

EASTERN GARDENS CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NOVEMBER 2011

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
		1	2 8:15am Tai-Chi	3 10am Coffee	4 8:15am - Tai Chi	5
6 	7 8:15am - Tai Chi	8  6:30pm Movie Nite	9 8:15am - Tai Chi	10 10am Coffee Resume's Due	11  Veteran Day	12
13	14 8:15am - Tai Chi	15	16 8:15am - Tai Chi 7pm Candidates	17 10am Coffee	18 8:15am - Tai Chi	19
20	21 8:15am - Tai Chi	22	23 8:15am - Tai Chi	24  Thanksgiving	25 8:15am - Tai Chi	26
27	28 8:15am - Tai Chi	29 10am Bookmobile	30 8:15am - Tai Chi			

DECEMBER 2011

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
				1 10am Coffee Ballots Mailed out	2 8:15am-Tai Chi	3
4	5 8:15am - Tai Chi	6  6:30pm Movie Nite	7  Remembrance Dy Peral Harbor	8 10am Coffee	9 8:15am - Tai Chi Vote 3-5pm	10
11	12 8:15am - Tai Chi Vote 4:30-6:30pm	13  Vote 6-7pm 7pm AGM	14 8:15am - Tai Chi	15 10am Coffee	16 8:15am - Tai Chi	17
18	19 8:15am - Tai Chi	20	21 8:15am Tai Chi	22 10am Coffee	23 8:15am - Tai Chi	24
25  Christmas	26 8:15am - Tai Chi	27 10am Bookmobile	28 8:15am - Tai Chi 2-3pm Banjo Time	29 10am Coffee	30 8:15am-Tai Chi	31

AN EMERGENCY IS A PERSONAL SITUATION THAT THREATENS HUMAN LIFE OR PERSONAL PROPERTY AND DEMANDS IMMEDIATE ATTENTION, I.E. MEDICAL, BURGLARY, FIRE, THEFT & ASSAULT — **DIAL 911**

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EASTERN GARDENS CELEBRATES ITS 40TH

2011 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- **James Patrick**
President
- **Kathy Slotterback**
Vice President
- **Donna Schmelz**
Treasurer
- **Ed Healy**
Secretary
- **Chris Manning**
Board Member
- **Diane McKee**
Alternate

On Sunday, October 16, 2011 over 50+ members and staff celebrated Eastern Gardens 40th year as a Cooperative Corporation. The celebration opened with a swing of live piano music as members began to fill their plates. Delicious croissant sandwiches and Greek meat rolls were provided



From left to right: Members Chuck Miller, Julie Young, Dorothy Elliott, Linda Lewelling

along with an assortment of side dishes. The décor set the stage for the 40th occasion and the atmosphere was one of warmth and laughter. At the appointed time, corks were popping and champagne along with sparkling white grape juice was being served. Social Director, Ms. Joan Wood introduced EG Secretary Mr. Ed Healy who proposed a toast to Eastern



From left to right: Members Janice Hoberg, & Joan Wood

Gardens 40th year and gave a special thanks to all previous boards and management staff who have

helped to ensure that Eastern Gardens charter remain what it is today, that is,

“an affordable multi-family housing cooperative”, to which all glasses were raised with smiles and appreciation. It was then that EG’s Vice President Ms. Kathy Slotterback was introduced who being one of the few remaining members with 35+ years with Eastern Gardens. Ms. Slotterback spoke of EG’s earlier years when EG was in its in-

fancy stages, such as, the cost of carrying charges, the changes in boards and management staff, the difficulties and growth between then and now, but said all-in-all, EG was and still is a great place to live and call home.



From left to right: Members Lula Valenty, Nona Weisbart, Marjorie Parker, Margaret Saunders

The Board would like to thank the entire Social Committee for their time and effort and to FPI Management for their financial donation and a special thanks to the membership who supported the event by joining and sharing in Eastern Gardens 40th year celebration.



“Happy Holidays to All and Best Wishes”
Theresa Williams, Mgr.



EASTERN GARDENS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & UPCOMING ELECTIONS

Eastern Gardens Board will be accepting applications for those members interested in running for the 2012 Board of Directors. The Board consists of seven members (i.e., five board members and two alternates). The board and its officers oversee the business and policy making affairs of the Corporation by working together with its management staff (FPI), for example, the annual operating budget, capital improvement plan, rules and regulations, and provide communication to its members. Once elected the Board establishes its meeting times and dates, they meet for few hours with management to review and discuss the needs of the corporation and its membership. Term of office is



**EASTERN GARDENS 2012
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
ELECTIONS & AGM**

one year with the option of one or two board members carrying over for one additional year at the end of their initial term. November is the month when nominations will be accepted. The **dead line** for turning in your application is Thursday, **November 10, 2011** at the business office or to the Elections Chairperson, Ms. Isabelle Andrews #15. **Question and Answer** session for all board candidates is scheduled for **Wednesday, November 16, 2011 at 7:00pm** in the clubhouse. The only skill required is the ability to serve the interest of the corporation and its members. **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** In accordance with our By-Laws, the Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the membership is scheduled for



