

May Village Foundation News

WOW! The garage sale in April brought in over \$1,700.00. This is because of generous donations from YOU. Thank you to everyone for making this such a huge success. Jeri you did a fantastic job in organizing the sale. We could not have done this without the volunteers that helped each day. If that is something that interests you, please give a call to Jim Michels or Jeri Yoder!

Remember to bring us your old papers that need to be shredded. Clean out your old paper files. If you need us to pick up your paper please contact the office. Only \$5.00 for a large grocery bag or \$10.00 for a banker's box.

Also, remember to rinse out your pop cans and turn them into the Foundation with your water bottles. Anything you pay a deposit on we can return and get 10 cents per bottle/can for the Foundation. Watch your newsletter for more events and fun times. We are here for you and want to help make your retirement a little less stressful in a financial way. You can call Dennis or myself if you are needing assistance. May God bless you!! Jan

KNOW YOUR NEIGHBOR

We all know Ila Meyers and her warm, infectious smile. Ila was born in Canada, one of five children and, despite having had three brothers, she was quite the tomboy. The family lived in Saskatchewan, Ontario and British Columbia but, as a result of a job offer from the Weyerhaeuser Timber Company, her father moved the family to Springfield, Oregon, when she was still a teenager. Subsequently, Ila graduated from Springfield High School and the Eugene Business College. After graduation, she spent thirty-five years in the insurance business whilst her husband worked in the timber industry. Early in their lives they decided to adopt fraternal twin baby boys – just three days old. Today, listening to Ila, one easily detects the joy those sons brought into their lives. Later in life, Ila moved to Boring to a five-acre plot with a variety of fruit trees, of course, and hundreds of flowers. Ila loves the outdoors which is one of the main reasons she thoroughly enjoys living in The Village's garden-like setting. To quote Ila: "everything about The Village is special – life here is beautiful"!

Alex Marcus

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May 2026



Hello Dearest Villagers!

The flowers and soft breezes make me so happy! I hope they lift your spirits as well. We are going to be going to a number of flower shows this spring and summer, starting with the lilac farm in Woodland Washington. Dahlia and lavender trips will come as those flowers bloom. Other field trips, like the new library and Guide dog facility, really give me something to look forward to doing with you.

To give input on future activities, or to ask if a new game or activity can be scheduled, you can leave a note for me at the front office or slide it under my door. The best way to be a part of activity planning is to come to the monthly Activity Meeting. Anyone is free to attend, this is not a formal committee.

I missed last year's Spring Tea but we had a Christmas Tea that was SO LOVELY that I am looking forward to May 7th at 2PM. That will be the day of the tea and remember that there is no cost to this activity because we sign up to bring our own bite-sized snackies. If you're not able to bring something please just bring yourself! Let's have a beautiful month!!

Your Sister in Christ,

Jean Black

April Guessing Game

The winner is Sandy Jordan, who guessed that the jar had 300 jelly beans. The actual number was 300!



The May Guessing Game:
How many bows are in the jar?

WELCOME NEW NEIGHBORS!

Ernest & Winna Griffith
Deborah Sether
John and Gerilyn Howard



May Birthdays

- 2 Jean Hewitt
- 5 Linda Lee
- 5 Terry Roach
- 6 Lea DeLight
- 7 Rose Frazier
- 7 Winston John-Baptiste
- 8 John Barrows
- 11 Robert Ybarra
- 22 Kathryn Williams
- 23 Janet Westburg
- 27 Joyce Schultz
- 28 Ann Gimbel
- 31 Tiney Husbands



Happiest of Birthdays to all of you!

(If you have a May birthday and your name is not on this list it is because the office does not have signed consent to do so)



COLORING CONTEST

Pick up the page to color at the sign up table. Use markers, pens or crayons to color. Turn in at the front office by May 14th. Vote for your favorite by May 20th. Winners will be announced at our Special Dinner May 21st.

