



The Snyder Scoop

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New Assisted Living Director

Snyder Village is excited to welcome our new Assisted Living Director, Jessica Schmidgall. Jessica has worked in the healthcare field for the past 20 years and has been a licensed social worker since 2004. The positive reputation of Snyder Village and her love for seniors made Jessica interested in pursuing this new role. "Snyder has an excellent reputation in the community and I have a genuine love for seniors," says Jessica. "Most of my experience is in senior care. We owe everything we have to those who came before us. I can't imagine a better way to show our appreciation by caring for those who cared for us."



JESSICA SCHMIDGALL
Assisted Living Director

Originally from Quincy, IL, Jessica has lived in Washington, IL, for the past 10 years. She and her husband, Andy, have two children, Drew and Ava. In her free time, she enjoys spending time with friends and family, camping, and traveling. She also enjoys baking and used to have an in-home cupcake business. She is looking forward to getting to know and connect with the Snyder Village residents and community.

Executive Director, Keith Swartzentruber, says, "I'm excited to have Jessica join us as our Assisted Living Director! Her social work background and years of experience with seniors make her an ideal addition to our team."

Welcome to Snyder Village, Jessica!

Keith's Corner

A Note from the Executive Director

As we journey into 2021, I want to thank every one of you for your patience and perseverance as we work together to overcome COVID-19. I am so impressed with the diligence of our staff and the cooperation of our residents and families. Thank you all! With the coming of the vaccine, we are hopeful more normal days will be here again in the next few months.

Our Health Center residents and staff are scheduled to receive their first COVID vaccination on January 18th and their second vaccination on February 8th. Home Care staff are currently obtaining vaccinations from the Woodford County Health Department. We are making progress! As of the writing of this newsletter on 1/15/21, we have not been notified when the rest of our campus will be able to have their vaccinations. When we know more, we will share that information with you immediately.

February has a number of items on the calendar: Lincoln's birthday, Valentine's Day, President's Day and Ash Wednesday. We hope you're able to enjoy these occasions in a safe and healthy way!

Continued blessings,

Keith

Refer Your Friends

Get paid to refer your friends to Snyder Village's Retirement Community!

You can earn **\$500** for each new resident who moves into a cottage or apartment. Just have them tell Julie you referred them.



Wedding Anniversaries



To submit your wedding anniversary announcement, notify Angela Kauffman at 367-4300 ext. 133 or email 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**.



Thelma Adams would like to thank everyone for the support and well wishes she received after her recent medical procedure. It was much appreciated!

Retirement Community Chatter

Residents had fun hunting a werewolf who was roaming around the SV Center!



We talked about the 2010 oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico during "Science for Seniors." We learned that clean hair helps absorb petroleum oil. Jerra offered to let Gordy cut some of her hair to use for the experiment to see if it would actually absorb the oil. Even though it wasn't a lot of hair, it did absorb quite a bit of the oil!



We tried a fun new exercise activity - ball drumming!



- Retirement Community Activities Staff: Jerra, Kathy & Angela

What We're Looking Forward To:

- **Feb 10, 1:30 p.m.** - We will be celebrating Valentine's Day by having tea & dessert
- **Feb 15, 1:30 p.m.** - Experience the sights and sounds of Brazil as we "Armchair Travel" there
- **Feb 24, 12:00 p.m.** - We will celebrate the Chinese New Year by having a special Chinese luncheon

For a complete list of the February activities happening in the Retirement Community, view the activity calendar or visit www.snydervillage.com. All activities are subject to change.

Assisted Living Happenings



We all welcomed our new director, Jessica, with a welcome party!



We made bacon pickle wraps to celebrate National Bacon Day.



We enjoyed making "Let It Snow" door hangers.

What We're Looking Forward To:

- **Feb 1, 10:30 a.m.** - Hula in the Coola Day: Pineapple bowling
- **Feb 5, 10:00 a.m.** - National Wear Red Day picture: Come to the lobby wearing your favorite red shirt
- **Feb 23, 10:30 a.m.** - National Cupcake Day: Who can decorate the best cupcake?

For a complete list of the February activities happening at Assisted Living, view the activity calendar or visit www.snydervillage.com. All activities are subject to change.

A Health Center Hello



'Kind Kerri', 'Awesome Annie', and our other superheroes helped to brighten our Health Center residents' day!



