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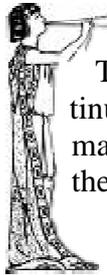


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Chairman's Perspective February 2010



We've got to pause and ask ourselves: How much clean air do we need? - Lee Iacocca



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The Board of Trustees is pleased that there was no condo fee increase in 2010 and the basic reason continues to be Trustee Property Management and Unit Owner Involvement. We thank all of you that help to make Olde Canal Village a friendly, beautiful and affordable place to live. The Board will continue to do their best to control costs and condo fees.

The Annual State of The Trust Meeting will be held on June 8 and we are requesting that all homeowners attend this meeting to vote and celebrate another successful year at Olde Canal Village.

Two present Trustee's terms will expire on this date, so homeowners must elect two replacements. The two trustees involved will most likely run for another term, which is a positive note for the community. Regardless, any homeowner that wishes to run for Trustee should provide their name and a brief resume of his or her background to the Board and their name will be placed on the ballot.

We will be distributing ballots for the Trustee election and for a Capital Expenditure vote prior to the election, which we will hand deliver to your home or by mail if you are away. You may return your ballots by dropping in the mailbox behind the circle bulletin board, mail it, give to any Trustee or bring to the meeting.

It is important that all attend the June 8th meeting, "vote" and enjoy some refreshments with your neighbors. Your attendance will demonstrate your appreciation to the Trustees for their efforts.

We wish everyone a happy and healthy New Year.

Andy Habe



Remember, all residents of ROCV may post a notice on our web site's bulletin board. Send me an email webmaster@oldecanalvillage.org

with what you want displayed or write it up and give it to me and I'll post it to the OCV web site.

Always drink upstream from the herd.

Church Bulletin, Sunday :

- Miss Charlene Mason sang 'I will not pass this way again,' giving obvious pleasure to the congregation.
- Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands.
- For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.
- Next Thursday there will be tryouts for the choir. They need all the help they can get.

The next time you hear a politician use the word 'billion' in a casual manner, think about whether you want the 'politicians' spending YOUR tax money.

A billion is a difficult number to comprehend, but one advertising agency did a good job of putting that figure into some perspective in one of its releases.

A. A billion seconds ago it was 1959, A billion minutes ago Jesus was alive, A billion hours ago our ancestors were living in the Stone Age. A billion days ago no-one walked on the earth on two feet. A billion dollars ago was only 8 hours and 20 minutes, at the rate our government is spending it.

While this thought is still fresh in our brain...let's take a look at New Orleans ..It's amazing what you can learn with some simple division.

Louisiana Senator, Mary Landrieu (D) is presently asking Congress for 250 BILLION DOLLARS To rebuild New Orleans . Interesting number...What does it mean?

A. Well ... If you are one of the 484,674 residents of New Orleans (every man, woman, and child) you each get \$516,528. Or... If you have one of the 188,251 homes in New Orleans , your home gets \$1,329,787. Or... If you are a family of four...your family gets \$2,066,012.

Washington , D. C , HELLO! Are all your calculators broken??

Building Permit Tax, CDL License Tax, Cigarette Tax, Corporate Income Tax, Dog License Tax, Federal Income Tax (Fed), Federal Unemployment Tax (FU TA), Fishing License Tax, Food License Tax, Fuel Permit Tax, Gasoline Tax, Hunting License Tax, Inheritance Tax, Inventory Tax, IRS Interest Charges (tax on top of tax), IRS Penalties (tax on top of tax), Liquor Tax, Luxury Tax, Marriage License Tax, Medicare Tax, Property Tax, Real Estate Tax, Service charge taxes, Social Security Tax, Road Usage Tax (Truckers), Sales Taxes, Recreational Vehicle Tax, School Tax, State Income Tax, State Unemployment Tax (SUTA), Telephone Federal Excise Tax, Telephone Federal Universal Service Fee Tax, Telephone Federal, State and Local Surcharge Tax, Telephone Minimum Usage Surcharge Tax, Telephone Recurring and Non-recurring Charges Tax, Telephone State and Local Tax, Telephone Usage Charge Tax, Utility Tax, Vehicle License Registration Tax, Vehicle Sales Tax, Watercraft Registration Tax, Well Permit Tax, Workers Compensation Tax

(And to think, we left British Rule to avoid so many taxes)

STILL THINK THIS IS FUNNY?

