



# Village Voice



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### ***Holiday Gatherings in the Age of Covid-19***

If you have health conditions that make you vulnerable to covid-19 or if your city or county has a high rate of covid-19, refrain from hosting or attending a holiday gathering. Consider seeing your friends and relatives at a virtual gathering on Zoom or Facetime. Remember that the pandemic will not last forever. Make good decisions to keep yourself healthy.

Indoor gatherings are riskier than outdoor ones. If indoors, open some windows to allow for fresh air.

Indoor gatherings should be 10 people or less to reduce the number of contacts and risk for spreading the disease.

Longer gatherings are riskier than shorter gatherings.

Have guests bring food and drinks for themselves. Do not have potlucks.

Limit people going in and out of the kitchen where food is being prepared and handled.

Use single serving condiments and plastic silverware.

Wear a mask and stay six feet apart.

Wash your hands or use hand sanitizer when you go inside someone's house. Do the same when you leave.



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## From the Service Coordinator

Denise Giallombardo, B.S., Human Services.

### **Shipt: A New Program for Macomb County Seniors**

With the recent rise in COVID-19 cases, it is very important that you have enough food to last at least two weeks. In the event of another shutdown, a two-week supply will ensure that you do not have to go to the grocery store and risk exposure. Another way to protect yourself, avoid bad weather and handle a lack of transportation is to take part in *Shipt* through the Macomb County Office of Senior Services.

Macomb County partnered with Shipt, a grocery delivery company, to give you a year of unlimited same day delivery from local grocery stores **free of charge**. Whether you need fresh groceries, pet supplies, or personal care essentials, Shipt delivers the order to your apartment door. If your order is \$35 and above, shipping is free. If the order is under \$35, there is a \$7 delivery charge.

To register, please call the Office of Senior Services at 586-469-5228 before **November 10, 2020** or call me at 586-751-5090, ext. 3 and I will help you to register for the service. You will have to learn how to create a user name and password and learn how to order your food on the Shipt website (shipt.com) or have a family member or friend assist you. You must have a credit card or debit card and access to a computer, smart phone or tablet. You are free to use a computer on the first floor computer room near the large elevator.

Because **Shipt DOES NOT accept food stamps**, I will research other delivery services available at stores like Walmart and Kroger to see if they accept food stamps. Stay tuned!

Once you register, the Office of Senior Services will mail Shipt membership information to your home within 14 days of receiving your request. \*Shipt memberships provided on a first-come, first-served basis while supplies last.

### **SERVICE COORDINATOR ACTIVITIES IN NOVEMBER**

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9	MEDICARE D APPOINTMENTS, GEORGE WOJDACKI*
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12	DR. RUBIN, FOOD DOCTOR
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12	MEDICARE D APPOINTMENTS, GEORGE WOJDACKI*
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13	FOCUS HOPE
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16	MEDICARE D APPOINTMENTS, GEORGE WOJDACKI*

\*These appointments will take place in my office by telephone with Mr. Wojdacki, an expert on Medicare plans. Please sign up in the mailroom or see me for more information.



## 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of Warren Glenn

October 18, 2020 was a cool day with gray skies that threatened rain, but the sixty people attending the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration did not notice the weather because of the good will between the parishioners of 1st Presbyterian Church of Warren and the residents of Warren Glenn.

Pastor Julie Delezenne held a worship service and blessed the building. Roger Myers from Presbyterian Villages of Michigan and Glenn McIntyre, Jr. from First Church spoke about the strong partnership between a committed church and a non-profit leader in senior housing that led to the building of Warren Glenn despite community opposition.

First Church and Warren Glenn presented each resident with a gift bag that contained a commemorative cup, tea, honey, candies and a Warren Glenn word search. People attending the service received a written history of the building as well as a delicious cookie.

And with a mark of divine intervention, the rain held off until seven minutes after everyone left and all the chairs were brought inside!





**Speakers**

- Anne Lilla  
WG Administrator
- Roger Myers  
PVM President/CEO
- Macolm McDougall  
WG Board Chair
- Glenn McIntyre, Jr.  
First Church of Warren
- Rev. Dr. Flo Barbee-  
Watkins  
Presbytery of Detroit



While Inclusion Ministry Coordinator Marijo Hockley could not attend the celebration, she was with us in spirit.



Bagpiper Jim Bates played hymns.

