



BISHOP'S GATE  
AT SOMERSET

Somerset

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## OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday: 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

Saturday: 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Sunday: 12-5 p.m.



August/September 2021

# T Around Our Towne

## From the Manager's Desk

Dear Residents,

It's hot, humid and definitely summertime here in Cincy! Hopefully you've had the opportunity to stay cool and relaxed at the pool. It's been a busy pool season so far, that's for sure! Residents are more than welcome to bring drinks and snacks with them, just please remember no glass is permitted in the pool area. The poolside grill is also available for anyone who would like to use it. Please notify the Office before hand so we can make sure the gas is available for you. No personal grills or cooking devices are permitted. Now get out there and enjoy the last couple months of summer.

Many of you have already had the opportunity to meet our new Social Director, Dawn Dagenbach. Dawn worked as the Social Director back in 2000 for several years here at Bishop's Gate. She left to pursue her love of wedding planning and starting a family. Fast forward 20 years and 3 beautiful children later ... she's back! Dawn has joined the team and is ready to party! Covid took quite the toll on all social activities, and she is going to make up for some lost time. She is working on some fun events for this summer/fall. Keep your eyes open and make sure to read your newsletter calendars! Welcome Back Dawn, we're excited to have you.

Somerset Homeowners and Condo owners ... Quick side note: If you have questions about your home/condo, yard, fees, anything of that nature, please contact your HOA or COA Representative at 489-4059. They will be happy to help with your questions and concerns. If you would like to reserve the Clubhouse or general recreation questions, give us a call here in the Leasing Office. We can help!

I hope everyone has a great summer and we look forward to seeing you all around.



Trista Dill,  
Community Manager

Happy Labor Day,

Trista Dill

# Grapevine News!

We hope you all enjoyed the Lobsta Mobsta truck! It would appear you did ... they ran out of lobster and the line was always moving. It is so nice to see people out supporting small local businesses while enjoying time with fellow residents!

**Trista** and her family enjoyed a wonderful time in Hilton Head right on the beach. It is so important to take time for family. Absolutely beautiful there!

**Sarah J.** is on her way to Hilton Head Island for a fun-filled family vacation.

**Kim W.** is relaxing on the beach in Miami, Fla. as we speak!

**Jane J.** is currently fostering two of the cutest little kittens ever, looking for a loving home if anyone is interested.

**Chelsey K.** will be moving into her own apartment in August; good luck with the move!

**Brian** and **Rebecca R.** have closed on a new home and will be moving to Maineville. Congrats!

**Kim** and her family traveled with their son's baseball team to South Carolina for a tournament. Unfortunately they didn't win, but I believe good times were had by all!

It is so nice seeing residents enjoying time with each other up at the Clubhouse again. Thank you ladies for sharing a photo of your card playing with us.

I can't believe we are going to be talking about closing the pool in September. Summer, please stick around! It is wonderful to see all of you hanging out at the pool. Be sure to check out our upcoming events! We will see you down there!

Events will be back into full swing starting in August and we look forward to enjoying social activities once again! See you around!

Thank you for your patience as we finished blacktopping in the apartments! It looks so good and was worth the wait!

We would love to see a crocheting/knitting group begin! If anyone is interested in leading it or being a part of it, please contact **Dawn** at the Office. We are hoping it could be for either beginners or advanced.



*The ladies enjoying card playing in the Clubhouse again!*



*Residents enjoying the Lobsta Mobsta truck!*



*Residents enjoy Lobsta Mobsta Truck!*



*A big thank you to Lobsta Mobsta guys for doing their best to keep up with all the customers! It was delicious!*

# Somerset HOA News

The Somerset Single Family Homeowner Association bids a warm farewell to Heather Smith our Towne Properties Manager and welcomes Virginia Amburgy as the new Manager to our HOA community.

The Board sincerely thanks Tracy Kellums and his Sycamore Township crew for the work they have put in over the last few weeks replacing all the mis-aligned and cracked sidewalks. This was done as a community safety project at no charge to the HOA.

The SSFHOA annual meeting will be held Thursday evening, Oct. 7, at 6 p.m., at the Somerset Clubhouse. The meeting is open to current homeowners only. With the staggered board positions, we need to elect three officers for a 2-year board term. In addition, we will review the financial status of 2020, provide an update on the neighborhood, and consider any other matters which may be brought up at the meeting. All of the current board members have expressed interest in another term, but if you are interested in running for one of these board positions, please notify Virginia Amburgy at Towne Properties. Proxies will be mailed out approximately 2-3 weeks prior to the meeting. Please mark your calendars to either attend the meeting or submit your proxy.

