



Village Voice



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The Village of
Westland

A SENIOR LIVING COMMUNITY

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Updates and Reminders

Resident Council Meetings

**Meeting will resume starting this month via Zoom.
Detail of these calls will be included in
your weekly update.**

**Common Areas are only for residents.
This includes hallways.**

**There is no driving or parking on the grass.
There is no long term parking in the emergency lanes.
Emergency lanes can be used for quick drop offs only.
Remember to only use marked parking spaces to park.**

**All visitors on the Village of Westland property
(inside and outside)
must be screened at the front desk.**

Updates and Reminders

Summer Special

If you refer a resident who ends up living here for at least 90 days, you will receive a month of free rent!

Be prepared for a power outage in your apartment

As a reminder, The Village of Westland does not have a generator to use in the event of a power outage.

Please have an emergency outage kit in your apartment that includes a flashlight or battery powered lantern, fresh batteries, battery powered radio, bottled water, stock of non-perishable food, and extra blankets or sleeping bag.

Make sure you charge your cell phones if you hear of a chance of a severe storm in our area.

Village Westland Communication

An email address is the best way for us to send regular updates. Please call Shari Thompson at extension 28952 or call direct at 734.762.8952 to have a loved one's email address added to our list. You may also send her an email at sthompson@pvm.org



It's Your Life. Live It Well.

*By Tom Wyllie,
Director of Wellness*

“These Are the Times That Try Men’s Souls”

“These are the times that try men’s souls”, so wrote Thomas Paine on December 23, 1776. Considered by some to be among America’s Founding Fathers, he continued his essay as follows, “The summer soldier and the sunshine patriot will, in this crisis, shrink from the service of their country; but he that stands by it now, deserves the love and thanks of man and woman.”

These words, along with the rest of his essay titled, “The American Crisis” helped inspire the birth of a new nation. Prior to the Battle of Trenton, in which George Washington and his men famously crossed the Delaware River on Christmas Day to route the Hessian Army, General Washington had his commanders read the essay to his troops. This small, but important victory is often credited with providing the spark that was needed for the Continental Army to go on to win the American Revolution.

Today, 244 years later, we once again find ourselves in a crisis that is trying our souls. Rather than battling the tyranny of King George, we are battling the tyranny of the coronavirus. By the time you read this, we will have been in this fight for 6 months. Like me, you’re probably feeling a little weary and worn out, but now is not the time for us to shrink from the service of our country. We need to stand by it and do what we collectively can to beat back this foe. We need to wear our facemasks, wash our hands, and stay at least 6 feet apart. Though awkward and uncomfortable, this is what science tells us is the best way to combat the virus until such time there is a cure or vaccine.

In closing, I want to share another excerpt from Paine’s essay that I hope will ultimately ring true as we collectively work together against our common enemy, COVID-19.

“Let it be told to the future world, that in the depth of winter, when nothing but hope and virtue could survive, that the city and the country, alarmed at one common danger, came forth to meet and to repulse it. Say not that thousands are gone, turn out your tens of thousands; throw not the burden of the day upon Providence, but “show your faith by your works,” that God may bless you. It matters not where you live, or what rank of life you hold, the evil or the blessing will reach you all. The far and the near, the home counties and the back, the rich and the poor, will suffer or rejoice alike.”

By our common action, by doing what we know we can do to control the spread of the coronavirus, there will apt to be much less suffering and a lot more rejoicing. So do your part. Be the equivalent of a 1776 American Patriot. Wear a facemask. Wash your hands. Stay 6 feet apart.



Village Victory Cup COVID Edition September 2020

Events:

- Wordsmith (New to 2020!) (Up to 5 participants)
- Sing-A-Long (New to 2020!) (3-7 participants)
- Banner Contest (New to 2020!)
- Beanbag Toss (Up to 5 participants)
- Hoop Shoot (Up to 15 participants)
- Wellness Walk (Up to 15 participants)
- Kick-a-Roo (Up to 15 participants)

Village Victory Cup will take place at the Village of Westland. We will take the entire month of September to compete in these events, meaning we will have no more than two games per day.

If you have any questions and/or are interested in participating this year, please call Shana Brown at 734-762-8886 or Ext. 28886.

Cottage Spotlight

Did you know the Village of Westland offers Assisted Living and Memory Care Services? Right here on the same campus, you can receive 24 hour care all in your own private suite. As your needs change and/or grow you can still be a resident here at the Village of Westland. In Rose Cottage you will find our assisted living program and Ivy Cottage our Memory Care program. In either cottage, you will receive a care plan created specifically for your needs. You will be provided 3 meals a day, medication administrations, housekeeping services, activities to participate in, full laundry services and a host of other things that will make this place feel like home.

As we transition to a new normal we invite you to come try a stay at our cottages without any penalties. Just pay for **ONE** month at your time of move in and fall in love with your new home and neighbors. Once you love it, sign a lease with marketing and that will make you a permanent resident.

Providing a home that is catered to you, is our top priority. Individualized services based on the person is what separates us from any other competitor. In either cottage you are 1 of only 20 other residents in the building. That gives us time to grow in love and learn your care requirements daily. If you have any questions or would like to visit please call the marketing department today and schedule a tour to come fall in love with us.

