ALL SET FOR ANOTHER BIG YEAR!

It was a big event ... the Annual Program Planning Conference.

Hundreds of Hawthornites turned out on October 25 for the planning session of all planning sessions, where we plotted the course of Hawthorne programs for the next year.

Under the capable leadership of Dr. Earl Kauffman, the year ahead appears to be a busy and happy one. We have about 25 different activity groups, representing a vast array of interests and talents.

Many activity leaders have consented to carry on in their capacities, and many newcomers have graciously accepted the chairmanships of various groups. All have elected a chairman, co-chairman and recorder.

And now ... we're ready to go. With Dr. K's help we've established our program goals, objectives and methods.

One of the many activity groups organized at the Program Planning Conference was a special "Trips" committee. These adventurous Hawthornites will be planning special trips to various places of interest around Central Florida.

Bowling ... sculpture ... singing ... book review ... shuffleboard ... day trips ... cards ... the list goes on and on and on. And, the best thing about Hawthorne is that anything missing can and will be added to our program when an interest is shown. Yep, we're all set for another big year!

Many interesting facets of art are explored in Hawthorne's Art Group with offerings for beginning and accomplished painters, in sculpture and many art-crafts. All persons interested in art gathered to hear plans for the coming year at the recent Program Planning Conference.

Got A New Phone?

As soon as your phone is connected, or if your number was not available for the Temporary Directory just issued, please notify Janet Davis at Club House office.

THIS IS THE ONLY WAY WE CAN UPDATE THE DIRECTORY.
Company came to visit us at Hawthorne during the month of October. Many of you were kind enough to bring your guests to meet me and my associates in the Program Office. It's a high honor, indeed, when you take the time and make the effort to include us in the visits with your friends.

Company came, also, to be guests of Colonial Penn Communities, Inc., and in so far as was possible we shared our guests with you. Our company was the Housing Committee of NRTA/AARP. Led by Mr. Douglas Woodruff, President of AARP, the guests included: Frank Hughes, First Vice President of NRTA; Edward Fredrick, AARP Area 3 Vice President; Mrs. Maude Haines, Chairman of the NRTA Board of Directors; Ken Waite, AARP member of the Board of Directors; Lloyd Singer, General Counsel for NRTA/AARP; Leo Baldwin, coordinator of the Housing Section of the Program and Field Services Division; and Bernard Nash, Executive Director of both Associations.

During its brief visit to Hawthorne the Housing Committee was completely occupied with an agenda that included such activities as a tour of our community, an inspection of the Hawthorne House, a brief stop at Club Hawthorne, and more than eight hours of committee meetings. Each individual was impressed by the great amount of progress accomplished since they were here for the dedication in March. In the few intervening months Hawthorne has emerged from a "pioneer" village to a full-blown community. It has grown from about 107 homes sold last January 1 to more than 450 sold and to be occupied by December 31.

The committee managed to get a sample of life at Hawthorne and was most favorably impressed with the program as it is evolving; by the spirit of cooperation which is basic to the success of our many activities; and the warmth of friendship residents share with each other. On several occasions individual members expressed satisfaction with the unfolding of their dream for a model retirement community, one that they can recommend in the name of the National Association of Retired Teachers and the American Association of Retired Persons.

AARP Charter To Be Presented November 8th

Mr. Foster Pratt, former president AARP-NRTA, and the key figure in associating Colonial Penn Insurance Co. with the Hawthorne community concept, with AARP-NRTA surveillance, will present the Charter to Claude Hazen, president of our local Hawthorne-at-Leesburg Chapter No. 1775 November 8 at 2 o'clock at Club Hawthorne. Dignitaries of the National organization, and officers of 10 neighboring chapters have been invited. A complete turnout of our own members is, of course, expected. Preparations are being made to accommodate 500.

Arnold Ross, President of Colonial Penn Communities will be there, as will Hawthorne's operations V.P., Amos W. Henley; Sales V.P. James Crosley; and Park Manager, Buster Sink. Madolyn Horstman and the "1775" program committee have worked out distinctive refreshment plans. This is a milestone celebration in the development of Hawthorne as The outstanding and unique American Community for Senior Citizens. It illustrates the effort that Colonial Penn Communities, and the Hawthorne management and residents are putting forth to achieve the goal.

