

The Villager

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REMEMBERING VILLAGE ON THE ISLE!

Submitted by Don Hillerich, Chaplain

For 36 years Residents, Staff Members and Friends of Village On The Isle, have remembered VOTI in their Wills and Estate Planning. Their gifts have strengthened the ongoing care, facility improvements and programs available to current and future residents.

Everyone is encouraged to pray about following their example. Bequests of a fixed percentage or dollar amount of one's assets will continue to under gird the mission. Contact your attorney to add a bequest to your Will or contact Chaplain Don about Deferred Gifts that offer income and other advantages.

YOU ARE WELCOME TO BIBLE STUDY!



Each Monday afternoon at 2:00 PM in Renaissance II, Chaplain Don is offering a bible study on the Book of Daniel. Conducted to enlighten, inspire and motivate discussion, all are welcome. Previous attendance is not a prerequisite. If you do not have a bible, one will be provided.

MARY'S BOUTIQUE

Submitted by Pat Radcliffe, Secretary

Mary's Boutique is open Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday from 10:00 AM until 12:00 Noon. Stop in and browse.

We enjoy sharing our lovely and often unique items of clothing and jewelry, etc., with you. You may not need it, but you might love to have it!!

Thanks for all your donations.

GRATUITY-PLAN AHEAD

More than a month has gone by since our Gratuity Party, thanking our 275 hourly employees for all the service they give us. NOW is the time to THINK-PLAN AHEAD-BE COMPASSIONATE: They are dedicated members of our "Family".

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Submitted by Jean Chapman, Chairman

Greetings to all. We hope you had a nice holiday season and are ready to start 2019. Our committee is preparing to start our campaign for scholarship money. Our employees are so grateful for the monies they receive to further their education. We help them reach their goals with our generosity. Our scholars come from all over our campus, from dining services to health care. We accept applications all year long and deal with each one personally. They must have worked a year at VOTI to apply for a scholarship. Please take part in this once a year campaign.

VILLAGE STORE

Submitted by Jean Chapman

The Village Store is open and has a few Valentine gifts and cards. We welcome any donation. Please bring them to the Venetian Room for us to price and sell. We don't take electronics unless the owner leaves their name and telephone number so that we can talk to them about their donation. We are still looking for volunteers. Please call the Activities office at 5469 or Jean Chapman at 5122 with questions.

Thanks again to all our volunteers who put in hours to make our store a success.

FEBRUARY CRAFTY CREATIONS

Submitted by Dolores Balla

If you are interested, we are still selling the Psalm 23 bracelet for \$5.00. Call Linda MacMonigle, at 5140.

Our crafters will also be making bead bracelets for Cancer Awareness. An explanation of the bead colors will also be included. They will be sold alongside the Relay For Life shirts for \$10.00. We hope you will buy one.

All are invited to join Bonnie Hurley on Monday, February 11, from 1:00 to 2:30 PM in the Venetian Room to make origami cranes.

Getting To Know Your Neighbor

Submitted by Nancy Chatfield



Jerry and Gail Authier

Jerry and Gail moved to VOTI in April, 2018.

They were both born in Detroit, MI. Jerry's family moved to Dearborn Heights, MI,

where he grew up and attended school. He graduated from Inkster Roosevelt High in 1960—go Bulldogs! Jerry has two sisters and two brothers.

Gail's family, including one older brother, moved to Dearborn, MI, where she graduated from Dearborn Fordson High in 1961—go Tractors! The Tractors school mascot was a 1923 Fordson Tractor painted blue and gold.

Even though they only lived five miles apart, they didn't meet until they were both freshmen at Eastern Michigan University. They got engaged during their senior year and were married just two weeks after they graduated! They both taught school for four years in Waterford Township, MI. Gail taught kindergarten and Jerry taught Junior High Industrial Arts.

They moved to Ossineke, MI (in Alpena County) in 1969 and their first child, Staci, was born three months later. Jerry taught at Thunder Bay Junior High and Gail was a stay-at-home mom. During this time, Jerry commuted to Michigan State University and completed his MA in Guidance and Counseling. In 1971, they moved to a 60.5 acre farm in Heron, MI, where their second child, a son, Jamey was born six weeks later.

When Gail returned to work, she was employed as the Preschool Special Education Consultant for the Alpena-Montgomery Alsona Educational Service District. It was during this time, that she completed her MA + 30 hours at Central Michigan University. Jerry began his counseling career in the junior high and then transferred to the high school where he finished his career, retiring in 1996. Gail retired in 1998.

In 1985, they opened Authier's Photos for Folks, a full-line photo studio and operated it until 2006. Jerry and Gail came to Venice as snowbirds in 1998 and became full time residents in 2006, living in Country Club Estates.

