The Snyder Scoop

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Retirement Community Welcomes New Nurse

Snyder Village is excited to welcome a new nurse to the Retirement Community! Connie Jo Klinkradt will be joining the Snyder Village staff as the Retirement Community Nurse. She will begin her new role on March 4.

Get to Know Connie

Connie has been a nurse for 39 years and most recently worked at the Central Illinois Endoscopy Center. She has been married for 38 years to her high school sweetheart, Jim, and has three children and four grandchildren. She is familiar with Metamora and the community, as she lives only three miles from Snyder Village.

A favorite travel destination of Connie's is Colorado. They try to visit often to see family and because of their love of being out west. A favorite pastime of Connie's is re-purposing antiques. She also enjoys crafts, gardening, and running.

Connie is most looking forward to seeing old friends and making new friends at Snyder Village.

Welcome to our community, Connie!

Connie Jo Klinkradt
RC Nurse

Keith's Corner

A Note from the Executive Director

Get ready for the March Madness basketball pool again this year! (A little bit of normalcy.) The entry sheets will be prepared on Monday, March 15th. In 2019, we had 62 entries and this year we would like to have 100 entries. Get in on the fun! Like before, half of the entry fees will benefit the Resident In Need Fund.

We are pleased with the progress of the COVID-19 vaccines across the campus. It is good to have larger groups able to meet for Retirement Community activities and staff training. We are excited to be using the plexiglass visiting room at Assisted Living. Thanks so much to everyone of you for your patience, perseverance, and prayers!

Don't forget to set you clocks ahead for Daylight Savings Time starting March 14th. I think most of us agree that we are ready for Spring!

God's blessings to everyone,

Keith

Retirement Community Resident Council

Wednesday, March 10

9:00 am | SV Center

Retirement Community residents are welcome to attend! Contact Judy Brandow at 645-1151 if you are interested in a position on the Council.

Get Connected

Get the latest news & updates each month through email!

To subscribe to our email list, just send your email address to Angela at akauffman@snydervillage.com.

Do you know someone who would enjoy the maintenance-free living of the Retirement Community or the added help that is available at Assisted Living?

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 contact the Retirement Community or Assisted Living for more information.

Retirement Community Chatter

We recently tried a virtual painting lesson and were very pleased with the results.

The residents were able to celebrate with a Valentine's Tea recently. It was so good to see so many enjoy the company of each other while still social distancing.

What We're Looking Forward To:

- **March 17** - We will "armchair travel" to Ireland. Be sure to sign up so you can get your boarding pass and be ready to "Fly Snyder Airlines" with your hostesses, Kathy and Angela. As always, remember to put your phone on 'airplane mode'.
- **March 24** - We'll enjoy a luncheon which will include: chicken salad on croissant, chips, veggies and dessert for $5.00 and a bit of fun.
- **March 31** - We'll take a trip to some resale shops in Morton and lunch.

For a complete list of the March 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 dressed in red to celebrate National Wear Red Day. This day helps raise awareness for cardiovascular disease and the American Heart Association.

We made Valentine owls!

Everyone enjoyed making peanut butter blossom cookies.

What We're Looking Forward To:

- **March 18, 1:30 p.m.** - Make a March suncatcher
- **March 26, 10:30 a.m.** - Kuhio Day: Make a two-minute no-bake pie
- **March 31, 10:30 a.m.** - Crayola Crayon Day: Let's make melted crayon art.

For a complete list of the March 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 groundhog treats, played trivia, and learned the history of Groundhog's Day!

We had fun making snowman art with cotton balls.

We shared love advice for today's sweet-hearts!

What We're Looking Forward To:

- **March 2** - Celebrating Dr. Seuss's birthday!
- **March 5** - All About Owls Day: We will make owl crafts, watch owl videos and learn how to identify owls by their calls.
- **March 12** - Girl Scout Day: We'll hear the story of Juliette "Daisy" Gordon Low, recite the Girl Scout Promise & Law, and sing Girl Scout songs – all while enjoying their famous cookies!
- **March 17** - St. Patrick's Day Shenanigans

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

New Wheels

A new bus for the Retirement Community!

Retirement Community residents will ride in style in their new bus! The bus is a 2021 Ford Elkhart Coach Medium Duty and it was provided through a grant from IDOT. We are thankful to have this new, safe mode of transportation!

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.

Therapy Presentation

Staying Vertical

One in three adults over the age of 65 and 50% of all adults over the age of 85 fall every year. Falling is the leading cause of emergency room visits every year and the reason for physical decline. It is critical that every senior knows their fall risk and how to train to stay vertical.

You are invited to a presentation by Jessica Spencer, Physical Therapist. Jessica is a new Physical therapist to Snyder Village and has been a great addition to our team!

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

Call 367-4300 ext. 101 with any questions.

