



The Snyder Scoop

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Passing the Baton

After 34 years serving at Snyder Village, Executive Director Keith Swartzentruber has announced plans to retire by December 31, 2022.

Keith joined the staff as administrator of Snyder Village when it opened its doors in 1988. He came to Snyder Village as a young professional with prior experience as an 'orderly' (comparable to today's CNA), community service director and assistant administrator at Maple Lawn in Eureka. He has held the position of executive director at Snyder Village for the last 17 years. Under his leadership, Snyder Village has grown from a modest organization offering a health center and six independent living cottages to the full life plan community that it is today. Over 400 residents currently call Snyder Village home and roughly 240 staff members make up the Snyder Village team.



*Executive Director
Keith Swartzentruber*

As a true servant leader, Keith encourages and supports staff to embody the Snyder Village mission. Keith himself exemplifies the high level of care and service that is expected of all employees. He can often be found visiting with residents and staff members, ensuring they feel valued and cared for. His leadership and service have been recognized by his peers and the community through several awards, including the Life Services Network Leadership Recognition Award.

"While it is never easy to replace a founding executive director, we embrace the change this brings for Keith and his family, as well as new opportunities for Snyder Village. Keith has served Snyder Village for over 34 years and deserves a healthy, happy retirement knowing that Snyder Village is in good hands. We certainly acknowledge his leadership and the growth he has brought about during his tenure with us," says Greg Minger, Snyder Village Board President.

"It's been my pleasure to serve as director here at Snyder Village, and I want to thank God, our staff, and our residents for what they've taught me. I've formed so many great relationships here, and I'm truly thankful," says Keith Swartzentruber.

A transition committee has been formed to conduct a thorough search for a new executive director who will uphold the Snyder Village mission and serve our community well. Plans are being made to allow adequate time for training and assimilation of the new director. Snyder Village is grateful for Keith's many years of service and leadership!

Keith's Corner

A Note from the Executive Director

I, and I'm sure everyone reading *The Snyder Scoop*, wishes that we were not still dealing with COVID. A year ago in the newsletter, I was talking about vaccinations for Health Center residents and our staff, and Home Care staff obtaining vaccinations from the Woodford County Health Department. Today, life is looking somewhat more normal with our ability to dine out, attend activities, and visit our loved ones. However, the high rate of COVID infections means that it is critically important for us to exercise appropriate caution as we engage in these activities. Please pray for everyone who is dealing with COVID.

I want to welcome Shannon Garber as our new Health Center Director of Nursing. Shannon joined Snyder Village on January 17th and we're happy to have her.

Enjoy your month of February, stay safe during the winter weather, and Happy Valentine's Day to you all!

Blessings,

Keith

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**.

Retirement Community Resident Council

Wednesday, February 9
9:00 am | SV Center

All Retirement Community residents are welcome to attend.

Help Stop the Spread of Germs!



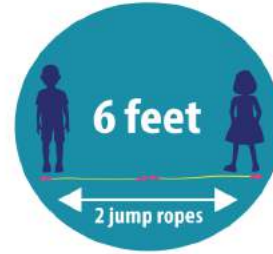
Wash your hands often



Wear a mask



Cover your coughs and sneezes



Keep **6 feet** of space between you and your friends

Retirement Community Chatter



Residents painted a shooting star night scene during painting class. The artistic ability of our residents continually amazes us!

Everyone is encouraged to come enjoy the birthday party each month as we celebrate those around us. January's party featured some Golden Girls trivia, in honor of what would have been Betty White's 100th birthday.



The chilly weather outside made for the perfect setting for our chili luncheon!



What We're Looking Forward To:

- **Feb 1, 10:30 a.m.** - We're excited to announce that Pastor D will be leading the Tuesday morning Bible study beginning February 1.
- **Feb 2, 1:00 p.m.** - If you need a good laugh, join us as we welcome top-award-winning storyteller, Kay Price. We guarantee you won't want to miss it!
- **Saturdays, 3:15 p.m.** - We will be offering transportation to St. Mary's Catholic Church on Saturdays for the 4 p.m. Mass. Sign up in the book is required, or call the RC Activity Office at (309) 366-4181 or (309) 366-4134 to have your name added to the list.

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

Our kind and generous Assisted Living resident, Gladys, has been making lap quilts for each residents' birthday. After she gets them sewn, she brings them out and the ladies gather to tie them and chat. They love working on them together!

If you have fabric that you'd be willing to donate for these projects, please drop it off at Assisted Living. Thank you!



Sharon (and all of us at AL) enjoyed popcorn made in our new popcorn machine, which was donated by her family.



Residents in Memory Care took on the challenge of using the balancing stones. They did a great job!

What We're Looking Forward To:

- Feb 7, 1:30 p.m. - Purchasing Flowergrams for \$1
- Feb 7, 3:00 p.m. - Unwrapped (A show about making candy - with samples!)
- Feb 14, 1:30 p.m. - Family Feud
- Feb 21, 10:00 a.m. - Presidential Fitness Exercises
- Feb 25, 3:00 p.m. - Remembering S&H Green Stamps

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



We made snowmen out of wine glasses!