Tuesday, December 13, 2011 at 7:00 PM in the Clubhouse. One of the most important agenda items is the election of the Board of Directors. Depending on the number of vacancies, usually three, but can be as many as five. Candidate Members with the highest amount of votes comprise the five member board and officers; the remaining candidate members with the least amount of votes become the alternates. The officers of the corporation, i.e., President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer are elected from within the board. (EG Bylaws, Article VI Section 1). **Who May Vote:** Members of record who are in good standing may vote. "Where husband and wife are joint members, each shall be entitled to cast one-half vote (1/2)". Only one vote per household.

MOVIE NITE

All movies will be on the 2nd Tuesday of each month unless otherwise noted. Details are posted inside the laundry rooms. Fifty (50) cents donation includes movie, punch and popcorn. **Where:** Clubhouse @ 6:30 pm. **When and What:** Tuesday—Nov 8th "An Old



Fashioned Thanksgiving" An uplifting story dealing with family values, sharing and caring and helping each other during hard times. Starring: Jacqueline Bisset Rating: PG Drama. Tuesday—Dec 6th "A Christmas Without Snow" An inspiring holiday classic—As Christmas approaches, the choir is pushed to their emotional limits with an ambitious

undertaking of Handel's "The Messiah". Starring: Michael Learned, John Houseman and James Cromwell. Rated: PG Drama. **Point-of-contact:** Kathy Kent @ 482-1533 **NOTE:** Do to the AGM December's movie will be on the first Tuesday of this month and not the second.

**A MERRY HEART
DOETH GOOD LIKE
MEDICINE**

WHAT IS VETERANS' DAY

Veterans Day is an annual United States holiday honoring military veterans. It is a federal holiday that is observed on November 11. It is also celebrated as Armistice Day or Remembrance Day in other parts of the world and falls on November 11, the anniversary of the signing of the Armistice that ended World War I. (Major hostilities of World War I were formally ended at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918 with the German signing of the Armistice.)



The U.S. President Woodrow Wilson first proclaimed an Armistice Day for November 11, 1919. In proclaiming the holiday, he said

"To us in America, the reflections of Armistice Day will be filled with solemn pride in the heroism of those who died in the country's service and with gratitude for the victory, both because of the thing from which it has freed us and because of the opportunity it has given America to show her sympathy with peace and justice in the councils of the nations."

ON A PERSONAL NOTE

As Board Members we've acknowledged and accepted that part of our role is to interact with other members—to answer questions, to defend decisions, to provide information—we do this willingly and most times, with a smile. We've received dozens of letters and phone messages and often responded in a timely fashion; we may not always succeed in getting back to you quickly but we always try. After all, we have a life too!

Now there are a few things that must be said, first—please be polite; we always make every effort to be and we ask the same in return; rudeness

The United States Congress passed a concurrent resolution seven years later on June 4, 1926, requesting that the President Calvin Coolidge issue another proclamation to observe November 11 with appropriate ceremonies. An Act approved May 13, 1938, made the 11th of November in each year a legal holiday; "a day to be dedicated to the cause of world peace and to be thereafter celebrated and known as 'Armistice Day'."

In 1953, an Emporia, Kansas man named Alvin King, the owner of a shoe repair shop, had the idea to expand Armistice Day to celebrate all veterans, not just those who died in World War I. King had been actively involved with the American War Dads during World War II. He began a campaign to turn Armistice Day into "All" Veterans Day. The Emporia Chamber of Commerce took up the cause after determining that 90% of Emporia merchants as well as the Board of Education supported closing their doors on November 11 to honor all veterans. With the help of U.S. Representative Ed Rees, also from Emporia, a bill for the holiday was pushed through Congress. President Dwight Eisenhower signed

it into law on May 26, 1954. Congress amended this act on June 1, 1954, replacing "Armistice" with "Veterans," and it has been known as Veterans Day since. This November 11th please take time to give thanks to all the men and women both military and non-military who sacrificed so much so that we who currently enjoy the peace and freedom of this great nation are proud and thankful for their dedication and sacrifice. **"You are not Forgotten"**.

The difference between Veterans Day and Memorial Day

Memorial Day honors service members who died in service to their country or as a result of injuries incurred during battle. Deceased veterans are also remembered on Veterans Day but the day is set aside to thank and honor living veterans who served honorably in the military - in wartime or peacetime.



We truly take a lot for granted. Forget the football 'heroes' and movie 'stars'. The price for freedom comes at a great price.

Corporation as a whole and not just for few individuals.

You don't need fancy degrees or financial or legal expertise to contribute to the EG community. The only prerequisites for being a contributing member is having a constructive and positive attitude with enthusiasm and the willingness to listen and work with others.

Thank you for your understanding. *Ed Healy, EG Board Secretary*