Gail is the Vice-Chair of our General Resident Council. Greet the Authiers along the way!

READERS' THEATRE MEETING

Monday, February 25 • 10:00 AM • RR I

Have you caught the acting bug? Do you have a secret desire to perform? Well, here's your chance to find out. Discover the magic that brings scripts to life! On February 25, Pam Kiefert, a former school teacher and member of the Silver Foxes will explore the possibilities of starting a Readers' Theatre, an acting workshop, or a full drama group at Village On The Isle. No experience is required. Come and explore this new exciting adventure. It'll be a lot of fun!

Heart & Soul

Brian Gurl & Katherine Alexandra

Sunday, February 17
7:00 PM
Hibiscus Dining Room
Seating is limited. Please RSVP to the Dining Room Hostess.

Presented by the Marketing and Activities Departments.

Congratulations!

February Birthdays

FEBRUARY

Shirley Piotrowski	Loft 216	05
Allyn Hemenway	Loft 139	06
Joseph Krotz	Loft 135	07
Harry Kaplun	Loft 411	11
Nancy Youngblood	Loft 215	12
Ruth Rohde	Loft 314	20
Monica Miller	Loft 141	22
Peter Cunningham	MH 609	03
Twig Nelson	MH 603	05
Audrey Mahoney	MH 613	06
Mickey Drda	MH 614	10
Mike Metzger	MH 316	10
Jim Cauthorn	MH 216	13
Marian Batzer	MH 506	14
Art Bell	MH 109	14
Jerry Authier	MH 631	19
Linda MacMonigle	MH 528	21
Kathleen Oppermann	MH 221	23
Ed Boudreaux	MH 313	24
Jack Jones	MH 629	24
Roleen Lewis	MH 114	27
Hilde Cross	TH 154	06
Fran Schrader	TH 359	06
Ann Nestor	TH 561	07
Jean Cryor	TH 261	13
Bernice Grandstaff	TH 250	22
Dorothy Harold	TH 256	27

Welcome New Residents

Tom & Cindy Henry	C 904
Dotty Lee	C 909
Ben and Helen Zeigler	MH 314
Clem Bethel and Judy Roberts	MH 306

CHANGE OF TIME

Line Dancing will be on the second, third and fourth Sundays at 3:00 PM and Walk For Health held on Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays will also be held at 3:00 PM in Renaissance Room I.

FEBRUARY MID-WEEK WORSHIP

Wednesdays • 9:30AM - 10:00 AM • RR I

February 6

Rev. Michael Mansperger

Presbyterian Church of the Covenant

Guest Musican: Kathy Donkus, Celtic Harp

February 13

Fr. Marcel Dube

Epiphany Cathedral Catholic Church

February 20

Rev. Larry Wright

Associate Pastor, Faith Lutheran Church

February 27

Fr. Gary Wilde

Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd

Guest Vocal Duet: Gail and Jerry Authier

CHURCH BUS SCHEDULE

Fall Schedule

8:15 AM First Baptist

8:15 AM Epiphany Cathedral

9:15 AM St. Mark's Episcopal

9:30 AM Emmanuel Lutheran

10:30 AM Venice Presbyterian

10:45 AM Grace United Methodist

FEBRUARY FORUM

Monday, February 18 • 10:00 AM • RR I

We are fortunate to have Pastor Betty Landis, from Grace Lutheran Church in LaGrange, IL. Pastor Betty, daughter of resident Marqueta Landis will present a Power-Point program on her trip to Israel and Pakistan.



GROUNDHOG DAY

Punxsutawney Phil was named after King Phillip. Prior to being called Phil, he was called Br'er Groundhog. Punxsutawney held it first Groundhog Day in the 1800's. The first official trek to Gobbler's Knob was made on February 2, 1887.



Submitted by Susan Haley, Resident Service Coordinator

By Ashley Huntsberry-Lett

Part one of a two part series.

There is an important distinction between medically necessary home health care and personal care services provided by an unskilled caregiver. Understanding the difference between these two levels of care is key to determining who is eligible for Medicare-covered in-home services.

Only home health care services prescribed by a doctor and provided by skilled caregivers are covered by Medicare, but patients must meet specific eligibility requirements.

Who Can Receive Home Care Covered by Medicare?

Individuals must have coverage through Medicare Part A (Hospital Insurance) and/or Medicare Part B (Medical Insurance) and meet the following four criteria as set forth by Medicare.gov:

1. Eligible recipients must be under the care of a doctor. The doctor must prescribe a plan of care that involves medically necessary services for the treatment or maintenance of a health condition. This care is intended to be short term, so the doctor is required to re-certify the plan of care every 60 days.
2. Eligible recipients must be certified by a doctor as homebound. This means it requires a considerable and taxing effort to leave the home because of reliance on a mobility aid (e.g. cane, wheelchair or walker), special transportation, or the assistance of another person to do so. An individual does not have to be bedridden to be

considered homebound and can still qualify even if they are able to leave home for medical treatments, adult day care, and short, infrequent nonmedical outings, such as religious services and family gatherings.

