

The Kendalight

Kendal at Oberlin Residents Association

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30 You Can Help Celebrate our 30th Anniversary!

October 6, 2023, marks the 30th year since the first residents moved into their cottages here in Kendal at Oberlin. The first cottages were ready and by the end of the year some 187 residents were busy getting settled as well as engaged in building what we know as Kendal at Oberlin today. (R.E. Baznik, 2013, *History of Kendal at Oberlin*)

The Special Events Committee is already planning some all-Kendal events:

- Oct. 4 - Historical update by Dick Baznik.
- Oct. 6 - Simple Supper with the proceeds going to Oberlin Community Services, reflecting our commitment to others.
- Oct. 9 - Taking a closer look at Bob Cothran's mural outside Fox & Fell.
- Oct. 27/28 - An irreverent look at ourselves during the pandemic in a new play by Don Parker.

KORA committees, other groups, and individuals (YOU!) are encouraged to plan an activity, special event, or exhibit that in some way celebrates Kendal at 30. Some possible group events include a commemorative tree planting (Arboretum), a slide show of photographs from the early days of Fitness and Health activities, a program about battery-operated lawn and garden tools (Environmental Concerns), and special Library exhibits. Individuals might write an article for *Eureka!* or submit paintings, drawings, or photographs for exhibit in one of Kendal's galleries or other spaces.

Shirts, sweatshirts, and hoodies with the "Kendal at Oberlin is 30" logo will be available thanks to Joe Luciano, Rebecca Cardozo, Jean Slonneger, and other intrepid volunteers.

If you have an event or exhibit, contact Carol Harvey (chair of Special Events Committee) or George Blomgren or Prudy Hall (KORA coordinators) to add your event to our special 30th year calendar.

Look for a special "Kendal at 30" tag on posters, in newsletters, and on the KORA website calendar to see new programs as they are scheduled.



**Primary Election
Tues., May 2, 2023
6:30am–7:30pm
Heiser Auditorium**

**NOTE: You MUST
have a valid photo ID
to vote in person.**

KaO residents will have one issue to vote on (renewal for Murray Ridge Center Disabilities Programs), no candidates for Republican or Democratic parties. You do NOT need to declare your party for the May primary election. Questions? Ask Ann Francis!

**Let's leave the parking
spaces around Heiser Circle
for our local voters.**

2023 Oberlin Commencement Events Fri., May 19 to Mon., May 22



For information and updates about events including The Grand Piano Extravaganza, Campus Illumination, and Commencement Ceremony, see www.oberlin.edu/events/series/commencement-celebrations-calendar.

Commencement Weekend Kendal Open House - Fri., May 19–Mon., May 22 - 9:30am to 4:00pm

Crossroads Room will be our hospitality suite, offering refreshments and an opportunity to connect with Kendal residents. Tours will be available with the Sales and Marketing staff. Join us in welcoming alumni and other visitors to our campus.

**COFFEE HOUR WITH
BARBARA THOMAS**

**WED., MAY 10 - 9:30AM
LANGSTON, KOTV, ZOOM**



**AFTERNOON EXCHANGE
BARBARA THOMAS**

**THURS., MAY 25 - 4:00PM
AUD, KOTV**



Kendal at Oberlin Residents Association

With spring in full bloom, summer is just around the corner. In years gone by, thoughts of summer might have made us wonder if we were in “bathing suit” shape.

We’re fortunate here at Kendal because we have so many ways to exercise our bodies, as well as our minds and spirits. In the Fitness Center, we have two pools, an equipment room, and a fitness/relaxation room staffed with professionals to provide guidance to make sure our exercise benefits our bodies, no matter what our current fitness level or health conditions might be.

There are also fun weekly sessions to “stretch and strengthen” our bodies, not to mention dancing (Contra, Square, Rollator, English Country)! What’s your favorite way to keep your body healthy? Check out the Fitness Resources tab and the calendar on the KORA website to find your perfect workout routine.

Did you know that throughout their first year new residents have an opportunity to participate with their mentors in Newcomers and Mentors Meetings? These monthly sessions not only give our new neighbors a chance to get to know each other and their mentors, they also provide valuable information about many of the exciting groups and activities available to them as a part of our community.

Before heading off on summer adventures, don’t forget to donate to the Staff Vacation/Appreciation Fund (see page 3). From May 1 to May 28, you can place your gifts of appreciation in the box at the front desk. Thank you for your continuing generosity and meaningful recognition of our exceptional Kendal staff, who greatly appreciate our gifts.

~Rollin Conway, KORA President 2023

Succession Planning Gets Underway for Kendal at Oberlin’s Next CEO | KaO Transition Team

Anticipating Barbara Thomas’s retirement in January 2024, the Kendal at Oberlin Board has started the process to recruit our community’s next leader. A Transition Team that includes 2 residents has been appointed to oversee the process. The Transition Team includes 7 KaO Board members, 1 Kendal Northern Ohio Board member, 3 key staff members, 1 KORA leader, and 1 representative from The Kendal Corporation. KaO’s Human Resources Department, assisted as needed by Kendal Corp.’s Human Resources Department, is providing support for the Transition Team.

Given a full year’s notice before Barbara’s retirement, the Board is confident that a search will be conducted to identify and hire the best candidate before the end of the year, and we do not anticipate needing an interim position. However, we are dedicated to finding the right/best next leader for Kendal at Oberlin and if timing requires it, we will name an interim CEO.

The planning process began with the Board Executive Committee charging the Transition Team to conduct the process. The Transition Team has developed a Request for Proposals to engage an experienced Executive Search Firm that has worked successfully with CCRCs and understands Quaker values. Final candidate firms will be reviewed by the Transition Team. The selected firm will work with the Transition Team to identify the necessary experience and character of a potential CEO. The Executive Search Firm will conduct the search for appropriate candidates to present to the Transition Team for consideration.

