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## ABOUT RE-CHANT

We hope you like the first issue of the re-Chant. This might be a bit different than what some of the residents knew as "The Chant", so we decided to rename it re-Chant. We will be sharing re-Chant with you via email on a quarterly basis. Your input will be vital to our success, so please contact us at [re.chantnews@gmail.com](mailto:re.chantnews@gmail.com) with any information you want to share or ideas for columns. We hope you enjoy reading it as much as we enjoyed writing it.

The re-Chant Committee

## SCREAM OUT FROM THE SOCIAL COMMITTEE



This is a "scream out" to Dee Gambino who dedicated herself to the Social Committee for the last 18 years, 14 years as the Chair.

When speaking to Dee about her role and passion for the Social Committee, she said the committee was "always doing something" both on and off the

property. Staying connected, spending time with neighbors and friends, having fun, and helping / doing good for others has always been her goal as the Chair of the committee. She simply wanted everyone to know and love each other.

Dee has been proud of everything the committee has done over the years, as she feels there was something great in every event. Some of the most memorable to Dee included bus trips, mixers and parties, raising money and doing charity work in the community, planning a mix of fun and educational presentations, musical events with the Chantones, planning the monthly "wave" during the height of the pandemic, and an Italian Meatball cooking contest with the men, followed by a spaghetti dinner. All these events truly served to bring the community together. There are not enough words to thank Dee for all she has done to make Enchantment a better place!

"Luv ya Dee"

## WELCOME OUR NEW RESIDENTS (SINCE 1/2022)

The community would like to welcome new homeowners Chanda Devi Agarwal at 17 Monte Carlo.

# Our Little Gem – The Enchantment Library



Did you know that as residents of Enchantment you have access to an on-site library in our Clubhouse? This beautiful resource has recently received some attention from two residents who have done a phenomenal job cleaning up and organizing the space. Joann and Sandi Lupo are sisters who have lived in the community since 2009. Together they've dedicated considerable time and effort into making our library very easy to use and enjoy. This has been a true "labor of love" since they picked up where their friend, and deceased member of our community, Sally Ashman, left off. The open shelves display hardback fiction, in order by author. There's now a ladder available to allow you to access books that may be out of your reach. Non-fiction and self-help books are housed in the tall cabinets with the doors. In addition, the cabinets at the bottom contain many paperback books. These are not currently in order, but that's the next thing this "dynamic duo" plans to get their arms around. In addition, puzzles have been relocated to the bookshelf in the card room and cookbooks to upper cabinets in the kitchen. Talk about being organized...wow!

Joann's love of books began at an early age when her cousin first read "Little Women" to her. This not only fueled her love of reading, but also prompted her to work at a library in Trenton (for \$.80 an hour) and later have a career as an English teacher (for 36 years). Sandi on the other hand is much more interested in reading daily

newspapers and doing crosswords. They stop by the library almost every day to stock returned and donated books. Thanks to both Joann and Sandi for their continued commitment and hard work. To all you readers out there, take a few minutes to stop by the Enchantment Library and browse. You just might find something that's on your reading list, or something unexpected that captures your attention. There's nothing better on a quiet day or evening than "getting lost in a book."

**Happy reading!**



## SHOUT OUTS

Shout out to Mela Griffiths for the coordination and collection of donations for the people of Ukraine. Mela transported several carloads of items to St. George Ukrainian Orthodox Church which will be sent overseas for those in need. Extra diapers collected were donated to Homefront.

We would like to recognize the Knitters and Crafters Committee for their talent and generous contribution of blankets which were donated to Mobile Meals.

A sincere thank you to an unsung hero, Bill Rererich, for always being available to set up chairs for our social events. His time and energy are greatly appreciated.

# Resident Profile - Gloria Miller



Gloria Miller of Monte Carlo Drive is our introductory profile. Gloria and her husband, Bill, are original residents here. Gloria is fascinated by early American history and her ancestral roots. This has led her to become what she calls an “Amateur Genealogist.”

