

MARCH 2020

MONTHLY UPDATES



HOUSEHOLD HAPPENINGS

Assisted Living - Kugler Woods/Hickory Cottage/Willow Way- We will be starting a book clue this month! Our first read will be Love Does by Bob Goff. Lunch Outing, resident's choice on 3/11. St. Patrick's Day Bingo will be a fun time in Kugler Woods 3/17 at 2:00. Flute music with Mark Huffman on 3/18 at 2:00. Save the date for Assisted Living's Spring Fling Dance with entertainment by Tammy Powell on 3/19 from 6:00pm-8:00pm. For more information please contact Amy Mullins at 965-7735 or email amullins@semhaven.org

Canfield Court – February was a short month indeed that was filled with loads of fun! We learned a variety of things throughout the month; from several different documentaries, past presidents (such as Abraham Lincoln) to Babe Ruth and even Bob Marley. We did some bird watching on Saturday mornings, baking on Wednesdays and made Valentine heart magnets. As always everyone loved our music entertainers. So, moving onto March we are going to blast off with some Easter Ceramics, Johnny Appleseed Baking, some more bird watching, and of course our wonderful entertainers. We are all ready for spring to come so we can enjoy our beautiful outside patio!

Gatch Grove – February was short, sweet and to the point! Our lunch outings for March will be 3/23 to Buffalo Wild Wings & 3/30 to O’Charley’s. There is a no shopping trip this month. We will be baking with Tammy on 3/9 & 3/16 at 2pm. Playing St. Patrick’s Bingo on St Patrick’s Day. We are looking forward to watching Red’s Opening Day Parade & the Red’s play their 1st game of the season on 3/26. Dancing the night away on 3/26 at our Spring Fling Dance with Tammy Powell performing. We are back to our normal musical groups in March. We will play card games, TV word games, dice games, balloon volleyball, puzzles, poker, trivia, and, of course, have manicures. If anyone would like to help with the trips please let Tim know at 513-965-7722 or tbentley@semhaven.org.

McCormick Landing – February is gone and March is here! We have many exciting activities planned for McCormick Landing. We will be continuing our favorite activities such as baking and enjoying music by Jim Lindenschmidt. We will also be painting a ceramic project for Easter, playing games and cheering on the Cincinnati Reds on opening day. Our lunch outing with Canfield Court will be on March 19th.

Ripple Ridge – Spring is almost here and Ripple Ridge is excited to start getting outside as the weather warms. Until that happens, we have some games and snack socials to enjoy including Girl Scout Cookies & Milk on March 6th, “Would You Rather” game on March 12. We will be painting Easter ceramics on March 18th, watching the Cincinnati Reds Opening Day Game & and Parade on March 26th. We are very excited about the Annual Easter Egg Hunt on March 28th. We love to help stuff the eggs with candy for the kids. Chaplain Bill will be joining us every Wednesday afternoon for some spiritual reflection.

EDEN ALTERNATIVE

EDEN ALTERNATIVE™ – What does it means to live and work in a resident-directed household model of care? Throughout life we move from home to home – our parent’s home to a college dorm to an apartment to a house to a condominium, and so on. It seems strange that when we need home the most, when we are older and frail, that we have to live in an institution. The traditional medical model of care with strict routines, where the resident has little input into their care needs, does not lend itself very well to creating home and a feeling of belonging. At SEM Haven, we take pride in being one of the first homes in the nation to begin the journey to resident directed care (we started in 2000).



ELDER SPOTLIGHT

~ Chaplain Bill

Lois Huey was born at Cincinnati General Hospital in November 1934. Lois and her two sisters, Betty and Rosemary were raised in Cincinnati. Her mother was originally from Tennessee and she spent her adult life as a homemaker. Her father Daniel, was originally from Cisco, Georgia and he worked as a Licensed Boiler Fireman for the railroad. He provided well for his three daughters and his wife. Daniel was also a veteran of WWI where he was a member of the US Cavalry. The cavalry was used for only a short period during the beginning of the war until it escalated and the horses were found to be not particularly successful against the advanced technology of the enemy.

While growing up, one of Lois' favorite things to do was walk to Crosley Field with her friends and peer through the fencing to watch the ball teams play while avoiding actually paying to enter. Lois graduated from Norwood High School. After graduation, she was sought after and presented with a promising offer of a career as a clothing model for photo advertisements. Lois turned down the modeling opportunity with little thought and instead chose to marry the man she had been dating, Aubrey Huey. The wedding was quickly performed on July 3, 1952 because Aubrey had just been drafted into the US Army for the Korean War effort. Aubrey was rushed to Korea where he became Sergeant A. K. Huey and he used his mechanical skills to keep aircraft maintained and ready to go at a moment's notice. While her husband was in Korea, Lois went to work at the Gruen Watch Factory located in the Clifton area of Cincinnati. When her husband safely returned from Korea the two of them bought a house in Cincinnati and began raising their family of four children, Terri, Kenny, Brenda and Phillip. Lois remained at home to care for their children as her husband provided the needed income working as an automotive collision repair technician. Along with her four children, Lois has five grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Lois always loved the arts. She took many evening classes with her sister Rosemary where she learned all she could about drawing and painting. Lois became good enough with her art that it brought her numerous awards and she sold many paintings throughout her life. Lois also loved music, her favorite being Country Western and she also liked the popular rock and roll hits of the time. She enjoyed dancing and going out to Moonlight Gardens. Her hobbies included reading, camping, sewing, playing cards with friends and she was an excellent cook as well. Lois rescued a beagle mix puppy and named it Max after a longtime friend of hers, and that puppy became one of the most important things in her life. Her favorite actor was Clark Gable and of course, her favorite movie was Gone with the Wind.

Lois had no church affiliation prior to SEM Haven but now she never misses Family Devotions and frequently attends the Interdenominational Services. My passage for Lois is John 3:16 "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life. (KJV). We thank God for Lois being with us.

OTHER NEWS

INSURANCE CARDS – Please remember to bring in any new insurance cards that you might have received at the beginning of the year to the Business Office.

OMA (Opening Minds through Art) – Our current session has just begun. This is a wonderful program in which residents work with a personal volunteer to create amazing abstract art. There will be an Art Show in which their creations are displayed for silent auction on Thursday, April 30th. All proceeds go towards continuing the program and replenishing supplies. Any questions can be directed to Tim Bentley in activities.

THE ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT – will be held Saturday, March 28th from 2:00pm – 4:00pm. We are graciously accepting individually wrapped candy donations to fill our Easter eggs! Please drop them off to your household activity leaders or at the Front Desk. On the day of the hunt we will convene in the SEM Haven Gathering Room before breaking off into age groups. Bring your camera to take picture with the Easter Bunny after the hunt! There will be light refreshments, balloon twisting, face painting and Magician John Lewis for your entertainment. Find the special egg and you could win a gift prize. We greatly appreciate your help and look forward to seeing everyone on the day of the hunt. Happy Easter!

Looking forward to a great Spring season.

--Jessica Hall, Administrator