



Ocean Point Colony Trust

Dear Members of the Ocean Point Colony Trust,

Last spring, when I wrote the President's Spring Letter, there was an air of uncertainty as Covid-19 was tightening its grip on the world. At Ocean Point, we were pushing forward with the construction of the new casino in hopes that the project would finish in time for summer. At that time, who knew what the summer would bring with the Pandemic on everyone's mind. Would we be able to gather as a community for our traditional summer events at the casino? It was all uncertainty and anxiety about the future. Now the spring of 2021 has arrived, and it certainly feels much different this year. Hopefully, we are near the end of the Pandemic as vaccines are rolling out across the country. I can't help but find a bit of humor when asked did you get your "jab"? So last summer, we were locking down, and this summer, we are cautiously opening. I am confident that we can have a more traditional summer season at OP with some, if not all, the events we love.

Casino Project

As reported, the Casino Preservation Project has officially ended. There are a few punch-list items, the biggest being the addition of rain gutters to help water control. The casino, tennis courts, and sports courts will be ready to go for the season. The project was completed debt-free. Thank you to all who supported the project financially and to the committee members who generously gave of their time. This was indeed a community effort and a testament to the perseverance of Ocean Pointers. I am confident that future generations of Ocean Pointers will talk about the Pandemic of 2020 – 2021 and what we built at the heart of our community.

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Summer Activities 2021

The Activities Committee has been working on a schedule of events for the summer. Please find attached to this email the calendar of events. The calendar can also be found [here](#) on the Ocean Point Colony Trust website. As mentioned, the hope is that we will offer a schedule of more traditional events, but we will follow Federal and State guidelines to make sure everyone stays safe. Check the website to stay current on all events at Ocean Point.

Andy Smith will be returning as our Athletic Director. Please join me in welcoming Andy and his wife Nancy back to Ocean Point. The job of the AD is evolving, and the Board recognizes that keeping up with all the activities and events at the new casino is a job that is too big for one person. The Board formed a sub-committee last fall to look for an assistant. With the uncertainty of Covid-19, our search has not yet uncovered a suitable candidate. If you know someone interested in this part-time position, please contact anyone on the Board or sub-committee chair Barbara Slayton. We can provide a job description along with the compensation. More information can be found on the website homepage.

Casino Rentals

The adage “build it, and they will come.” is a very true statement when it comes to our new facility. We have received several requests to rent the casino for memorials, weddings, birthdays, etc. The Board has approved a fee schedule for short-term rentals. I want the community to know that the new casino was not built for commercial purposes but for the use and enjoyment for our members and friends. It will continue to remain open for most of the summer season. Occasionally, the casino will be closed pre- and post-season and during the summer season for members’ events approved by the Board.

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Membership Dues

The Membership and Racquet Sports dues for the 2021 season are attached to this letter and can be found on the website. Log in on the [website](#) to renew your membership or click [here to become a member](#) and [here for Racquet Sports](#). I am pleased to let you know that the Board voted to maintain the Membership and Racquet Sports dues at the 2020 rates. While future increases are possible, the Board wanted to have an entire season on the books before considering any changes to the dues. We anticipate that with our new facilities and increased interest in events at Ocean Point, there will be a fresh incentive to become a member of the Ocean Point Colony Trust. I remind everyone that the dues are not just about activities at the casino and ball field. The OPCT serves the community in so many more ways than what you see at the casino. I hope you will renew your membership in the OPCT. Please encourage your friends and neighbors to renew or join. If each of us asked just one neighbor, we could grow our membership substantially.

The town water will soon turn on, and the Point will again begin to buzz with the opening of cottages. Friends and neighbors will return in anticipation of another summer on the Point. It's a time of year that I always look forward to with great anticipation. I hope to see you all very soon. Stay safe, get your job and look forward to a great summer at Ocean Point.

Kind Regards,

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