



The Quail Runner

For and By the Residents
of The Villages of Quail Run



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UPCOMING EVENTS

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Date: Saturday, February 12th
Where: The Community Center
Time: 9:30 - 11:00 AM
Cost: \$8.00 per person

A sign-up sheet is posted at the Community Center, deadline for sign-up is Monday, February 7th. Contact person is Marlie Stott, 978-567-5912



POLAR BEAR DINNER

Date: Saturday, March 5th
Where: The Community Center
Time: 6:00 PM
Cost: \$25.00 per person includes tax and tip
PRE- PAID BY FEBRUARY 25th

All meals will include: rolls and butter, garden salad, mixed vegetables, rice pilaf, meal of choice, dessert, coffee and water. BYOB.

Cut at the line below, enter name(s), check your meal choice and submit your \$25.00 check per person.



What's Cooking?



Please make out your \$25.00 check per person to **Barbara Baker**. Drop the check off with **Bonnie DeRusha, 8A Strawberry Lane**, prior to February 25th

No reservations will be held without a check received.

Name: _____

Stuffed Haddock Chicken Breast Supreme Sirloin Tips

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 March, May, July, September and November.

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 above to be included in the newsletter.

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Editor's Desk, Kareen Shaw

We have a new advertiser, *Solutions*
Painting. They come to us very highly
 recommended. Please see their ad and
 services they perform on page 8.



COVID-19 Booster Shots -

Just a reminder that if you have received two vaccines of
 the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines at least five months ago
 or one vaccine from Johnson and Johnson at least two
 months ago, you are eligible for a Covid booster. You
 can register for your booster online at the CVS or
 Walgreens websites or check for other available
 locations/appointments at vaxfinder.mass.gov. In their
 January newsletter, the Hudson Senior Center offered to
 assist any local seniors who are unable to register online.
 If you need help, please call them at 978-568-9638.

Three free "N95 Masks" will be available for all
 Americans. At the time of publication of this *Quail*
Runner newsletter, specific details/logistics were
 unavailable. It has been reported that distribution of the
 "N95 Masks", is expected in February at local
 pharmacies.

Happy Valentine's Day Everyone!

Real Estate at Quail Run



Sold - 9C Autumn, A Style, \$399,900
 Sold - 4G Rotherham, B Style, \$455,000
 Sold - 4C Rotherham, B Style, \$465,000
 For Sale/pending - 3F Autumn, B Style, asking \$425,000

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This information appears on page 2 in the *Quail Run*
Directory.

BOG Monthly Meetings are open to all Quail Run
unit owners, please check for dates and times on the
Quail Run website.

HEALTHY LIVING

by Peggy Rittenhouse

“5-a-day’ for a Longer Life



I just received the latest edition of *NHS News* (Nurses’ Health Study Newsletter).

I’ve been a participant in the Nurses’ Health Study (NHS) for many years. This is what the research has shown:

Diets rich in fruits and vegetables help to reduce risk of developing numerous chronic health conditions that are the leading causes of death, including cardiovascular disease and cancer.

Researchers investigated the association between fruit and vegetable intake and mortality in the NHS and HPFS cohorts. They also conducted a meta-analysis pooling results from 26 studies that included about 1.9 million participants from 29 countries and territories in North and South America, Europe, Asia, Africa and Australia to further examine this association.



The results showed that about five servings of fruits and vegetables daily was associated with the lowest risk of death, with little additional benefit from eating more than five servings. Not all fruits and vegetables are equally beneficial, however; the greatest health benefits came from eating green leafy vegetables and fruits rich in beta carotene and vitamin C (citrus fruits, berries, and carrots).

On the other hand, starchy vegetables like potatoes were not as beneficial.

- NHS News, Volume 28, 2021

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Valentine Questions!



1. Who always has a date on Valentine’s Day?
2. How can you save money on Valentine’s Day?
3. What gifts does a Chef give to his sweet heart on Valentine’s Day?
4. On Valentine’s Day, what does one volcano say to the other volcano?
5. What does a girl skunk say to the boy skunk when he gives her a gift on Valentines Day?

- Submitted by **Sally Mauro** (Answers on page 6)

Senior Charlie Cards

If you are at least 65 years old and a user of the MBTA commuter rail, subway or buses you may be eligible for a free Senior ID from the MBTA, also known as a “Senior Charlie Card”. The card entitles you to a discount on all MBTA services.