When the final candidates are presented, the Transition Team will carry out initial virtual interviews to identify the top candidates, who will then be invited for on-campus interviews. There will be opportunities to interact with the final candidates while they are on campus, and the Transition Team will make the formal recommendation to the Board for their approval. We hope to have a permanent CEO identified before our current beloved CEO officially retires.

The Transition Team is committed to sharing ongoing progress throughout the search process – please continue to watch for updates and announcements.

~Joan Villarreal, chair, KaO Board, for the Transition Team

A New Citizenship: Reparations for the Eras of Slavery, Lynchings, and Jim Crow

Tues., May 16 - 7:15pm - AUD and KOTV

Speaker is Charles Peterson, Associate Professor of Africana Studies and Chair of African Studies, Oberlin College.

Examining Racism in America to Forge a More Equitable Future

Redlining and Housing Segregation in the City of Oberlin

Wed., May 31 - 7:15pm - AUD and KOTV

Liz Schultz, Executive Director of Oberlin Heritage Center, will present an introduction to the history of redlining and housing segregation in Oberlin, despite its history of leading the nation in antislavery and advocacy for racial equality.



Next KORA Council Meeting

Thurs., May 18 - 10:00am - AUD and KOTV



**Lunch Bunch:
Sterk's
Wed., May 10
11:40am**

From appetizers to

pasta, pizza, steaks, and sandwiches (and more!), you're sure to find something you'll love at Sterk's Brickyard Bar and Grill. **Sign up for the Kendal bus.** The bus is free. Lunch on your own. Questions? Ask Gerry Findlan.

**Thursday Health Lectures
Chronic Obstructive
Pulmonary Disease**

**May 4 - 7:15pm
AUD and KOTV**

Dr. Anu Suri, MD, COPD and related lung disorders.

Macular Degeneration

**June 1 - 7:15pm
AUD and KOTV**

Dr. Shawn Wilker, MD, Retina Associates of Cleveland, management and treatment of macular degeneration.

**Kendal Staff Vacation/
Appreciation Appeal**

Each May, residents have thanked our staff by contributing generously to the annual Staff Vacation/Appreciation Fund in lieu of tipping. Every staff member contributes to the quality and ease of our life here, from dining, housekeeping, reception, and grounds to care in our Clinic or SCC and maintenance by Facility Services.

Our contributions to the Staff Vacation/Appreciation Appeal are distributed equitably among staff by a formula developed in consultation with Administration and KORA. Senior management and department heads are not included. Checks should be made out to Kendal at Oberlin with the memo "Staff Appreciation" and deposited in the box at the Heiser Reception desk by May 28. These gifts will be given out in early June.

Your generosity is much appreciated.
~Rollin Conway, KORA President 2023

🎵 Music at Kendal 🎵

**Live Chamber Music
at Kendal at Oberlin**

May is the last month of the semester at Oberlin College and Conservatory. There are many events this month. June will be quieter.

Wed., May 3, 4:00pm AUD Voice students from the Conservatory will present scenes from operas by Mozart, Verdi, Gounod, Lehar, and Douglas Moore.

Sun., May 7, 4:00pm AUD Conservatory students will play a piano quintet by Ralph Vaughan Williams and a string quartet by Maurice Ravel.

Sat., May 13, 4:00pm AUD Conservatory students will play a piano quintet by Antonin Dvorak.

Sun., May 14, 4:00pm AUD Piano recital by Conservatory students Natasha Wu and Fiona Wu.

Sun., May 28, 4:00pm AUD Concert by Conservatory students, program to be announced.

**What's Ahead at
the Oberlin Conservatory
Tues., May 30 - 10:30am
AUD and KOTV**

Conservatory Dean William Quillen and Associate Dean Sally Takada will tell us the plans for the Artist Recital Series and other major events.

What's New with the Environmental Dashboard?

Thurs., May 4 - 1:15pm - AUD and KOTV (Note time)

John Petersen, Professor of Environmental Studies and Biology, Oberlin College, and students from his Environmental Communications class will present an update on the City of Oberlin's Environmental Dashboard, whose purpose is to promote environmental sustainability and resilience in Oberlin and Cleveland. Come and learn how students are using this communications technology, first developed in Oberlin, to expand its use in Cleveland's Midtown, in Oberlin's new elementary school, and in both the City of Oberlin and the College.

**Resilience in the Face of Adversity:
Rohingya Refugee Camps in Bangladesh**

Mon., May 8 - 7:15pm - AUD and KOTV

Md Rumi Shammin, Professor of Environmental Studies, Oberlin College, has conducted research on climate change in Bangladesh for the past decade. When he discovered a lack of environmental management of the camps that shelter a million Rohingya refugees – the largest complex of refugee camps in the world – he spearheaded the development of a holistic plan to address deforestation as well as sanitation and access to clean water and energy. This project engages the refugee population in the environmental management program, with a special emphasis on involving women and empowering young people to develop management skills in this work.

Play Readers: *The Madwoman of Chailot*

Fri., May 26 - 1:30pm; Sat., May 27 - 7:15pm - AUD and KOTV

Jean Giraudoux wrote this play in 1943, but the theme is startlingly timely – the eagerness of greedy men to destroy beauty in their pursuit of profit. A group of corporate executives in Paris are planning to dig up the city to get at the oil that they believe lies beneath its streets. Countess Aurelia, a benignly eccentric madwoman, learns of their plans and resolves to fight back and rescue humanity from these scheming and corrupt developers. Directed by Robert Taylor.

Saturday Night Movies

May 6 - 7:15pm - AUD, KOTV
Zorba the Greek (1964) An uptight English writer travelling to Crete, on a matter of business, finds his life changed forever when he meets the gregarious Alexis Zorba. [A resident's special request!]

May 13 - 7:15pm - AUD ONLY
Discussion: Dwight Call
Pather Panchali: Song of the Little Road (1955) Naturalistic but poetic evocation of a number of years in the life of a family introduces us to little Apu and the women who will help shape him – his sister, mother, and elderly “auntie.” This is the first of three Indian films directed by Satyajit Ray that form the Apu Trilogy. Watch for the other two in June and July.