With all the changes in the community, the old phone directory has been updated and will be distributed soon. Once again, we would like to thank Tom Canning and the Canning Team from Comey & Shepherd for sponsoring the phone directory.

Trash and recycling should only be placed curbside the night before the scheduled collection. Do not place trash at the curb in boxes. All boxes should be broken down and bundled. Trash cans must have their lids secured and bags must be able to withstand nature's elements. Homeowners will be held responsible for items which have blown into the street and neighbors' yards. A reminder from Rumpke that a lot of household cleaning supplies contain dangerous chemicals. If the container is labeled "Danger" or "Poison," this is an indication of hazardous waste. Do not place the item in your trash or recycling container. Also, lithium-ion batteries – like the batteries in yard equipment, cell phones or laptops – can ignite when compacted in garbage trucks.

As a safety reminder, everyone should wear bright colored or reflective clothing while walking or riding a bicycle in the dedicated township streets between dusk and dawn.

"In three words I can sum up everything I've learned about life: It goes on." – *Robert Frost*

Be safe and observe all social-distancing rules. As always, if there are any HOA questions, comments, or problems, please email Virginia Amburgy at [Virginiaamburgy@towneproperties.com](mailto:Virginiaamburgy@towneproperties.com), call 513-489-4059, or visit the Towne Properties Office at Harpers Point 11340 Montgomery Road Suite 202.

## Welcome New Residents

A special "Welcome" to our new residents! We are so glad you are with us! As you settle into your new home, please let us know if you need assistance with anything at all. We are all here for each other, and we want to continue making Bishop's Gate at Somerset a "Great Place to Live" by Towne Properties!

- Jennifer Choe and Nariaki Nakamura
- Kyle Hutchison and Alison Moore
- Colin Riddell
- Charles Horner III
- Denise Frantz, Jeffrey Salisbury, and Kiarie Al-Hasan
- Jacqueline Osnon
- Brittany Weeder
- Trenton Sneed
- Megan Ginn

# Resident of the Month: Meet Alicia!

Since this is my first newsletter and my first month working here again, I figured it would be apropos to ask my first resident I leased to, since returning, to be our Resident of the Month. Alicia has only been here a month as well, and is settling into her apartment and loving it.

Alicia moved around a lot as a child. Her father's business had them moving from coast to coast, and everywhere in between. They would eventually land in Amelia where she graduated from high school. She attended college for one year before she realized that she would like to be a nurse. She transferred back home and graduated from Christ Hospital's program and was able to study at University of Cincinnati as well.

She got married during her last year of nursing school. After graduation, they moved away and she worked as a nurse for a few years before starting a family. She had three boys, and I must say she told me some stories so I know she had her hands full! (But I understand, I have one myself and he is enough to handle sometimes!) The oldest is 44 and lives in Anderson with his wife and two children, who are 18 and 11 years old. Her middle son is a Lt. Colonel in the Air Force and has been deployed eight times since college. He, along with his wife and two children, who are 8 and 3 years old, will be relocated to Wright Patt very soon. Needless to say, she is looking forward to them living so close and being stationed there. Her youngest son lives in Liberty Township with his wife and three children who are 14, 9 and 5 years old. She is looking forward to having them all close to her!

After her children were born, her career took a turn into Marketing and Development. She was Director of M & D for several hospitals. In 1994, she changed careers once again, becoming a State Farm agent in Hillsboro for 4 years then an Agency Field Consultant with State Farm until retirement. However, she decided to come out of retirement in 2016 to do something similar. While she was originally retired, she did a lot of charity work for National Church Residents on the hospice team and resided on their board. She also volunteered at the Dublin Food Pantry and Mid Ohio Food bank helping with development. It was at this time she decided maybe she should come out of retirement since she was doing a lot of consulting work. She is happy to be back assisting State Farm field agents.

Since being divorced for six years, she is happy to relocate and is looking forward to making new friends. So far she just loves Bishop's Gate.

She loves the views of the water and how peaceful it is here. Alicia lived in Dublin, Ohio, for the past 17 years. She moved here last year to help take care of her brother who fell ill and was waiting for a lung transplant. While in the hospital he contracted Covid and ended up passing in December from those complications. They were very close and this has been very difficult for her of course, but she is looking forward to her new journey here. She loves the Ohio State Buckeyes and most college sports for that matter. She enjoys exploring and trying food at small, intimate diners because she says, "That is where America lives." She also enjoys music, theater, and the symphony. She is well traveled and looks forward to doing more of that. She is currently studying Comparative World Religions which ties into schooling she had from University Seminary classes. When you see her around the property or enjoying our upcoming events, please be sure to welcome her to our community. She is looking forward to meeting you, too!