3. Eligible recipients must have a doctor's certification of need for at least one of the following services:
 - **Intermittent skilled nursing care.** Intermittent means part-time services that are needed "less than seven days per week or less than eight hours per day over a period of three weeks or less." There are some exceptions in special circumstances, but Medicare generally will not cover additional care.
 - **Skilled therapy services.** These services can include physical therapy (PT), speech-language pathology (SLP) and occupational therapy (OT) and a qualified therapist must administer them. The services must be necessary to improve the patient's condition in a reasonable and somewhat predictable period of time, to create an initial maintenance program for the condition, or to safely and effectively engage in a maintenance program with proper supervision and instruction.
4. Home health care services must be provided by a Medicare-certified home health care agency.

Next month we will explore what is covered under Medicare.

WELLNESS HAPPENINGS:

Blood Pressure Clinics:

Matthew Hall: MH 3rd Floor Lounge

Friday, February 1 - 1:00-1:30 PM

Friday, February 15 - 1:00-1:30 PM

Trinity Hall: Phoenix Room

Wednesday, February 13 - 1:00-1:30 PM

Medical Gardens Hearing Clinic:

Meals on Wheels Room in Mark Manor

Tuesday, February 12 - 1:00-2:00 PM

Contemporary Hearing Clinic:

Meals on Wheels Room in Mark Manor

Monday, February 18 - 1:00-4:00 PM



YEAR OF THE PIG BEGINS THIS MONTH

Submitted by Bonnie Hurley



The traditional Chinese lunar calendar begins February 5 this year, ringing in another Year of the Pig, which comes around every 12 lunar years.

If you or someone in your family was born in any of the following lunar years or will be born this lunar year, Bonnie Hurley (5159, MH 616) will make you an Origami Pig designed by Origami artist Sok Song to keep or give.

Jan. 30, 1911 to Feb. 17, 1912; Feb. 16, 1923 to Feb. 4, 1924; Feb. 4, 1935 to Jan. 23, 1936; Jan. 22, 1947 to Feb. 9, 1948; Feb. 8, 1959 to Jan. 27, 1960; Feb. 13, 1983 to Feb. 1, 1984; Jan. 31, 1995 to Feb. 18, 1996; Feb. 18, 2007 to Feb. 6, 2008; Feb. 5, 2019 to Jan. 24, 2020.

TEAM VOTI RELAY FOR LIFE FUNDRAISER

Wednesday, February 13 • 3:30-4:30 PM
Loft Dining Room

Join the spirit of camaraderie and compassion as we work together to save lives from cancer. We will come together to recognize the survivors and caregivers at a Valentine's Cocktail Hour. Wine and cheese will be served and a \$10.00 donation is suggested for the American Cancer Society. Together, we're making a difference – and you can, too!

RELAY FOR LIFE TEE-SHIRTS AVAILABLE



It's that time of year again. The money raised for the sale of our Team VOTI Relay For Life tee-shirts will go towards our overall team fundraising goal of \$5,000. Please help by wearing your beautiful aqua-colored tee-shirt every Thursday until April 26. You can purchase one for a suggested \$10.00 donation from Susan Haley in the Health and Wellness office, Room 112.

RESIDENT COUNCIL IN ACTION

*Submitted by Maryann Frazen,
President, Resident Council*

At the February 21 meeting, Joel Anderson will bring us the developments here at VOTI. In addition, Bonnie Hurley and Paula Gorgoglione will discuss the Great Backyard Bird Count, which was conducted here.

Under the new bylaws drafted by the Governance Committee and adopted by the residents in December, 2018. The Executive Committee is composed of the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and previous President. The General Resident Council is made up of the Executive Committee, floor chairs and Standing Committee chairs.

The General Residents Council is held the third Thursday of each month at 2:00 PM. Residents are invited to attend any of the above meetings, but especially the General Residents Council.



VENICE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Tuesday, February 19 • 6:15 PM

Topic: "Calusa Legacy." Presented by Cindy Bear, Coordinator: Programs and Services, Randell Research Center, Calusa Heritage Trail, Pineland, Florida.

Second in a series of five lectures with the theme "Southwest Florida's Native Americans".

Ms. Bear will provide an overview of the Calusa civilization and include information on the methods that archaeologists and historians have used to piece together the Calusa.



NEW MEDICARE CARDS

Don't forget to provide a copy of your new Medicare Cards to Health & Wellness.