May 20 - 7:15pm - AUD, KOTV
My Octopus Teacher (2020) After years of swimming daily in the freezing ocean at the tip of Africa, Craig Foster meets an unlikely teacher, a young octopus who displays remarkable curiosity. Visiting her den and tracking her movements for months, he eventually wins the animal's trust and they develop a never-before-seen bond between human and wild animal.

May 27 - No movie
[Play Readers, see page 3.]

The Kendal cable channels are:

- **WKAO: 919, 19-1, OR 95-100**
- **KOTV: 920, 19-2, OR 95-101**
- **WSCC: 921, 20-1, OR 96-100**

Sunday Movies

7:00pm - WSCC

May 7 - Crazy Rich Asians (2018)

May 14 - Steel Magnolias (1989)

May 21 - Woman in Gold (2015)

May 28 - The Absent-Minded Professor (1961)



Art Gallery News

Helen Wilson's fascinating show of complex collages and 3-D paper assemblages, *Botanical Voices Revisited*, continues in the **Kendal Gallery** through May 15.

The **Community Gallery** exhibits photographs by resident Marvin Gordon-Lickey through May 15. *A Village in the Luberon* shows landscapes, streetscapes, markets, cafés, and close-ups of a neighborhood of Saignon, a small village in Provence, France, where Marvin and his wife Barbara live for part of each year.

The **Friends Gallery** is showing photography by Linda Grashoff through May 15. *Looking at the Overlooked* presents Linda's unique artistic vision that turns damaged dumpsters, bacteria on the surface of the Vermilion River, and everyday household objects into images that celebrate the colors, shapes, and presence of the materi-

al world. **NOTE:** Kendal residents may visit the Friends Gallery with the current requirements (no temperature required, but check in at the kiosk.)

The **Curio Cabinet** showcases the magnificent annual display of *Ukrainian Easter Eggs* from the collection of Mary Van Nortwick through May 14.

In the **Marketing Display Window**, *Arts and Crafts of Mexico*, from the collections of Ted Nowick and Robert Taylor, will continue through May 15.

Biennial Kendal Creates Show

Entry forms for the show have been distributed. Additional forms are on the shelf in front of the open mailboxes. Please return forms to Box #116 by May 1.

If you have any questions, contact Nina Love or Barbara Whitehouse. *Kendal Creates* will be in all Galleries, the Curio Cabinet, and the Marketing Display Window from May 17 through Aug. 16.



Monday Documentaries

7:00pm - WSCC

May 1 - Miss South Pacific: Beauty and the Sea (2015)

May 8 - Small is Beautiful: A Tiny House Documentary (2016)

May 15 - Sing Me A Song (2021)

May 22 - Andy Warhol, Fluorescent (2019)

May 29 - No film.

Tuesday Themed Films

1:00pm - WSCC

May 2 - Tár (2022)

May 9 - The Soloist (2009)

May 16 - Walk The Line (2005)

May 23 - Coal Miner's Daughter (1980)

May 30 - Copying Beethoven (2006)

An Invitation to a Performance by Kendal and Guest Musicians

**Brahms Piano Quartet Op. 6
Fri., May 5 - 7:15pm - AUD**

Jack Knapp, piano; Caroline Brandenberger, violin; Enid Cleary, viola; and John Sanderson cello

For movie descriptions and details, see www.imdb.com.

Thursday Movie Musicals

2:00pm - WSCC

May 4 - Top Hat (1935)

May 11 - The Jazz Singer (1927)

May 18 - Guys And Dolls (1955)

May 25 - The Kid From Brooklyn (1946)

From the Kendal Early Learning Center About KELC Grandfriends

Did you know that Ohio has changed the requirements for interacting with the KELC students inside the classroom?

Currently, you can stop and visit our classroom without any paperwork if you are participating in the following:

- Observing classroom activities;
- Exchanging pleasantries with children and staff or having brief conversations; or
- Participating in activities, such as sing-alongs or sitting for stories, but not conducting the activities or having extended interactions with children.

If you are participating in any of the above activities, you can visit us anytime in our classroom. Knock on our door any morning or afternoon and visit. (Please note children do have lunch and nap daily from 11:30am–2:30pm.)

The State of Ohio considers a Kendal Grandfriend to be a volunteer and needs a file when they participate in the following classroom activities:

- Conducting activities such as reading stories or carrying out a project in the classroom;
- Having extended or involved interactions with children in the classroom; or
- Having scheduled hours or duties in the classroom, which the State of Ohio assesses as volunteer work.

If you plan to develop activities for children's participation in our classroom, you need to have a completed file. A complete file consists of a medical form provided by our on-site clinic and a background check with Larry Thompson in Human Resources. There is also one more additional step: creating a profile on the Ohio Professional Registry once you have completed the task of providing your fingerprints with Larry Thompson. Jeni Hoover, Director of KELC, can walk you through as well.

KELC is trying to get back to offering intergenerational activities now that all of our children are vaccinated against Covid. If you have thoughts on activities you would like to see offered, please reach out and let Jeni Hoover know by sending her an email at jehoover@kao.kendal.org.



Time for the Plant Sale! Fri., May 12 - 7:30am–4:00pm

- Indoors in the Heiser West Corridor between mailboxes and bank.
- Outdoors under the covered walkway at the employee's entrance

The Horticulture Committee has plants for your rooms and for outdoors on sale on tables at the two locations.

You'll find bulbs and root plants from the Courtyard Garden, as well as flowers and herbs grown from seed, tomato seedlings, house plants like geraniums, and refurbished garden hand tools.



Volunteers will be on hand to help you decide which plant is best for you and to help pack up your purchases.

Leftover plants will be available on the honor system all day Sat., May 13, and before noon on Sun., May 14.

We need help with pricing plants, moving the plants to the sale tables, "crowd control," and sales. Contact Nick Long to get involved.