Congratulations to the April Winners!
First place: Nancy Thomas, who wins a café meal!
Second Place: Donna Thomas, who wins a café dessert!
Third Place: CJ Richey, who also wins a café dessert!

Administrative Corner

Dear Residents,
Happy May.

Spring is marching through and the campus is beautiful. I hope you are enjoying the beauty all around us. It is so easy to get caught up in what we need to do each day, but please try to take the time to stop, pause, and relax. Please take the time to see the beauty in what is around us, not only the flowers and trees, but your neighbors and friends. They are all God's gifts to us. If we take the time to pause, breathe deeply and appreciate everything around us it does wonders for our mind, body and spirit. Thank you for being a part of The Village.

I enjoyed seeing all of the volunteers pitching in and helping with our Foundation bake sale and garage sale this last month. No matter how you helped, YOU made a difference. It was fun to see everyone happy to do what they were doing and enjoying the time with their friends and neighbors. It is when we are helping others that we can live fulfilled lives.

May is Older American's Month. As part of our celebration we have our Resident's Appreciation Dinner where we encourage everyone to come and share a meal with your Village Family free of charge. It is our way to say "Thank you for being a part of The Village and for being our friends." We hope all will come and enjoy the meal and the time together.

This is a busy time for most departments here at The Village. Of course the grounds department is overwhelmed this time of year when the grass is growing fast and the shrubs are growing faster. The Housing department and maintenance and remodelers are busy with many apartment transitions. Our office has been busy transitioning to our new office manager, Shante. Overall it is a busy time. And yet I want you to remember that YOU are our priority. Just because we are busy does not mean we are too busy to take care of your needs. Be sure to let us know your needs and concerns so we can address them.

Our apartments are still changing. We are working at #'s 42 and 11, and we have four apartments that we are expecting transitions in this month and in the coming months, as well as our remodels of #'s 301 and 302 that we are working on.

Our efforts to comply with the new privacy law are going well. Thank you to everyone who has returned their consent form to opt in. Please return this form if you haven't and you wish to give us your permission as described in the consent form. In the next few days we will be calling those who have not yet responded just to see if you wish to sign the form or not. In the meantime, we are making our lists of those whose information we can share. You may notice that our birthday and new resident lists may not be complete. In the future this will also affect our picture board and other areas. This may be something that we just have to get used to. Thank you for your patience as we further comply with the new law.

We still have some garden spaces available, but we need to know right away if you are wanting one. Please contact the office soon so we can know how to proceed with them.

Our lawn sprinklers will probably start sometime this month. Remember that they come on during the night. The water also covers some of the smaller walkways, so if you are out late at night, be careful so you do not get showered on when you don't want to be.

Please remember how important it is not to put food or water of any kind outside of your apartment. This time of year it is especially important that we do not have a friendly environment for the coyotes or any other wild animals that might come by.

We will be having our retirement party for Jan on May 22nd at 1:00. Please come down and share your best wishes with her. We are so glad that Jan and Robert will still be an important part of our community here at The Village.

This month our Thankfulness Wall will be a tribute to Jan. Stop by and write a note of appreciation to her for her faithful and loving service here at The Village.

Have a wonderful May!!

~~Dennis.

Village Weekly Events

EXERCISE CLASSES

Monday, Wednesday,
Fridays at 9:30 AM
Community Room

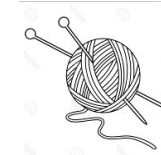
Come and join your
neighbors and get moving and
get your heart
pumping!



KNITTERS & MORE

MONDAYS at 2:00 PM
Community Room

Join us **every** Monday to learn,
share and visit! You do not have
to knit to join us. Feel Free to
bring your own
project to work on.



MEN'S GROUP

Tuesday
5/ 5 and 5/19
10:00 AM ~ Meeting Room
Contact:

Kurt Matzke & Don Schell.
Our goal is to cultivate
meaningful connections for men
with a focus on camaraderie &
mutual support. Where men can
encourage one another, share
their experience & foster
genuine friendships.

