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BY CLARKSON VALLEY MAYOR SUE MCNAMARA, RESIDENT OF KEHRS MILL ESTATES  
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My garden is beginning to look a bit overgrown [read: messy], heliopsis flowers are remarkably indicative of the amount of hours of sun we get and mine are losing their blooms. The trees are shifting from the vibrant green of summer and turning that flat shade of green that precedes the brilliance of fall colors. We are blessed (or cursed) with an abundance of wildlife and the fawns of spring have lost their spots. We'll soon hear the yips of coyotes, you may see a turkey or two, we've

begun dodging the “thwack” of huge white oak acorns and the squirrels in my oak tree have been busily re-decorating their condos.

Fall is one of my favorite times of the year; it's time for a little reflection: it's the quiet before the storm of the holidays; surprisingly, Labor Day has passed, the pools are closed, and school has started. Baseball is winding down, Marquette Football and Band practice is on display, with performances by each soon to start. The kids are outfitted

with new school clothes and shoes (“How did those pants get so short on you?”, and “Those tennis shoes cost *HOW MUCH?!“*). I know a group of moms who gather at the bus stop every year on the first day of school to wave off the kids and immediately break out a pitcher of margaritas. Smart ladies.

This is what we call the shoulder season, and it is a time to shift gears and prepare for a new season. I am excited; it's still hot, but we know the air *will* soon be cooler, we'll take a

deep breath and smell the smoke of chimney fires. We are transitioning.

Your Council has also been busy transitioning. I cannot say enough great things about our Boards; they are an amazingly talented group of people who are so very generous with their time and efforts, and we have been working on lots of changes. During the campaign, and since the election, I listened to your comments about what you thought we needed to change in our City, including updating our web access, ARPA fund distribution, new members on our P&Z, Adjustment and Architecture Review Boards, etc., and while we can't make everything happen as quickly as we'd like, next month I will be sharing specifics about some of the things we've accomplished. I hope you'll be as excited and delighted about them as we all are.

*Sue McNamara*

Mayor  
Clarkson Valley



Sue is a 36-year resident of Clarkson Valley. Her children, Steve and Leah are Marquette graduates. A proud member of a military family, Sue's previous career as a

Senior Account Executive at Anheuser Busch spanned 20 years. She previously served on the Board of Kehrs Mill Estates Residents Association as well as the past five years on the Clarkson Valley Board of Aldermen. Sue is also a Certified Sommelier!



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We are originally from New Delhi, India. Shakti is an IT professional holding a senior position at a Telecom company. Reenu completed her post-doctoral research on Cancer Biology from Georgia State University and since 2018 is involved in Teaching

Biology at a University/College level. During her biology research career, she published more than a dozen research papers in indexed peer-reviewed journals & abstracts, published in conference's souvenirs along with a few chapters in books. These days Reenu is enjoying spending her time and knowledge with her 12-year-old son and with her students.

When it comes to our favorite activities, our family members know how to have fun! Shakti is a tech guy who enjoys doing R & D on new tech applications. Besides technology, he has extraordinary culinary skills. He is always trying new food whenever he has time. Being a philosopher, Reenu enjoys reading. Reading is very important for her besides that, she has been practicing Yoga for the last 20 years. Yuvraj is a certified second-degree black belt in Taekwondo from Tonchu Martial arts academy in Georgia. He also played basketball and Soccer for many years. For sports these days he is focusing his time playing tennis. He has played in GATEWAY and these days is working to get ready for USTA matches. He likes to play cricket, table tennis, and swim when he's not busy. When he is in his room he loves to play video games and post on his YouTube channel.

When it comes to hanging out, we enjoy playing in our backyard. We love to hang out in Lifetime Fitness, Faust Park, and Babler State Park. We always enjoy eating at PF Changs and the Cheese Cake Factory. One of the important celebrations in our culture is Diwali. Diwali is a festival of lights and we celebrate it with lots of joy and cooking traditional dishes. In addition to Reenu's active life, she is actively involved in many types of volunteer activities which include advising students, volunteer talks/lectures on biology topics in high school and had previously been involved in rescuing pets in Georgia.