Ginny took a turn leading our hymn sing-a-long!



Our residents and their families are enjoying our new vestibule visits! It's much quieter and warmer than the Plexiglas chat room!!

What We're Looking Forward To:

- **Feb 2** - Groundhog Day: Edible Groundhogs, trivia and history of Punxsutawney Phil! Did you know he's 134 years old?!
- **Feb 12** - Chinese New Year: Fortunes, Tray of Togetherness, Trivia & Chinese Checkers
- **Feb 14** - Valentine's Day: Mailbox craft & 'Love is in the Air' trivia & treats
- **Feb 16** - Mardi Gras: Making masks, Fat Tuesday celebration & Mardi Gras Bingo

For a complete list of the February activities happening in the Health Center, view the activity calendar or visit www.snydervillage.com. All activities are subject to change.

Therapy Presentation

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 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 Jessica Engel, OT from the Snyder Village Therapy Department.

**Tuesday, February 9
9:30 - 10:15 a.m.
SV Center**

Contact the Therapy Department at (309) 367-4300 ext. 101 with any questions.



Faith & Worship

Chapel services at Snyder Village have been canceled until further notice.

Below are services that can be viewed on TV or online:

Services from Grace Presbyterian Church can be viewed Sundays at 9 a.m. on **Channel 4 (WEEK)**.

Services from Christian Union Church can be viewed Sundays at 10 a.m. on **Channel 2**.

Services from Willow Hill United Methodist Church can be viewed online Sundays at 10 a.m. at **www.willowhill.org**.

Masses from St. Mary's of Lourdes Catholic Church can be streamed live at 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. on Sundays at **www.facebook.com/St.MaryLourdes** or **www.youtube.com/c/StMaryofLourdes**. Daily mass and rosary is being offered Mon-Sat at 11:45 a.m. on the church's Facebook page.

Activity Professionals Week

During Activity Professionals Week (1/24-1/30), we celebrate our Activity Departments and all of the hard work and care they give the residents! They are so valued and appreciated!

(Special thanks to Ashley for creating this great bulletin board in the Health Center!)



Employee Service Anniversaries

FEBRUARY

23 yrs	Kristy Miller
21 yrs	Paula Millard
19 yrs	Shirley Lynn
17 yrs	Amy Beschoner
10 yrs	Mike Brownfield
6 yrs	Curtis Leman
6 yrs	Emmie Fehr
4 yrs	Vicki Collins
4 yrs	Kayla Edgecomb
4 yrs	Christine Schoepke
3 yrs	Christine Lotz
3 yrs	Laura Brees
2 yrs	Shannan Woerner
1 yr	Audrey Ryan
1 yr	Pam Kingham
1 yr	Candy Ladd
1 yr	Rory Stanley

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A DIFFERENCE

Birthdays of the Month

Health Center

4 Darrel Scott	5 Betty Stonier
6 Peggy Nieschlag	6 Lela Foss
9 Wayne Wettstein	7 Don Simmons
12 Sandra Mills	7 Bob Skaggs
14 Merridy Friederich	10 Ruth Beneventi
17 Walter Nyberg	11 John Call
19 John McElligott	12 Dave Dodwell
	15 Gladys Hartwig

Assisted Living

17 Norma Boone	17 Bob Kauffman
17 Samuel McCully	17 Wayne Rassi
	18 Margaret Anderson
	20 Joanne Harn
	21 Polly Casey

Retirement

1 Ken Doudera	21 Lloyd Johnson
1 Shirley Richardson	22 Carolyn Ward
2 Kathy Dodwell	23 Mary Ann Bachman
2 Don Heininger	24 Karen Smith
2 Rita Maddex	25 George Lacy
4 Minerva Reeb	26 Steve Carr
	27 Dick Garber
	27 Bette Ohl

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Employee Facebook Group

Employees are encouraged to join the Snyder Village Employee Group on Facebook for announcements and updates.

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Join Our Team

Do you know someone
who would be a great
addition to the Snyder
Village team?

Tell them that Snyder
Village is hiring! We are
currently hiring Home Care
Aides, RNs, LPNs, CNAs,
Cooks, Activity Aides &
more!

All open positions can be
viewed at
www.snydervillage.com.
Job applications are also
available on the website.