Simply Colossal!

Millie Waldman made some snapshot masterpieces at Circus World recently when the Hawthorne Planning Board were guests for the day of the circus management. We believe Millie will be happy to let you see her other pictures, too.

The Planning Board was impressed by this nostalgic trip into the show world of our youth. Also believes that most Hawthoriners will rekindle bright memories there. Particularly recommended is the mammoth movie of actual performances. You're right up with it - right in the ring - right on the swing. Absorbing! Colossal! Stupendous!
Sophisticated, Charming . . . What More Can We Say?

It just wouldn't be fair not to comment on the professional poise and grandeur of the models in Hawthorne's first style show on October 10th. It won't be necessary to describe the staging and format - you've all seen its excellence and good taste.

The models were superb - all 17 of them, and we've just got to put their names in printer's ink in Penn Notes including: Elsie Hartzer, Myrtis Maharay, Edna Zitzewitz, Mary Lehman, Emily Graebier, Marion Piehl, Veronica Pastorino, Virginia Fifer, Florence Abraham, Jeannette Poston, Betty Perry, Gladys Gugel - glamour gals, everyone! Gentlemen participating were: Walter Graebier, Emil Hartzer, Dale Lehman, Jack Donohue and Earl Maharay.

Ann Kogel's running narrative was sophisticated, charming and authoritative.

We haven't enough space to give the well deserved recognition to the hard working and efficient backstage and business people. There were 46 on the entire committee. We can't even mention that Alice Cline put the whole thing together. Alice thanks all with deepest appreciation.

"Good Morning, Friends and Neighbors"

(EDITORIAL BY DICK PARKS, RETIRED ANCHORMAN FOR OUR OWN CHANNEL 4-TV. TRANSCRIPTED FROM SEPT. 26TH BROADCAST.)

Editorial for today .. Subject, "Hawthorne, a Good Place to Live". Let me begin this editorial by making an honest evaluation of the place we once called "home". In my case, it was western New York State. It is a typical northern metropolitan industrial area. We didn't really live there by choice, but rather by necessity. Here is where the jobs are - the chance to make a decent wage. Steady employment and opportunities for advancement.

In the late 50s and early 60s we became aware of an acceleration in changes taking place. Moral standards were going out of style. A new breed of youngsters began throwing their weight around. Minority groups were becoming more vocal. Whole neighborhoods were being infiltrated, and thus began a mass exodus to the sprawling suburbs. By 1970 the population explosion had made even the suburbs densely populated. Houses were being built and sold as fast as they could be erected.

Our new neighbors were mostly young folks with small children (I believe Marion counted 61 children living on our street). Our circle of close friends was diminishing. We endured unbearable traffic conditions. Eight months of winter - four months of summer. In western New York we only have two seasons. We drove our cars with the doors locked. We gave up going to parks and beaches because of the hoodlum element. We didn't even bother to read the newspaper accounts of the many muggings, purse snatchings and rapes, unless they occurred in our area. Our inner city area became a no-man's land - a place to stay away from after dark.

... Now, go back to my opening sentence, "Hawthorne, a good place to live." It is. Isn't it?

New Editor Warming Up

Now that this November issue of Penn Notes is released, editor Chet Horstman will move over and let someone else have the top spot in this stimulating experience. Dick Parks is warming up with Chet on this edition. Dick has the knack - he's outgoing, has a great news sense and keeps close to the pulse of the community.

Chet wishes to thank all the news contributors, and news scouts who helped so much in his half-year as your Penn Notes Penn Pal. Thanks also goes to Clara Carley who did all the finish typing these many months.

Hope you'll all continue your good work. It's appreciated. Dick Parks will be in touch with you. Thank you all - and "-30-.

Do You Know These Hawthorne "Trademarks?"

There are certain stand-outs in any community who are easily identified by some characteristic or by their personal appearance. How many of our Hawthorne residents can you name from these descriptions?