Migratory Bird and Amphibian Trip to Oberlin Ramsey Right-of-Way Wed., May 3 - 9:45am Meet outside Heiser Center

Ray Stewart (Ohio Wetlands Association) and Dean Kulwicki (Black River Audubon) will be our guides for the Western Reserve Land Conservancy annual outing to the Oberlin Preserve South Woods. Carpool sign-up sheet by mailboxes. Rain date: May 9. Co-sponsored by Kendal Environmental Concerns, Horticulture, and Arboretum Committees. ~Kate Pilacky,

Firelands Associate Field Director
kpilacky@wrlandconservancy.org

Celebration Ringers: A Day of Song From Sunrise to Moon Glow Sun., May 21 - 4:00pm - AUD and KOTV



Kendal welcomes the return of Celebration Ringers, a community handbell choir based in Strongsville, OH. Hear some of your favorite tunes as well as some written specifically for bells. A special treat will be one ringer performing on a bell tree while the rest of the group rings hand chimes.

These 16 experienced ringers perform on 6½ octaves of handbells and 7 octaves of chimes. Most of the ringers also direct and/or ring in church handbell choirs, and the Celebration Ringers' director works with several church handbell choirs near Strongsville.

Celebration Ringers has been giving concerts for over 20 years in Northeast Ohio. Kendal resident Betsy Allen joined the choir in 2022 and will play in this performance.

Need to Change a Date for a Scheduled Event? Notify *The Kendalight* and WKAO so we can update your event on the website or elsewhere!

More About Kendal's Residents



Satsuki Annino and Jerome (Jerry) Knapczyk

Satsuki:

I was born in Japan and earned a degree in interior design from Pratt College in New York. I became an American citizen in 1986.

I joined Monsanto's R&D group in Massachusetts where I worked in competitive intelligence and as the company's Japanese/English translator for business and scientific affairs. This involved considerable worldwide travel.

After retiring and moving to Franconia, NH, and then to Santa Fe, NM, I studied pottery with the well-known micaceous potter, Philippe Ortega. My work was exhibited and sold at several Santa Fe galleries.

Meanwhile, I became a student of the renowned Flamenco dancer Juan Siddi. Flamenco dancing has become a passion which I plan to continue. This will mean frequent travel between Oberlin and Santa Fe, where we've retained a small apartment.

Jerry:

I was born and raised on the near south side of Chicago, attended Benedictine College, and earned a PhD in physical organic chemistry from the University of Massachusetts. I delayed leaving the comfort of academia by postdating at Duke, Case Western Reserve University, and the University of Massachusetts.

My work has led to the development

of photo initiators for photolithography in the processing of computer microchips.

After a teaching/administrative position (Associate Dean) in the Vermont State Colleges system, I joined Monsanto's polymer research and engineering group in Springfield, MA, where I helped develop infrared reflecting interlayers for auto safety glass and architectural windows.

I met my wife Satsuki at Monsanto. On retiring, we moved to Franconia, NH, for several years, then to Santa Fe, NM.

In Santa Fe, I served as a Director of the Northern Group of the Sierra Club and as its office manager. One of our achievements was to form a coalition to close down the heavily polluting coal-fired power plants in the Four Corners Area. I also served as Director of two HOAs.

In my free time, I enjoy jogging, hiking, biking, and writing. Over time, the latter has resulted in publications in several scientific and literary journals.



Kathleen Cerveney

Kathleen is a lifelong arts practitioner/advocate/activist. She holds a BFA from the Cleveland Institute of Art (1969) and an MFA from the Stone-coast Creative Writing Program of the University of Southern Maine (2014).

For 20 years she maintained a pottery studio, selling and exhibiting her work

locally and nationally. During this time, she helped launch a supporting non-profit for artists, taught ceramics in the Art Studio at Case Western Reserve University and Lake Erie College, and served as President of Ohio Designer Craftsmen.

In the late 1980s Kathleen advocated for and initiated arts programming on Cleveland Public Radio, becoming its first Producer for Arts and Culture. She often submitted local arts stories to NPR's *Morning Edition* and *Performance Today* and won many local and state media awards.

In 1991 she was engaged by the Cleveland Foundation as Program Director for Arts and Culture, where she managed the foundation's grants in that sector and led major initiatives to strengthen the arts community. Chief among these was a successful effort to establish public tax support for the arts in Cuyahoga County.

Kathleen retired from the foundation in 2014 and began volunteering in the Wildlife Department of the Cleveland Museum of Natural History. She regrets the pandemic-forced termination of that opportunity. Raptors, opossums, and turtles were her favorite animals to work with there.

She was elected the 2013–15 Poet Laureate of Cleveland Heights and twice held the title of Haiku Death Match champion. Her poems have appeared in numerous journals and anthologies, and her chapbook, *Coming to Terms*, was published by Night Ballet Press in 2015.

Kathleen is currently a Vice President of Apollo's Fire Board of Directors, teaches nonprofit arts management at Baldwin Wallace University, and writes occasional lyric essays on her blog, *Pay Attention*; <http://kathleencerveney.wordpress.com>.

Remember! Wear your name tag so newcomers (and old-timers) can tie your name to that face!



KORA Still Needs Your Input! Leadership Development & Nominations Committee

Call for Nominees – Deadline May 15 – Your Input Appreciated

The deadline for nominations for KORA Officers, Councilors, and LDNC Members is May 15.

Suggestions for residents to serve on the 2024 KORA Council and Leadership Development and Nominations Committee (LDNC) are welcome. Please consider recommending yourself and reaching out to residents who you would like to represent you on Council and LDNC. Descriptions of the various positions can be found in the notebook in front of the KORA Bulletin Board in Heiser and on the KORA website.

Remember to first get the permission of anyone you wish to nominate. Submit your nomination in writing to LDNC Secretary Bob Longsworth, place it in Box #216, or send by email. A brief letter giving reasons for your choice would be helpful. Questions? Contact members of LDNC: Ruth Ann Clark, Ann Francis, Bob Longsworth, Anne Palmer, Sally Nelson-Olin, Shirley Taylor.



The May Open Studio is on Thurs., May 4, 1:00–3:00pm. On the first Thursday of each month, a Kendal resident artist will showcase a project during Open Studio for you to get acquainted with, or

try your hand at.