For the past 35 years, Gloria has spent hours researching her ancestors. Not only has she mapped out her family tree, but she also researched their lives to tell their stories.

Gloria was born in Abilene, Texas. Her mom was from Texas and her dad was from New Jersey. During her childhood she frequently moved between the two and eventually settled in New Jersey in 1968 when she married Bill, a New Jersey native.

Her mother’s family arrived in America around 1660 from Europe. They originally settled in what is now Hunterdon County, NJ. On a quest for a better life, they moved to Kentucky and then to Tennessee before putting down roots in Texas. They travelled along the trails cleared by Daniel Boone over the Cumberland Gap. This enabled the great western migration of early settlers. Through her research she also found that her distant uncle, Colin McKinney, was a signer of the Declaration of Independence in Texas and a very good friend of Davy Crocket.

Gloria did not always have the luxury of the Internet. She says she has gotten the most detailed facts by doing research at court houses where you

can see naturalization records, marriage certificates, and birth/death certificates. Obituaries also give you information about a person’s relatives both living and deceased. State and Federal census records are also very informative. She attends seminars on genealogy and is a member of Central Jersey Genealogical Society. She started recording these things for her grandchildren and great grandchildren. Initially she would make scrapbooks for them, but now they are digital which makes it easier.

Thank you, Gloria, for sharing your passion for genealogy with us. If anyone cares to profile an Enchantment resident, you can send us their name and any other information you’d like to share at [re.chantnews@gmail.com](mailto:re.chantnews@gmail.com)





## OUT AND ABOUT – HOW ABOUT A FARMER STAND?

In the mood for a little drive? James Durr Wholesale Florist has operated out of Burlington County where they specialized in cut-stem flowers and vegetables. Last year, they purchased property on **Monmouth Road (297) in Wrightstown** and converted the barn into retail produce and flower space. You can pick your own flowers or let them do the work and at the same time find a remarkable selection of farm fresh produce. Take a little drive and enjoy!



## NEW BILLIARDS CLUB TO FORM

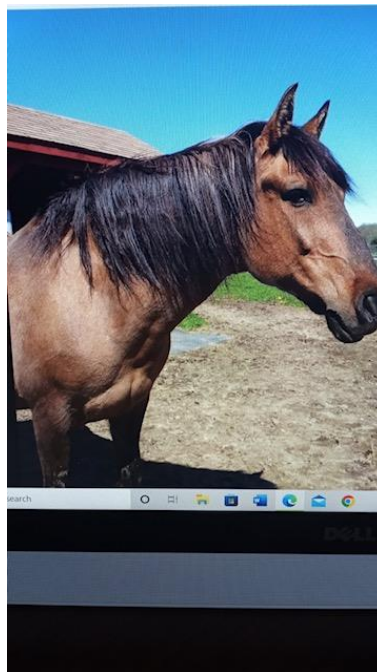
### It's time to start playing billiards again.

The Clubhouse has a beautiful Billiards room with two 9' tables. Usually there is always at least one open table and often both tables are free. All the necessary equipment is provided. There is no need to schedule a table.

A Billiard Group is being formed and they are looking for interested members. It would be informal, with time each week to drop by and play with other members. The group is open to all levels. New players welcome, possibly a new player group could be formed with some guidance from experienced players. If you are interested in participating in a weekly pool session, please contact Jim [ethjim21eth@yahoo.com](mailto:ethjim21eth@yahoo.com).



## OUR CHANT PET FOCUS



We are going to devote this area to share our community's love of animals. To get us started, meet Rocky. Rocky is owned by Nancy Ionato. She purchased him in 2012 when he was 6 years old. Rocky is a breed of horse known as Paso Fino. This breed originated in Spain and was imported to the Caribbean. They are not very large horses

and are well known for their comfortable gait. Rocky lives in Upper Freehold with his friends Pops and Bam Bam.

In addition to grass, hay and grain, Rocky's favorite treats are apples and carrots (and an occasional molasses cookie). Nancy visits frequently and together they enjoy long trail rides.



