

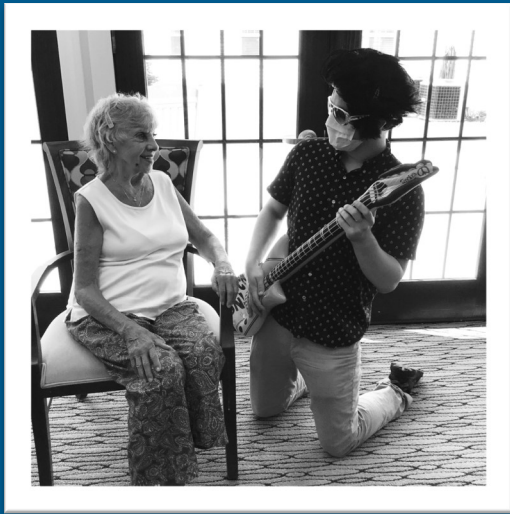
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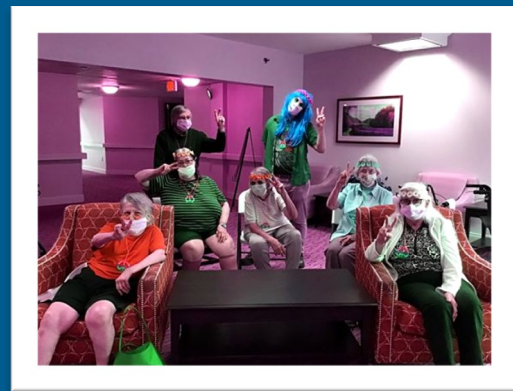


September 2020

A month in pictures.....



Celebrating Elvis
Week



Celebrating
Woodstock



Summer senior Olympics



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Dear Families and Friends,

I wanted to give an update regarding a change in the visitation that was issued from the Department of Health late yesterday, September 9th, 2020.

The new guidance allows for 14 days of suspended visits when a staff or resident test positive, versus the 28-day delay in the previous guidance.

I can only attribute this change to so many people writing and calling with their personal frustrations and advocating for the residents who live in any Adult Care and Skilled Nursing Facility. Thank you to those of you who took the time to do so, it clearly promoted action.

I will be sending another correspondence with our anticipated date of visitation after we receive clarification from the Department of Health as to the effective date.

Please call with any questions or concerns. I have had some great conversation with many of you look forward to seeing you again in person.

Colleen Roy, Administrator

September

September got its name from the Latin word septem, meaning “seven,” because it was the seventh month in the old Roman calendar. Around 44 BC, Julius Caesar reformed the calendar and made September the ninth month. The Anglo-Saxons called it the gerst month, meaning “barley month,” because it was the month they harvested their barley crops. Originally, September had 31 days. Later the 31st day was removed, leaving “thirty days hath September.”

Best wishes for a terrific September Birthday

Residents

Barb Hoelle	September 2
Beverly Walsh	September 9
Eric Myers	September 13
Madeline Grey	September 13
Diane Kasprzyk	September 17
CK Hennon	September 19
Eileen Malek	September 19
Claire Kuhmeier	September 23



Co-Workers

Mary Kate Slupinski	September 3
Mary Rose Courtney	September 6
Mary Grace Warfel	September 10
Brianna Hein	September 11
Liam Pacholec	September 15
Ann Kenyon	September 15
Andrew Ernst	September 17
Alyssa Kita	September 18
Teresa Addison	September 20
Nancy Cantrell	September 27

Just a few notes from Jim.....



To reflect the words of a song “it’s a long, long time from May to December but the days grow shorter when you reach September.” Summer has always been a great time to spend with family, children and grandchildren, a time to explore, imagine and create but this September brings us a time to reminisce and share happy memories of summer fun during the past July and August from previous summers. We look forward also to celebrating Labor Day on September 7, Patriot Day on September 11, Grandparents Day, September 13, Rosh Hashanah (at sundown), September 27 Gold Star Mother’s Day and also on September 23 Yom Kippur (at sundown).

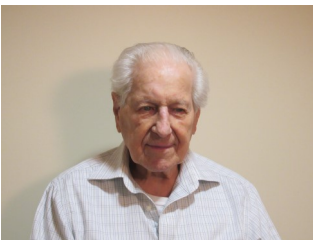
On March 11, the WHO (World Health Organization) officially declared Covid 19 a pandemic. On March 13, the US declared a pandemic. Soon after, schools, and workplaces began closing as did our places of worship. Six months later, fatigue has set in. And we are tired or worrying. Please remember that virtual visits are available through our Recreation dept. Please see Lee for details. Also “Always remember you have within you the strength, the patience and the passion to reach for the stars to change the world.” Harriet Tubman. Start enjoying our beautiful weather and have an awesome autumn!

Co-Worker of the Month-McKenzie Stokes



McKenzie is a delight to work with. You can count on her for a genuine smile and a helping hand anytime. She has been a member of the Orchard Heights team for the past three years. Currently, she is enrolled in cosmetology school. She lives in West Seneca with her family. Her coworkers have this to say “We love her. She is a lovely caring lady.” Thank you McKenzie and Congratulations!

Resident of the Month-Elmer Jones



Elmer is originally from Buffalo New York. His belief that it is easier to be nice is evident in every interaction with him. He is a proud American and loves the flag. In fact he served in the US Air Force for two years in England. He repaired airplanes for us during that time. He has a good sense of humor. We found out the other day that he is an excellent dancer as well. Thank you Elmer for sharing your kind self with all of us! Congratulations!

Resident of the Month-Bev Caswell



Bev goes out of her way to help everyone around her. She has been living with us for the past two years. Originally from Hamburg, she is the mother of two. In her spare time, she enjoys Bowling, cooking/baking, exercise, bingo and outings such as picnics. Her music preference is classical. She is very friendly as well. Congratulations Bev!

September Changes

by Jessica Millsaps

September is like no other
It's days change color and weather

No other month can say quite the same
For every day, I can feel the change

It's cool breezes start out warm,
Changing to cold throughout every storm

The leaves change and fall
As the Summer leaves and Autumn kisses us all

September maidens feel the change

Like the blue of the sky
Yet the color so deep
Unbelievable beauty

Maidens fall throughout and watch
Each raindrop changing through colors so fast

Yet one streak remains the same
Of that wonderful sapphire rain.

September, unlike any other

Holds you tight, in any weather.
Changes come, no matter where you go

North and you'll get stormy snow
South and feel the heat of summer coming
September does this, no matter what.
Change lives within, Nothing to stop

September is beautiful
And awesome all the same
It's hope for the future and the change
Comes swiftly as we sweep away

The Summer ends and the Autumn begins
Change is all around
With one maiden leaving
And yet, another comes

Born into the world
Of wonderful September
The sapphire skies live on
Through out this wonderful September

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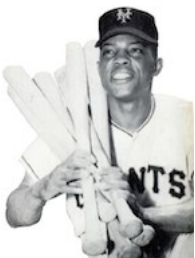
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The Catch



On September 29, 1954, Willie Mays made one of baseball's biggest plays on baseball's biggest stage. It was Game 1 of the World Series between Mays' New York Giants and the Cleveland Indians. The score

was tied 2-2 in the top of the eighth inning when Cleveland batter Vic Wertz hit a line drive to deep center field. With the crack of the bat, Mays sprinted to the deepest part of center and made a spectacular over-the-shoulder catch on the warning track and still had the presence of mind to quickly throw the ball into the infield to keep the runners from advancing. New York went on to win the game and sweep the series for a World Series title, and Mays' catch, remembered forevermore as simply "The Catch," has gone down in history as one of the greatest plays ever made.

