



# The Snyder Scoop

## December 2022

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### You're Invited

Join us for a Retirement Farewell Open House celebrating  
Executive Director Keith Swartzentruber!

*Retirement  
Farewell*  
OPEN HOUSE

 Celebrating Executive Director  
**KEITH SWARTZENTRUBER**

**December 21, 2022**  
**3 - 6 PM**

**Snyder Village SV Center**  
1200 E Partridge St, Metamora

Keith will speak at 4 PM.  
Light refreshments will be served.

309 367-4300  
[www.snydervillage.com](http://www.snydervillage.com)



# Keith's Corner

## A Note from the Executive Director

This first snow of the winter is falling as I'm writing this update. The softly falling flakes are beautiful to look at (if you don't have to get out in them!). That means it is December and time once again to celebrate Christmas. I love seeing all the festive Christmas lights and decorations and learning who the winners of the Retirement Community decorating contest will be. The campus was spectacular last year, so be sure to spread your holiday cheer with your own talents this year.

As we near the end of 2022, I want to thank you all for being part of Snyder Village. We have a wonderful community, and it is a blessing to live and work with everyone around us. Please take time during this season to thank God for his gift of life and love as we remember and celebrate Christ's birth.

I am praying for God's blessing and a Merry Christmas for you and all those you love! Enjoy the Season and Christmas Blessings to Each One of You 😊.

*Keith*



### Wedding Anniversaries

To submit your wedding anniversary announcement, notify Angela Kauffman at (309) 367-4300 ext. 133 or email [akauffman@snydervillage.com](mailto:akauffman@snydervillage.com) with your wedding date and years married.

Submit information by the 15th of the month prior to your anniversary. Anniversary dates need to be resubmitted **every year**.

### Remembrance Service

In January, Snyder Village will be having a Remembrance Day for those we lost in 2022. Services will be:

**January 18 at 10:30 AM**  
**SV Center**

*(For the Retirement Community)*

**January 18 at 2:30 PM**  
**Health Center**

Residents & employees can request their loved one be remembered in the service by calling Pastor D at (309) 367-4300 ext. 202.



### Retirement Community Resident Council

**Wednesday, December 7**  
**9:00 am | SV Center**

All Retirement Community residents are welcome to attend.

# Retirement Community Chatter

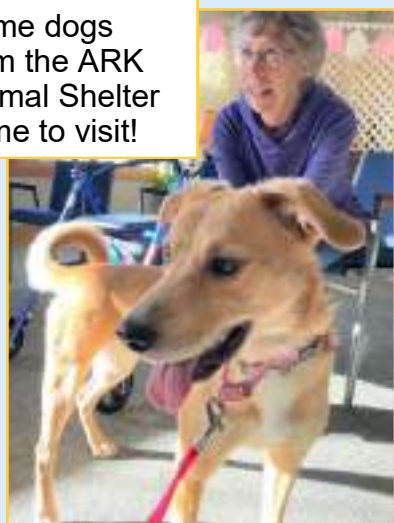


We “took flight” and traveled to beautiful Alaska during our Armchair Travel.



We enjoyed a presentation from Tippy Creek where we learned about their orchards and beekeeping.

Some dogs from the ARK Animal Shelter came to visit!



The men's ROMEO group had a great time visiting the U.S. Air Force Base in Peoria!

## What We're Looking Forward To:

- **Dec 2, 5:45 p.m.** - Metamora Township High School Madrigal Dinner
- **Dec 9, 5:30 p.m.** - “The Best Christmas Pageant Ever” performed by the Metamora Thespian Society
- **Dec 14** - Photos for Resident Directory at **9 AM** in the SV Center; Retirement Community Christmas Brunch at **10 AM** in the SV Center
- **Dec 21, 6:00 p.m.** - Trip to Washington Five Points to see Christmas Rocks at the Pops

*For a complete list of the December activities happening in the Retirement Community, view the activity calendar or visit [www.snydervillage.com](http://www.snydervillage.com). All activities are subject to change.*



# Assisted Living Happenings

Memory Care residents took a trip to Roth Orchard. Their favorite part was the apple cider donuts!



We loved hearing music from Mina & The Grandmother.

