

## COBURG RESIDENT COMMITTEES

### RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

All persons who sign a resident lease at Coburg Village are automatically members of the Residents' Association. The dues for membership are a nominal Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00) per year; the dues money is used to partially fund the Association's many activities.

The Association meets monthly on the first Thursday of the month; meetings are held in the Auditorium and are very well attended. The Association has a good working relationship with Coburg Village management and is the voice of the residents to management. The Association provides many of the enjoyable activities here at Coburg, as the list of committees and interest groups shown below will attest.

The Association welcomes you to Coburg Village and gives you a warm invitation to be an active resident at Coburg and to take full advantage of all the activities offered by the Coburg Village Residents' Association.

Jim Sefcik, President (Apt. 1222 – Ext. 5811)

COMMITTEE	CHAIR	APT	EXTENSION
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<b>ARTISANS</b>	Arlene Mendelson	1279	5771
	Natalie Oshins	1227	5778

The Artisans committee arranges art exhibits in the Rotunda three times a year (March, July & November). Coburg residents are encouraged to submit their original artwork. We accept oils, watercolors, pastels, sketches, acrylics, photographs, wood carvings and all kinds of needlework. All articles must be framed and ready to be hung.

<b>BOOK CLUB</b>	Loretta Cesare	925	6486
	Jeri Cayan	501	6242

The Book Club meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month in the Creative Corner at 1:30 p.m. Each month a book is chosen and discussed at the following meeting.

<b>BRIDGE</b>	Marilyn Gobel	1216	5820
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It's very simple. We play bridge on Friday afternoon at 1:00 p.m. in the card room. Anyone who is interested in playing social bridge is encouraged to join us. We do not have committee meetings.

<b>BUDDIES</b>	Richard Medved	1229	5805
	Reeva Nowitz	910	6281

The goal of the Buddy Committee is to help new residents understand and ask questions about life at Coburg Village i.e. housekeeping, Resident Association meetings, dining venues, card activities, etc. It is a long-term commitment of two to three months with new residents. Generally, a Buddy will meet with new residents about 2-4 times after they move in to also clarify items in the packet of information that

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was received from Marketing, or maybe someone wants another tour of the facility or wants to know why are there phones on the walls of the corridor etc.

Also: The Buddy committee meets once a month (not December or July) to address various ways to improve our ongoing relationship with new residents.

Our committee has about 20 people that are dedicating their time and knowledge to new residents.

<b>CHAPEL</b>	Marilyn Gobel	1216	5820
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Sunday Service: 10:30 a.m. (Chapel)

Bible Study: 1:00 p.m. Thursday

<b>COBURG CHORALIERS</b>	Bev Andrews (Director)	809	6271
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We provide appropriate entertainment for residents at the March Social Tea, Veterans Day Assembly, December Social Tea and at an evening concert in June. We meet Thursdays at 3 p.m. in the Chapel.

<b>CHOIR COMMITTEE</b>	Bev Andrews (Director)	809	6271
	Meda Rigatti	421	6430

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We are members of the Choir Committee who assist the Choir Director whenever required to do so. We meet Thursdays at 3 pm in the chapel. We help select and copy music, notify choir members of any changes in schedules, meeting place or music by typing up notices and putting them in their "cubbies", help gather and file used music and put into folders and file cabinets.

<b>COUNTRY STORE</b>	Mary Markiewicz	721	6462
	Paul Cramer	404	6223

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The Country Store is located just off the Lobby, across from the Mail Room. Our hours are 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. We are run entirely by volunteers of whom we never have enough. The Store is the only place in Coburg where you must use cash or a check to purchase something. We have a lovely assortment of greeting cards and a splendid selection of old-time candy bars, such as Clark bars, Mallo Cups and Paydays. We also carry various paper items, such as tissues, toilet paper and paper towels, plus cereal, various juices, canned soup, cleaning supplies, cookies, etc. On occasion we also stock gift items. We hope you will check us out and if you are interested in working in the Store, please see Mary or call ext. 6462. An update on the store is carried in the Villager every month.

