



Newsletter | January 2022

Building Community in Tulsa, Oklahoma

Now more than ever, we Heartwood Commoners believe in – and experience every day – the value of community. We are moving toward a June move-in and are excited to share with you our latest news.

Cheers to an Exciting New Year!

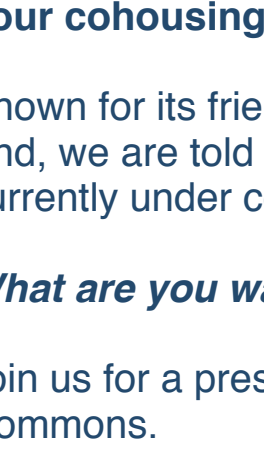


This is the year we will move into our new homes! Our dream of living in Heartwood Commons – a cohousing community where we really know our neighbors – is coming true. We have so much to look forward to... Social connections right outside our front door. Energy-efficient, right-sized homes designed to allow us to age in place better and longer. Shared amenities that are an extension of our homes. And, so much more!

For weeks, months, and sometimes years, we've been walking through our homes thinking "Yes, this goes with me," and "Nope, this doesn't." Some of our members have already sold their homes and are living the apartment life until move-in. Others of us have lots of sorting, selling, throwing out and packing to do. *Lots!*

Now's the time to get serious about what you want for your future.

Are you looking for closer connections in your life? Are you are tired of spending your time and money on a house that no longer meets your needs? Would you enjoy sharing a meal or an impromptu happy hour with your neighbors? Would gardening be more fun if done with friends? Would you like to be able to walk out your front door and run into someone you could have a cup of coffee or glass of wine and a good conversation with? If you answered "yes" to any of these questions... **now's the time to get serious about Heartwood Commons.**



Don't let your options run out

With move-in planned for June, we only have a few two-bedroom homes left. We are already on a wait list for our largest and smallest size homes. Once we are sold out, it will likely be several years before a home becomes available.

Your cohousing dollars go further at Heartwood Commons in Tulsa.

Known for its friendliness, Tulsa is ranked one of the most livable cities in the US. And, we are told our home prices are the lowest of any cohousing community currently under construction in the country.

What are you waiting for?

Join us for a presentation soon to learn how you can be a part of Heartwood Commons.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

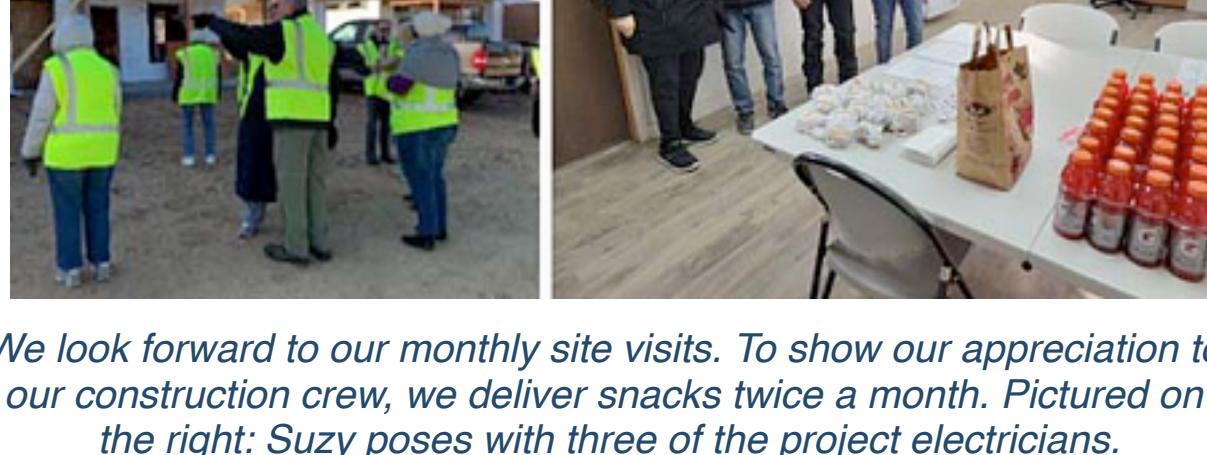
Day by day we are watching our community take shape.



Looking west toward the Common House.



Installation of energy-efficient windows means interior work will begin soon.



We look forward to our monthly site visits. To show our appreciation to our construction crew, we deliver snacks twice a month. Pictured on the right: Suzy poses with three of the project electricians.