1. What rosy faced, white haired doll is the most nimble footed polka dancer here?
2. Who makes the utility company happy with his burning of the midnight oil to jot down the nocturnal thoughts of a journalist?
3. What wife affectionately calls her husband by the name of a beverage?
4. Who always wears her trademark, two corkscrew curls framing an attractive face?
5. Who most frequently has been told that he resembles Burl Ives?
6. What bike rider has shown her artistic talent in designing her gay whimsical hats?

7. Who is Fla.'s handsome answer to Brooks Bros. with his ruddy complexion, snow white hair and smart sport clothes?
8. What couple must have worn out the most shoe leather in evening walks since their arrival last Jan.?
9. Who is a perky mite in size but mighty powerful in her ability to sell tickets?
10. Who is a relatively new fisherman seen daily being hopeful at the lake near his home?

ANSWERS:

Not In A Hurry Anymore

How's that? Maybe no hurry, maybe no panic, maybe no pressure— but plenty, oh! plenty of things to do. Right here in Hawthorne are the busiest retired people anyone has ever seen anywhere.

It seems that we're constantly developing meaningful and entertaining events and programs that keep us alert and thinking, that keep us living, not rusting in retirement. The days don't lag. They seem not long enough. The weeks seem to hold only six days. And it appears that only a couple of weeks go by when it's time for another monthly event.

How can one not be interested in life and living when idle moments are so sparsely spaced that time does not hang heavily on one's hands. (That's a problem of retirement for some—but not so with Hawthorners.) This may seem antithesis to our opening paragraph, but the events work so smoothly here, conducted by residents who are so very much interested in what they are doing that time flows as evenly as sand in an hour glass—each grain passes at its appointed time, without crowding, without pushing, without competing for passage.

That's the way life should be. And that's the way we see it at Hawthorne. But, if one doesn't want to be in things he doesn't have to be. He can live the lovely life of a casual country gentleman and/or a lovely lady of leisure.

IMPORTANT

From time to time it may become necessary to contact, in your interest, someone close to you who can give us responsible direction for your well being and care. Would you therefore kindly supply the information requested herewith. It will be kept in confidential files.

PLEASE LEAVE THE COMPLETED FORMS WITH DR. KAUFFMAN

Mr. ____________________________ Mrs. ____________________________ Miss ____________________________

Your Name

Hawthorne Address ____________________________ Hawthorne Phone ____________________________

If Necessary Please Contact

Mr. ____________________________ Mrs. ____________________________ Miss ____________________________

Name ____________________________

Address ____________________________

Phone ____________________________

Relationship ____________________________
Here's an anonymous letter from a retiree's wife, broadcast a couple of weeks ago on "Hawthorne Today" program. It is printed by Penn Notes in response to numerous requests.

**The Golden Years .... A Love Letter on Retirement**

**My Dear Husband**

I welcome you home with pride and pleasure. There may have been more pleasure in it thirty years ago, but there never would have been more pride.

And I welcome you with a reassertion of the vow I made to you forty-three years ago; I still take you for better or worse.

My pride lies in the fact you've made it at 65. This is a great achievement, you know. Since 1921 when you first went to work, you have maneuvered your way past some formidable dangers, a couple of wars, cancer, heart attack, motor car crashes, mental breakdowns, and lightning. A man who has survived the perils of these last fifty years is a hero just by still being alive.

You have survived also the pitfalls of working for a living. There was a frightening period in the thirties, but you got another job. And from then until now you have held a job against what, at times, must have been rugged circumstances. My life has been good because you did this. At this point I can feel only pride that I had a man with the stuff in him to do it.

Have you realized yet that by reaching retirement, you have brought me - and us - the greatest security we ever had? Always while you were working there was a chance of layoffs, of being fired, of seeing the company go broke, or injury or illness that would make you an invalid, all of which could have stopped our income. None of these things can happen to you any more. Our income, while small, is safe now. Nobody can take the pension and Social Security away. It's odd but true that a successful retired man is the most reliable meal ticket a wife ever had.

In another way, you are of course a more valuable financial package now than you've ever been before. Out of self-interest if nothing else, I would strive to keep you

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safe and preserve you. About 70 percent of our retirement income - your pension and your part of Social Security - depends on your staying alive. If you had died in your working years, I would have gotten more company insurance, and I would have been young enough to go out and get a job. If you stay alive I am in fine circumstances. If you die I am a poor old widow.