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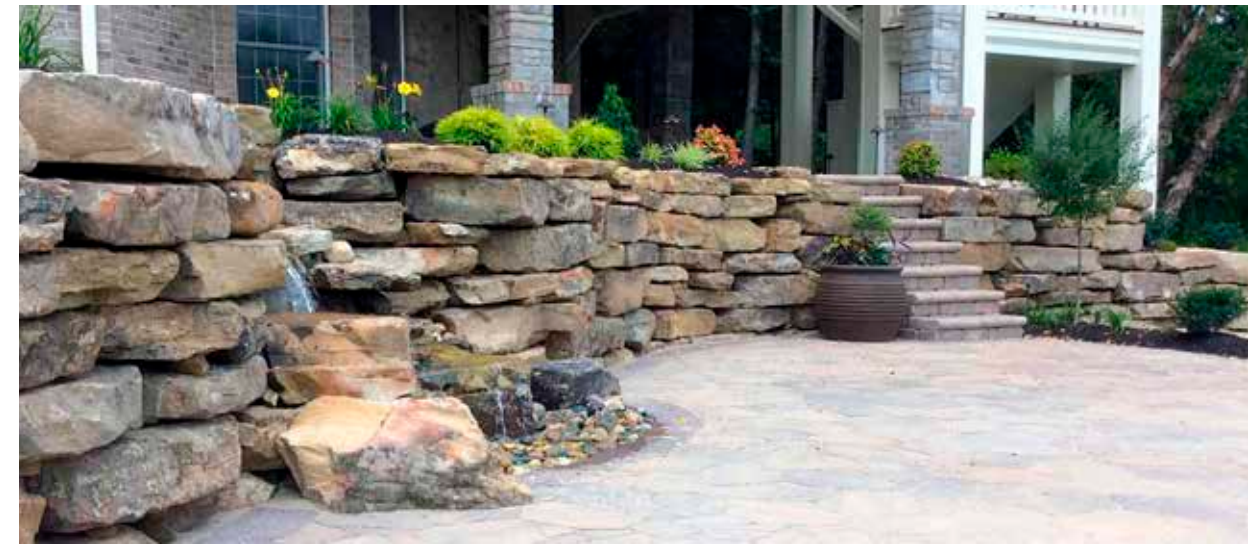
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Susie Powers & Theresa Karutz

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From left to right in the back are Steve & Susie Powers with friends visiting from Kansas City in front!

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**Grandparent's Name:** Carol Presley  
**Nickname:** Mimi  
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**Grandchild's Name:** Liam Jones  
**Age:** 13

**QUESTIONS MIMI ASKED LIAM:**

**What do you want to be when you grow up and why?** I want to be either a pro volleyball player or a businessman with my own engineering firm.

**What's one way you think the world will be different when you're my age?** I think people will live longer, there will be lots of technological advancement, and people will use more technology.

**What's your favorite family tradition?** I like that every summer my mom plans adventures for us. Christmas is a tradition that I like.

**What makes you happy?** I am happy when I am around my friends.

**What are you afraid of? What makes you feel better or less afraid?** I am afraid of death. My belief that I will live in another way and be saved by God.



**What kind of chores do you do at home? What are you saving money to buy?** My chores are: cleaning my room, putting laundry away, and helping with dinner. I save my money for my future and college.