## What We're Looking Forward To:

- *In December, we are looking forward to lots of entertainment and Santa coming!*

***For a complete list of the December activities happening at Assisted Living, view the activity calendar or visit [www.snydervillage.com](http://www.snydervillage.com). All activities are subject to change.***

# A Health Center Hello

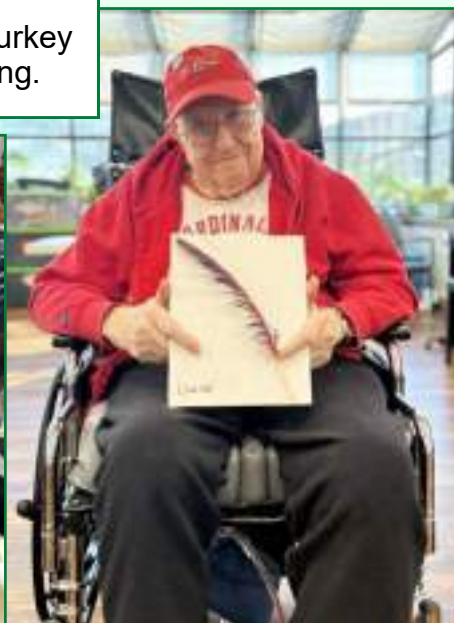


We honored our Veterans on Veteran's Day.



We love creating in "Art Without Boundaries" class.

We painted turkeys & turkey feathers for Thanksgiving.



## What We're Looking Forward To:

- Dec 2, 6:00 p.m. - Silver Belles
- Dec 3, 5:30 p.m. - Minonk Festival of Lights
- Dec 16, 1:00 p.m. - Shopping at Bass Pro
- Dec 31, 2:15 p.m. - Top Hat Productions Big Band New Year's Eve Party
- *There will be lots of special entertainment and carolers this month!*

**For a complete list of the December activities happening in the Health Center, view the activity calendar or visit [www.snydervillage.com](http://www.snydervillage.com). All activities subject to change.**



## Help at Home

### SNYDER VILLAGE HOME CARE



#### OUR CAREGIVERS

Trained    Screened  
Insured    Reliable



#### PERSONAL CARE

Bathing    Dressing  
Toileting    Mobility



#### TRANSPORTATION

Groceries    Errands  
Appointments



#### COMPANION CARE

Meal prep  
Medication reminders



#### HOMEMAKING

Laundry    Bed linens  
Housekeeping



CALL HOME CARE  
(309) 367-2300

**WE'RE  
HIRING**

Tell your friends & family that Snyder Village is hiring! We are currently hiring Home Care Aides, RNs/LPNs, CNAs,

Housekeeping, Transportation, Activity Aides, and more! Great job benefits include insurance coverage, paid time off, flexible scheduling, matching 401k, and scholarships.

All open positions can be viewed and applied for on our website at [www.snydervillage.com](http://www.snydervillage.com).

**Santa's Workshop**  
**Friday, December 9**  
**5 - 7 pm ❄️ SV Center**

**Residents, Staff & Families Are Invited!**  
*Santa Will Be There!* ❄️ **Fun & Games for All!**

**To add your candy/crafts/games table, call Amanda at (309) 366-4180.**

## Therapy Presentation

### ***Making Self-Care Easy Again***

Are you struggling with getting your shoes and socks on and off? Did you know that difficulty with self-care is a WARNING sign to the loss of independence? Whether you are struggling due to pain or flexibility, our occupational therapy team will help you find a way to make self-care easy again.

You are invited to a presentation by the Occupational Therapy staff from the Snyder Village Therapy Department.

**Tuesday, December 13**

**9:15 a.m.**

**SV Center**

*Questions? Contact the Therapy Department at (309) 366-4101.*



## Employee Service Anniversaries

### DECEMBER

27 yrs	Sandy Adams
16 yrs	Mark Clanin
5 yrs	Erin Harris
5 yrs	Mary Burns
2 yrs	Darcy Slotter
2 yrs	Natalie Thoren
1 yr	Emily Nixon
1 yr	Kelsie Short
1 yr	Emily Thomas

## Meet the New Therapist

*A new Physical Therapist Assistant has joined the Snyder Village team. Be sure to say hello when you see her!*

"My name is Kelly Drews and I have been working in physical therapy for 14 years. I

currently live in Washington with my two boys and my two kitties. In my free time I enjoy hanging out with my children, playing card games and working out. I look forward to continuing my career within this wonderful community."