This month Agnes Bacon will show her oil paintings and demonstrate the medium. You may want to stick a brush in paint and see how oils go onto canvas.

Last month the pottery group initiated the “mentor/mentee” relationship, making hand-built pottery that will be glazed this month. It was a new experience requiring flexibility as learners acquired new skills.

The Art Card rack moves to Heiser Lounge for a week every month, but is always available in the Art Studio for you to purchase a card to benefit RAF or OCS. *~Don and Joyce Parker*

Recent Moves

Marilyn Burns to Whittier in late March.

Sheila Eckstein to an apartment in early April.

Elizabeth “Betty” Mahjoub from Oberlin, OH, in early April.

Thelma Morris to Patterson in early April.

David and Elaine Orr from Oberlin, OH, in early April.

George Wright and Louise Hausman from Milford, OH, in mid-April.

David and Louise Coffin from Swarthmore, PA, in late April.

Upcoming Moves

Kay Hoebake from North Olmsted, OH, in early May.

Introverts Unite!
Contact Suzanne McDougal

Ready to Disco?

Fri., May 19 - 7:15–9:00pm
AUD

Remember the Masquerade Ball last winter? Remember how much fun it was to get dressed up and dance to fabulous music?

Well, get ready to come to a disco party. On May 19, Heiser Auditorium will be transformed into a disco ballroom, complete with lighted disco ball! Pull out your 1970s clothes. Practice disco dance steps. Listen to the catchy music that makes you want to move! Or just come and witness the dancing and be part of the fun.

The festivities will include sparkling



cider and wholesome cookies to keep your energy up and facilitate your moves. Watch for the posted notices to remind you to get ready!

Contact Jack Mosher or David Dauphiné with questions.

Save the Date for a Trip to Blossom on Sat., Aug. 26 🚌

Mark your calendar for our Blossom Bus trip and a wonderful evening with the Cleveland Orchestra. The program will include Ravel, Saint-Saëns, and De Falla with Simone Lamsma as guest violinist. A sign-up sheet will be posted in June.

Questions? Contact Anne Martin or Randy Wagner.

Kendal Kryptogram #216 – by Nina Love

DOG BE FUR AGIN OGBDOI FUOF CIKEURE AX

GRRME FA.

~DOXZ FQOBG

Solution to Kryptogram #215: “You can kill a man but you can’t kill an idea.”

~Medgar Evers

Fun Fitness
May is National
Bike Month!



Cycling A-Z
Wed., May 17 - 7:15pm
AUD and KOTV

Larry Best, a member of Silver Wheels, Charlotte McGowan's cycling club, will talk about bicycles, safety, and rules of the road.
 ~Kathy Caldwell

Mindful Mondays Lunch
with Kim and Cyndi
Mon., May 15 - 12:00pm
Fox and Fell Alcove

Join Kendal Social Services Associates Kim Peters (776-5016) and Cyndi Moran (775-9813) for an hour of conversation and discussion while enjoying lunch. No sign-up required. We look forward to our mindful discussions! **All are welcome.**

Reinstallation
of a Rain Gauge

After a harsh winter, a new rain gauge has been installed and is now recording precipitation. It, as was the case last year, can be viewed from the glassed hallway between the Apartment Building and Heiser. It is on the south side of the edifice.

~David Evans, DDS (retired),
 and James Leo Walsh, also retired,
 co-chairs, Ad Hoc Committee on
 Thermometers and Rain Measuring Devices



Library
Notes

Online Access
to the KAO Library Catalog

For many years the additions to the library catalog have been recorded using Excel, started by Betty Weinstock. Gayle Sherry continued this practice, and working with Tom Taylor has made it possible for residents to access the library catalog from their own computers.

Use the new KORA website to provide convenient access to the library catalog. Click on "Kendal Library Catalog" that appears among the Quick Links on the home page. That will display the library catalog beginning in call number order. Use Control F on a PC or Command F on a Mac to display a box to enter a search. For example, enter an author, a title, a subject, or a keyword that could appear in the title of the book. The records do not include subject headings.

The card catalog in the library will continue to be available. ~Joan Long

Suggestions and Concerns
Mon., May 8 - 2:00-3:00pm
Crossroads Room

This committee will listen to your suggestion or concern in confidence (and privately, if you wish), discuss it with you, and refer the matter to the appropriate department head or committee chair. Contact Chair Rich Hall.

Chalk Walk 2023
Sat., June 24, 10:00am-4:00pm
(Rain Date: Sun., June 25)

It's time for the annual Chalk Walk! Master artists, local artists, and scores of community members of all ages create beautiful, quirky, and unique works of chalk art throughout downtown Oberlin.

We need over 22 Kendal volunteers to staff the four booths that oversee space and provide free materials. Volunteer slots are: 9:45am to noon, noon to 2:00pm, or 2:00 to 4:15pm, at a booth in front of either FAVA, Ben Franklin, Hall Auditorium, or the Hotel at Oberlin. Or be a "floater" during the first or last time periods.

Before or after your shift, plan to create your own masterpiece! It is one of Oberlin's most fun summer days!

To volunteer, contact Dina Schoonmaker by email or put a note in her open mailbox.



Newcomer Introductions
Wed., May 17 - 4:00pm - KOTV

Take this opportunity to become acquainted with some of our newest neighbors. ~Sharon Furrow

KENDAL RESALE SHOP

Benefiting Kendal Residents Assistance Fund (RAF) and Community Charities

SHOP!

Wednesday-Saturday
 11:00am-5:00pm
 (closed Sunday-Tuesday)

DONATE!

Bring your donations of clean, gently used, ready-to-wear clothing and usable household items to the box outside the shop, 24/7.

Given to RAF, year to date:

Total contribution: \$12,861.45.



The Rising of the Moon

Friday, May 5, will be the Full Flower Moon (also called Mother's Moon, Milk Moon, and Corn Planting Moon). May marks a time of increasing fertility, with temperatures warm enough for newborns to survive and plants to bloom.