**WG Board of Directors**

- Malcolm McDougall,  
Chairperson
- Mary Blaszczak
- Betty Challenger
- Sr. Mary Fagan
- Marijo Hockley

**Thanks to:**

Maintenance Tech Rick Petrella and resident Hope Dawayen for setting up chairs.  
Administrative Assistant Stacey Klooster for taking pictures during the service and delivering gift bags to residents with Pastor Julie's boys.



# VILLAGE VICTORY CUP 2020



The 2020 Victory Cup was different and better at the same time. *Different* because we held it at Warren Glenn and followed pandemic rules. *Better* because 23 people participated on the All-American team – playing games and cheering for others. Some wore silly hats and t-shirts, decorated their walkers and waved flags.

After the games finished, people stayed outside and visited for a long time.

The youngest player was 64 years of age while the oldest was 90.

## Hoop Shoot

- 1<sup>st</sup> place Hope Dawayen 9 points
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place Liz Barringer 8 points
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place Gail Styles 6 points

## Wellness Walk

- 1<sup>st</sup> place Liz Barringer 23 seconds
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place Linda Westphal 26 seconds
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place Gail Styles 34 seconds

The other games, **Bean Bag Toss** and **Wordsmith**, were team sports and do not have individual player scores.



Hoop Shoot player Liz Barringer was a high school basketball player. Can you tell with that confidence?



## Thank You to:

Joelle Baughman, the Wellness Coordinator at the Village of Oakland Woods, for running the games.

Denise Giallombardo for organizing the Victory Cup.

Rick Petrella for measuring distances and bringing the games out of storage.

Stacey Klooster for keeping the chaos at a minimum.









# The Senior Advocate.

By Lynn Alexander,  
Senior VP & Chief Marketing Officer

## November is National Caregivers Appreciation Month

As a former state aging director and the daughter of caregivers over twenty years, I am well versed as to the joys and anguish which caregivers and their loved ones experience. And these days it is even tougher because we cannot be together.

Please continue to communicate with loved ones and service coordinators as to how you are doing. Experts tell us it is essential that we do not neglect our health and medical appointments. One positive during this time is the increase in telehealth that allows us to meet with our physician remotely over a computer, tablet or phone screen. PVM is investing in this capability and at some point, it will be available in our villages.

Talk with your caregiver children. This can be a timesaver for them. And they can also be involved in the conversation to better support you. Also, we have many opportunities to continue with fitness and wellness programs. Please also wear a mask and get your flu shot.

The best gift you can give your children and grandchildren is to maintain your health. Being around for weddings, graduations and the birthday of a new family generation are blessings beyond measure.

Take care and stay safe!