**What's your favorite thing to do with me?** I like looking at your photo albums and playing badminton.

**How many grandchildren do you think you'll have when you're my age?** I think I'll have six.

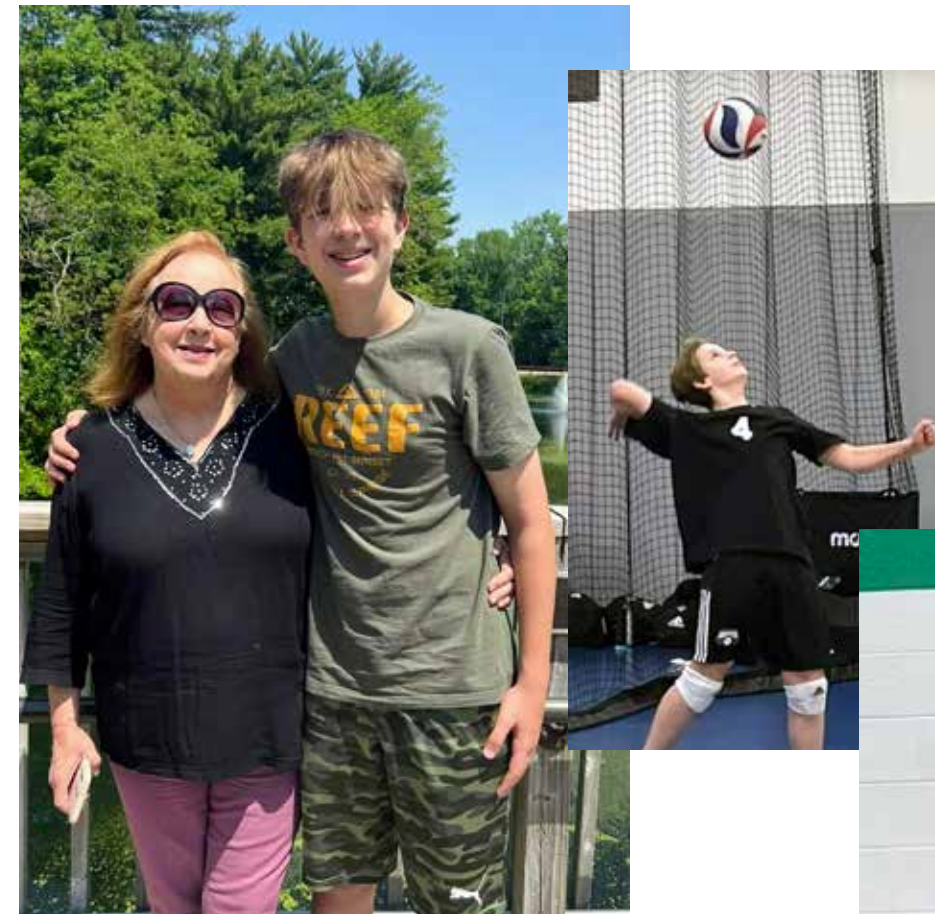
**If you could change one thing about the world, what would it be?** I would solve world hunger.

**Who is your hero?** My dad.

**QUESTIONS LIAM ASKED MIMI:**

**When you were my age, what did you want to be when you grew up?** I wanted to be a doctor.

**What's one way the world was different when you were my age?** We played outside all the time.



Generation Conversation is a way for a grandparent and grandchild to learn more about each other and how the world has both changed and stayed the same. To be featured, email Ximena.Bolanos@n2co.com.

**What makes you happy?** I am happy when I am with my family and friends.

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Paige Dolan, Chelsea Plunkett, & Jenna Kimes



Abby James, McKay Gibson, Ella O'Donnell at Green & White Night, the last practice of the year for the FHCC Swim Team!



Drake Miller, Archer Abel, Luke Masterson & Thomas Donaldson



Isla Blanner, Maggie Rector, Charlotte Mohan, Felicity Parks with their first place ribbons!



Pierce Cunningham, Carter Zenk, Ted Walsh, Carter Probst with their first place ribbons!