BALANCE AND STRENGTH CLASS

WEDNESDAYS
2:20 & 3:00 PM Community
Room

2:20 Movement and strength
3:00 Better balance
Excellent opportunity to
Become stronger
And more flexible!

FRIENDS HOUR

EVERY WEDNESDAY
9:00-10:00 AM ~ Café
Gather & socialize with old
friends and meet new ones.
Chef June will have coffee, tea
and breakfast goodies
available for
purchase.

CHIME CHOIR

WEDNESDAYS
2:30 PM ~ Meeting Room

Come learn to play chimes
in a friendly environment!

OPEN Wii BOWLING

MONDAYS at 4PM
WEDNESDAYS at 10:30 AM
FRIDAYS 2:30 PM
Community Room
Come bowl with friends and neighbors



Women's Bible Study

Mondays at 10:00 AM,
meeting room.
Ramona leads women through scripture
and prayer



GAMES, GAMES, GAMES!

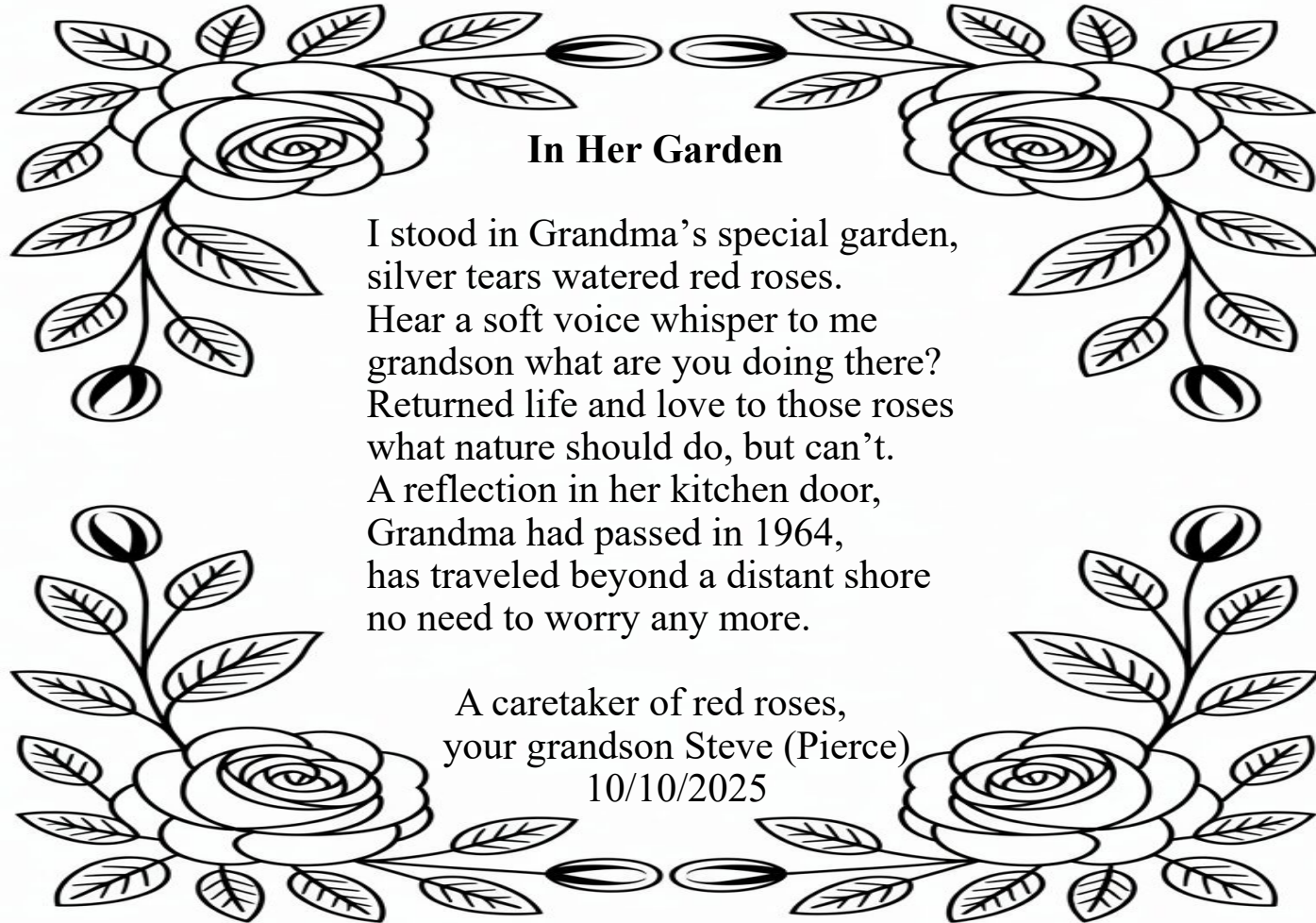
SUNDAYS 2-4 PM~~ Community Room.
Come play Games in the Community
Room. Meet new people & make new
friends! We have dozens of games in our
game cabinet or bring your favorite!