*Our Resident of the Month, Alicia*

# Upcoming Events!

## **Live Music, Food, and Ice!**

Friday, Aug. 20, from 5 to 7 p.m. (food truck will stay until 8 p.m.) (Please get your tickets by Aug. 17.)

Join us for a Community Wide Event, Friday, Aug. 20, on the back patio at the Clubhouse, from 5 to 7 p.m. Please bring chairs or blankets to sit on for overflow seating. We will be featuring live music from the Hawthorne Steins Jazz Quartet along with Renegade Street Eats food truck and Kona Ice! We will also supply beer, wine and water. Please come and get a ticket good for one Kona Ice per resident and another ticket for \$2 off each resident meal on the food truck as well. (Menu for food truck: Award-Winning Wings, All American Burger, Cajun Burger, Pulled Chicken and Belgian Style Fries)

## **Coffee and Conversation**

Aug. 25 and Sept. 15, 9 a.m.

We would like to welcome you to come enjoy coffee and sweet breakfast treats at the Clubhouse! We hope this encourages some wonderful time of good conversation and fellowship. We look forward to seeing you at 9 a.m. until the coffee, sweet treats and conversation run out!

## **End of Summer Pool Party!**

Saturday, Sept. 18, from 12 to 2 p.m. (Please get your tickets by Sept. 14)

We will be saying our sad goodbyes to summer at the pool on Saturday, Sept. 18, from 12 to 2 p.m. Join us for Jersey Mike's and sides, along with frosty margaritas and bottled water. There is no cost for residents. No more than two guests per household, and the cost for guests is \$5. It will be a great time to relax by the pool and visit with fellow members of our community. If it rains, this event will move to the next day, Sunday, Sept. 19, from 12 to 2 p.m. Please come get your tickets at the Clubhouse by Sept. 14.

## **River Boat Ride**

Friday, Sept. 24, leaves at 4 p.m. from Four Seasons Marina

It is expected to last between 2.5 and 3 hours. (RSVP no later than Sept. 3)

Thank you to those who expressed interest in having a boat ride along the Ohio River. We will be setting sail on Friday, Sept. 24, at 4 p.m., and returning between 6:30 and 7 p.m. We will provide light snacks, and you can BYOB. Each resident/couple is allowed one small cooler if necessary. There is only enough room for 30 people, so please RSVP to DawnDagenbach@towneproperties.com no later than Sept. 3 (residents only, no guests). If we have more than 30 residents RSVP, we will be having a lottery drawing to determine who will be able to go. You will be notified no later than Sept. 8 if you were selected. If you did not hear from anyone after that date, the boat was filled. (We will have another trip in June for those who would like to go, but didn't get picked this time.) There will be no cost to you for the boat ride.

## **Quilting Club**

Aug. 9 and 23, from 4:30 to 7 p.m.

Sept. 13 and 27, from 4:30 to 7 p.m.

We want to welcome everyone to join our Community Quilting Group at the Clubhouse. Whether you are a beginner or advanced, come join this lovely group of ladies for a great time together.

## **Community Book Club**

Aug. 17 and Sept. 21, at 7 p.m., at the Clubhouse

For the August meeting you will be discussing "Women in Sunlight" by Frances Mayes. For the September meeting, you will be discussing "The Ghosts of Eden Park" by Karen Abbott. Everyone is welcome!

We would like to host a craft show for any residents who have small businesses who would like to sell their items for the holidays. It will be in early November. Contact Dawn if interested!

\*\*\* Be sure to keep your eyes out for pop up events that might occur on occasion! If you are not getting these emails, please update your email with the Bishop's Gate Office, or landminium/homes respectively. \*\*\*

# Maintenance Tips, Tricks, and Hints

Hello to all our residents at Bishop's Gate and Somerset.

Welcome to my bi-monthly Maintenance article, where I bring to you anything that may be of importance regarding weather change, apartment updates or all things maintaining the Bishop's Gate property.

It is great to see everyone out and about with summer in full swing. We have worked hard on flowers and landscaping. Even if we say so ourselves, it has turned out very nicely. We take a lot of pride in the work we do to keep your community looking beautiful!

We hope you are enjoying the pool, tennis courts and walking path. This summer has produced a large amount of rain. If you notice any leaks or downspouts that aren't working properly, please report them to the Office.