Welcoming New Member

Jill



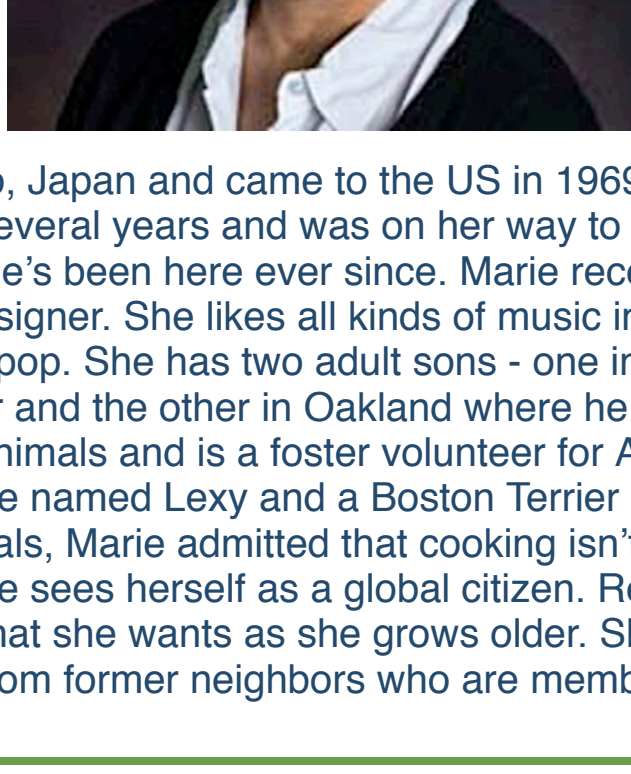
Jill has decided to return to her hometown after spending more than 40 years in California. She is looking forward to spending more time with her two sisters who still live in Tulsa. The fact that her sister, Marcy, will also be living at Heartwood Commons should make that much easier.

For fun, Jill enjoys antiquing, reading, movies, walking and rooting for OU (Boomer Sooner!). She's a fan of rock and roll, and classical music. She's also a good listener – a great skill to bring to Heartwood Commons. *Interesting fact - Jill still has a pair of purple suede quad roller skates for indoor rink skating.* We can't wait to see her skating around the community.

Jill tells us: "COVID increased my feelings of isolation, like it did for many of us. I'm ready for a new chapter in my life. Cohousing offers me the opportunity for a soft landing in Tulsa into a community of active, like-minded individuals, who are friendly, engaging and looking for new ways to enjoy life while aging."

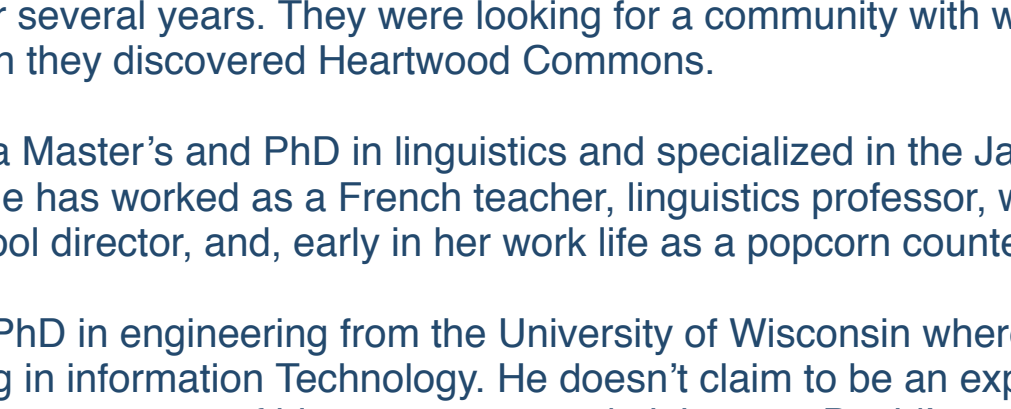
Welcome New Explorers

Marie



Marie was born in Tokyo, Japan and came to the US in 1969. She lived in the Delaware/DC area for several years and was on her way to Phoenix when her car broke down in Tulsa. She's been here ever since. Marie recently retired from her career as a mapping designer. She likes all kinds of music including bluegrass, classical, hip hop and Kpop. She has two adult sons - one in Washington DC where he is a restaurant owner and the other in Oakland where he is an electrician and musician. Marie loves animals and is a foster volunteer for ARF. She has two dogs of her own – a Havanese named Lexy and a Boston Terrier name Yuzu. When discussing common meals, Marie admitted that cooking isn't her thing but she's great at cleaning up. She sees herself as a global citizen. Retirement got her to thinking ahead about what she wants as she grows older. She learned about Heartwood Commons from former neighbors who are members of the community.