You can apply in-person at a Charlie Store, or do the entire process on-line at www.mbta.com/fares/reduced/senior-charliecard

You will need a digital photo of a government-issued photo ID, such as a drivers license or passport. The card is good for eight years, at which time you can have the card renewed.

- Submitted by **Dave Bernhardt**

ROMEO’s

Retired Old Men Eating Out

Peter Recklet is checking out the options for the next lunch. He will send an email with the details.

Please contact Peter at 978-562-2721 or precklet@live.com if you plan to attend. The group is open to all men at Quail Run.



*We are not aging,
we are ripening
to perfection!*

Quail Run Birthdays

February

- Pat Trask -1
- Edward Houser -1
- Ron Ruest -2
- Alison J. Towle -2
- Susan Ciampi -3
- Mary Ellen Moynihan -3
- Evelyn Spears -5
- Kenneth Ward -5
- Lori Robak -8
- Barbara Baker -9
- Gerry Hegarty -9
- Frances Houser -10
- Bob Reid -11
- Joanne Frank -16
- Jackie Malloy -16
- Barbara Morgan -17
- Sarah Karloff -17
- Susanne Gird -19
- Michael Baker -22
- Carole Perla -23
- Elaine Recklett -27



To include a birthday, contact your Circle Reporter or the Editor

March

- Bob Frame - 1
- Philip Durand - 2
- Sherry Schneller - 3
- Peter Recklet - 4
- Mike Willoughby - 5
- Beverly Duncan - 6
- Barbara Chisholm - 6
- Sue Rosen - 9
- Clare Moschella - 14
- Joseph Lalli - 14
- Joyce Coulson - 15
- Pat Dykeman - 22
- Martha Plaza - 26
- William Lyons - 26
- Kevin Fitzgerald - 29

CURTAIN CALL



Meetings are usually held on the first Tuesday of the month, when members of the group meet and select local theater performances to attend.

Please contact me if you would like to be added to the Quail Run Curtain Call Mailing list. **Lorraine Cochran**, (lorrainecochran@comcast.net), 978-568-0165.

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New Resident Information



New owner at 9C Autumn Drive, **Kathi Wilhelm**, 857-600-8250, email: wilhelm.kathi@gmail.com.

New owners at 4G Rotherham Way, **Richard and Bernadette Peck**. Richard can be reached at 508-259-5951, ricpeck75@gmail.com and Bernadette 508-259-6479, bernpk2@gmail.com.

Please contact **Marlie Stott** at 978-567-5912 or **Carol Suslowicz** at 978-212-5141 if someone new moves to Quail Run.

As we are in another lockdown, why don't they train all the Amazon delivery people to give the vaccine?

The entire population would be immunized by Saturday. Wednesday if you have Prime!



Stitch & Knit



The Stitch & Knit Group meets at the Community Center the 4th Tuesday of the month from 2:00 - 4:00 PM. Contact **Marie Kapsalis** at 978-568-0713.

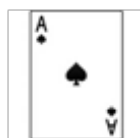


Eye Glass Donations

The Stow Lions Club collects old eye glasses. If you would like to donate, please contact me. Thank you!

- Submitted by **Arnie Johnson**

POKER PLAYERS WANTED




Every Monday from 4:00 - 6:00 PM, at the Community Center. Contact **Lenny Suslowicz** at 978-212-5141

The Quail Run Community collects for the Hudson Food Pantry

Items and/or checks can be dropped off at **Barbara Baker's** home at 4 D Autumn Drive. Thank you so much for your generosity. - **Barbara Baker**

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A Winter Farmers Market

Do you miss visiting the many local farm stands and Farmers Markets that are held during the Summer? Well if you do, the Wayland Winter Farmers Market might be just the alternative for you.

The Russell's Garden Center located at 397 Boston Post Road (Route 20) in Wayland is the host every Saturday from 10:30 AM - 2:00 PM now though March 12th.




This is the Market's 13th Winter season and they have expanded the number of vendors participating to include 70 vendors (50 per week) who will participate throughout the season. Vendors from all over New England will showcase lots of fresh vegetables, baked treats, kombucha, spice blends, delicious bread and bagels of many kinds, Microgreens, granola, baba ganoush and so much more!