Not one of these taxes existed 100 years ago and our nation was the most prosperous in the world. We had absolutely no national debt. We had the largest middle class in the world and Mom stayed home to raise the kids.

What happened? And I still have to Press '1' For English.



Type A = 46%
Type B = 10%
Type O = 46%
Type AB = 4%

In an emergency, type O blood is a universal donor because it can be given to anyone, while type AB is a universal receiver because a person with this blood type can receive blood from any donor. Less than 5% of people in the United States donate blood.



We have developed a Vehicle Parking Rule for those residents that will be using the clubhouse for their family social events. (see attached). It became necessary as we have observed vehicles parked around the circle and on both side of our roads. Our roads are narrow and must be accessible to emergency vehicles. You will be given these rules along with a map depicting the parking areas when you request the clubhouse for your personal use.

“Relying on the government to protect your privacy is like asking a peeping tom to install your window blinds.”

I rely on my personality for birth control.

Human beings can always be relied upon to exert, with vigor, their God-given right to be stupid.”



Andy quiets residents at the June annual meeting

If I agreed with you we'd both be wrong.



Shirley and Dick Mellen have offered to organize another yard sale at Olde Canal Village this spring, perhaps in May as long as there are enough people interested. If you are interested, you should contact Shirley at 278-0714. You might also offer to help with the organization. I'm sure Dick and Shirley would appreciate it. Thanks to the Mellens for step-

Many people here have experienced inadequate airflow upstairs with both the heat in the winter and air conditioning in the summer. A company has been found and used by several residents with complete satisfaction. They measure the air at the all the vents and they install a volume damper in the main duct in the basement. They adjust the damper so that an adequate volume of air is directed to the upstairs then the recheck the volume of air at the floor registers. They have reported an increase of airflow in the master bedroom by 283% on average. The contact name is David L. Votta and the phone number is (401) 461-7336.

If you need help and CANNOT speak-

FIRST dial 9-1-1, then press the appropriate number to get the help you need.

If you need the POLICE PRESS 1	
If you need the FIRE DEPT. PRESS 2	
If you need an AMBULANCE PRESS 3	

Available Only From Touch-Tone Telephones In Massachusetts.

Maintenance Tip

To prevent basement water damage, residents should turn their outside rear or side water facets off for the winter. The shut off is located in your basement close to the outside wall. After turning the valve off turn your outside faucet on and drain any excess water. This will prevent any frost build up that may loosen a pipe connection resulting in a leak.

New clubhouse parking rule

If you are going to use the clubhouse for any personal private party please pay close attention to the new parking rules recently implemented. They will be given to you with your deposit. They can also be found on our web site under documents.(limited clubhouse parking for residents & allowed parking map)

The day will come when my body will lie upon a white sheet neatly tucked under four corners of a mattress located in a hospital; busily occupied with the living and the dying. At a certain moment a doctor will determine that my brain has ceased to function and that, for all intents and purposes, my life has stopped.

When that happens, do not attempt to instill artificial life into my body by the use of a machine. And don't call this my death-bed. Let it be called the bed of life, and let my body be taken from it to help others lead fuller lives.

- Give my sight to the man who has never seen a sunrise, a baby's face or love in the eyes of a woman.
- Give my heart to a person whose own heart has caused nothing but endless days of pain.
- Give my blood to the teenager who was pulled from the wreckage of his car, so that he might live to see his grandchildren play.
- Give my kidneys to the one who depends on a machine to exist from week to week.
- Take my bones, every muscle, every fiber and nerve in my body and find a way to make a crippled child walk. Explore every corner of my brain.
- Take my cells, if necessary, and let them grow so that, someday a speechless boy will shout at the crack of a bat and a deaf girl will hear the sound of rain against her window.
- Burn what is left of me and scatter the ashes to the winds to help the flowers grow.
- If you must bury something, let it be my faults, my weakness and all prejudice against my fellow man.
- Give my sins to the devil & give my soul to God.