I'll want you to have a nap every afternoon, because it'll be good for you and because you deserve the luxury. I'll want you to sit up on week nights until your heart's content and see all the late TV movies you want. I'll want you to go to the doctor every six months for a checkup. I'll want you to go and come as you'd like, to fish or hunt or play with your pals as long as you want. I'll want you to take $50 out of savings and go buy some casual clothes for this great new adventure of your life.

Now for your instructions:
Stay out of my kitchen.
Draw up a chart showing which half of the household chores you intend to take over.
Start cleaning up your ash trays and any other messes you make during the daytime. I'll still take care of your evening and weekend messes.
Prepare to give me two free afternoons a week to be with my women friends.
Have your eyeglasses checked, then subscribe to a second newspaper. Because we are going to have a lot of conversation time from here on and news will help fill it.
Tell Social Security to start sending my check in my own name. It's the first money I've had in my own right in 43 years and I want to see what it feels like.
Set up in the bank, in your investments, or somewhere at least $250 in my name so I can get it in a hurry if I have any emergency to face alone.
Read your life insurance policies and let me know what in the world they say, then go make a will, that is, if you want your meals on time.
Be informed that when "retirement letdown" hits you in about a month, you will have 10 days - no more - to feel sorry for yourself, after which you'll get on with your new life.

I am glad you have come home in retirement, my dear. As soon as we get acquainted with each other, we are going to have a splendid time.

With love and kisses,
Your Loving Wife
Hawthorne's 50/50 Sale was not only profitable, but a lot of fun as residents enjoyed looking at (and buying) the "treasures" of others. Half the profits were donated to United Appeal in the amount of more than $350.

Newcomer's Coffee

Judging from the crowd, seems like just about all the "Newcomers" who were invited did attend the "Coffee" given in their honor on Tuesday afternoon, Oct. 22nd from 2 to 4 o'clock.

An air of joviality prevailed in the Hospitality Room as many "early-bird" guests gathered, prior to entering the Lime Room. When the doors were opened it revealed a beautifully decorated table. The gleaming coffee service placed at each end reflected the colorful centerpiece of autumn flowers. Mrs. Earl Kauffman (Mary) and Mrs. Malcolm Pidgeon (Ada) poured.

The first couple to partake of the delicious cookies and coffee was Kathryn and Albert Guy, closely followed by Marie Johnson, Florence O'Brien and Freda Rosenberg, and many, many others too numerous to mention here, of course.

Leeta Hutchins, Co-chairman of the Hospitality Committee presided over the coffee table, while her able co-hostesses, Ruth MacIntyre, Jerri Raysford, Faith Swaney, Myrtle Padden, Louise Fagan and Ann Skelding mingled among the crowd, making everyone feel welcome.

From the "small talk" overheard, I gathered the "Newcomers" were especially impressed with the friendliness at Hawthorne. Many inquired about the various activities and programs, anxious to participate. Some have already taken advantage of the swimming pool, billiard room and many have gone to the Bingo games. Ethel Williams mentioned "Tennis, anyone?" And did you know we have a "Mary Pickford" among the Newcomers? A real nice party, Leeta, thank you so much, and all who helped.

In Touch with Management

1. Management is receiving requests for permits allowing installation of "window unit" air-conditioners in certain enclosed rooms or utility rooms.

   This is a difficult permit to issue, as installation of this type unit is more apt to impose and/or exhaust on a good neighbor who has an adjoining screen room, or who would enjoy sleeping with bedroom windows open. The noise factor is very minor inside the house where installed, but the noise and exhaust can virtually destroy the enjoyment of a quiet afternoon nap, a good night's sleep, or friendly conversation on an adjoining patio. Do not install window units without permits, as complaints from neighbors will make removal necessary!

   Remember, also, a Building Permit from Management must be acquired prior to beginning any type of construction, including window awnings. This procedure is very necessary to preserve and enhance Hawthorne's appearance and your property values!