Half of the vendors will be located outdoors under cover, in unheated greenhouses, or under tents. And the other half will be located indoors, spread throughout the lower level of Russell's Garden Center.

Maps are available each week to navigate the market.


(continued)



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For a complete list of vendors each week you can check either the Wayland Winter Farmers Market Facebook page or Russell's Garden Center website (<https://www.russellsgc.com/farmersmarket>)

Masks are required of all shoppers and vendors indoors and are encouraged outdoors. Outdoor seating will be available for shoppers who wish to dine on the many prepared foods and hot coffee available for sale which can't be consumed indoors.

A special Farm Fiber Day is planned for Sunday, March 6th for those who are interested in knitting, spinning, felting, weaving, visiting sheep, and petting bunnies. You can also watch spinning wheel and sock making machine demonstrations. If you would like to purchase knit, woven, embroidered and felted items, this is also available for you on your visit.



Special hours for this event are 10:30 AM - 3:30 PM.

Hudson Senior Center Update: AARP TAX-AIDE

As we noted in the Nov/Dec *Quail Runner*, the Senior Center is offering free help to prepare Federal and State income tax returns for low or moderate income taxpayers. Appointment scheduling began Wednesday, January 19th.

Volunteers with the AARP TAXAIDE program will be available to prepare tax returns Tuesday mornings beginning February 1st. If you are interested, please call the Senior Center at 978-568-9638 to check availability and the process.

- Articles submitted by **Sue Lalli**

Silly Questions, Corny Answers.....

1. How does a polar bear build a house?
2. What do snowman eat for breakfast?
3. Why did the coach go to the bank?
4. Why did the clock get removed from the library?

- Submitted by **Kevin Fitzgerald** (Answers on page 10)

January Board of Governors (BOG) News



Welcome to 2022. It certainly started as a very cold Winter. Hope everyone is staying warm.

With the COVID-19 Omicron variant on the rise to very high levels, most Quail Run unit owners/residents are vaccinated and may have had a booster shot, there is still concern contracting the virus from folks that have not been vaccinated or have a breakthrough case of COVID-19. Please stay safe.

To mitigate icicles on front porches, turn off the heater vent by your front door. Also, do not rake the roof line as it can damage the shingles.

The pump house generator is not working. The manufacturer is out of business, and due to age, a replacement part cannot be obtained. The Board chose not to rent a replacement generator for \$2,368 per month; rather to replace the generator. In the meantime, if we lose power, we will still have water but very low pressure.

Effective December 21st, Mr. Trashman merged with E.L. Harvey & Sons, Inc. There will be no disruption to our current schedule for pickup or observed holidays. However, per the terms of our current contract **EVERYTHING MUST BE INSIDE THE TOTES.** While Mr. Trashman did collect boxes not in the totes, it was as a courtesy. E.L. Harvey & Sons, Inc. will not extend that practice.

On January 27th Norel replaced the sprinkler gauge, added shutoff valves in each host unit, a horn strobe at 5 Strawberry and a tamper switch in one unit. Norel can now provide the Hudson Fire Department with a document indicating that The Villages at Quail Run are in total compliance of the fire safety code.

The master insurance policy was renewed, effective January 22, 2022.

Arrow Fence repaired the fence line from 7F Strawberry to the pump house. The fence behind the pump house will be repaired once the weather is favorable.

J&J&Son completed the Fall cleanup and gutter cleaning. They have been prompt in the removal of snow and ice.



*Winter is almost gone...
we can only hope!*

ARR-MAX made several repairs to the swales on the back of 1 Autumn and 1 Rotherham. There are other items to be addressed in the Spring.

A new Concord Heating contract was signed for maintenance of the HVAC equipment in the Community Center effective December 2021. They serviced the Community Center furnace in December and will be back in the Spring to service the air conditioner.

The Board of Governors prepared window and door replacement specifications documenting the requirements for replacing front door locks, patio doors, windows including skylights, storm doors, and garage doors. The specifications may be found on the websites of Quail Run and The Dartmouth Group.

As of January 17th, Massachusetts Wildlife says it's safe to put bird feeders back up.

Please do not drive beyond the property posted speed limits!

Hope everyone stays safe and observes the current COVID-19 guidelines.

Valentine Questions?