## **CREATIVE CRAFTS**

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<b>KNIT &amp; CROCHET</b>	Jean Insley	624	6453
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<b>SEWING</b>	Shirley McClary	510	6249
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Creative Crafts meet every Tuesday at 10 a.m. in the Craft Room. Our mission is to design interesting and creative items for the Craft Sale held in November. Participants purchase their own supplies, and then all that is needed is your time and we will bring out your talents

The other two groups meet to work on their special projects. All meet in the craft rooms. Knitting & Crocheting meet from 1 pm to 3 pm on Wednesdays and Sewing meets from 1 pm to 3 pm on Tuesdays. All groups make projects for a November Craft Fair; the proceeds of which support a local charity.

<b>DINING:</b>	Reeva Nowitz (Chair)	910	6281
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The Dining Committee consists of 9 residents who have been chosen by the Executive Committee for three-year terms. Our purpose is to make your dining experience at Coburg enjoyable and satisfying. We meet once a month with members of the Culinary and Wait staffs to discuss comments, both positive and negative, concerns and suggestions we've received. We usually meet monthly.

The Culinary Director, Danielle Wagar, reviews comments she has received from the blue and yellow comment cards, which are posted by all the dining areas. Residents are encouraged to take advantage of these cards, since they are extremely helpful to the Dining and Wait staffs. To become a member of the committee, a written request must be submitted to the President of the Residents' Association. For more information, contact the chairman of the committee at the above number.

<b>GARDEN PLOTS</b>	Teri Hutson	530	6447
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Coburg has nineteen 4' x 6' garden plots available for residents' use. Sign-up sheet for available plots will be in the Activities Book at the Front Desk following announcement at the April Residents' Association Meeting. Residents who sign up must be able to clear, prepare, plant and maintain their gardens themselves.

<b>GREENHOUSE</b>	Teri Hutson	530	6447
	Carol White	512	6251

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The Greenhouse Committee oversees the plants in the Greenhouse. They check to see that plants are insect-free and monitor the lighting and temperature of the room. They keep the greenhouse clean and tend the windows. They have potting soil, tools and fertilizer and supplies available. Residents can have plants which they care for themselves. Rules and committee members are posted on the entrance doors. We welcome plant lovers.

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<b>GRIEVANCE</b>	Mary Ann Galm	3 Seneca	9-518-243-6391
	Diane Patmos	710	6261
	Richard Medved	707	6260

The purpose of the Grievance Committee is to hear and deal with resident grievances or problems related to any aspect to life at Coburg Village. The Committee consists of the Second Vice President serving as Chair and 2 resident members serving a staggered 2-year term. All grievances must be signed and submitted in writing to the Chairperson. All information is confidential and all discussions with the involved parties are done in private. Upon resolution, all documents are destroyed, with Association Minutes simply recording that a grievance had been received and has been resolved to the satisfaction of all parties.

<b>LIBRARY</b>	Barbara Perriman	1266	5833
	Ann Close	6 Saratoga Ct	9-518-243-6380

COBURG VILLAGE RESIDENT'S ASSOCIATION LIBRARY exists for the benefit and convenience of the residents by offering current reading materials in both regular and large print to serve their casual reading interests. It is open 24/7. The library committee's mission is to maintain and update the collection, to keep the library in good order and to assist residents whenever possible.

<b>NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE</b>	Barbara Perriman	1266	5833
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The Newsletter Committee's task is to publish the *Villager*, published by residents for residents. It is published monthly with 12-16 pages ten times a year and just a one-page sheet the other two months. The full edition contains informative and entertainment items of interest to the residents written by residents. The committee consists of the editor and residents who write regular columns which are submitted to the editor. In addition to the regular columnists, articles submitted by residents are welcomed.

<b>"FUN AND FINE ARTS"</b>	Mary Zak	1241	5758
	Veronica Casano	1211	5757

Fun and Fine Arts offers an inviting space in our newly formatted Creative Corner for fine artists to work on their creations as well as for those who always wanted to learn how to paint or draw to explore their creative options. This year we will allow our program to develop organically as we offer advice and support for you to explore various painting and drawing modalities. Participants purchase their own supplies. Occasional beginner workshops may develop depending on your interests. Call Mary or Veronica to help you to explore our materials and options.