Sales and Marketing
734-762-8928



Help the Village of Westland Help Our Four Legged Friends



Items Needed at the Westland Humane Society

- Gently Used or New Bath Towels
- Small blankets and pet beds that can be washed in a normal machine
- Pet food in original bag
- Canned dog food
- Waterless shampoo
- Yards of fleece for animal projects
- Disposable aluminum roaster pans
- Gift cards from Amazon, Pet Supply Stores or Office Supply Store.
- Cash Donations can be made to purchase the items listed above.

Collection bins will be located in lobby

Will collect items until 8/28/20

Call Amber Tomkinson with questions at (734)762-8896



Welcome To The Village!



Residents

Ronny Rettman
Sandy Meyer
Curtis Barnett

Gayle Bachman
Betty Jerva

August Fun Facts

1. August is named after Augustus, first Emperor of Rome who chose it as it was the month of his greatest triumphs. He died in August AD14.
2. Until 8BC, the Romans called August 'Sextilis' as it was the sixth month of their year.
3. The Anglo-Saxons called August by the name Weod-monath (weed month) as it is the month when weeds grow most rapidly.
4. 'August' is the only name of a month that features among the top 1,000 men's names. April, Maya and June are all in the women's top 1,000.
5. Twenty-two per cent of Norwegians named August were born in August.
6. Men are banned from knitting on Jersey during the fishing season from August to September.
7. Henry VI Part 1 and The Tempest are the only Shakespeare plays that mention August.
8. The birthstone in August is the peridot or sardonyx; the flower is the gladiolus or poppy.

4th of July Door Decoration Contest Winner is...



Sandy Taylor!



Great job to all who participated in the door decoration contest!

July Exercise and Bingo



Summer Word Search

Find and circle all of the summer words that are hidden in the grid.

The remaining letters spell an additional summer item.

J U N E S T S S S S Y K S E U L B M
 U S M E A U Y E O U H I K I N G S A
 S M W E E A N L U B N W A S E Y R E
 U T W I R R S G I C A B L N A R E R
 N S H V M T C C L T E A U D T V L C
 T Y U G I M Y S E A D B I R S S K E
 A G L C I C I R N N S L R R N D N C
 N R E U L F M N A U O S E A R G I I
 O E A E J E R S G H S W E A B N R C
 S E D A L B R E L L O R O S R I P R
 C N A O F L O G T L T B T E E T S E
 H G N I H S I F F A E O A E E A H C
 O R C A M P I N G T W T H B Z O C C
 O A C I N C I P A W A S P S E B A O
 L S F L I E S K M O S Q U I T O E S
 T S U G U A S I L L A B E S A B B O
 G N I N E D R A G S U N S H I N E N



ANTS
 AUGUST
 BARBECUE
 BASEBALL
 BEACH
 BEES
 BICYCLE
 BLUE SKY
 BOATING
 BREEZE
 CAMPING

FISHING
 FLIES
 FLOWERS
 GARDENING
 GOLF
 GREEN GRASS
 HAT
 HIKING
 HOLIDAYS
 HOT
 ICE CREAM

JULY
 JUNE
 MOSQUITOES
 NO SCHOOL
 PICNIC
 ROLLER BLADES
 SANDALS
 SKATEBOARD
 SOCCER
 SOLSTICE
 SPRINKLERS

SUNBURN
 SUNGLASSES
 SUNSCREEN
 SUNSHINE
 SUNTAN
 SWEAT
 SWIMMING
 U V RAYS
 WASPS
 WATER FIGHTS
 WATERMELON

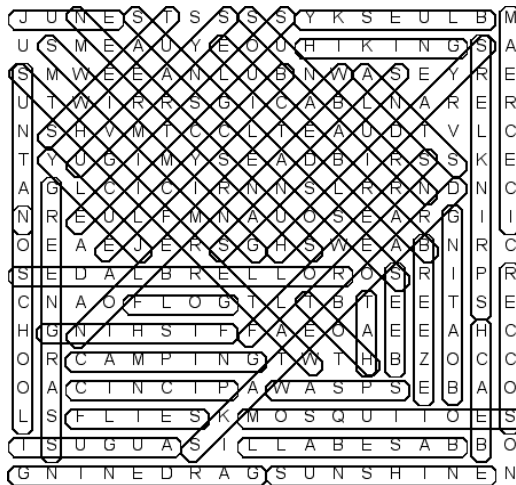
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Happy Birthday to our Wonderful Residents...

Residents with August Birthdays

- David Gonzales..... Aug 2nd
- Ruth Granlund..... Aug 2nd
- Jean Smith..... Aug 3rd
- Pat Boyington..... Aug 6th
- Pat Barr..... Aug 12th
- Don North..... Aug 12th
- Helen Oleszkowicz..... Aug 16th
- Eunice Reid..... Aug 20th
- Matrue Smith..... Aug 29th
- Namoi Buffington..... Aug 29th
- Wava Hana..... Aug 30th
- Verna Haushalter..... Aug 30th
- Beth Reynolds..... Aug 30th

Summer Word Search Answers



The hidden message is: SUMMER VACATION



Presbyterian Villages of Michigan Mission Statement

Guided by our
Christian heritage,
we serve seniors of
all faiths and create
new possibilities for
quality living.

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