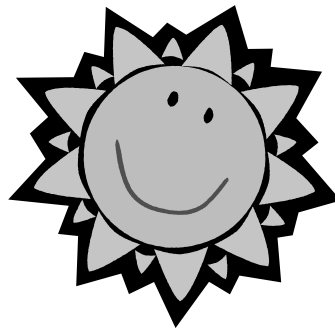
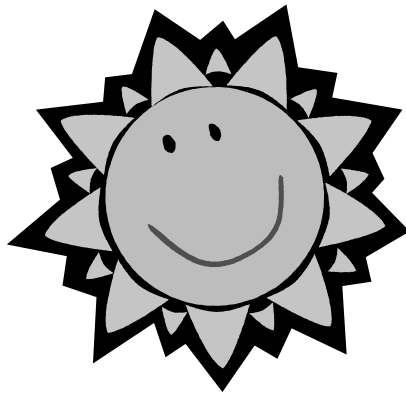


Village Voice

June 2010

We have all the news from Hillside Village, Woodside Village, Aidylberg Village and the Love House.

Glorious June



Birthdays to Celebrate

Love House

6/2 Jon Nicowal

Hillside Village

6/3 Kelsey Bresnahan—HV1

6/4 Arthur Lenna—HV2

6/13 Michael Noonan—HV1

6/20 Carl Hermenau—HV3

6/23 Sumner Grover—HV1

6/25 Margo Ortiz—HV1

Woodside Village

6/2 Louisa Luening—WV6

6/5 Ann Hearn—WV1

6/9 Jane Searle—WV3

6/10 Suzanne Walker—WV1

6/11 Sam Riccio—WV1

6/15 Agnes Bryant—WV5

6/18 Sam Drake—WV2

6/18 Pat Suarez—WV2

Aidlyberg Village

Happy days to all!

Hillside Village

Betty Searle, Tenants' Association President

Please join us for the

June Tenants' Association Meeting

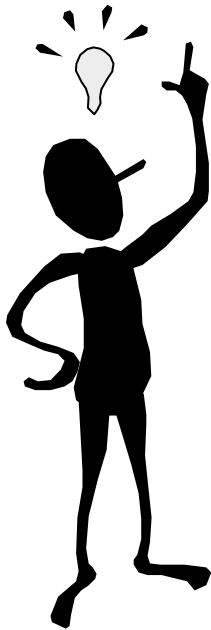
Saturday, June 12, 2010

11 am

Hillside Village 1 Community Room



*We welcome the new President of the Tenants' Association!
Come to the meeting and bring your ideas for Hillside Village.*



Stress Management—Continued Stress Management Plan

This will be the last educational Class
with our wonderful public health nurse

Nicole Barlett

11am Woodside Village 1

June 28, 2010

(before blood pressure clinic)

Sight Loss Support Group

The next meeting of the group which provides support to those residents experiencing sight loss and offers resources will be on:

Tuesday, June 1, 2010

1:30pm at Woodside Village 1—Corridor A, Community Room

For more information, please call:

Laurie Schreiber at the Edgartown Council on Aging - 508-627-4368

or Ann Wallace at IEH 508-693-5880 x12.

Know Thy Neighbor **Norman Ethier - Woodside I, 1994 – Present**

By Roberta Mendlovitz

Some of our newer residents at IEH do not get to know the long-timers. But in May 1994 a special person arrived on the second floor of WV1 and placed a big stamp on Woodside Village and Island Elderly Housing. His name is Norman Ethier and his contributions to the life of all residents of IEH have been substantial and praise-worthy. Norman says that two factors were always consistent in his life: he has always held two jobs at once and he has always loved people. These two situations have changed somewhat with illness and time, but my interview with him dug out facts that bear out his self-evaluation. He has, for most of his busy life, stayed to this course. Although quite home-bound in his present life, Norman unfolded to me an enviable picture of a life well and very actively lived. Known for his helping hand and guidance over the years and his leadership qualities as President of the Woodside Tenants Association, Norman has lived an amazing, well-traveled and joyous life. He is dedicated to IEH and he usually has had two or more jobs at the same time and he always loved parties. Sounds good!