Everyone enjoyed making beautiful snowflakes out of paper!



What We're Looking Forward To:

- Feb 1, 10:00 a.m. - Chinese New Year Celebration
- Feb 4 - Winter Olympics begin! We'll enjoy our own Olympic events throughout the month.
- Feb 12, 2:15 p.m. - Music from Ken Hahn
- Feb 14, 10:00 a.m. - Love is in the Air - Sweetheart Party
- Feb 17, 10:00 a.m. - Music from Dave & Daughter
- Feb 21, 2:15 p.m. - Canvas Creations - Painting with Deb Wiechmann
- Feb 22, 10:00 a.m. - Music from Steve Hargis

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

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, 9 a.m. - Service from Grace Presbyterian Church on Channel 4 (WEEK)

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



Therapy Presentation

Pace Yourself

Did you know our heart and lungs need exercise as much as our muscles? Join in on a presentation from the Snyder Village Therapy Department about heart and lung health.

Tuesday, February 8

9:15 a.m.

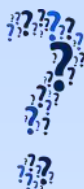
(Following the Silver Sneakers Class)

SV Center

We hope to see you there! Contact the Therapy Department at (309) 367-4300 ext. 101 with any questions.



Get Your Questions Answered



Do you have questions about our areas of care? Have you wondered...

What is the difference between the two memory care programs?

Who is appropriate for memory care?

What is included for the price at Assisted Living?

Which apartments are currently available at Assisted Living?

What amenities are available at the Health Center and/or Assisted Living?

Give Admissions Liaison, Kim Linehan, a call to get your questions answered!

(309) 366-4132

Resident Portal

Reminder to Retirement Community Residents:

An area of the website has been created to communicate resources and information. A video message from Keith has been added for you to view.

To view it, visit the website at **www.snydervillage.com**, go to the **"Our Community"** tab at the top of the page, and click on **"Resident Log In"**.



The username and password are both "Snyder".

Employee Service Anniversaries

FEBRUARY

| | |
|--------|-----------------|
| 24 yrs | Kristy Miller |
| 22 yrs | Paula Millard |
| 20 yrs | Shirley Lynn |
| 18 yrs | Amy Beschorner |
| 11 yrs | Mike Brownfield |
| 7 yrs | Curtis Leman |
| 5 yrs | Vicki Collins |
| 5 yrs | Kayla Edgecomb |
| 4 yrs | Christine Lotz |
| 3 yrs | Shannan Woerner |
| 2 yrs | Pam Kingham |
| 1 yr | Emily Bowen |

Congratulations

Dearest Residents & Fellow Staff,

Thank you for all the memories and friendships. I'm looking forward to the next chapter of my life in Texas with my daughter and family. I feel so blessed to have been at Snyder Village. It truly is a wonderful place to be.

With a grateful heart,
Marty Winemiller



Birthdays of the Month

Health Center

2 Rita Maddex
6 Peggy Nieschlag
12 Sandra Mills
14 Merridy Friederich
17 Alicia Call
17 Samuel McCully
19 John McElligott
24 Russ Bachman

Assisted Living

15 Gladys Hartwig
17 Norma Boone
19 Louis Dean
26 Brenda Frank

Retirement Community

1 Ken Doudera
1 Shirley Richardson
2 Kathy Dodwell
2 Don Heininger
5 Betty Stonier
6 Lela Foss
7 Don Simmons

Retirement

Community Cont.

7 Bob Skaggs
10 Ruth Beneventi
11 Lewis Bell
11 John Call
12 Dave Dodwell
14 Val Cantor
17 Bob Kauffman
17 Wayne Rassi
18 Margaret Anderson
20 Joanne Harn
21 Polly Casey
21 Paul Elliott
22 Carolyn Ward
23 Mary Ann Bachman
24 Karen Smith
25 George Lacy
26 Steve Carr
27 Dick Garber
27 Bette Ohl



Pinochle Club



Thursdays
5:30 pm | SV Center

Help! We need new players! The more tables, the better the winnings!

We play every Thursday night at 5:30 p.m. and finish by 8:30 p.m.

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 winners!

Dec 16, 2021

1st Place Leslie Koch
2nd Place Bill Shea
3rd Place Don Simmons
Booby Lee Neff

Dec 30, 2021

1st Place Bill Shea
2nd Place Paul Elliott
3rd Place Wayne Rassi
Booby Jill Elliott

Jan 13, 2022

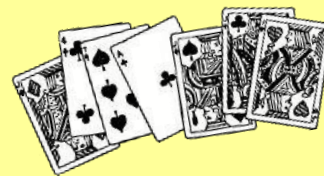
1st Place Lee Neff
2nd Place Jodi Rassi
3rd Place Wayne Rassi
Booby Don Simmons

Dec 23, 2021

1st Place Leslie Koch
2nd Place Don Simmons
3rd Place Jill Elliott
Booby Paul Elliott

Jan 6, 2022

1st Place Paul Elliott
2nd Place Don Simmons
3rd Place Lee Neff
Booby Bill Shea



eNews Sign Up

Join our email list to receive the monthly eNews newsletter! Visit our website at www.SnyderVillage.com, click on

"Contact Us" and "E-News Sign Up". Or sign up by sending your email address to Angela at akauffman@snydervillage.com.



