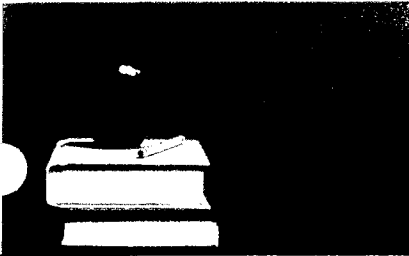
The Windsor Diaries 1940-45 by Alatheia Fitzalan Howard; c, 2020

The American President by Kathryn Moore; c. 2021

#### **LARGE PRINT NON-FICTION:**

The Secret Diary of Hendrik Groen by Hendrik Groen; c. 2014





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##### **REGULAR PRINT FICTION:**

- Ali Cross by James Patterson; c. 2019  
Ali Cross, Like Father, Like So by James Patterson; c. 2021  
For Better...For Worse by Elaine C. Baumbach; c. 2020  
On Ocean Boulevard by Mary Alice Monroe; c. 2020  
NYPD Red 6 by James Patterson; c. 2020  
Murder in a Teacup by Vicki Delany; c/ 2021

##### **LARGE PRINT FICTION:**

- Meant to Be by Jude Deveraux; c. 2021  
The Summer of Lost and Found by Mary Alice Monroe; c. 2021  
Falling by T.J. Newman; c. 2021  
Pack Up the Moon by Kristan Higgins; c. 2021  
Along a Storied Trail by Ann H. Gabhart; c. 2021  
Notorious by Diana Palmer; c. 2021  
Bridgerton: Romancing Mister Bridgerton by Julia Quinn; c. 2002  
Bridgerton: When He Was Wicked by Julia Quinn; c.2004  
Bridgerton: On the Way to the Wedding by Julia Quinn; c. 2006  
Nine Lives by Danielle Steel; c. 2021  
The Personal Librarian by Marie Benedict & Victoria Christopher Murray; c. 2021  
Forever My Own by Tracie Peterson; c. 2021  
Fallen by Linda Castillo; c. 2021  
The Third Grave by Lisa Jackson, c. 2021  
What Alice Forgot by Liane Moriarty; c. 2009

##### **REGULAR PRINT MYSTERY:**

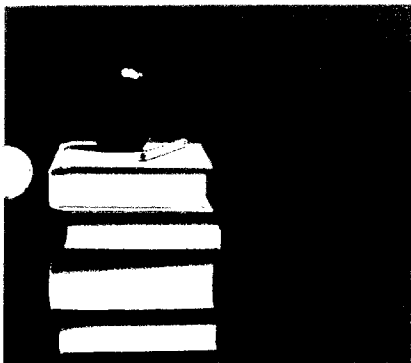
- Snow by John Banville; c. 2020  
The Shining by Stephen King; c. 1977  
Doctor Sleep by Stephen King; c. 2013

##### **LARGE PRINT MYSTERY:**

- The Bone Code by Kathy Reichs; c. 2021

##### **REGULAR PRINT BIOGRAPHY:**

- Live Your Life by Amanda Kloots; c. 2021



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#### **New Books added in August:**

#### **REGULAR PRINT FICTION:**

The Scent of Rain and Lightning by Nancy Pickard; c.2010

Treasure Island by Robert Louis Stevenson; c.2005

When I Fall in Love by Susan May Warren; c. 2014

You're the One That I Want by Susan May Warren; c. 2016

#### **LARGE PRINT FICTION:**

The Children's Blizzard by Melanie Benjamin; c. 2021

A Forgotten Murder by Jude Deveraux; c. 2020

The Nickel Boys by Colson Whitehead; c. 2019

Take a Chance on Me by Susan May Warren; c. 2013

The Wonder of You by Susan May Warren; c. 2015

#### **LARGE PRINT MYSTERY:**

Billy Summers by Stephen King; c. 2021

Class Act by Stuart Woods; c. 2021