

# THE ONSET VINE

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#### FOUR CORNER'S CORNER

Four Corners is back in business! It is hard to get by Four Corners without a smile, a wave and the offer of a cup of coffee. Sometimes strangers appear surprised to be so warmly greeted but after the look of surprise, there is always a smile. There aren't many places left where you get a warm greeting and are appreciated by strangers, just for passing by.



There has been lots of raucous laughter at the corner as we share stories and jokes. We aren't sure which we find funnier, Bruce's quips or Louise's facial expressions which quickly follow them. Bruce rings the "Ray Bell" which signals Judy and Ray that their coffee and chairs are awaiting. The celebratory cowbells are being prepared for the road bike racers as they pass the corner.





Four Corners is happy to announce the installation of His and Her All Purpose Seating. As Bruce and Louise relax in their new chairs, they praise the comfort and convenience.

### Wildlife Report from Professor Raymond Courschesne:



Professor Courschesne had an interesting experience two evenings ago. He heard some noise coming from his garage and assuming it was Baby gave her a call. Instead of Baby, out came a large mother racoon and three babies paraded out. Ray had a nice conversation with them and asked that they wait while he found some food. He returned with some bread as his new friends waited patiently. He gave them the bread but unfortunately they did not care for it. As then went to find a more tasty meal, two

more baby racoons emerged from the garage and joined the parade. The mother racoon stopped off at one of the neighbors to get a drink from the fountain.

Ray reports that we have some regular visitors these days. There is a large deer that enjoys hosta in the Four Corner's area. At the Point is a peculiarily shaped fox which regularly lets out a loud barking noise at nights. There continue to be sightings of a flock of about a dozen birds that circle the marsh, suddenly dive down and land in unison. Within a couple minutes they take off and repeat the process several times. The birds are a little larger than pigeons and are a grayish color. Nobody has been able to get close enough to take photo in order to identify them.



### The Onset Great Grape Race Continues

As many of you may remember the Onset Great Grape Race began at Cookson Cottage two years ago. The grape vines were planted at the same time and the competition was underway for the first vine to grow a grape. Last year Rick's grape vine grew four grapes and Scott's total was a little harder to count: It was o. It was a highly controversial competition. Scott was initially declared the winner but the results were contested and after lab analysis it was determined that the grapes "appearing" to grow from Scott's vine were determined to be made of rubber. There was additional controvery when a large sign appeared in front of Rick's vine, saying "Free Grapes". This year there is further controversy. Scott's grape vine is now 8

feet long and getting larger by the hour. Rick's is about 2 feet high, half dead, and suspicions are rising. No allegations of inpropriety have been filed at this point.



Brianna and Laura having difficulty lining up for the race. Grandchildren are GREAT!



If you can identify the location of this prominent figure on the grounds, you win a free cup of coffee at 4 corners.

# "You're Going Down TOWN!!!" "I'm not going.... You're Going..... NOT ME....Your going Down TOWN!!!"



Ravi and Kiran are two of the most naturally athletic boys ever to set foot on the Onset grounds. Last year they amazed people with their athletic prowess on the Pickle Ball Court. All people daring to challenge them were warned of the outcome, "You're going Down TOWN". When Ravi and Kiran peddle by, remember to wish them a good trip, "DOWN TOWN". Laughter is guaranteed.

Thanks go out to Priya and Brian for bringing so many smiles to all of us. We apologize for the year round chants of "You're Going Down Town" that you have been subjected to.

# GUESS WHO? - 1986 REUNION













#### **JULY BIRTHDAYS**



Nancy Peters	July 8th	Joyce Benevides
Heidi Bottomley	July 10th	Stedman Calvarese
Roberta Cook	July 13th	Brandon Minkle
Crystal Munson	July 19th	Jonathan Green
Dan Hanton		Danny Minkle III
Tyler Grange	July 20th	Peter Le Motte
David Long	July 27th	Jeannie Lussier Guinee
	Heidi Bottomley Roberta Cook Crystal Munson Dan Hanton Tyler Grange	Heidi Bottomley July 10th Roberta Cook July 13th Crystal Munson July 19th Dan Hanton Tyler Grange July 20th

## **JULY ANNIVERSARIES**





#### **OUR GIFTWRAP** BY RAMONA DECARIS

(This poem was given to Sylvia by her niece; Gayle Jordan.)

I looked in the mirror and what did I see but a little old lady peering back at me.

With bags and sags and wrinkles and wispy white hair, and I asked my reflection, "How did you Get there? You once were straight and vigorous, now you're stooped and weak.

When I tried so hard to keep you from becoming an antique. "My reflection's eyes twinkled, and she solemnly replied, "You're looking at the giftwrap and not the jewel that is inside."

A living gem so precious, of unimagined worth, unique and true, the real you, the only you on earth.

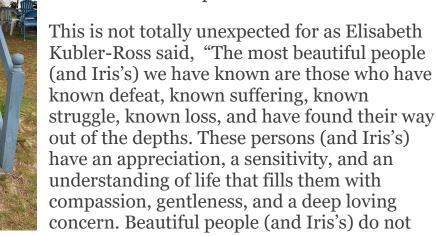
The years that spoil your giftwrap when other things were cruel, should purify and strengthen and polish up that jewel. So focus your attention on the inside, not the out, on being kinder, wiser, more content and more devout.

Then when your giftware is stripped away, your jewel will be set free to radiate God's glory for all eternity

### **House Moving Required......**

Louise has spent countless hours fertilizing, weeding, watering and caring for the Iris's to the left of the door. As shown the photograph the most beautiful one is the

one that received no care and is growing up from under the steps.



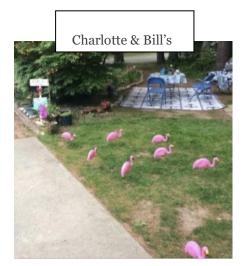


just happen."

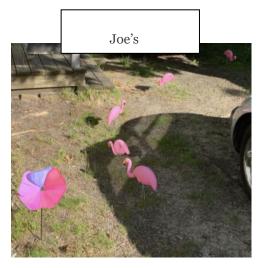
Louise would like to feature this Iris so Bill Brousseau is putting together a work group to pick up the house and move it three feet to the left. Volunteers welcome.

# MEET THE FLOCKERS





















#### SCOTT'S QUIZ FOR THE COFFEE

- 1. Where is Zion?
- 2. How old was Joseph Smith when the church was founded
- 3. Where and how old was Joseph Smith when he died?

Answers are maintained in a sealed stump at 4 Corners. Everyone answering all three questions correctly will be awarded a FREE Cup of Coffee with or without, sweetener and your choice, milk or cream.

#### 4<sup>™</sup> OF JULY?

This Saturday is 4<sup>th</sup> of July and questions are being asked as to how to celebrate. Suggestions have included Social Distancing Egg Toss, Sky Diving onto the ball field, a barbecue, 6 foot apart square dancing. Then somebody came up with a really good idea; History documents that Rachael and Keith did an extraordinary job of coming up with youth activities that were enjoyed by all. If ONLY someone could talk them into putting together some Fourth of July activities for young and old, and very old. Hmmmmm............