Born in Pawtucket, Rhode Island, Norman's early interests were in music and dancing. He must have known that he wanted to travel because his first full-time job was traveling for Proctor and Gamble – as far as Texas in one direction and up to the Canadian border in the other. He worked himself up to supervisor but after several years became homesick for Rhode Island. Back home, he scoured the want ads and came up with one in New York for new Arthur Murray dancing instructors with a six-month training period. People who have seen Norman's skill and grace at dances around here know that this job hit Norman's heart with a bang. Of course, he became one of the TOP instructors in the East, using the gift he still has today. Once more tired of traveling, Norman was named #1 instructor and danced his last dance for Arthur Murray in Philadelphia.

He then came back home to an apartment that he and his dad made into THE all-time perfect Party Place! Not staying idle for a minute, Norman saw a want ad for fabric salesmen needed at Cooley, Inc., a company with high-priced clients such as NASA – outfitting rockets to the moon! Of course, eventually Norman became Manager. During those years he vacationed in Rome, Venice, Jamaica and Bermuda - collecting treasures he still has today.

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Norman also traveled to the Vineyard on summer vacations with friends and became aware of a 102-year-old house next to Star of the Sea church in Oak Bluffs. This house “filled with decrepit and peeling wallpaper” became one of the great adventures of his life. If you pay a visit to Norman’s apartment, you can see a handsome picture of this house on his wall. He used his best sales skills to buy this house with just \$100 down and a promise (which he kept) to build on this fund ASAP. The house became the love of his life; rented for a few seasons, it eventually became a bed and breakfast which made Norman’s gifts of hospitality and decorating perfectly “at home”.

Norman’s good luck enabled him to sign for the house on his 40th birthday. But a few years later he also had his first big heart attack while on a ladder trimming the hedges. However, setting down and getting well was not enough for Norman (remember the two jobs at once thing?). He and a partner bought Metell’s old 5&10 on Circuit Avenue in Oak Bluffs, where BASICS is today. Again, Norman’s wonderful gifts with people were in the right place. Eventually the years brought changes and the death of his business partner and friend led to Norman’s investigation of a new enterprise on Martha’s Vineyard – ISLAND ELDERLY HOUSING – which he visited when it was only a shell 16 years ago. Norman became one of the very first tenants. Originally he wanted the apartment at Woodside I now occupied by Rhoda Tappan, but with his usual sense of camaraderie, he chose another one next to his first choice. He resides there today in a very warm and hospitable home which has been the scene of many happy hours for friends.

And Norman’s fondest memory of Woodside I so far? You guessed it – Friday nights’ BYOB evenings in its earliest days which he says “guaranteed a high feeling of congeniality”. My choice of words to describe Norman?: meticulous, artistic, fun-loving, stable, best friend, kind, stubborn, diplomatic, proud, empathetic, life-loving, compassionate, feisty, master of thrifty food shopping and long phone conversations, a great host and hard-working President of the Woodside Village Tenants Association.

For all but four years of his life as a resident, Norman’s record of hosting three yearly cook-outs will never be equaled, I’m sure. The aroma of hot dogs and hamburgers will always be in the air every Memorial Day, Fourth of July and Labor Day on the back patio of Woodside Village I. These picnics are often the only celebrations all year for some residents and a rallying point of camaraderie which many have come to rely on and look forward to. His many individual acts of kindness are too hidden and numerous to mention here but countless residents’ lives are better because of Norman Ethier.

Many, many BIG THANKS Mr. President – we’re honored to know you and have you in our midst!!!! Stay well!!!!

A Pot Luck Gardeners' Gathering

(You don't have to be a gardener to attend. The only requisite is **active interest** in making the Woodside Village landscape beautiful, with lovely grounds to walk, and comfortable spots to rest, enjoy, and feel at home.)

Wednesday June 9th 6:00pm

Woodside Village 2—Community Room

Please bring a main dish, salad, or dessert



Purpose - To figure out how to maintain **The Berg Watch** planting and help Woodside residents do the same with their own gardens.