Join us at 8:49pm at the base of Wild Flower Hill for songs and a sip of wine as we welcome the full moon.

~Donna Baznik

**From the John Bartram Arboretum
Seven Sons
(*Heptacodium miconioides*)**

Seven Sons is a small tree (about 15-20 feet high), which also can be grown as a shrub depending on how it is pruned. This is demonstrated by the way our horticulturist has pruned three trees in Phase Two. One is pruned to have one stem, a second nearby has three stems, and a third with many stems would be called a bush. To see them, go down the road at Phase Two and look to the north.

The Seven Sons tree is a member of the honeysuckle family, a native to China, and its glossy leaves emerge in early May. The name is translated from Chinese – the white flowers are developed in late summer in clusters of seven. The white flowers will fall off at the end of summer, leaving the beautiful pink sepals to mature. The bark is an attractive light tan and papery thin, exfoliating from the stem. E. H. Wilson collected Seven Sons from China in 1907, and



*Seven Sons in winter pruned in three different ways and closeup of stem.
Photo credits: Anne Helm.*

Alfred Rehder, a colleague of Wilson, named it in 1916. It became popular in 1980 when there was another expedition to China and viable seeds were collected and distributed by the Arnold Arboretum and the U.S. National Arboretum.

~ Anne Helm for the Arboretum Committee

References:

- www.chicagobotanic.org
- www.Missouribotanicalgarden.org
- www.mortonarb.org
- www.OSU.edu/sevensons

Look for the New Acrostics in the Library

The acrostic formerly published in the *Eureka!* is now the *Kendal Acrostic for Puzzle Aficionados*. Created by Nina Love and Polly McIlrath, copies of these puzzles are available in the Kendal library on a stand in front of the desk. Help yourself and enjoy! Solutions will appear in *The Kendalight*.

Solution to Kendal Acrostic #2: “Your black eyes will never need to understand our sadness who see you hold that plastic glass-eyed merchandise as if our empty-headed race worthless full of fury twanging and drooling in the southern night with guns and phantoms needed to know love.” ~Thomas Merton, *Black Child with a White Doll*

Solution to Kendal Acrostic #3: “April is the cruelest month breeding lilacs out of the dead land, mixing memory and desire, stirring dull roots with spring rain.” ~T.S. Eliot, *Burial of the Dead*

Did You Know...




About 500 volunteer residents at 12 Kendal campuses in 7 states have formed Senior Stewards Acting for the Environment (SSAFE) to inform and inspire actions by elder communities to work toward alleviation of climate change and instill hope for a sustainable future?

Members of SSAFE collaborate with staff and administrators to reduce carbon emissions and achieve carbon neutrality by 2050. Project teams rally residents to petition state and federal officials for aggressive action on the climate crisis, inform residents about climate initiatives at the different campuses via a quarterly newsletter (see <https://seniorstewardsactingfortheenvironment.org/>), and create templates to measure campus carbon footprints and do an energy audit. Both are musts to develop a climate action plan on each campus.

~Ted Wolner, member, SSAFE Board, and chair, Environmental Concerns Committee



Trip to AMAM 
Wed., May 3 - 1:30-3:30pm

Our Kendal bus to the AMAM to visit two special exhibits and the museum’s outstanding collection of art from many cultures is already full. Sign up on the wait list below the open mailboxes in case of cancellations or if enough people warrant a second bus. No cost.

Questions? Contact Kathy Hazelton or Gerry Findlan.



Nature Sightings

3/13/23–4/14/23

3/13-3/17, Four **Scaup** on Meadow Pond; **Red-winged Blackbirds** and flock of **Cowbirds**, behind #201; **Ring-necked Duck**, one **Killdeer**, and **Great Blue Heron** on Township Pond, Lee Hefner; 3/23, **Kingfisher**, over pond behind #201, Lee H.; 3/24, **Blue-winged Teal**, Farmer's Pond, Prudy Hall; 3/25, **Bufflehead**, Rock Pond, Dina Schoonmaker; 3/26, **Wood Duck**, Green Pond, Carol Conti-Entin; 3/28, **Goldfinches** (2 male), northeast corner of Quad 5 cottages, Larry Porter; 3/29, **Red-breasted Woodpecker pair**, Buttonbush woods, Anne Helm; 3/29, large flock of **Tree Swallows** gliding and dipping over Farmer's Pond, Anne Martin, also over Heiser Pond, Maureen Bailey (Hskp); 3/31, **Pied-billed Grebe**, Rock Pond, Anne M.; 4/2, **Coot**, Rock Pond, Lee H.; 4/4, **Northern Flicker**, Pool woods, Maureen B.; 4/10, **White Cabbage Butterfly**, on dandelions near #90, Anne M.; 4/13, **House Finch** (male), garden at #104, Polly McIlrath; 4/14, **Cowbird** (female), behind #23, Betsy Baumbach.

~Mary Joy Leaper

Bird Watching Update

The spring migration is underway! Grab your binoculars, sit on a bench near a pond or woods, watch and listen. Stopovers at Kendal in May include warblers, various songbirds, diving ducks, and shore birds.

Write a "Nature Sightings" entry (list is on the board in alcove to your left when you face the closed mailboxes); join the Kendal Bird Watchers group (contact Anne Martin).

Not sure what you've seen? Send a description or photo, and we'll try to help you identify it. ~Anne Martin

Table Tennis Hours

Come and play on Wednesday, Friday, and Sunday, 10:00am to 12:00pm in Heiser Auditorium. **All are welcome!**

~Sidney Rosenfeld, Sports and Recreation

Nest Box News

The Kendal nest box season is off to a good start. Two nest boxes have been claimed by Eastern Bluebirds. Each contains a complete nest with five pale blue Eastern Bluebird eggs.

The American Tree Swallows appear to be selecting boxes in which to nest, staking their claims by leaving white feathers in a few nest boxes. But as yet none have made nests in our boxes.