Here are the answers on questions from page 3:

1. A calendar.
2. Become single.
3. Hugs and quiches.
4. I lava you, I lava you!
5. You are sooo scent-imental!



Book Club

The group meets the last Wednesday of each month. Please call Phyllis with any questions regarding the time and location for the next meeting.

Phyllis Novick, 978-621-3993 or phyllisnovick8@gmail.com.



Upcoming selections:

Jan: Vanishing Half, by Britt Bennett

Feb: The Women in the Castle, by Jessica Shattuck

Mar: The Book of Lost Names, by Kristin Harmel

Apr: Dutch House, by Ann Patchett

May: Ask Again Yes, by May Beth Keanu

- Submitted by **Carole Perla**

Aphorisms

An aphorism is a pithy statement or observation that conveys a general truth. Writers often create general statements in their texts in order to convey a moral or philosophical idea.

I read that 4,153,237 people were married last year. Not to cause any trouble....but shouldn't that be an even number?



You know that tingly little feeling you get when you love someone? That's common sense leaving your body.

My therapist says I have a preoccupation with vengeance. We'll see about that!

I think my neighbor is stalking me as she's been Googling my name on her computer. I saw it through my telescope last night.

Money talks ... but all mine ever says is good-bye.

You're not fat, you're just easier to see.

If you think nobody cares whether you're alive, try missing a couple of payments.

I can't understand why women are OK that JC Penny has an older women's clothing line named, ..wait for it, "Sag Harbor".

The reason Mayberry was so peaceful and quiet was because the following people were not married. Andy, Aunt Bea, Barney, Floyd, Howard, Goober, Gomer, Sam, Earnest T. Bass, Helen, Thelma Lou, Clara, and of course, Opie were all single.

Money can't buy happiness, but it keeps the kids in touch.

Without coffee, I'm always walking into a room and forgetting why I went in the room. With coffee, I still don't remember, but at least I have something to sip while I try to figure it out!

Laughing at your own mistakes lengthens your life. Laughing at your wife's mistakes shortens it.

- Submitted by **George Shaw**

JULIETS NEWS



February Juliet's has been cancelled due to Covid-19.

March 8th at Applebee's Restaurant in Hudson at 12:30. Separate checks. Contacts: **Clare Kilcommins**, 978-562-3336 and **Sally Guidotti**, 617-283-0246.

Sign-up sheets are available in the Community Center.

QUAIL RUN BOWLERS -

If you are interested in bowling, we bowl at the Acton Bowling Lanes every Wednesday morning. Please call **Carole Mahoney**, 508-746-8635 or **Donna Milot**, 978-618-9631 for more information.



QUAIL RUN LIBRARY -



The Community Center Library is open. Please use the baskets when returning the books to the library. Contact person: **Alison Towle**, 978-568-0806.



Please remember to keep your porch and garage lights on during snow storms!



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How to send a message from your home computer to a cell phone

By **Dave Bernhardt**

You do not need to know a person's email address to send a message to their cell phone. The method looks complicated, but after a few times you'll find that it's actually quite easy. There are two types of messages that can be sent to cell phones.

1. SMS messages: these are known as traditional "texts", they are usually limited to 140 characters maximum and cannot contain any special formatting or attachments. So no italics, no bold, no links to web pages, no photos. The message must be just "plain text".

2. MMS messages: these do not have most of the restrictions of SMS messages. The recipient must generally have a "smartphone" and not a text-only device like a flip-phone. Photos should usually be in the body of the message, and links to websites are permitted. This is the best situation for sending an email from a desktop or laptop computer.

To send the message, you'll need to know the "email gateway" for the person's cell phone, which is different for each cellular carrier (Verizon, T-mobile, etc.). To find this, go to <http://www.freecarrierlookup.com>, and enter the phone number. **BEFORE clicking "Search"**, look at the number in the Bot-A-Bot image, and type the number into the "Answer" box. This is the website's way of confirming that you are a human and not an internet robot tool. Then click "Search".

If you get ahead of yourself and forget to type the number into the "Answer" box, it won't give you a second try. Leave the website, and come back to it from scratch.

The site will show you the SMS or MMS email addresses for the phone. Cut and paste the address you need (usually the MMS address) into your email "TO:" field, then complete and send your email as usual.