Approach. A forum to tell what we need (and or can offer); **Collaborate!**

- ◆ To spur unified action to delineate a simple, fast plan that spells success and benefit for all."

After listening to each others needs we could:

- ◆ ...work out a CALENDAR plan for regular care/ watering/ seasonal fertilizing which merely *reflects the needs of those that voice their need, and those who volunteer to help accomplish them (on their own time/for as long or short as they wish to do so). Hopefully the calendar will help us all keep a good "watch" on what needs maintaining/ when so our landscape and gardens can be easily maintained).*
- ◆ Keep a wish list (and work toward another grant)
- ◆ Have monthly pot lucks to continue listening to each others needs.

Contacts: Jon Moore 693-5788 Joyce Dodge 696-6191 Lynn Thorp 693-3423

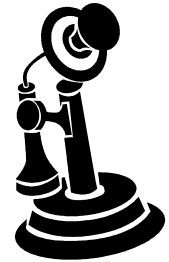
Please join us for a fun potluck and great ideas for Woodside Village

Let us know that you are coming — please RSVP as soon as possible

News and Notes from Staff

Summer is here! Please remember that there are many more cars on the road, there will be children out of school, many visitors and the Y will be open. Please drive carefully and safely —and remember you can always use the Blueberry Van or the VTA buses to save some of the “agony” of summer driving.

Resident Telephone Lists: If you would like an up-to-date phone list of residents in your building or any other building, please call Judy at 508-693-1367 (Woodside Village 1 Office) . Note: if a resident wants their number unlisted, it indicates that on the list.



YMCA “Open Doors” Program: If you would like an application for the Y scholarship / reduced fee membership, there are copies of the requirements and application in the Woodside Village 1 and Hillside Village 1 Property Management Offices.

Stress Management Support Group

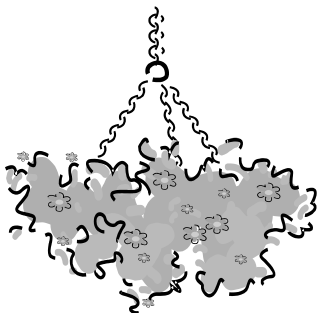
will meet every

Wednesday afternoon from 4 to 5 pm

in **Community Room B (A Corridor)**

at **Woodside Village I**

starting June 2.



Our biggest and brightest thank you’s to **Marge Toenges, Leonora Devaney and Sam Riccio** of WV 1 for the spectacular hanging baskets, all the beautiful plants in the window boxes and planters to make the front of Woodside Village 1 so welcoming and beautiful! The residents, staff and the Berg Watch group are so grateful for your contribution.

“Dinner at 5”



**WITH MOVIE MASTER HANK
SHOWING A FABULOUS FLICK AT 6PM**

June Menu

Woodside Village 2 Community Room

Thursday, June 3

Penne, Sauce, Meatballs
Salad, Rolls
Dessert

Thursday, June 10

BBQ, Hamburgers & Hotdogs
Potato Salad
Dessert

Thursday, June 17

Chowder
Salad and Rolls
Dessert

Thursday, June 24

Fish Sticks, Rice Pilaf
Veggie
Dessert

Remember to call Ann Baird to sign up 693-7009

June Calendar

Blood Pressure Clinics

Hillside: Wed., June 2 @ 10:00am (first Wednesday of the month)

Aidylberg: Thurs., June 17 @ 10:30am (third Thursday of the month)

Woodside 1: Mon., June 28 @ noon (last Monday of the month)

Woodside 2: Mon., June 28 @ 1:15pm (last Monday of the month)

Rosary – Thursdays at 3:30pm at WV1

Bingo – Woodside Village - Tuesdays at 6:30pm at WV1

Hillside Village – Tuesdays at 6:00pm at HV2

Movies – Thursdays @ 6:00pm at WV2 - Hank Sjostrom is the *Movie Manager!*

AA Weekly Meeting for IEH Residents – Mondays and Fridays at 3:30pm at WV1

Please note: meetings are held on holidays