Pamela and David



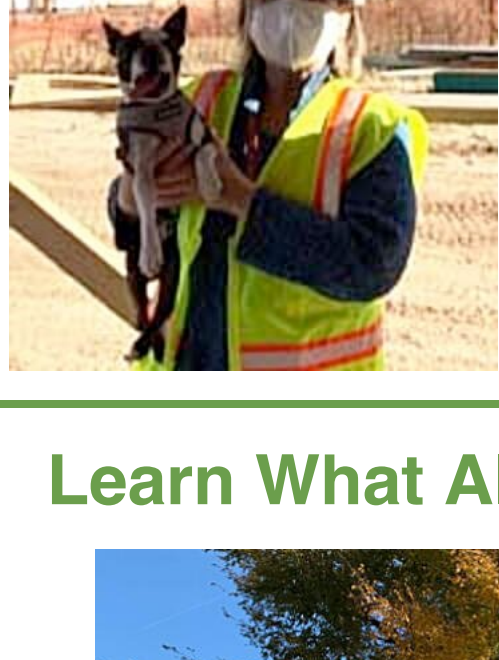
Pamela and David live in Wauwatosa, Wisconsin. They've been interested in cohousing for several years. They were looking for a community with warmer weather when they discovered Heartwood Commons.

Pamela has a Master's and PhD in linguistics and specialized in the Japanese language. She has worked as a French teacher, linguistics professor, weekend Chinese school director, and, early in her work life as a popcorn counter attendant.

David has a PhD in engineering from the University of Wisconsin where he spent 40 years working in information Technology. He doesn't claim to be an expert in fixing PCs, since he spent most of his career as an administrator. David's second career is as a spiritual director.

In retirement, both David and Pamela love to hike, ride bikes and travel. One of Pamela's recent trips was to Japan for a 6-week stay at the Korohan spiritual ecovillage in Japan. Last summer, David did a 100-mile overnight ride for charity on the Road America race track in Elkhart Lake, WI.

David played bagpipes in a pipes and drums marching band until a couple of months ago when he decided it just wasn't fun anymore. He likes to fix things, can write well, and is good at organizing. Pamela enjoys cooking, gardening, beautifying, and teaching SoulCollage which is something she and David both do. Spirituality and continued personal growth are very important to them both.



We are also excited to welcome Dana from Bellingham, Washington, and Karen from Georgetown, Texas who have joined us as new Explorers in the last few days. We are looking forward to introducing them in our February newsletter.

Pictured left: Dana and her dog, Ace, recently stopped by for a visit as they traveled from Wisconsin to Florida.

Learn What All the Excitement is About



Discover Heartwood Commons

Thursday, January 13 at 6:30 pm CT on Zoom

or

Tuesday, January 25 at 6:30 pm CT on Zoom

Meet community members, see our plans and pricing, hear about our construction progress, and get answers to your questions. **Your cohousing dollars will go further at Heartwood Commons in Tulsa, rated one of the most livable cities in the US.** Now is a great time to learn more. We only have a few homes left.

Even if you've attended a previous presentation, we hope you will join us for important updates. Move-in is projected for May/June 2022.

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Heartwood Commons Site Tour

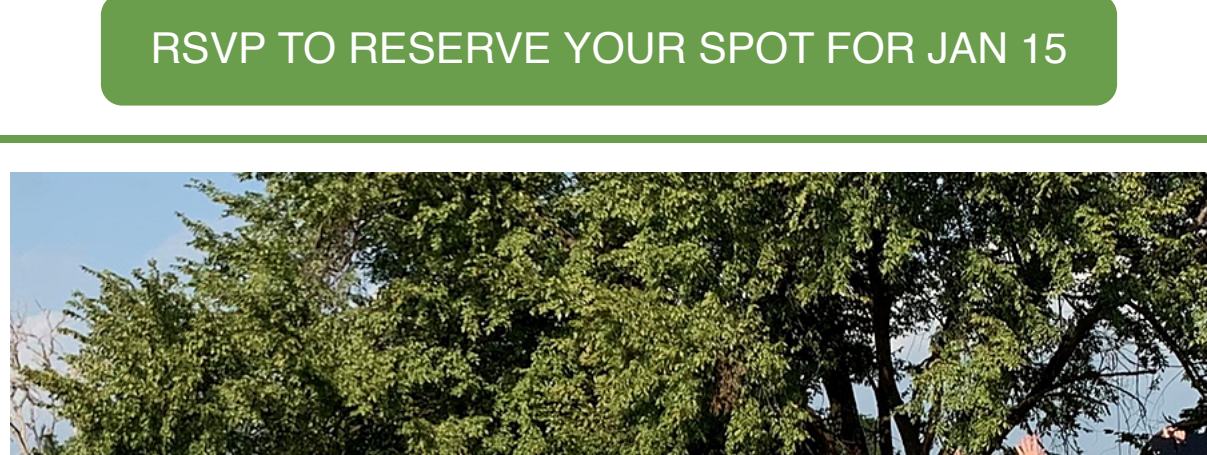
Saturday, January 15 at 10:00 am CT

Meet at Heartwood Commons, 7141 S Quincy, Tulsa, OK

Come see what all the excitement is about! You'll hear from our construction superintendent, see our progress, meet some of our members, and get answers to your questions.