Employee Service Anniversaries

MARCH

26 yrs	Marilyn Grube
22 yrs	Jerra Withers
13 yrs	Gina Melvin
7 yrs	Charmaine Pearson
5 yrs	Mary Gerdes
5 yrs	Mackenzie Rambaud
4 yrs	Laura Toncray
4 yrs	Maggie Dean
3 yrs	Anya Bovilsky
3 yrs	Kayla Schwanke
2 yrs	Kim Linehan
2 yrs	Becky Mueller
1 yr	Nautika Regguinti
1 yr	Nicole Tye
1 yr	Dawn Blundell
1 yr	Dayshona Hardimon

Birthdays of the Month

Health Center

5 Dean Devore

5 Joyce Hoffman

6 Dick Powers

10 Betty Pollack

11 Leona Frank

16 Bonnie Grebner

19 Edith Scott

22 Mae Adami

25 Naomi Anderson

29 John Senter

31 Margaret Schertz

Assisted Living

1 Ellen Schneider

9 Margaret Matson

Assisted Living

21 James Thomas Henseler

28 Diane Eiermann

Retirement Community

6 Ken Koch

7 Elizabeth Bonham

10 Cheryl Evans

14 Jim Dalton

18 Margo Koeppel

21 Walter Edwards

22 Luanne Root

24 Anna Held

25 Janet Winkler

30 Tremon Ellegood

Special Thanks

Kathryn Brown would like to thank everyone for the cards, visits and prayers following her recent surgery. Special thanks to her two daughters, Diane and Laurie, for all of the extra help they've provided.

Wedding Anniversaries

To submit your wedding anniversary announcement, notify Angela Kauffman at 366-4133 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**.

Garden Meeting

Friday, March 26
10:30 a.m.
SV Center

Retirement Community residents who are interested in having space in the community garden here on campus are encouraged to attend. If you are interested but unable to attend the meeting, contact Julie at 366-4111.

Join Our Team

Do you know someone who would be a great addition to our team? We are currently hiring Home Care Aides, RNs, LPNs, CNAs, Cooks, Activity Aides & more! All positions can be viewed at **www.snydervillage.com**. Job applications are also available on the website.

From the Development Desk

Bertha Snyder Society
Bertha Snyder, through her planned gift, provided for the seed money that began the development of Snyder Village. Mrs. Snyder's foresight is an example for us all. We hope you will consider following in her footsteps to continue the support for Snyder Village. Individuals or couples that make a planned gift to Snyder Village will be included as members of the Bertha Snyder Society. To be a member of the Bertha Snyder Society, you must have made plans for some form of deferred or "Planned" gift to Snyder Village and have given the Snyder Village Development Office notice that you have made those plans. The specifics of your gift, although helpful for planning purposes, are not required. We only need to know that you have made plans to support Snyder Village. A planned gift can be a bequest in your Will, a gift through a Trust, a Charitable Gift Annuity, Life Insurance and/or any other instrument that provides for a gift that will be realized at a later date. Please consider Bertha Snyder Society Membership!

Charitable IRA Rollover
On December 18, 2015, Congress passed the permanent enactment of the Charitable IRA Rollover. The Charitable IRA Rollover allows individuals over age 70½ to directly transfer up to $100,000 per year from an IRA account to one or more charities. Several of our donors have used the Charitable IRA Rollover to provide support for Snyder Village through the years.

Caterpillar Foundation Matching Gifts for 2021
The Caterpillar Foundation is proud to offer a year-round Matching Gifts Program to support their U.S. based employees, retirees and board of directors in their contribution(s) to worthy causes. Eligible Caterpillar participants may request an annual combined total maximum match of $10,000 each calendar year to eligible 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations in the U.S., such as Snyder Village, and accredited public/private preK-12 schools or school districts to which contributions are tax deductible. After making the donation(s) directly, Caterpillar participants then may request a match at caterpillar.com/matching-gifts. Snyder Village is listed under our legal name of "Metamora Community Nursing Home."

If you have questions or would like additional information, please call Michael Lane at the Development Office at 366-4116.

Volunteer News

"Spring will come and so will happiness. Hold on. Life will get warmer." - Anita Krizzan

Thank you to all the volunteers that continue to provide support in many ways to Snyder Village! Your dedication to our residents and staff truly makes a difference daily. Winter is almost behind us, and spring is hopefully just a few more weeks away! I hope and pray for change in the world regarding the pandemic just as we see each year at springtime. God bless!

Mark your calendars for our **Annual Spring Planting Day** on **Saturday, May 22, at 9 a.m.**

We encourage residents, friends, families, and small groups to join us as we have some fun in the dirt and make our campus beautiful! If you are interested in volunteering or would like to work on a certain area of the campus, please let me know.

Volunteer Needs:

We are always appreciative of extra volunteers to fill in for our Senior Nutrition Program. Volunteers deliver meals on the Snyder Village campus and to a few local Metamora residents. Meals are ready for delivery at 11:30 a.m. in the Retirement Community Bistro and the delivery route takes approximately 45 minutes to complete.

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

Retirement Community Reminder

Wear Bright Colors When Walking at Night

Please remember to wear bright colors (or even 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!

Find us on

"Like" the Snyder Village Facebook page for photos and updates! Search for "Snyder Village" on Facebook, or visit **www.facebook.com/snydervillage**.

Attention Employees!

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

Assisted Living Virtual Tours

Interested in viewing an apartment at Assisted Living? Virtual tours are available on the website! Just visit www.snydervillage.com and click on "Assisted Living" to find the tours. Questions? Call Kim at (309) 366-4132.

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)

Robert Mason
July 20, 1936 - Jan 21, 2021

Beverly Asbury
Nov 21, 1926 - Jan 31, 2021

Marilyn Clemons
Dec 5, 1939 - Feb 4, 2021

Robert Fandel
July 18, 1929 - Feb 6, 2021

Daryl Jackson
Aug 21, 1934 - Feb 9, 2021

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 January 2021:

Norbert Adams, Audrey Christian, Jack Ehresman, Lowell and Frieda Fauber, Victoria "Vicki" Harms, Maxine Kern, Lewis Lowery, Robert "Bob" Mason, John Minor, Paul Murphy, Barbara Parr, and Ramona "Mona" Smock

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."

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