## SPLISH, SPLASH POOL TIME

The pool is set to open on Memorial Day Weekend. You may have noticed the pool furniture set up and ready to welcome us all back. As a refresher, some pool rules and regulations: Please bring your Pool ID when coming, as well as passes for each guest. The hours are 10:00a.m. to 8:00p.m. Ages 18 and younger have access to use the pool between 11:00a.m. and 4:00p.m. After 4p.m., they can remain in the pool area but are not permitted to swim. \*Unbreakable containers of food and drink are permitted in the seating area outside the immediate pool area. There will be a Lifeguard this year.

## SUMMER SEASON FARM FRESH RECIPE

Flank Steak Panzanella Salad (Adapted from Cooking Light, June 2016)



difference.

A perfect summer meal, this is extremely flexible. You can sub any cut of 'London broil' for the flank steak. Or swap the beef out for chicken. Or shrimp. Or omit the protein entirely and serve as a side salad. Use halved cherry tomatoes if heirlooms are unavailable. Just don't skimp on the homemade croutons; they make all the

### Ingredients

Cooking spray

1 pound flank steak, trimmed

1/2 teaspoon kosher salt, divided

1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper, divided

3 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil

2 tablespoons red wine vinegar

2 cups baby arugula

1/2 cup thinly sliced red onion

1/2 cup thinly sliced fresh basil

1-pound multicolored heirloom tomatoes, cut into wedges

1 English cucumber, halved lengthwise and sliced

3 ounces French bread baguette or similar, cubed and toasted

### Directions

Preheat grill to medium-high heat. Coat grill rack with cooking spray. Sprinkle steak evenly with 1/4 teaspoon salt and 1/4 teaspoon pepper. Add steak to grill; cook 3 to 4 minutes on each side for medium rare or until desired degree of doneness. Place steak on a cutting board; let stand 5 minutes. Cut across the grain into thin slices.

Combine remaining 1/4 teaspoon salt, remaining 1/4 teaspoon pepper, oil, and vinegar in a large bowl. Add arugula, onion, basil, tomatoes, and cucumber, toss. Add steak and bread cubes, toss. Let stand 10 minutes.

## OUR FIRST SOCIAL EVENT BACK FROM COVID PRESENTED BY THE SOCIAL COMMITTEE

The Social Committee presented "Gino Mozzarella" from **The Smoke & Mirrors Magic Theater** on Saturday, April 30th. Gino entertained a packed crowd of 66 residents with his sleight of hand and numerous other tricks pulling members of the audience into the show. Gino with his South Philly Italian background and humor kept us all watching intently. Following the entertainment, coffee, tea, and a wonderful spread of desserts were enjoyed by all. A great evening with friends.





## OUR CLUBS HIGHLIGHTS PICKLEBALL AND BOCCE

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*re-Chant note: The response from our Club Chairs was excellent; to include all the information provided and give people an in-depth look; we decided to focus on a few clubs each edition. Since you are outside when we send this; so are we.*

### Pickleball

A hybrid of badminton, ping-pong, and tennis, Pickleball has become the fastest-growing sport in the country. About 17 percent of players are 65 and older, according to the Sports & Fitness Industry Association's 2022 Pickleball Report, which surveyed 18,000 Americans on their participation in 100 sports and activities.

Pickleball at Enchantment started about 8 years ago and our "club" has grown to more than two dozen players. About mid/end April we commence play on our courts. Our club members play on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from April through October at a start time of 9:00 a.m. We have four courts available to all players – each Pickleball court takes up approximately half the size of a regulation tennis court.

While a fantastic moderate exercise sport, we have some fun, good laughs, and make our sessions as much a social environment as a place to burn off some calories and keep fit.

Please come and join us, as there is no formal sign-up, just show up! We have extra paddles so all you need to get started is a good pair of tennis sneakers, comfortable clothes, and a willingness to have some fun. If you are a beginner to the game, we suggest that you come to the courts when we are scheduled for club play and watch "the action" – it will be fairly easy for you to judge if this is the type of sport you could grow to enjoy.