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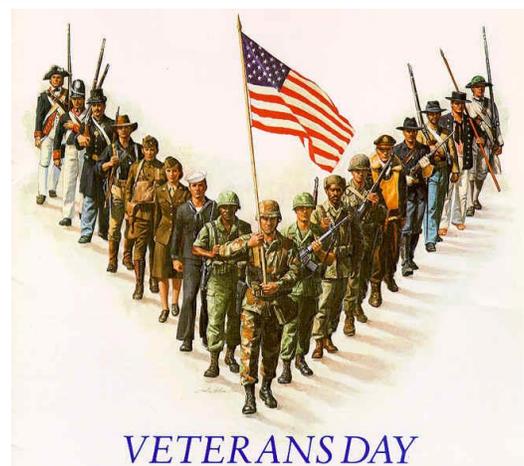
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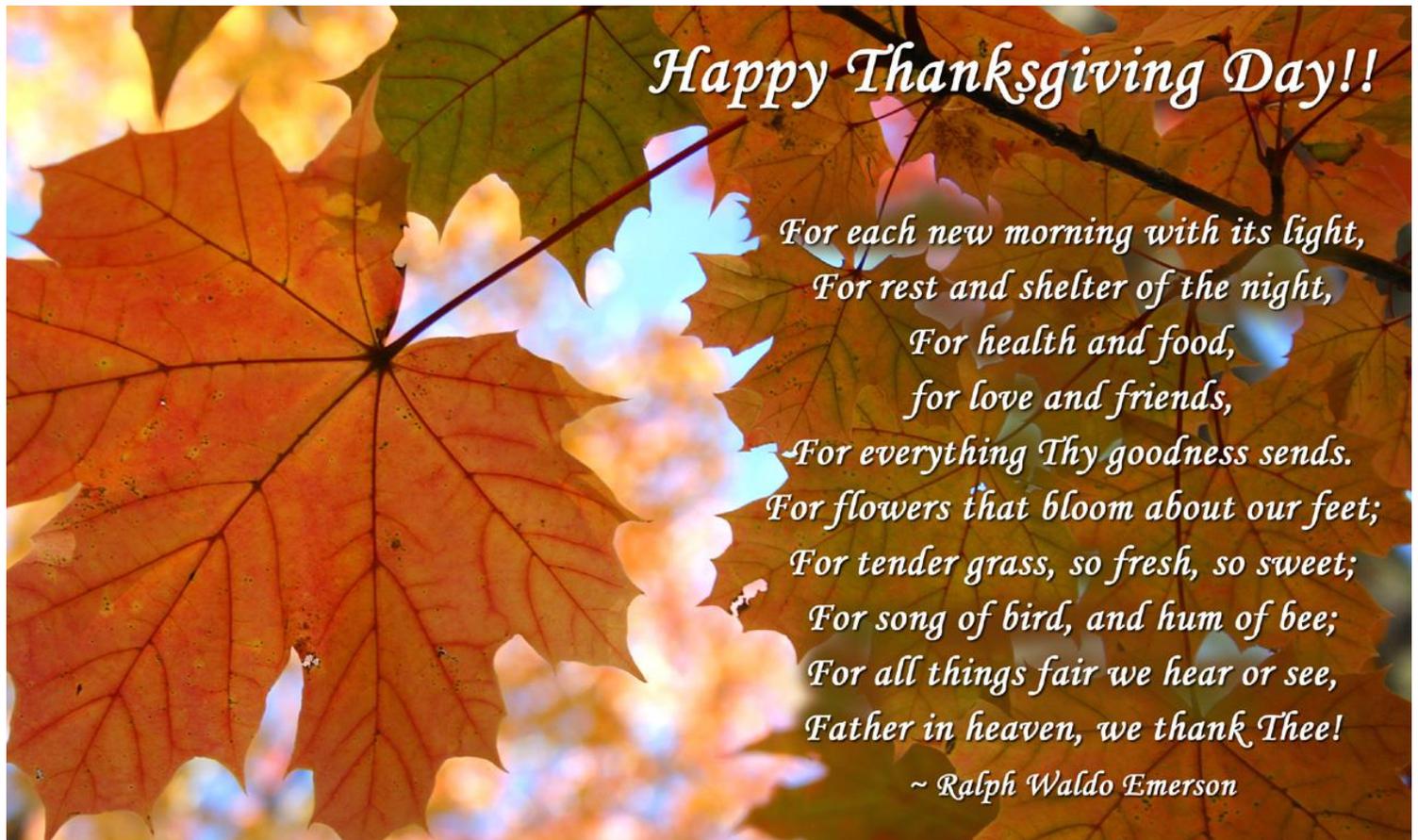


## VETERANS DAY

### Honoring Warren Glenn Veterans

Betty Challenger  
Dann Federico

Chuck Cowan  
John Marini



### ***Birthdays Wishes***

Nov. 7	Terezine Marku #224	
Nov. 12	Pamela Stamps #123	
Nov. 19	Erna Crabtree	#126
Nov. 21	Shirley Pietron	#203

### ***Sending Goodbyes***

- Pam Shade, #113, moved to assisted living at the Village of East Harbor in Chesterfield Township.
- Peggy Piancentini, #103, moved to assisted living at American House in Hazel Park.
- Longtime resident Mary Hofritcher, #115, passed away at age 95. Many Warren Glenn residents attended the viewing and paid their respects to her daughter and resident Lawanda Alexander.

### ***A Bit of November History***

**November 8 is when Mount Holyoke Female Seminary was founded** in Massachusetts in 1837. Mary Lyon, a teacher and chemist, raised \$27,000 to begin the first college for women. The first class of 80 women brought a Bible, an atlas, a dictionary, and two spoons to campus.

**November 10 is also the birthday of theologian Martin Luther** born in 1483 in Germany. He translated the entire Bible into German when the first printing press was built, which spread his ideas like wildfire. The Protestant Reformation began.

**November 12 is the birthday of Elizabeth Cady Stanton**, born in 1815 in New York. She formed a deep friendship with Susan B. Anthony. Stanton wrote the speeches demanding equal rights for women, and Anthony crisscrossed the country delivering them.

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**Staff Rocks**

Service Coordinator Denise Giallombardo arranged to get food for residents at Macomb Emergency Food.

She returned with butter, cheese, bread, ground beef and ground turkey plus a whole pallet of food boxes.



Staff went into gear and moved the heavy, heavy boxes into the distribution center (community room) and storage (service coordinator's office). Then food was taken to the residents in their apartments.



**How's that for service?**