Reservations are required so we can plan for the necessary safety precautions such as hardhats. Plan to wear closed toe shoes and long pants, and you'll be asked to complete a site visit agreement prior to the start of the tour.

[RSVP TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT FOR JAN 15](#)



Site Visit by Appointment

Meet up with Heartwood Commons members to visit the land, see our construction progress and get answers to your questions.

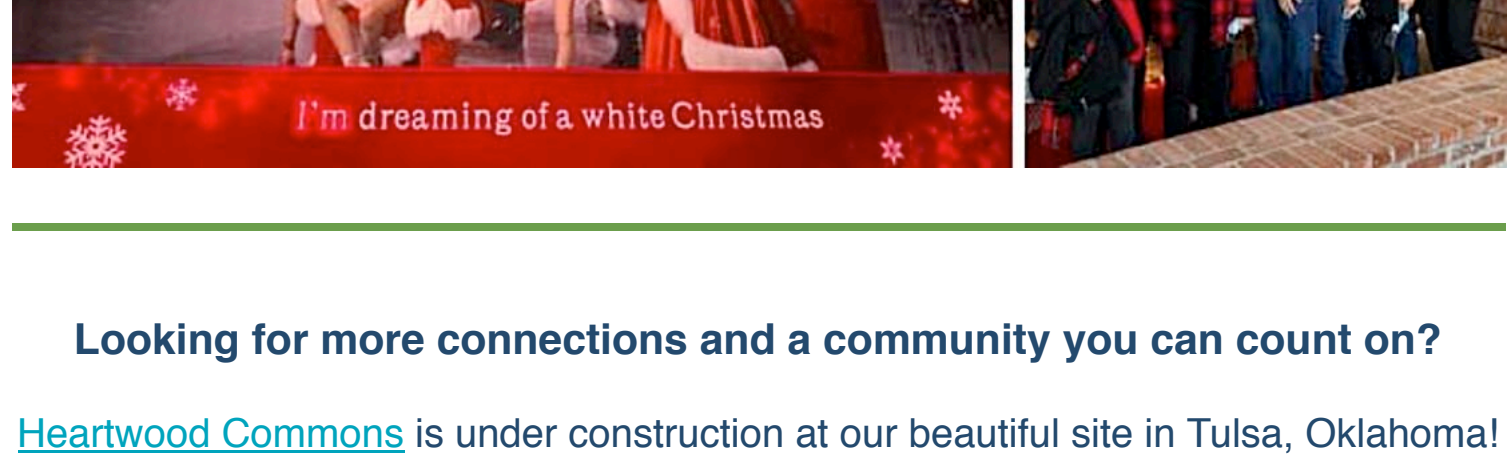
[Email to arrange your site visit.](#)

For more information about our events, please contact Suzy Sharp at 918-519-5298 or email heartwoodcommonstulsa@gmail.com.

New Holiday Traditions in The Making

What fun we had attending the sing-a-long version of the White Christmas movie at the Circle Cinema (Tulsa's only nonprofit historic art house theater) for our December social. We think this should be a new holiday tradition for Heartwood Commons.

We discovered PJ had never seen White Christmas. You never know what kind of fun adventures you'll find when you join Heartwood Commons.



Looking for more connections and a community you can count on?

[Heartwood Commons](#) is under construction at our beautiful site in Tulsa, Oklahoma! Our anticipated move-in date is early summer 2022.

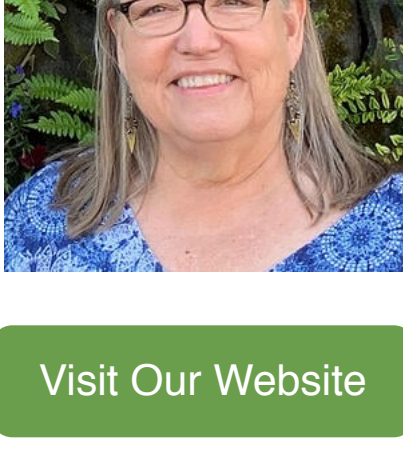
Building a cohousing community is different. We started with a dream and have come together to make it happen. It takes a long view to gather the people together, design our homes and build our community. We still have a few 2-bedroom homes available and we invite you to join us!



To learn more reach out to Suzy, one of our community members. She is happy to visit with you about Heartwood Commons and answer your questions.

Contact her here:

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