Tree Swallows depend upon capturing flying insects like mosquitos which won't be plentiful until May or later. They face fierce competition from English House Sparrows, a non-native invasive species that are a primary cause of the decline in native species that are dependent upon cavities in which to raise their chicks. So monitors do not permit English House Sparrows to safely nest in any of Kendal's nest boxes.

~Nina Love

Saturday Walks

Come explore walking areas off the KaO campus. The walks are leisurely, about 2–3 miles, and generally scenic. We meet outside the Heiser main entrance every Saturday at 9:00am (weather permitting) to car pool.

- **May 6** Sandy Ridge Reservation
 - **May 13** Carlisle - Meadow Loop
 - **May 20** Old Woman Creek
 - **May 27** French Creek - Pine Tree
- Questions? Contact Phil Pritchett.

Let's Dance!

English Country Dancing

Sundays - 7:15pm
Heiser Auditorium
Contact: Judy Cook

Line Dancing

Mondays - 4:30pm
Heiser Auditorium
Contact: Dan Reiber

Square Dancing

Tuesdays - 4:00pm
Heiser Auditorium
Contact: Donna and Larry Steele



Church Services

First Church in Oberlin, UCC
Sun., 10:00am, WSCC

Oberlin Friends Meeting
Sun., 10:30am, Ed Center and Zoom

Oberlin Unitarian Universalist Fellowship
Sun., 11:00am, Zoom

Roman Catholic Mass
St. Patrick's Cathedral, NYC
Sun., 11:15am, WSCC

Christ Episcopal Church
Sun., 12:30pm, WSCC, YouTube

Catholic Communion Service
Sat., 3:30pm, Green Room



Event Links

- For "inside Kendal" program links, **contact Carol Harvey.**
- For "outside Kendal" community cultural and educational ad hoc events, **contact Barbara Gordon-Lickey.**

The Kendalight

Monthly newsletter of the Kendal at Oberlin Residents Assn.
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- Deadline for the June 2023 issue of *The Kendalight* is May 15.
- The editors regret that they cannot assume responsibility for errors in content in material submitted for publication.
- Note: Please submit articles by email to our address: Klite600@yahoo.com
- If no email access, please type article on separate sheet, sign, and place in *The Kendalight* open mailbox.
- All articles must carry a signature and telephone number.



Dining and Nutrition Services



Surely everyone has noticed that residents have been expending a good bit of energy recently thinking and talking about food and food service. In fact, several resident members of this committee (Betsy Allen, Mary Clare Beck, Barbara Pierce, Priscilla Steinberg, and Randy Wagner) attended focus group sessions and served as notetakers. We wanted to be sure that we heard and understood resident concerns as we think about improving food service and plan for the future.

One of the reasons offered by some group participants for avoiding the dining room is the amount of background noise in the Fox and Fell and the general difficulty for those with hearing impairments in understanding conversations across the dinner table.

The Dining Matters Committee therefore points out that the two tables

outside the Fox and Fell doors in what is called the café provide a much quieter space for dining at both lunch and dinner. The trick is to plan your meal for 12:15pm or later for lunch and 5:30pm or later for dinner. By this time at each meal, the crowd picking up meals for take-out has dispersed, and people waiting to be seated in the dining room have received their table assignments.

As long as no one decides to play the piano, the café tables provide almost the silence of an undiscovered tomb.

To be sure of finding a space at one of these tables, it is best to make a reservation by calling 440-775-9801. Please consider reserving either of these tables if someone in your party has a hearing impairment. Otherwise, seating is first come, first served.

~Barbara Pierce, Chair, Dining Matters



Solo Diners: Come fill our table!

Solo Diners Tues., May 23 - 5:30pm - Den

Join solo Kendal residents monthly for dinner and conversation in the Den. There is no planned agenda – just informal sharing. Sign-up sheet is posted by the open mailboxes the week before. The Den holds only 16 diners.

Call 440-775-9868 for announcements and menus of the day.

Grief Support Group Tues., May 30 - 10:00am Green Room (Note date)

Facilitated by Melissa Thompson, LSW.

Centering With Indira Palekar Mondays - 11:00–11:30am Zoom and WSCC

Psychologist Indira Palekar offers the Kendal community a time to reflect on suggested topics. Contact Kim Peters (kpeters@kao.kendal.org) for the Zoom link.

Dementia Friendly Discussion Group Fri., May 26 - 10:30am Ed Center Training Room

All are welcome.



I moved here mainly to enjoy Oberlin Conservatory Music. Now that I live in the Stephens Care Center, I can't get to all the programs I like. A friend of mine knows how to stream some of the programs to my TV. We enjoy watching the programs together in my room. It's a great way to **STAY CONNECTED**

UU Gathering Cultivating Creativity Rev. Mary Grigolia Tues., May 23 - 2:00–3:00pm Green Room

Share your stories on how you nurture your own creativity. **All are welcome.**

Threads: Drop Off or In Person Thursdays - 11:00am–12:00pm Craft Room

We do simple sewing jobs for residents only.



We shorten pants, sew on buttons, patch holes, sew up seams, and mend toes of socks. Bring your clean, bagged items to the Craft Room anytime, place them on the table, and fill out the required work order form located on the clipboard.


Join us! Threads is looking for one or two sewers for simple sewing jobs. Call Nancy Cecil or stop by the Craft Room during open hours.

Where to Find Contact Info

- **Kendal at Oberlin Directory**, printed and distributed in February.
- **KaO PDF Directory**, distributed via email to all residents.
- **Bulletin Board**, near photos of new residents. Make these corrections and additions to your printed directory.
- **Online Resident Directory**, in the KORA website (www.kaores.org). Click "Directory" under the "People" tab. You must be logged in for access.