We hope to see you on the courts. Any questions? Please contact Joe Magliozzo at 609-581- 3879 or LuAnne Van de Velde 609-610-7580

### Men's Bocce

Men's Bocce is a very informal, friendly, and non-competitive social event for Enchantment residents. Men meet every Monday evening from May through October. No pre-registration is required...just show up and play. It is more of a social event that all the participants enjoy. When Bocce is finished for the night, the players have the option to gather for some food and drink in the clubhouse meeting room. Simply put, Men's Bocce is just a group of men who enjoy each other's company and playing the game. If you are new to the game and interested to learn, show up on any Monday evening to observe the game. Please contact Dom Chianese for further information [chianese10@optimum.net](mailto:chianese10@optimum.net)

### **Our Other Active Clubs which we will be spotlighting in upcoming issues of the re-Chant**

- **The Book Club** (monthly) – Nancy Christides at [oc23girl@yahoo.com](mailto:oc23girl@yahoo.com)
- **Men's Poker** (Tuesday's at 7p.m.) - [LeeandSaraG@gmail.com](mailto:LeeandSaraG@gmail.com)
- **Mahjong** – (New Players, Monday's at 7p.m.) - [arlenepetruska@yahoo.com](mailto:arlenepetruska@yahoo.com); (Experienced Tuesday's at 7p.m.) - [arlenepetruska@yahoo.com](mailto:arlenepetruska@yahoo.com)
- **Rummikub** (Thursday's 1-4p.m.) - Sharon Weiner at [Sharon.weiner46@gmail.com](mailto:Sharon.weiner46@gmail.com)
- **Nines** (2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday 1p.m.) - Sharon Weiner at [Sharon.weiner46@gmail.com](mailto:Sharon.weiner46@gmail.com) or Ronni Epstein at [re1217@aol.com](mailto:re1217@aol.com)
- **Enchanted Ladies Group** (Thursday's before Rummikub) -Sharon Weiner at [Sharon.weiner46@gmail.com](mailto:Sharon.weiner46@gmail.com) or Alice Statz at [astatz@optonline.net](mailto:astatz@optonline.net)
- **Pinochle** (learners and observers welcome usually Tuesday evenings)-Floyd Weiner, [fsweiner43@gmail.com](mailto:fsweiner43@gmail.com)





## ENCHANTMENT FITNESS

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Summer is here, and everyone is hitting the sidewalks at Enchantment! Walking has so many benefits above strengthening our legs...it improves health, reduces illness and disease, and strengthens the immune system. It also improves mood, sleep, and brain function. However, as we age, we run a higher risk of aged-related muscle loss, joint integrity issues, and reduced bone density. What if you could attend free classes here at Enchantment that would give you additional benefits over a traditional outdoor walk? Well, Leslie Sansone's "Fitness Walking" is where it is at! This program targets leg muscles that are underused, like the "back up" and "side" muscles and strengthens your core muscles, which improve your balance and helps prevent falls. Fitness Walking also increases muscle mass, endurance, and the ability to live independently. There could be a few "down sides" to fitness walking though...your weight could go DOWN, your blood pressure could go DOWN, your cholesterol and blood sugar could go DOWN! Join our free program, which also includes Zumba Gold! Please call or email Susan Maloney for more information: (732) 221-2754 or suemalo61@gmail.com

### **Schedule:**

Monday @ 10-10:45 a.m.: Zumba Gold Cardio and 10:45-11:30 a.m.: Zumba Gold Toning

Wednesday and Saturday @ 10-11 a.m.: Leslie Sansone Fitness Classes with Strength Training

Thursday @ 10-11 a.m.: Leslie Sansone Fitness

The above classes are wonderful in-person but can also be done via Zoom.