Hiring Now

Tell your friends & family that Snyder Village is hiring! We're hiring cooks, dining servers, activity aides, home care aides, RN/LPNs, CNAs, caregivers, & more.

Benefits include insurance coverage, paid time off, flexible scheduling, & matching 401k.

Applicants can learn more and apply online at www.snydervillage.com. Call (309) 366-4143 with questions.

Retirement Community Reminder:

Wear Bright Colors When Walking at Night

Please remember to wear bright colors or reflective gear when you are walking your dog or out for a stroll at dawn, dusk, or at night. Your brightly-colored clothing or reflective gear will help motorists see you and will, most importantly, keep you safe!



- **Bistro Servers** - Volunteers are needed to help serve meals at lunch time (11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.) and at supper (4:45 - 5:15 p.m.) in the Retirement Community Bistro. Volunteers would take individual meal orders and pass drinks. This is a great opportunity to make a difference in our community!
- **Health Center Breakfast Server** - Volunteers are needed to help serve residents breakfast on Friday mornings from 7:30 a.m.- 8:45 a.m. in the Snyder Village Health Center Bistro. Volunteers would take individual meal orders and pass drinks. *Individuals volunteering in the Health Center are required to have a Covid-19 vaccination.*
- **Meal Delivery** - Volunteers are needed to deliver meals to residents on the SV campus. Meals are ready for delivery at 11:30 a.m. and the delivery route takes approximately 30-45 minutes to complete.
- **Visitor Greeter** - We are looking for a few more individuals to greet visitors at the Health Center Greeters' Desk. As a greeter, you would welcome visitors, give them a COVID-19 symptom sheet to fill out, and take their temperature.
- **Church Services** - We are still in need of a few more ministry members to provide the message and prayer during our weekly services in the Health Center and Assisted Living. Church services are held each Wednesday from 2:30 - 3:00 p.m. in the Health Center and from 3:15 - 3:45 p.m. at Assisted Living.

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

from our professionally trained caregivers



In Honor and Loving Memory

The following individuals were lovingly remembered by a spouse, family members, or friends who donated generously to the Resident In Need or other Snyder Village funds in December 2021:

Larry Attkisson, Patty Berg, and Jim Williams; Melvin Bachman, Minerva Reeb, and Ruth Gross; Ray and Dorothy Barber; Mary Clark; Clyde Crumley; Dean DeVore; Diane Eiermann; Wilda Smith Kimble; Cecilia E. Layten; Lewis Lowery; Margaret Matson; Fred Myers; Temple Francis Ohl, Temple Ray Ohl, and Joanne L. Ohl; Marian S. Parker; June Sandberg; Paul Schaer; Robert Schertz; Joan Smith; Mary Swartzentruber; Joseph Vanecko; Millie Watt; Joan Marie White; and Amy Wilbur

Gifts to Snyder Village, in honor of an individual or couple, 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. Donations were also made "in honor of" these individuals by loving family members or friends:

Naomi Anderson, Wilbur A. Rohman and Thelma Schaer

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.



Thank you

Thank you for all the cards sending blessings, hugs, and prayers which I received for my birthday, Christmas, and get well. Your thoughtfulness and prayers have made my days bright.

~ Jan Myers

Refer Your Friends & Get Paid!

Refer your friends to Snyder Village and you could get paid!

Retirement Community residents can earn **\$500** for each new resident they refer who moves into a cottage or apartment in the Retirement Community. Assisted Living residents can earn **\$1,000** for each new resident they refer who moves into an Assisted Living apartment!

Just ask the Retirement Community or Assisted Living for more information.

BECOME A
REFERRAL



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).



John Riedell

May 20, 1932 - Dec 19, 2021



Anna Hagaman

Sept 27, 1927 - Dec 20, 2021



Diane Eiermann

March 28, 1934 - Dec 21, 2021



Leonard Hunsader

Sept 7, 1934 - Dec 29, 2021



Patricia Schmitt

Jan 21, 1933 - Dec 31, 2021



William "Lyle" McGrann

Aug 21, 1922 - Jan 3, 2022



Frank Gaydos

Sept 19, 1932 - Jan 9, 2022



Ann Steele

May 25, 1940 - Jan 10, 2022



Sharon Kenyon

June 11, 1944 - Jan 13, 2022

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Employee Group
on Facebook for
news & updates.



Metamora Community Nursing Home DBA

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