



Newsletter | July 2020

**Now more than ever, community matters. Heartwood Commons will be a community you can lean on. We continue to move our project forward and we are excited to share with you our latest news.**



### Ten Reasons People Choose Cohousing

There are many reasons people choose to move to cohousing. Check out the top 10 reasons [HERE](#). If you discover several that spark your interest, we hope you'll attend one of our events listed below to learn more.



### On the Path to Construction

This month, our architects will submit our plans to the City of Tulsa for permitting, and our contractor will solicit construction bids. This will put us on the path to begin construction in early fall. **With only 15 homes left to reserve, now is the perfect time to get involved.** If you have ever considered living in cohousing, we encourage you to reach out to us to learn more about what homes are available and consider joining us as an Explorer. For more information, please click below to learn more.

[Learn More](#)

### Join Now...

- While you can still select from all 4 home sizes. *Some are close to selling out.*
- To receive a \$4,000 discount on the price of your home. *This discount is only available until construction begins.*
- To select the options you'd like for your home including color pallet. *Once construction begins, options are no longer available.*
- To be a part of developing the culture of Heartwood Commons, including our agreements on how we will live together.
- To get to know your future neighbors and enjoy community activities.

### Meet Our Newest Member - Alice



Meet our newest future neighbor Alice, a retired accountant who has recently joined our membership ranks. Although she was born in Illinois, she has lived most of her life in Oklahoma and the last 38 years in Tulsa. She comes to us with many other talents besides her skills in accounting that make her a great neighbor.

As a volunteer Alice has worked with the Alzheimer's Association and as an usher with the Performing Arts Center. She is an accomplished costumer and has worked with Theatre Tulsa for many years. She is currently sewing facemasks for family, friends and members of Heartwood Commons, along with costumes for a pageant. Baking, knitting and gardening round out her creative interests. She admits that being around creative people is "inspiring and fun".

Alice's love of travel has taken her around the world including to Great Britain, Italy, Germany and Switzerland. She has set her sights on future trips to Egypt and Canada. Seeing the Rose Parade up close is on her bucket list.

Closer to home she admits to being a fan of the Pittsburgh Penguins hockey team. That will surely bring out some team spirit discussions in the Common House!

As you can Alice's retirement has been anything but boring. We are looking forward to fun and interesting conversations with her. She is looking forward to having that "sense of belonging to a community" that Heartwood Commons will provide.

### Join Us for an Event to Learn More

#### Learn About Heartwood Commons

**Tuesday, July 14 | 6:30 pm CST on Zoom**

Join us for this on-line event where we will provide an overview of Heartwood Commons. See our plans and pricing. Learn about our progress. Get answers to your questions. Find out how you can reserve a home.



[Read More & RSVP HERE](#)

#### Dig In to Heartwood Commons

**Two dates to choose from**  
**Saturday, July 18 | 11 am CST on Zoom**  
**Thursday, July 23 | 6:30 pm CST on Zoom**

This on-line meeting is designed for those who have attended a previous event and/or know a little about Heartwood Commons. We will dig in and share the details of the project including home and community house plans, the green considerations and plans for construction, our legal structure and operating governance, and how you can become a member including financial commitments.



[July 18 RSVP HERE](#)  
[July 23 RSVP HERE](#)

#### Tour Heartwood Commons

**Two dates to choose from**  
**Tuesday, July 16 | 10 am CST**  
**Sunday, July 26 | 10 am CST**

**Heartwood Commons**  
**7141 S Quincy, Tulsa, OK**  
Join us for a tour of the land (using social distancing guidelines). Meet some of our members. Get answers to your questions.



[July 16 RSVP HERE](#)  
[July 26 RSVP HERE](#)



#### Online Explorer Orientation

**Thursday, July 30 | 6:30 pm CST on Zoom**

Intrigued with Heartwood Commons? We invite you to become an Explorer and check us out. This on-line orientation will give you the details of how you can dive deeper into the details of our project by observing our Member Business Meetings, reviewing our legal and financial documents, joining us for our social times, and more. Being an Explorer is a great way to see if we might be the community for you.

Please call community member Suzy at 918-519-5298 with questions or to RSVP to this Orientation.



### Porch Sitting – Heartwood Commons Style with Claudia and Larry

*by Jan Owen*

It was a breezy summer morning when Claudia and Larry sat down with me for our porch chat. Claudia points out that the porch is facing east, just as their new porch in Heartwood Commons will be. That means plenty of afternoon shade. Their screened in porch is appointed with a beautiful large dining table (made by Larry) and colorful Adirondack chairs. It is here where Larry can escape mosquitos and enjoy the view of the koi pond, fountain and stream. Claudia declares that the porch is her "favorite room in the house". The couple sit together and enjoy a laugh while we admire the yard full of native plants that attract pollinators. Claudia explains that none of the landscaping was present when they moved into this home. They are already planning what they will plant at Heartwood Commons (native plants, of course). They also maintain a small vegetable and herb patch. An accomplished DIYer Larry has constructed a garden shed. He also assists Claudia in yard maintenance. An accomplished basket weaver, Claudia demonstrates as she works on a project which will be a lampshade for her dressing table. On display is a previous project, a decorative lamp she made by covering a bottle with basketry and inserting a string of lights. It is obvious that this couple will bring many talents to our Heartwood Commons Community and what fun we will have being neighbors!

We invite you to discover porch sitting – Heartwood Commons style – with a home of your own in our community. Call Suzy at 918-519-5298 or email [heartwoodcommonstulsa@gmail.com](mailto:heartwoodcommonstulsa@gmail.com) for more information.

**Choose *where* you live and *how* you live. Heartwood Commons offers another choice.**



#### More About Heartwood Commons

Heartwood Commons is a vibrant, progressing cohousing community for proactive adults under development in Tulsa, Oklahoma, one of our country's most livable cities. Tulsa features a small town feel with all the amenities of a larger city, and an affordable, low cost of living.

**We currently have 60% of our homes reserved and expect to break ground by mid-September. Reserve your home now!**

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Call 918-519-5298 to talk to member Suzy Sharp