Putting photos into the body is preferred as sometimes attachments will get dropped. I suggest that the first time that you do this, call the person's cell phone or text them after you've sent the email to confirm that they received it in good order.

A New Advertiser - Solutions Painting

Solutions Painting is a local company based in Marlboro. They are known for their commercial and residential painting services. They perform ceiling and wall repairs to plaster prior to painting, removal of wallpaper, painting of kitchen cabinets, etc.. They have performed work at multiple homes at Quail Run, are very professional and come highly recommended. See many more service offerings on their website.



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For those in Quail Run who don't like to drive at night, you can get a special coating for your glasses that is an *anti-reflective coating* to reduce glare and improve visual comfort.

I've had this for several years and it makes an enormous difference. The first time I used mine was coming back at night in the rain from Worcester driving on I 290. Rich said "I don't see how you can see anything with the glare of the headlights being reflected on the wet pavement." I didn't see any of that.

This coating can be put on your regular glasses including bi-focals and you can use the glasses just as you normally would. Any optical department should be able to apply the coating.

- Submitted by **MJ Ebens**

PLAY BRIDGE ON MONDAYS



Community Center
1:00 - 3:00 PM

Contact person:
Theresa Bosio, 978-568-1416

A Great Lesson on Stress

A young lady confidently walked around the room with a raised glass of water while leading a seminar and explaining stress management to her audience.

Everyone knew she was going to ask the ultimate question, 'Half empty or half full?' She fooled them all. "How heavy is this glass of water?" she inquired with a smile. Answers called out ranged from 8oz. to 20oz.

She replied, "The absolute weight doesn't matter. It depends on how long I hold it. If I hold it for a minute, that's not a problem. If I hold it for an hour, I'll have an ache in my right arm. If I hold it for a day, you'll have to call an ambulance.

She continued, "and that's the way it is with stress. If we carry our burdens all the time, sooner or later, as the burden becomes increasingly heavy, we won't be able to carry on."

So, as early in the evening as you can, put all your burdens down. Don't carry them through the evening and into the night. Pick them up again tomorrow, if you must.

1. Accept the fact that some days you're the pigeon, and some days you're the statue!
2. Always keep your words soft and sweet, just in case you have to eat them.
3. Always read stuff that will make you look good if you die in the middle of it.
4. Drive carefully... It's not only cars that can be recalled by their Maker.
5. If you can't be kind, at least have the decency to be vague.
6. If you lend someone \$20 and never see that person again, it was probably worth it.
7. It may be that your sole purpose in life is simply to serve as a warning to others.
8. Never buy a car you can't push.
9. Never put both feet in your mouth at the same time, because then you won't have a leg to stand on.

10. Nobody cares if you can't dance well. Just get up and dance.

11. Since it's the early worm that gets eaten by the bird, sleep late.

12. The second mouse gets the cheese.

13. When everything's coming your way, you're in the wrong lane.

14. Birthdays are good for you. The more you have, the longer you live.



15. Some mistakes are too much fun to make only once.

16. We could learn a lot from crayons. Some are sharp, some are pretty and some are dull. Some have weird names and all are different colors, but they all have to live in the same box.

17. A truly happy person is one who can enjoy the scenery on a detour.

18. Have an awesome day and know that someone has thought about you today.

AND MOST IMPORTANTLY, Save the earth.... It's the only planet with chocolate!

- Submitted by **Pat Ritter-Waltrup**

***Social Committee
Plan Ahead Schedule***

Community Coffee - Saturday, February 5th, 9:30 -11:00 AM, \$2.00 per person



PANCAKE BREAKFAST, Saturday, February 12th, 9:30 - 11:00 AM, \$8.00 per person

Ladies Coffee - Monday, February 21st, 9:30 -11:00 AM, \$1.00 per person

POLAR BEAR DINNER, Saturday, March 5th, 6:00 PM, \$25.00 per person

Ladies Coffee - Monday, March 21st, 9:30 -11:00 AM, \$1.00 per person

Interesting Places to Visit In Hudson

Introducing Wild Hare of Hudson...