IN MEMORIAM

JUDITH "JUDY" GLASER
APRIL 25, 2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<p><u>First Church Service</u> 10:00am WSCC</p> <p><u>Quaker Worship</u> 10:30am Ed Ctr, Zoom</p> <p><u>RC Mass</u> 11:15am WSCC</p> <p><u>Christ Episcopal Service</u> 12:30pm WSCC</p> <p><u>Film (see p. 4)</u> 7:00pm WSCC</p> <p><u>English Country Dancing</u> 7:15pm AUD</p>	<p><u>Chronicle News</u> 10:00am WSCC</p> <p><u>Centering Time</u> 11:00am Zoom, WSCC</p> <p><u>Blown Away</u> 2:00pm WSCC</p> <p><u>Line Dancing</u> 4:30pm AUD</p> <p><u>Documentary (see p. 4)</u> 7:00pm WSCC</p>	<p><u>Chronicle News</u> 10:00am WSCC</p> <p><u>Themed Film (see p. 4)</u> 1:00pm WSCC</p> <p><u>Square Dancing</u> 4:00pm AUD</p> <p><u>Somebody Feed Phil</u> 7:00pm WSCC</p>	<p><u>Chronicle News</u> 10:00am WSCC</p> <p><u>News Currents</u> 2:00pm WSCC</p> <p><u>SCC Council</u> 4:00pm WSCC TBA</p> <p><u>Song Swap</u> 5/10, 5/24</p>	<p><u>Chronicle News</u> 10:00am WSCC</p> <p><u>Musical Film (see p. 4)</u> 2:00pm WSCC</p> <p><u>Jazz Listening</u> 2:00pm Penn 5/11, 5/25</p>	<p><u>Chronicle News</u> 10:00am WSCC</p> <p><u>Art History</u> 2:00pm WSCC</p>	<p><u>Saturday Walk</u> 9:00am Heiser</p> <p><u>Ken Burns</u> 1:00pm WSCC</p> <p><u>Catholic Communion Service</u> 3:30pm Green Rm</p> <p><u>Film (see p. 4)</u> 7:15pm</p>
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>Note: “Home” events (at Kendal) are in Bold. “Away” events are not.</p> </div>	1	<p>2 Primary Day</p> <p>Primary Election 6:30am-7:30pm AUD </p>	<p>3</p> <p>Ramsey Walk 9:45am Carpool</p> <p>Trip to AMAM 1:30-3:30pm </p> <p>Oberlin Opera Theater 4:00pm AUD</p> <p>Contemporary Music Ensemble 7:30pm Warner </p>	<p>4</p> <p>Environmental Dashboard 1:15pm AUD, KOTV</p> <p>Open Studio 1:00-3:00pm Art Studio</p> <p>Health Lecture: COPD 7:15pm AUD, KOTV</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Brahms Piano Quartet Op. 6 7:15pm - AUD</p> <p>Oberlin Orchestra R. Jimenez, conductor 7:30pm Finney </p> <p>Celebrate Full Flower Moon 8:49pm</p> <p>Wildflower Hill</p>	<p>6</p> <p>String Ensemble Zihua Ma & Friends 4:00pm AUD</p> <p>Opera Scenes 7:30pm Finney </p>
<p>7 Mother's Day</p> <p>Chamber Music by Conservatory Students 4:00pm AUD</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Suggestions and Concerns 2:00pm Crossroads</p> <p>Rohingya Refugee Camps 7:15pm AUD, KOTV</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Coffee Hour with BT 9:30am Langston, Zoom, KOTV</p> <p>Lunch Bunch Sterk's, Oberlin 11:40am </p>	<p>11</p> <p>Rod Knight Runs Len's Trolley 4:30-5:45pm HL (Canceled this month)</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Plant Sale! 7:30am-4:00pm Heiser West Corridor and at Employee Entrance </p>	<p>13</p> <p>Chamber Music by Conservatory Students 4:00pm AUD</p> <p>Second Saturday Foreign Film (See p. 4) 7:15pm AUD only</p>
<p>14</p> <p>Natasha Wu and Fiona Wu, piano 4:00pm AUD</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Mindful Mondays Lunch with Kim & Cyndi 12:00pm F&F Alcove</p>	<p>16</p> <p>A New Citizenship: Reparations 7:15pm AUD, KOTV</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Newcomer Intros 4:00pm KOTV</p> <p>Cycling A-Z 7:15pm AUD, KOTV</p>	<p>18</p> <p>KORA Council 10:00am AUD, KOTV</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Disco Party! 7:15-9:00pm AUD </p> <p>Piano Extravaganza 8:00pm Warner (tx) </p>	<p>20</p> <p>Met. Opera in HD Mozart, <i>Don Giovanni</i> 12:00pm Apollo Tx </p> <p>Commencement Recital I 8:00pm Finney </p>
<p>21</p> <p>Commencement Recital II 1:00pm Finney </p> <p>Celebration Ringers: A Day of Song 4:00pm AUD, KOTV</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Oberlin College Commencement 9:30am Tappan Sq. carpool (live stream in AUD)</p>	<p>23</p> <p>UU Gathering 2:00pm Green Rm</p> <p>Solo Diners 5:30pm Den</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Exchange with Barbara Thomas 4:00pm AUD, KOTV</p> <p>2023 Race Forward Speaker Series #2: Champions of Equity 5:30pm reception 6:00pm speaker, panel Elyria HS AUD </p>	<p>26</p> <p>Dementia Friendly Discussion Group 10:30am Ed Center</p> <p>Play Readers: <i>The Madwoman of Chailot</i> 1:30pm AUD, KOTV</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Play Readers: <i>The Madwoman of Chailot</i> 7:15pm AUD, KOTV</p>
<p>28</p> <p>Chamber Music by Conservatory Students 4:00pm AUD</p>	<p>29 Memorial Day</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Grief Support Group 10:00am Green Rm</p> <p>What's Ahead at Oberlin Conservatory 10:30am AUD, KOTV</p>	<p>31</p> <p>Redlining and Housing Segregation 7:15pm AUD, KOTV</p>	<p>May 2023</p> <p>Zoom: See <i>kaores.org</i> Calendar for link.</p> <p>KOTV: Cable 920, 19-2, or 95-101</p> <p>WSCC: Cable 921, 20-1, or 96-100</p>		