## Birthdays of the Month

### Health Center

**02** Phil Fischer  
**09** Virginia Brown  
**11** Norene Mauschaugh  
**24** William Presley  
**28** Michael Foster  
**28** Barbara Sasso  
**29** Patricia Yount

### Assisted Living

**03** Juanita Koch  
**10** Mary Osborne  
**17** Douglas Morgan  
**17** Eula Snow  
**28** Shirley Rosenbaum  
**31** Roxanne Shine

### Retirement Community

**03** Ralph Timm  
**04** Jim Minnich  
**04** Ron Root  
**06** Chris Deissler  
**06** Gordy Guenther  
**08** Katherine Paulson

### Retirement

### Community Cont.

**10** Mary Kay Koch  
**14** John Earnest  
**14** Lynn Elbert  
**14** Leticia Hill  
**14** Sharon Kauffman  
**17** Lura Cordes  
**17** Anne Lenart  
**17** Donna Perry  
**17** Betty Smith  
**18** Jan Myers  
**19** Lucille Lotz  
**19** Mary Meis  
**20** Carol LaRue  
**20** Jerry Rebholz  
**20** Sarah Schaub  
**21** Betty Kauffman  
**21** Sharon Schumacher  
**22** Lucille Chamberlain  
**22** Phil Legel  
**22** Jerry Osko  
**25** Merry Lu Buchanan  
**27** Marti Bolen  
**31** Dianna Attkisson



## Get the eNews

Join our email list to receive the monthly eNews newsletter with updates from Snyder Village. To sign up, visit [www.SnyderVillage.com](http://www.SnyderVillage.com), click on "Contact Us" and "E-News Sign Up".



## Updated Info Needed

### **Dear Retirement Community Friends:**

As 2022 comes to a close, I am requesting an updated medications and allergy list from you to keep records up to date. Whenever possible, please drop a copy off at the Retirement Community Office or come see me on Thursdays from 6:00 - 11:00 AM in the library.

Sincerely,

*Connie*

Retirement Community Nurse



## Resident Photo Directory



Retirement Community residents are encouraged to have their photo taken on **Dec 14 at 9:00 AM in the SV Center** (before the Christmas Brunch).

Photographer Pam Siefken will be taking photos for the 2023 Retirement Community Directory. Updating the photos in the directory will help all residents (especially new ones) identify and recognize their neighbors.

**Volunteer**  
**HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE**

FRIDAY **2nd** DECEMBER  
2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
**Snyder Village SV Center**

We would like to begin the holiday season with a token of our appreciation to so many who give of their time & talents to help make Snyder Village "Your Place to Call Home".

*Light refreshments will be served.*

**RSVP to Ashley at (309) 366-4135.**



# Volunteer News

Thank you to the many volunteers that serve across the Snyder Village Campus! Your service to others is truly a gift to our residents, families, and staff. May your holidays be filled with God's goodness & peace in 2023!


*Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!*

## Volunteer Needs:

- **Transport Help** - We are looking for volunteers to assist pushing Health Center residents in wheelchairs to activities in the SV Center and on field trips off campus.
  - **Tues, Dec 6, 1:30 p.m.** *Music by Matt Barber (SV Center) - 3 volunteers*
  - **Thurs, Dec 8, 10:00 a.m.** *Let's Get Cooking (Health Center) - 1-2 volunteers*
  - **Thurs, Dec 15, 5:00 p.m.** *Elvis Christmas (SV Center) - 3 volunteers*
  - **Fri, Dec 16, 12:30 p.m.** *Bass Pro Shop Field Trip - 6 volunteers*
  - **Fri, Dec 16, 5:30 p.m.** *Skazz Band Concert (SV Center) - 3 volunteers*
  - **Mon, Dec 19, 12:30 p.m.** *GHMS Choir (SV Center) - 3 volunteers*
- **Health Center Bistro** - Volunteers are needed to help serve breakfast in the Hall 4 Bistro from 7 - 8:30 a.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.
- **Activities** - Do you have a talent or hobby you would like to share with the residents? Maybe you enjoy playing cards, bingo, or dice...Assisted Living is looking for volunteers to share their time and/or talents weekly in the evenings.
- **Ministry** - We are still in need of a few more ministry members to provide the message and prayer during our weekly Chapel services in the Health Center and Assisted Living in 2023. Church services are held each Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. in the Health Center and at 3:15 p.m. at Assisted Living. Worship is very important to our residents! We are looking for ministry members to provide quarterly services throughout the year.
- **Visitor Greeter** - We are looking for individuals to offer support and greet visitors of the Health Center. As a greeter, you would welcome and direct visitors and, if needed, give instruction on how to use the COVID screening kiosk. Greeters are needed throughout the week during various hours: 9 a.m. - 12 p.m., 12 - 3 p.m., and 3 - 6 p.m.