Six years ago Medusa Brewing Company opened on Main Street and brought fresh beer and a taproom to downtown Hudson. Now this group is finalizing plans to open a new location and concept in the Landing at Hudson Mills at 43 Broad St. It will be called Wild Hare of Hudson. Wild Hare will be in the anchor location in The Landing located on the first floor in the back of the building with a 5,000-square-foot interior along with 1,000 square feet of outdoor dining space. It will open in phases and be a full service restaurant open all day. The bakery and coffee service opened in January, with breakfast sandwiches, French-inspired pastries and of course fresh brewed coffee. Lunch will feature house made bread paired with charcuterie plates with local meats and cheeses. Dinner will feature small, European-influenced plates meant for sharing. Also, Wild Hare will have its own brewery license and the beers at Wild Hare will be different than those available at Medusa's.

A New Location for Mullahy's

Mullahy's which is an artisan cheese and specialty food shop that opened six years ago downtown recently moved to a new and larger location at 162 Main Street across from Hudson Appliance. Mullahy's offers a vast assortment of imported, domestic and artisan local cheeses hand selected by Katie Quinn, their resident Certified Cheese Professional (CCP). They also offer specialty foods and beer and wine to pair with their cheese selections. Mullahy's can also create a custom wine and cheese basket or build a perfect charcuterie board for you. According to their website they are now open six days a week and are pleased to have their own onsite parking. They also offer curbside pick-up.



Welcome to The Hushed Willow

Moving into the space at 63A Main Street vacated by Mullahy's is The Hushed Willow. According to the shop's Facebook page they offer gourmet sandwiches, charcuterie boards to order and kitchen/home accents for retail.

**The Landing at Hudson Mills:
"Meet The Mill" Winter Market**

If you have ever driven by the big brick mill building at the bottom of Broad Street and wondered what's inside you might want to mark your calendar to go to the first ever "Meet The Mill" Winter Market on Saturday, March 5th from 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM. According to the Hudson Historical Society, The Mill was founded in the late 1800s by Englishman Harry Dyson as the home of Hudson Worsted Company. In 1958 it became the Hudson Combing Company, specializing in the manufacture of mohair yarn. Recently the building was totally renovated and is now known as The Landing at Hudson Mills and is home to more than 50 small and mid-sized businesses. The public is invited to join tenants and vendors from the area showcasing art, jewelry, wellness, food, and everything you need to live the good life!

The Mill is located at 43 Broad Street and parking is available in the two lots on either side of the mill on Broad Street and Houghton Street.

New Gas Station

Have you seen the construction taking place at the Washington Street roundabout on the site of the Tuck's Service Station? After 69 years Tuck's has closed its doors. In its place, will be a new large self-service gas facility with a coffee shop and convenience store called Alltown. Alltown recently opened a similar facility last Summer on Route 20 East in Marlboro.

- Articles submitted by **Sue Lalli**

Cribbage



The group meets every Friday from 10:00 - 12:00, at the Community Center. Contact person is **Dave Sanderson**, 978-212-5655.

Answers for the Silly Questions, Corny Answers from page 5:

1. Igloos it together.
2. Snow Flakes.
3. To get his quarterback.
4. Because it tocked too much.

Downtown Hudson Wins 1st Place!

Did you know that Hudson Main Street is now Number 1 in the U.S? On December 20, 2021 it was announced that Hudson won the 2021 America’s Main Streets “Road to Recovery Contest,” emerging as the nation’s top Main Street out of an initial field of more than 200 entrants. More than one million total votes were cast by the public nationwide in the sixth annual contest sponsored by the group *Independent We Stand*. Hudson came out on top in the contest due to the hard work of the Hudson Downtown Business Improvement District (“the BID”) along with the Hudson Business Association and the Assabet Valley Chamber of Commerce, and of course community members who voted continuously in support of its entry.

As the winner the BID will receive a \$25,000 cash prize as well as \$1,000 worth of equipment from STIHL; three \$500 shopping sprees at Do it Best Corp.; tmbr Flooring; and Nationwide Marketing Group. In addition, Hudson will receive a commemorative plaque. The BID was formed a few years ago to revitalize Downtown Hudson, so winning this contest gives them the opportunity to continue these efforts. The BID plans for the cash prize include: 1) Continuing to provide accounting and financial advice for the district’s businesses impacted by COVID-19; 2) Assisting in funding the purchase and renovation of the old National Guard Armory into a regional arts and performance center; 3) Expanding a culture and arts program that offers incentives to new businesses that meet specific criteria.