NEWS FROM YOUR LIBRARIES



MATTHEW HALL NEWS

Submitted by Jean Mead and Bonnie Hurley, MH Librarians

February is Presidents Month and Matthew Hall library has quite a variety of presidential books from George Washington to Donald Trump. If you like U.S. political history, check out one of our books.



One of my personal favorite presidential biographies is *Team of Rivals* by Doris Kearns Goodman who relates the turmoil in the Lincoln Administration during the Civil War. Lincoln and his Cabinet were bitter rivals but they were able to put aside their differences for the good of the country.

February 15th is the last day to submit your suggestions of a name for our resident bookworm. Thanks for your ideas. We'll let you know the winner.

We could use any 'coffee table book' you might be willing to donate (for placing in public areas in Matthew Hall). We would also welcome any book review or suggestions for future columns and also at least one more volunteer library helper. Just give Bonnie at 5159 or Jean at 5132 a call.

TRINITY HALL NEWS

Submitted by Charlie Gorgoglione

There are two books in VOTI's libraries dealing with the controversial life of Frank Sinatra:

1. *The Voice* - From his birth in Hoboken, New Jersey to his academy award performance in *From Here to Eternity*. (Trinity Library)

2. *The Chairman* - The concluding volume to that biography, does a similarly nimble job of tracing the singer's continued rise to international fame. (Matthew Library)



Both books are written by James Kaplan. It is astonishing how this "Master of the American Songbook" accomplished great star recognition considering the fact that he was a high school dropout and he could not even read music!

If nothing else, it is a worthwhile read in American history for people of our generation, and this is the context in which it must be approached. It is very well explained and documented: A highly recommended reading!

LIBRARY BOOK CLUB

Tuesday, February 19 • 3:00 PM • MH 424



Below Stairs, the classic kitchen maid's memoir written by Margaret Powell that inspired "Upstairs, Downstairs" and "Downtown Abbey" will be the book discussed by the Library Book Club on February 19. The group meets at 3:00 PM

in MH apt. 424 every third Tuesday of the month. Each month the members are given a copy of the book chosen by the members for the following month. New members are welcome. You do not need to buy, rent, or download the book.

WRITERS WANTED

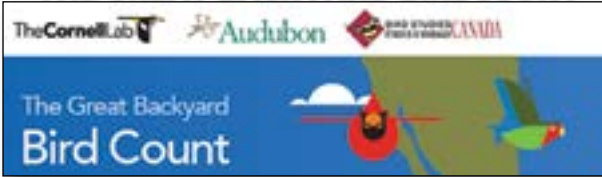
Here's your chance to be published! The Villager is looking for writers who are interested in contributing articles. Contact Kathleen at 5469.

VOTI'S WILD SIDE

Submitted by

Paula Gorgoglione and Bonnie Hurley

THE GREAT BACKYARD BIRDCOUNT



Every year in February, the Cornell Lab of Ornithology and the National Audubon Society invite people to spend some time over a four-day weekend to look for birds and report what they find, wherever they are. Unlike the Christmas Bird Count, which has established areas where birds must be counted every year, the Great Backyard Bird Count (GBBC) does not dictate where to look for birds. People count them in their backyard, at a park, or the beach, or a swamp. They sit in one place or they count as they walk. The “G” in GBBC may as well stand for “Global” for this citizen science effort now has more than 160,000 participants of all ages and walks of life worldwide. Individuals who have established an online eBird account submit checklists of the birds they see at bird-count.org and the results are displayed immediately. Last year, 167 species were seen in Sarasota County. This year, we’d like to submit a count of birds seen on the VOTI campus during the GBBC, from February 15th through the 18th. We need your help!

The rules are simple. Each day during the count, sit or walk outside anywhere on the campus and make a list of all the birds you see. Aim for 15-minutes and count how many of each species you see and do not count the same bird more than once during your 15 minutes. If you already have an account at eBird, go ahead and submit your count information. If you do not wish to do this, please submit each list you make to us and we will do it on VOTI’s behalf! Make a new list for each concentrated count time and note the day and time. We have prepared sheets for you to use for this that you can pick up at the Activities office in Matthew Hall.

We have permission to erect a bird feeder between Trinity and Luke Haven for the two weeks before the count and during the count so we hope some birds that normally hide in the trees will show themselves at the feeder. Hope to see you there, too!

Don't Miss All Of The Fun

Look at all of the fun that your neighbors are having. Don't forget to sign up outside the Hibiscus Dining Room and Trinity Hall Elevator Lobby and join in all the events.



Village On The Isle

Village On The Isle MISSION STATEMENT

VILLAGE ON THE ISLE is a not-for-profit continuing care retirement community affiliated with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

We are committed to sharing God's love by promoting individual growth and dignity, enhancing the quality of life and meeting the human and spiritual needs of our residents, staff and community.