Along with summer comes high temperatures. If you have an issue with your air conditioner, a lot of the time it is a frozen line. When you call in a work order for this, please let them know that you will turn off the A/C unit in case it needs to thaw out. If you keep it running when it is frozen, they have to wait for it to thaw out before they can service it.

Thank you to all residents for your patience while we had the roads paved. It is a process for sure, but we are so pleased with the finished work. Just another thing to keep your property looking its best and staying safe.

For those who are new to the community, or those that aren't aware, we do offer furnace filters at the Office. It is important to change those regularly to keep your indoor air clean. It will also help keep your furnace running efficiently if the filter is clean and not slowed down by a full filter. Please let us know if you have any questions about that.

Enjoy the rest of your summer!



*Matt Ploeger, Maintenance Technician*

## Welcome Back!

Dawn Dagenbach is back to fill her old shoes at Bishop's Gate as the new Social Director. I know she will be glad to see those familiar faces from 20 years ago, so please say hello at the next event, or stop by the Office. She looks forward to getting back into the swing of things, planning some wonderful events for you all and to create some more great memories with you! A lot has changed since she was here last. She had a successful wedding planning business for about 12 years and then began homeschooling her three beautiful children. She recently celebrated her 20 year anniversary to the same, wonderful husband. Thank you for your patience these past two months as we transitioned the Social Director position. We look forward to seeing you at the next event!



*Dawn Dagenbach, Social Director*

# Happy Birthday

## AUGUST

Doug Venters, 1st  
Jennifer Richardson, 4th  
Mike Jakobi, 5th  
Alexander O'Keefe, 7th  
Lenette Menke, 7th  
Wilhelmina Graham, 7th

Angela Dietrich, 8th  
Carol Criswell, 8th  
Marc Tessel, 10th  
Reyyan Okutan, 10th  
Craig Franz, 12th  
Emily Nowakowski, 12th

Paula Barth, 13th  
Claude Smith, 15th  
Nikhil Samuel, 15th  
Emily Shoemaker, 19th  
Ken Kerschner, 21st  
Patricia Hale, 22nd

Monica Frakes, 27th  
Ethan White, 27th  
Rachel Liu, 29th  
Audra Levy, 29th

## SEPTEMBER

Joseph Lipari, 4th  
Joe Calloway, 6th  
Michael Pillow, 6th  
James Kuczinski, 7th  
Marcy Reed, 8th  
Philip Petrosino, 8th

Lew Hansen, 8th  
Brent Tholke, 9th  
Maria Medina, 9th  
Linda Heery, 11th  
Jason Null, 14th  
Kayla Hauck, 14th

Myrna Waak, 16th  
Jeanne Wead, 16th  
Lori Schroeder, 18th  
John Clarke, 18th  
Jeanette Byrne, 21st  
Narvetta Calhoun, 23rd

Ramona Cheek, 26th  
Gerald Houchell, 26th  
Maxine Hoyles-Yates, 26th  
Richard  
Easterbrooks, 29th  
James Jameson, 30th  
Michelle Grosser, 31st

## Community Classifieds

**Bishop's Gate Leasing Office:** 513.489.3575

**Sycamore Police/Dispatch Hamilton Co.  
Sheriff:** 513.825.2280

**Homes, Virginia Amburgy:** 513.489.4059

**Landominiums, Brian Burgett:** 513.489.4059

**Cincinnati Bell Telephone:** 513.565.2210

**Cincinnati Bell Cable/Internet:** 513.397.9591

**Duke Energy:** 800.544.6900

**Y.E.S. :** 844.830.6941

**Montgomery License Bureau:** 513.891.2284

**Hamilton County Board of Elections:** 513.632.7000

**Princeton School District:** 513.771.8560

**Post Office:** 513.697.9120

**Magik Maids, Commercial & Residential Cleaning  
Service. Katie Coulter.** 513.549.4048

**Chris Lemmel, Landscaping:** 513.543.3514

**Tim Durham, Landscaping and Mowing:** 513.290.6202

**Paw Joggers, Dog Running/Walking Service. Daytime  
pet visits, puppy programs and Pet Taxi Service:**  
866.504.2075, dogsjog@pawjoggers.com

**Red Dog Pet Resort, Cat and Dog Boarding and Dog  
Park:** 733.3647, www.reddogcincinnati.com

**Camp Bow Wow, Dog Boarding and Daycare:**  
745.9850, www.campbowwow.com/us/oh/cincinnati/

**S.P.C.A. (On Conrey Rd.):** 489.7387

**Courtesy Window Cleaning, LLC:** 513.232.3350

**Sharon Dawson, Housekeeping:** 513.393.3981

**Glorious Cleaning (Gloria Shelton), Clubhouse  
Cleaning (After Parties):** 513.331.9494

**Resident Classifieds:**

**Shugga Rae Sweet Creations by Rayvetta LLC, Sweet  
Treats and Doggie Treats Too:** rbry8390@gmail.com

**Attention Residents:** Do you have a business or trade  
that you would like us to promote in the newsletter?  
Email us at DawnDagenbach@towneproperties.com.