It is hard to believe that less than a dozen years ago, Downtown Hudson had a storefront vacancy rate of approximately 20% and its future looked bleak. Thanks to the Main Street business owners who got together and worked to fill some of these vacancies, Downtown Hudson was able to attract new restaurants and retailers so visitors can now enjoy unique retail offerings, terrific dining options, great service shops, a brewery and a great farmers market on Tuesdays and free outside music on Saturdays in the Summer!

- Submitted by **Sue Lalli**

Players meet at the Community Center, Wednesday and Friday at 1:30 PM.
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Annual Toys for Tots Collection

We thank everyone in the Quail Run Community for the fantastic response in donations to the Toys for Tots Collection this Year!



- **The Social Committee**



Happy Presidents Day
February 21st

Bad news for you and your car - 3G Networks Will Disappear this year!

In the last issue of the *Quail Runner Newsletter*, Dave Bernhardt wrote an article regarding mobile phone carriers shutting down their 3G networks this year. Your old 3G cell phones will not be supported in the future.

Carole Perla has found some more distressing information regarding your car and how it may be affected as well by the elimination of 3G networks.

The planned shutdowns could create a headache for drivers across the country.

To find information on the make/model and the year of the cars that may be impacted, go to the website listed below. Is your car on the list??

Go to CNBC and read all the details:
<http://www.cnbc.com/2022/01/16/3g-networks-shutting-down-in-2022-could-affect-your-cars-gps.html>


- Submitted by **Carole Perla**

My VAX Record

An Option You Might Want To Explore

My Vax Records, is a tool created by the Commonwealth that allows people who received their COVID-19 vaccinations in Massachusetts to access their own vaccination history and generate a COVID-19 digital vaccine card. It contains similar vaccination information to a paper CDC card and/or generate a QR code that can be used to verify vaccination status should it be requested by local businesses, government offices, etc.

To access this new tool, go to **MyVaxRecords.Mass.Gov** and enter your name, date of birth, and mobile phone number or email associated with your vaccine record. You will then create a 4-digit PIN and hit Submit. For step-by-step directions and/or to learn more about how this works you can click on the Help Page link on the original webpage. Once your information is found, you will receive an email or text with a link to your vaccine record. After entering the 4-digit PIN that you created during your request for your record, you will see your vaccination information. You will then have the option of creating and saving a scannable QR code to your phone (in the form of a SMART Health Card) which can be used to confirm your COVID-19 vaccine record is authentic. Or you may print out a paper record.



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COVID-19 UPDATES
FREE At-Home Tests

Beginning January 19th every home in the U.S. is eligible to order four At-Home COVID-19 tests. The tests are completely free. Here's what you need to know about ordering:

- Limit of one order per residential address
- Order includes four individual rapid antigen tests.
- Orders are shipped via the United States Post Office first-class package service which reports shipping times of 7-12 days.
- Ordering is done on-line at: COVIDtests.gov

- VAX and COVID-19 articles submitted by **Sue Lalli**

Everyone needs a good laugh!

Some of these would be funnier if they weren't so near the mark!

- * As I watch this generation try and rewrite our history, one thing I'm sure of ... it will be misspelled and have no punctuation.
- * Sorry I haven't gotten anything done today. I've been in the Produce Department trying to open the stupid little plastic bags.
- * Turns out that being a "senior" is mostly just googling how to do stuff.
- * Do you ever get up in the morning, look in the mirror and think "That can't be accurate."
- * I want to be 14 again and ruin my life differently. I have new ideas.
- * God promised men that good and obedient wives would be found in all corners of the world. Then he made the earth round...and laughed and laughed and laughed.
- * I'm on two diets. I wasn't getting enough food on one.
- * I put my scale in the bathroom corner and that's where the little liar will stay until it apologizes.
- * My mind is like an internet browser. At least 19 open tabs, three of them are frozen and I have no clue where the music is coming from.
- * Hard to believe I once had a phone attached to a wall, and when it rang, I picked it up without even knowing who was calling me.

- Submitted by **Pat Ritter-Waltrup**

Su Bohall and Bev Minot want to thank all the residents for the 2022 calendars, note pads, and greeting cards donated to the Veterans. If you would like to donate throughout the year, please drop off your items on the front porch at 8F Strawberry Lane. Thank You!