GROCERY SHOPPING

Concierge shopping is available on
Thursdays. Grocery lists must be in by
2:00 PM Wednesdays.
The grocery bus makes a weekly trip to
Winco and Fred Meyer, Fridays @ 8:30
AM.

Please sign up at the volunteer desk.

Village Events



In Her Garden

I stood in Grandma's special garden,
 silver tears watered red roses.
 Hear a soft voice whisper to me
 grandson what are you doing there?
 Returned life and love to those roses
 what nature should do, but can't.
 A reflection in her kitchen door,
 Grandma had passed in 1964,
 has traveled beyond a distant shore
 no need to worry any more.

A caretaker of red roses,
 your grandson Steve (Pierce)
 10/10/2025

RESIDENT APPRECIATION DINNER

Thursday May 21st 12:00 PM

There is no charge to residents but you **MUST** reserve your ticket by May 12th! Guest tickets are \$18 and are available until May 12th.

~~~Caesar Salad with Rolls and Butter~~~

~~~Herb Glazed Salmon OR Zucchini Cashew Cakes~~~

~~~Porcini Mushroom and Potatoes au Gratin~~~

~~~Classic Baby Carrots~~~

~~~Gourmet Carrot Cake~~~

All activities are open to all residents to attend

## Quote for the Month:

"Many people will walk in and out of your life but only true friends will leave footprints in your heart."

~~Eleanor Roosevelt

Alex Marcus extends A Big Thank You to those residents who allow prospective tenants into their homes when no empty unit is available.

## Speakers And Presentations in May

**Monday May 4th 12:45 PM:**

SPOTLIGHT: Sue Rader

**Monday April 11th 11:00 AM:**

Armchair Travel:  
 Luxembourg

**Wednesday May 20th 9:00 AM**

Tour of the Oregon Guide Dogs for the Blind  
 facility in Boring

## The Village Foundation is prepping for the Village Garage Sales!

If you have things you can donate or if you can spend two hours arranging or assisting with sales please contact Jeri Yoder or Jim Michels. This is the biggest fundraising event for The Village Foundation, which in turn provides financial assistance to the residents that live here.

**This month the sale is Thursday May 28rd and Friday May 29th 9AM-3PM**

Monday May 25th is Memorial Day.  
 The Village office will be closed.

## REFLECTIVE THOUGHTS

Hi Dear Village Community,

May is that time of the year when we plant seeds and also begin to notice the first signs of life coming from them. It is a season when we are reminded that life is stronger than darkness, and that the warmth of the soil and light calls life forth, inviting it to stretch toward it—making nutrients out of something as messy and unappealing as dirt.

These lessons from nature inspire us to look forward to the signs of quiet joy, motivation, and delight in our hearts and relationships. We are reminded that even muddy and heavy circumstances carry the potential of bringing sprouts of new beginnings into our lives.

So may our souls faithfully bathe in the streams of light generously flowing from above. May this season bloom with new joy and friendships.

With Warmth, Pastor Violeta