# Somerset Homes & Condos

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Joseph and Technicolored Dreamcoat, Covedale Thtr 1	Joseph and Technicolored Dreamcoat, Covedale Thtr 2	8 pm: Pete Wagner Band, Blue Ash Summer Concert 3	Party on The Purple Bridge 4	Goetta Fest! Runs Through The 8th 5	Joseph and Technicolored Dreamcoat, Covedale Thtr 6	10 am-4 pm: The City Flea at Washington Park 7
Asian Fest at The Banks 7th and 8th 8	<b>3:30-7 pm: Quilting Group Meeting at Clubhouse, BGaS</b> 9	Fab Five, Beatles Tribute, Moonlite Pavilion 10	5 pm: Florence Freedom Baseball Game 11	Seafood Fest! Runs Through The 15th 12	Heritage Museum Days, Sharon Woods, Free! 13	Heritage Museum Days, Sharon Woods, Free! 14
Heritage Museum Days, Sharon Woods, Free! 15	6 pm: Western Southern Tennis Open 16	<b>7 pm: Book Club: Women in Sunlight, BGaS</b> 17	18	6-8 pm: Jazz at Seasongood Pavilion, Eden Park 19	<b>5-7 pm: Music, Food and Ice! (food truck stays until 8), BGaS</b> 20	"Dinner on The Patio," Sharonville Conv. Center 21
10:30 am-5 pm: House and Outdoor Living Show 22	<b>4:30-7 pm: Quilting Group Meeting at Clubhouse, BGaS</b> 23	7 pm: Ricky Nye, Blue Ash Concert Series 24	<b>9 am: Coffee and Conversation, BGaS</b> 25	6-8 pm: Jazz at Seasongood Pavilion, Eden Park 26	8 pm: Blue Concert Series on The Town Square 27	"Dinner on The Patio," Sharonville Conv. Center 28
3 pm: Florence Freedom Baseball Game 29	Last Week for Butterfly Show Cincy Conservatory 30	7 pm: Sycamore Community Band, Blue Ash Concert Series 31	<i>August</i>			

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<i>September</i>			1	2	3	4
			Visit The Butterfly Show at The Conservatory	7-9 pm: Roots Revival, Washington Park	8 pm: Blue Ash Summer Concert Series, Soul Pocket	7:30 pm: Ky Symphony, Devou Park
5	<b>LABOR DAY</b> ROSH HASHANAH BEGINS AT SUNSET Butterfly Show Ends at Cincinnati Conservatory 6	7	8	<b>4:30-7 pm: Quilting Group Meeting at Clubhouse, BGaS</b> 9	10	<b>PATRIOT DAY</b> Lebanon Antique Show, Warren County Fairgrounds 11
12	<b>3:30-7 pm: Quilting Group Meeting at Clubhouse, BGaS</b> 13	14	<b>YOM KIPPUR BEGINS AT SUNSET</b> 15	8 pm: Watkins Family Hour Memorial Hall Not Free 16	17	18
3 pm: Florence Freedom Baseball Game		"The Bands Visit" Aronoff Thru Sept. 19	<b>9 am: Coffee and Conversation!, BGaS</b>		6 pm: End of The Rainbow at The Carnegie	<b>12-2 pm: End of Summer Pool Party!, BGaS</b>
19	20	<b>7 pm: Book Club: The Ghosts of Eden Park, BGaS</b> 21	<b>AUTUMN BEGINS</b> Holocaust Speakers Series, Holocaust Humanity Ctr 22	23	24	25
Burlington Antique Show, Boone County Fairgrounds				6:30 pm: Reds Vs. Washington Nationals	<b>4-7 pm: Boat ride, BGaS</b>	Octoberfest: Newport, Ky.
26	<b>4:30-7 pm: Quilting Group Meeting at Clubhouse, BGaS</b> 27	28	29	30	<b>Locations</b> All Bold Events Are Available To Bishop's Gate And Somerset Residents, BGaS	
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