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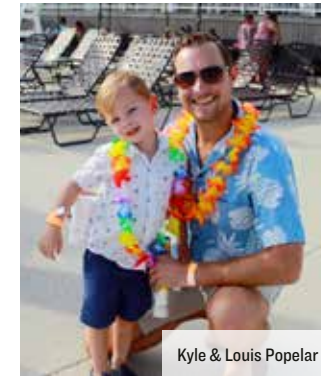
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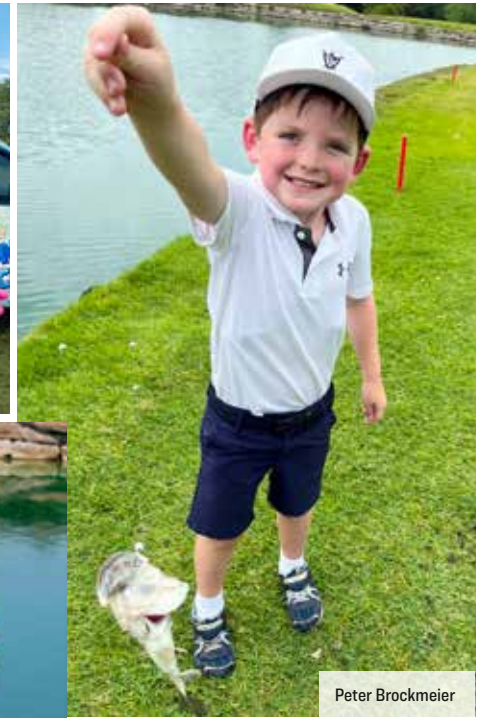
The Young family



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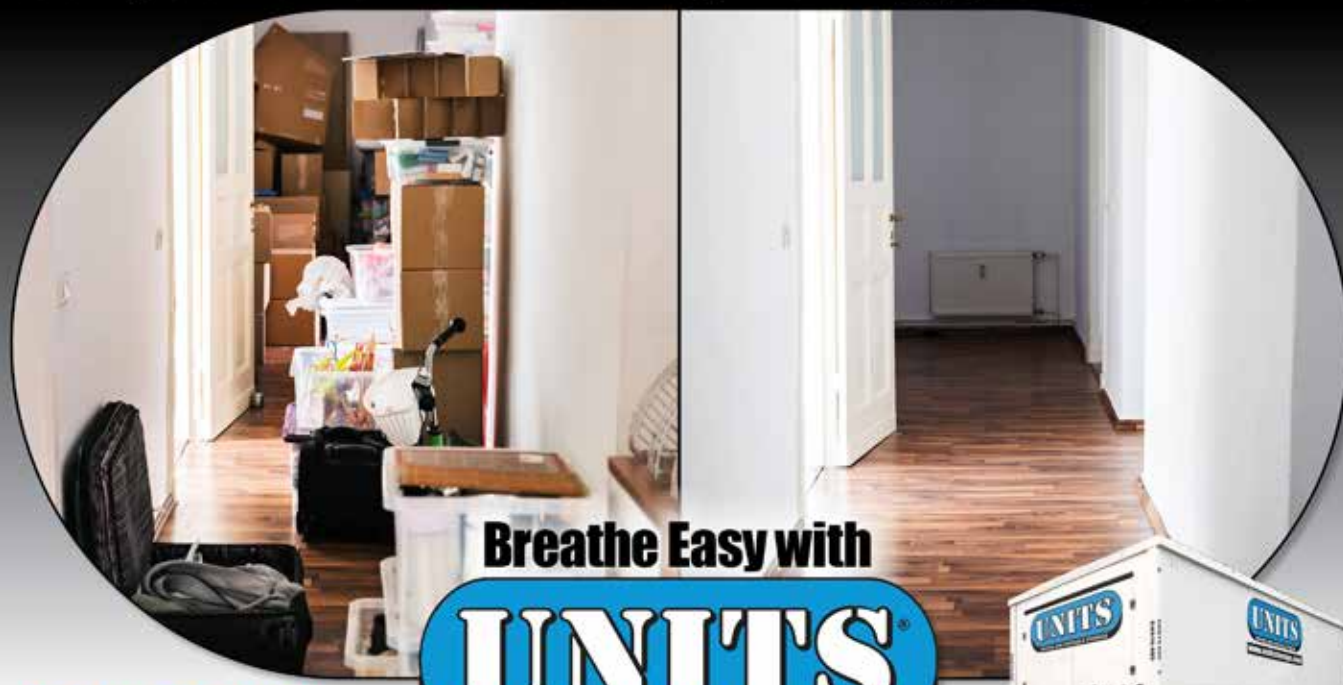
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