*For more information on volunteering at Snyder Village or to sign up to help, please contact:*

**Ashley Thompson | Volunteer Coordinator**  
**(309) 366-4135 | athompson@snydervillage.com**

Find us on 

"Like" the Snyder Village Facebook page for photos and event updates! Search for "Snyder Village" on Facebook, or visit [www.facebook.com/snydervillage](http://www.facebook.com/snydervillage).

**EMPLOYEE FACEBOOK GROUP**  
*Attention Employees of Snyder Village!*

Join the Snyder Village Employee Group on Facebook for announcements and updates.

## Pinochle Club



**Thursdays | 5:30 p.m. | SV Center**

We ask each player to put 50 cents in the pot for six games. The top three players split the pot according to place, and last place is rewarded with a "Booby" prize. We will teach you the rules and how to play Pinochle. Join us for lots of fun! **Call Paul Elliott at (309) 238-7274 with questions.**

***Congratulations to the Pinochle winners!***

### Oct 20

**1<sup>st</sup> Place** Shirley Egli

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place** Don Heininger

### Oct 27

**1<sup>st</sup> Place** John Call

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place** Leslie Koch

### Nov 3

**1<sup>st</sup> Place** Shirley Schroeder

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place** Lee Neff

### Nov 10

**1<sup>st</sup> Place** Levon Diehl

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place** Rosie Alig



## Euchre Club

**Tuesdays | 5:30 p.m. | SV Center**

Come join us for some winter fun! Our Euchre Group meets each Tuesday evening at 5:30 p.m. and is usually done by 8:00. We pay \$.50 to play and give 4 prizes. We will even teach you the game. Just give Judy Johnson a call at (217) 419-4816 and she will get you ready to play.

***Congratulations to the Euchre winners!***

### Oct 18

**1<sup>st</sup> Place** John Call

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place** Shirley Barrow

### Oct 25

**1<sup>st</sup> Place** Bill Shea

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place** Don Simmons

### Nov 1

**1<sup>st</sup> Place** Don Simmons

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place** Judy Johnson

### Nov 8

Election Day

No Euchre

## Faith & Worship



*Snyder Village thanks area churches for providing weekly chapel services.*

### **Wednesday Chapel Services**

**2:30 - 3:00 p.m.** (Health Center)

**3:15 - 3:45 p.m.** (Assisted Living)

### **Sunday Chapel Service**

(Willow Hill UMC)

**10:00 a.m.**

(Retirement Community, SVC)

### **Televised:**

Sundays, 10 a.m. - **NEW TIME &**

**CHANNEL!** Service from Grace

Presbyterian Church on ABC (Channel 5).

Sundays, 10 a.m. - Service from Christian Union Church on Channel 2

*And, lo, the star, which  
they saw in the east,  
went before them, till  
it came and stood over  
where the young child was.*

Matthew 2:9

Thank you to all who have supported Snyder Village  
with your gifts, your time and your prayers.

**MERRY CHRISTMAS**  
from the Development Department

# Remembering Our Friends and Neighbors...

Snyder Village remembers friends and neighbors lost this past month. We pray family and friends will find peace and comfort during this difficult time.

*"So also you have sorrow now, but I will see you again, and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you" (John 16:22).*



**Geneva Troyer**

April 10, 1926 - Oct 25, 2022



**Gladys Hartwig**

Feb 15, 1920 - Nov 3, 2022



**Louis Defreitas**

Sept 12, 1931 - Nov 10, 2022



## In Honor and Loving Memory

The following individuals were lovingly remembered by spouses, family members, or friends who donated generously to the Resident In Need or other Snyder Village funds in October 2022:

**Larry Attkisson, Patty Berg, and Jim Williams; Nancy Bernius; Glennis Brunner; Merridy Friederich; Robert "Bob" Hill; Rich Tennis; and Carol Rebholz**

Gifts to Snyder Village, in honor of one or more individuals, are also made by loving family and friends in celebration of special milestones in life such as graduation, anniversary, retirement, or in general recognition or appreciation. A donation was also made "in honor of" these individuals by loving family members or friends:

### **In Honor of the Swartzentrubers!**

The Resident In Need Fund allows Snyder Village to continue caring for those who have exhausted their personal resources and can no longer pay for the cost of their continuing care. This helps to ensure that we can provide the highest quality of care for our residents. Thank you to all who have supported the Snyder Village Mission with your gifts.





Metamora Community Nursing Home DBA

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