Leave a Review

Are you pleased with the services & care provided at Snyder Village? Please consider sharing your thoughts with others! More and more people rely on online reviews before choosing a community or service provider. We'd appreciate you leaving a positive online review!



Go online and type in the address
bit.ly/SnyderVillageReview to get started.



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bit.ly/SnyderVillage-Caring to get started.



Go online and type in the address
facebook.com/snydervillage to get started.

Donations Needed



Donations are needed for
crafts in the Health Center.
Please drop donations off at
the Service Entrance to
Amanda Yetter's attention.
Thank you!

Items Needed:

- LOTS of red buttons
(We can accept other
colors too but prefer red,
black, brown or white)
- Hershey Kisses
- Floral twine and wire
- Hershey's miniatures
- Candy conversation
hearts
- Red hots
- Little Debbie's
- Embroidery thread
(variety of colors)

Volunteer News

Volunteering is beneficial to our lives in many ways by lifting spirits, building relationships with others, inspiring others with your talents or skills, or just simply by offering a kind word to others. Even during a pandemic there are ways we can serve our community or touch the lives of others.

Volunteer Needs:

- We are still in need of healthy, able-bodied individuals who would be willing to help screen employees of the Health Center. By volunteering, you would keep our employees and residents healthy & safe. Each volunteer will be trained on the screening process and volunteer shifts are 2-3 hours each. Volunteers should be healthy and without any of the high risk conditions defined by the CDC.

We are always appreciative of extra volunteers to fill in for our regular volunteers when they are unavailable. Please contact Ashley Thompson for more information.

For more information on volunteering at Snyder Village, please contact Ashley Thompson, Volunteer Coordinator, at **366-4135** or **athompson@snydervillage.com**.

10 ways to safely help your community during COVID-19

1. donate to nonprofits



6. become a medical volunteer



2. donate or volunteer safely with food banks and pantries

7. donate medical supplies or equipment



3. deliver meals and groceries to vulnerable seniors



8. stay in touch



4. help a local school

9. serve in your community



5. donate blood



10. volunteer at home



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Friends and family can also subscribe to our email list by visiting our website at www.snydervillage.com and clicking on "Contact Us" and "E-News Signup".

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(309) 367-2300

In Honor and Loving Memory

The following individuals were remembered by a loving spouse, family members, or friends who donated generously to the Resident In Need or other Snyder Village funds in December 2020:

Naomi Anderson, Jerry Black, Floyd Cripe, Barbara Crumrine, Joe Crumrine, Frieda Fauber, Jill Hicks, Mary Noel and John Mittelstaedt, Maxine Kern, Wilda Smith Kimble, Marianne Kjormoe, Gladys LaConte, Lewis Lowery, Paul Murphy, Fred Myers, Bernadine Noel, Mary Noel, Marian S. Parker, Barbara Parr, Norma Rogers, Kenneth Seiler, Donna Silber, Agnes Smith, Art and Jane Smith, Marvin Smith, Ramona "Mona" Smock, Esther Steffen, Mary Swartzentruber, Janet Tompkins, Millie Watt, and Amy Wilbur

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 Snyder Village can provide the highest quality of care for our residents.

Thank you to all who have supported the Snyder Village Mission with your gifts: "We provide for the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of others in a loving, dignified and Christian atmosphere."

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.



Paul Murphy

Feb 12, 1928 - Dec 16, 2020



Gladys LaConte

April 9, 1921 - Dec 16, 2020



Audrey Christian

May 19, 1932 - Dec 18, 2020



Norma Rogers

Aug 28, 1935 - Dec 18, 2020



Art Smith

Jan 12, 1936 - Dec 18, 2020



Marilyn Sanders

April 16, 1934 - Dec 19, 2020



Frieda Fauber

Jan 3, 1929 - Dec 19, 2020



Carmen Polo

June 11, 1944 - Dec 23, 2020



Herman Thompson

June 17, 1929 - Dec 23, 2020



Martha "Martie" Kuhn

Sept 18, 1928 - Dec 27, 2020



Irene VanDeHand

Nov 25, 1925 - Dec 27, 2020



Jack Ehresman

May 28, 1933 - Dec 30, 2020



Art Michael

June 12, 1918 - Jan 7, 2021



Betty "B.J." Thetford

Dec 27, 1931 - Jan 10, 2021



Vicki Harms

June 19, 1943 - Jan 11, 2021

"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)



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