2. Management was pleased to furnish orange trees to residents during earlier construction phases of Hawthorne. Trees available were from areas where streets extended through grove sectors that were part of our overall land acquisition, or from necessary clearing of Utility Easements. The supply of trees is now exhausted. We tried to allocate delivery of these trees on a first request basis; however, some errors were made, for which we duly apologize.

3. Our Storage Area for travel trailers, campers, boats and trailers is ready for use. Please see Park Manager, Buster Sink, to arrange for space and for parking these items. Thanks to all for bearing with us during the delay encountered in completing the Storage Area.

   Amos W. Henley
   Vice President, Operations

This issue of PENN NOTES is edited by Chet Horstman and associate Dick Parks. Myrtis Maharay is DIDJUNO columnist.
They call themselves the Irish Swedes because of the apostrophe in their surname. They are Ralph and Doris O’Berg formerly of Coal Center, Pa. and now at 150 Jacaranda Drive. Stop to see their collection of rocks which they found in many parts of the country while indulging in their favorite hobby - traveling in their R.V.

Down at 338 Hawthorne Blvd. are Bill and Abby Lacy from Cleveland, Ohio. Bill has a distinction that probably not many others can boast of. He was born in Shanghai, China, where his grandfather was the first Methodist missionary to arrive there.

Two more New York Staters are enjoying well-earned retirement here - the Curtises of 106 Valencia Cove. Fred was Supt. of the physical plant at the U. of Rochester, while Eva’s teaching was at an early level of education, the first grade.

Even before the Spencer Archdeacons moved to 318 Palo Verde Drive from Sarasota, we were aware of their name, especially that of Frances. Her vividly outstanding paintings at the art exhibit at the Citizens National Bank caught the eyes of everyone attending.

Mary Pickford (that caught your eye, didn’t it!) and her husband Charles have moved into their new home at 331 Hawthorne Blvd. An inquiry into a possible relationship with former movie stars brought a denial.

Here’s a switch! Joseph and Betty Edmonds of 121 Tamarisk Way left to spend a vacation in Asheville, N.C. While they were gone a couple named Fred and Alma Gay, moved nextdoor to 123 Tamarisk. And where did they hail from? Asheville, N.C.

Elsie Franta and her sister Vi Ross drove to Texas recently to be with Elsie’s daughter during an operation and to baby-sit with Elsie’s grand-daughter.

Many new residents have a common bond of which they may not be aware. They have lived in various other parts of Florida and were all attracted to Hawthorne. Foster and Gertrude Cleaves of 102 Chestnut St. were from Belleair Bluffs near Largo, while Ben and Sadie Yingst moved from Rainbow Lake Estates. The latter have just returned from a wonderful 2½ months trip to the Orient. Gladys Mastak, now settling in at 106 Jasmine Trail, came from an even closer spot. The Springs, at Yalaha. Before that, she and her husband had lived in Leesburg for 27 years. She can tell you some interesting stories about the changes in that city. Another friendly couple, Dot and Norb Bowlas, left Vero Beach to come to 425 Palo Verde Drive.

Somewhat apart from the Clubhouse and nearer the Route of 48, Leo Brennan, newly arrived dwells at 121 Hibiscus Way, and with him, directing his household, lives Dolores, his wife. (Apologies to Longfellow)

Many Old Timer Snow Birds arrived back home at Hawthorne in time to take part in the busy and exciting week of Oct. 7th to 13th. It included a fashion show and luncheon, an AARP meeting, the 50/50 sale and the Pancake Supper.

You’ve heard of "tennis elbow", I’m sure. Well Ed Misiaszek has been hobbling around on crutches due to an arthritic condition known as "golf hip". Ed misses his almost daily game of golf, but can be seen at the Hawthorne clubhouse most every day.

Malcolm Pidgeon has been dubbed the "Will Rogers" of Hawthorne. His witty sayings on Channel 4 TV each morning are of the same type. He is also the "weatherman" on the program.

Margaret Albro of Hawthorne Blvd. had hardly finished unpacking from her summer vacation, when guests arrived to visit her. Mr. and Mrs. E. Hendricksen of Miami, Fla. and Mr. and Mrs. A. Montgomery of Detroit.