<b>RECREATIONAL WRITERS</b>	Meda Rigatti	421	6430
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Do you enjoy writing? Whether you write prose, fiction, or stories from your past, our meetings are a fun place to be. We meet on the second Wednesday of the month in the Card Room at 2:00pm. Each month we have a suggested topic, but any original piece of approximately two doubled-spaced pages is

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welcome. Members are welcome to read their stories or may just listen and enjoy. Stories are selected to appear in The SCRIBE which is published twice per year. Come and join us.

### **PROGRAM**

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We meet one to two months prior to each program to make certain that preparation for the program is moving along smoothly. Programs are: Pizza Party, Tag Sale, Flag Day, Putting Contest, Gentlemen's Brunch, Craft Fair, Veterans Day and New Year's Eve Party.

### **TAG SALE**

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The annual Tag Sale is held in the auditorium. It is held not only for the residents of Coburg but the general public is invited. The sale is widely publicized and has always been well-supported and well-attended.

Please note that due to COVID-19 restrictions, the sale was not held in 2020 and 2021. Coburg Village will be following all guidelines and restrictions set by New York State and the CDC for all future years. Until a determination is made that it is safe to allow our tag sale to be held, unfortunately no future date can be set at this time.

To have a successful sale requires many volunteers, some working throughout the year collecting the donations and sometimes packing them up. Two days before the sale are very busy and require many volunteers. All stored donations are brought to the auditorium, unpacked, sorted for the appropriate tables, arranged and priced. Previous experience in pricing is very helpful. More volunteers are needed the day of the sale and immediately after to clean up which in the past has taken about an hour. Many hands make light work!

Proceeds from the Sale are used to pay for the music at the Residents' New Year's Eve Party and the soda purchased. For more information, call Eva Butler at 518-243-6289.

### **PIZZA PARTY**

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The Pizza Party is held on a spring Sunday evening when dinner is not served. Tickets are sold all week and on Sunday pizza, a green salad and soft drinks are served in the Auditorium. Some of the waitstaff volunteered to serve but it is anticipated that 10 servers and 10 ticket sellers will be needed.

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<b>FLAG DAY</b>	Bob Clements	6 Saratoga	9-518-243-6380
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The annual Flag Day celebration is held on the Saturday nearest June 14th. A local Scout troop raises our flag and then we proceed to the auditorium where the scouts present a program on flag history and protocol. Refreshments follow.

<b>PUTTING CONTEST</b>	Ronna Dixson	527	6446
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The annual Putting Contest is held in June or July on the putting green in the courtyard. All residents are invited to participate in the women's or men's competition. Balls and putters are available for practice and are stored in the greenhouse. The winner's names are engraved on the permanent trophy displayed in the Fireplace Room.

<b>GENTLEMEN'S BRUNCH</b>	Rudy Hellenschmidt	1274	5821
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The Gentlemen's Brunch is held in the fall of the year for all male residents of Coburg Village. A fine meal is prepared by the culinary staff and served in the main dining room. A speaker or other informational program is provided.

<b>CRAFT FAIR SALE</b>	Shirley McClary	510	6249
	Barbara Weldon	707	6254

The Craft Sale takes place in the Auditorium for four hours on a November Saturday. This resident's sale, consisting of knitting, sewing, crafts, plants and baked goods raises money for charities in conjunction with the Residents' Association.

Coburg provides a space, tables and other assistance making this a fun and successful event participated in by our generous residents.

<b>VETERANS' DAY</b>	Ken Smith	403	6224
	Frank Enzien	102	6284

Veterans' Day is celebrated in November to honor those who have served in the military. The Choraliers perform musical selections and speakers relate experiences. The celebration ends with a remembrance of those who have served and the sounding of taps.

<b>NEW YEARS EVE PARTY</b>	Lois Mendelson	1 Luzerne Court	9-518-243-6381
	Dick Mendelson	1 Luzerne Court	9-518-243-6381

Our annual New Years' Eve Party is held beginning at 9:30 p.m. and continuing until the ball drops at midnight. Wine, beer and soft drinks are provided. Many residents prepare more elaborate munchies to be shared. A champagne (or cider) toast is provided to welcome in the New Year. A DJ provides entertainment.