In addition to the classes above, on Tuesday's our community offers an exercise program that includes Chair Aerobics, Strength Training, Balance, Line Dancing, and Stretching. The cost is \$5 per class. There is a flyer in the clubhouse or for more information you may contact JoAnn Keephart at jkeephart@gmail.com



## THE ENCHANTMENT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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The Board of Directors consists of a President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, and Trustee. The community elects the members of the Board, and the Board elects the officers. Once elected, each board member acts voluntarily on the behalf of the community for a period of three years. In the spirit of "Living the Dream," the Board is primarily focused on preserving all assets of our beautiful community in a financially responsible way. The current Board consists of the following individuals: Al Nagy, President; John Donahue, Vice President; Bill Komianos, Treasurer; Fran Kleinbard Esko, Secretary, and Mike Ehrmann, Trustee. Contact information for each of the trustees can be found on the Enchantment website.

Open Homeowners' meetings are generally held on the fourth Wednesday of the month where updates on matters affecting Enchantment are presented. The Board also presents, discusses, and votes on various actions, such as new contracts and expenditures, and the Treasurer provides a report on the association finances.

Currently the Board is quite busy on the many activities that typically occur in the spring. This includes several landscaping projects, getting the pool ready for its Memorial Day weekend opening, masonry work on the front fountain, maintenance on the bocce and tennis / pickleball courts, and annual repairs of cement slabs and street basins. Additionally, we will soon be conducting a Capital reserve study to assess the financial status of our capital reserves.

The annual election for the Board takes place in October. We ask that you please consider volunteering for a Board position. We welcome all the rich experiences and talents you possess. It's not only a great way to meet your neighbors, but also a great way to "make a difference" in Enchantment.



## MILITARY HONORS SERVICE FOR GARY JOHNSON

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Ann Johnson and her family will be honoring Gary's life at Arlington National Cemetery on July 11, 2022, at 11:00 a.m. Gary was so pleased to have attended a gathering of veterans here at Enchantment and she wants the community to be aware of the service and to extend an invitation to this special recognition. For more information contact Ann at 609-462-8747

## OUR MAY MIXER

Pat Reilly and her awesome team gave us an amazing Cinco De Derby celebration with beautiful decorations, an amazing spread of food, and some fun Sombrero modeling. Everyone had fun, and the Social Committee hopes to see even more of you next time!



## THE ENCHANTED LADIES INVITED US TO AN INTERNATIONAL LUNCH

A fun afternoon...wonderful friends and great food.







## THE ENCHANTED LADIES SPONSORED A LOVELY AFTERNOON TEA

A chance to get together, sip tea and enjoy each other's company



## CALLING ALL ENCHANTMENT RESIDENTS...WE NEED YOUR HELP!

- **50/50 License:** Unfortunately, during COVID our 50/50 and Bingo licenses expired (they are tied together). The 50/50 has helped in the past to fund our Social Committee. If you have expertise in getting a 50/50 license and are interested in helping us by leading the charge, please send an email to [re.chantnews@gmail.com](mailto:re.chantnews@gmail.com) and put 50/50 License in the Subject!
- **Trivia Club for Enchantment Trivia Nights:** The Social Committee has found a source for data and templates for Trivia that would make for a reasonably priced Trivia Night where our community can play trivia, win some door prizes, and enjoy each other's company. We are asking for people interested in pulling the questions together (using our tools or your own research) and acting as Trivia Master with the hope of making it a regular event. If you're interested, please email [re.chantnews@gmail.com](mailto:re.chantnews@gmail.com) and reference Trivia in the subject.
- **Ladies The Time Has Come for Bocce** no formal experience needed, just a willingness to have fun and play the game. Please email [re.chantnews@gmail.com](mailto:re.chantnews@gmail.com) and reference Bocce in the subject.
- **Newsletter Help:** Like it? hate it? We want your feedback, residents to profile, pets to focus on, new section suggestions, or other ideas? Send your feedback and ideas anytime to [re.chantnews@gmail.com](mailto:re.chantnews@gmail.com).



## SAVE THE DATE

Future events with more on the way...:

- June Mixer – June 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Paint Party – September 21
- Ladies Fashion Show in November
- Don't forget to save the date for our Holiday Party – Saturday, December 17<sup>th</sup> at noon.