## The Village offers many different worship choices here on Campus:

- . Wednesday evening prayer meeting at 4:00 pm.
- . The Village Adventist congregation meets on Saturday mornings at 10:00 am.
- . The Village Community Church group meets Sundays at 4:00 pm.
- . Vespers Service the 1st Saturday of the month at 4:00pm.
- . Saturday May 30th at 4:00 PM there will be an organ and piano concert by Dorothy and Claire.
- . Saturday May 9th and 16th at 4PM: Creation VS Evolution



**All are welcome and encouraged to attend any or all of the meetings!**

# Activities

## COME PLAY LEFT CENTER RIGHT

Monday May 4th at 11:00 AM.

## SPOTLIGHT

Monday May 4th at 12:45 PM.  
Come have a cookie and get to know  
Sue Rader

## HULDA KLAGER LILAC FARM AND LUNCH AT THE OAK TREE

Tuesday May 5th 10:30 AM

We will drive to Woodland Washington to have a lunch at The Oak Tree then go to the lilac farm. Sign up required, \$22 for transportation and admission. Does not include cost of meal.

## SPRING TEA~~GET THOSE TIARAS OUT!!

Thursday May 7th 2:00 PM

In honor of Mother's Day we gather for tea and treats that we bring ourselves. We dress in fancy clothing and Bonnie shares hats that we wear for the occasion. Please sign up and indicate if you will bring a sweet or savory item, and of course you may come without bringing food!

## ARMCHAIR TRAVEL: LUXEMBOURG

Monday May 11th 11:00 AM  
Learn about one of the smallest  
and wealthiest countries!

## BINGO

Tuesday May 12th at 1:00 PM.  
Of course there will be prizes!



## DINNER AT OLIVE GARDEN

Tuesday May 12th 4:00 PM  
One of our favorites! Great choices  
and large portions (so we can take  
some home) at a fair price. Sign up  
required. \$2 for transportation, does  
not include meal.

## BIRTHDAY PARTY

Thursday May 14th 2:00 PM  
Today we honor those who have,  
or have had, birthdays in April  
and May. We will have  
entertainment as well as cake and  
ice cream.

## PONG

Monday May 18th 11:00 AM

# Activities

## GRIEF SUPPORT

Monday May 18th at 1:00 PM.  
We grieve for many kinds of loss;  
possessions, independence, hopes,  
dreams and those we have loved.

## BREAKFAST AT BLACK BEAR DINER

Tuesday May 19th 9:30 AM  
\$2 for transportation,  
does not include meal.

## ACTIVITY MEETING

Tuesday May 19th 1:00 PM.  
As the weather warms we will make  
plans for more outdoor activities—  
join us and give us your ideas!

## Oregon Guide Dogs Facility Tour And Lunch at Tollgate Inn

Wednesday May 20th 9:15 AM  
Sign up required, \$4 for transportation.  
Does not include meal.

## RESIDENT APPRECIATION DINNER

Thursday May 21st at 12:00 PM.  
See details on next page!!



## RETIREMENT PARTY FOR JAN YBARRA

Friday May 22nd 1:00 PM  
Please join us in the cafe as we wish  
Jan well on her next journey!

## GRESHAM LIBRARY

Tuesday May 26th 10:00 AM  
We've been waiting over a year but  
the new Gresham library is open!!  
\$2 for transportation.

## BINGO

Tuesday May 26th 1:00 PM.



## BUNCO

Thursday May 28th 1:00 PM.



## GARAGE SALE

Thursday May 28th and Friday May 29th, 9:00AM-3:00PM