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PARK VILLAGE HEALTH CARE CENTER

FROM THE DESK OF...

Tom O'Donnell, Director of Operations

As we brave the cold weather and begin the new year, I would like to take a moment to reflect on the recent holiday season. We appreciate all of the caring support and holiday cheer from the families, visitors, and staff who were able to spend time with our residents. It made this season warm and memorable for all of the residents and staff here at Park Village. As always, we appreciate those who come to Park Village and share their talents with the residents, including musicians, singers, and ministers.

Moving into the year ahead, and welcoming the cold and snow, we ask that all those wanting to visit our facility take all necessary precautions when braving the conditions. Please reconsider visiting if the roads are icy or snow covered. Telephone calls and cards are always a

welcomed and appreciated alternative.

Unfortunately, along with the freezing temperatures and snow comes cold and flu season! As many of you are already aware, these illnesses have already hit the Tuscarawas County area, including our facility. We ask that if you or your loved one are feeling under the weather, please reconsider visiting. We want to limit the spread of these germs within our facility as well as out to the community. If you do visit, we are advising everyone to limit close contact and make sure you are washing your hands thoroughly before and after your visit. If you have any questions regarding the status of your loved one, please do not hesitate to contact us. Again, this may be a time where a telephone call or card could be considered.

Finally, I would like to end on a positive note. We look to

this new year with a great deal of excitement and inspiration. As many of you have heard we are looking forward to breaking ground on the South Side of New Philadelphia to build a second location. We hope that this allows us to offer our high quality care and services to even more members of our community! In the meantime, we will continue to focus on our ever-present goal of providing such care to those in our Dover facility. We welcome any comments and suggestions on what we do well and things we could improve upon.

Tom O'Donnell

SPOTLIGHT ON...

JOYCE WIDDER, CERTIFIED ACTIVITY DIRECTOR

Current Residence:

Joyce currently resides in Dover, Ohio.

Family:

Joyce and her husband Scott have two children. Their daughter, Samantha, is married to Craig and they live in Akron. Their son, Danny, lives in Dover

Interests/Hobbies:

Joyce enjoys reading, gardening, and playing Eucher in her free time.

When you were younger, what did you want to be when you grew up?

Joyce has always had aspirations to care for others, as she grew up wanting to be a missionary.

What is something that reminds you of your childhood?

Joyce's most prized memories from her childhood involve her family! Her home was where everyone gathered; aunts, uncles, cousins, and grandparents. Joyce had great fun during these gatherings, resulting in many wonderful memories. Joyce believes that God has richly blessed her.

What is one thing on your "Bucket List"?

Joyce hopes to someday have the opportunity to travel abroad.

What is something that people may not know about you?

Joyce has been a valued employee at Park Village for 30 years and started her career out as a secretary. Joyce also worked for Kenneth Gasser, DDS and Nichols Pharmacy.

Some may be surprised to know that Joyce enjoys doing the dishes and listens to Christmas music all year long!

What is your favorite thing about working at Park Village?

Aside from the many friends Joyce has made here at Park Village, she has enjoyed spending time with the residents and listening to them share stories about their lives and past experiences.

Joyce feels that the Activities Staff at Park Village is a very special group of ladies! (*We agree!*)

Welcome New Residents

Health Care Center

Dorothy Hanna

Loretta Adams

Dorothy Nicholson

Oliva Ruszin

Marlene Singhaus

Laura Speicher

Carolyn Jones

Mercedes Baker

Rebecca Richesson

Sue Cline

Anthony Zigman

Betty Lorenz

Louise Inherst

Ellen Brueck

Valeria Basiletti

Dorothy McCulley

Ruth Van Guilik

James Gardner

Lizzie Miller

Gwen Shively

Verda Gloeckner

Randolph Traver

Kathryn Henry

George Weller

Norma Edwards

Ralph Ott

Marjorie Schumacher

Anna Martini

Marilyn Geckler

Cora Russell

Betty Romo

Carol Vandenburg

Assisted Living

Grace Sloan

John Fletcher

Ted Shannon

Grace Bochsler

Julia Lieser

Paul Miller

Kate Fletcher

Mary Bahler

Dorothy Hanna

Charlene Long

Shirley Simmons

Hannah Carr

Laurel Schenk

*We are pleased that you have chosen Park Village Health Care Center!
Please take full advantage of all that our campus has to offer, including our
many activities. Also, please remember that you are more than welcome
to invite your friends or family to join you for our activities and meals!*

Happy Birthday!!!

October

Flodell Marburger – 10/6
Rudolph Ruffini – 10/15
Joy Grossenbacher – 10/23
Barbara Wisintainer – 10/27
Hazel Maurer – 10/31

Helen Coventry – 10-7
Evelyn Ralston – 10/17
Evelyn Nill – 10/25
Boris Wilcoxon – 10/30

Eva Weisgarber – 10/12
H. Dale Bowers – 10/19
Rosalie Beaber – 10/25
Thelma Harstine – 10/31

November

Ruth Willoughby – 11/1
Jane Downing – 11/7
Jack Fantine 11/11
Hannah Carr – 11/12
Scott Mears – 11/14
Marjorie Gintz – 11/17
Art Cicconetti – 11/20
Linda Miller – 11/23

Ken Garman – 11/5
William Nelson – 11/8
Betty Ickes – 11/11
Mary Bahler – 11/12
Rose Wenger – 11/14
Richard Wilson – 11/19
Thelma Rowe – 11/21

Ruth Tschantz – 11/6
Zella Morelli – 11/10
Rita Clifford – 11/12
Byron “Bill” Ervin – 11/14
Jean Stevenson – 11/15
Dona Wilson – 11/20
Evelyn Meese – 11/23

December

Jane Acker – 12/3
Norma Degen – 12/8
Dorothy Hanna – 12/13
Antoinette Todd – 12/25
Juanita Shannon – 12/26
Marjory Garman – 12/29

Marilyn Bracken – 12/6
Janet Comella – 12/10
Noni Porter – 12/23
Arthur Carroll Holloway – 12/25
Dorothea German – 12/27

Dorothy Tedrick – 12/7
Robert Numbers – 12/10
Ruth Fox – 12/25
Carmella Margo – 12/25
Harold Swauger – 12/28

In Memory Of...

Doris Troendly
John Marstrell
Lu Barnes
Menno Beachy
Mary Aubihl
Marjorie Schumacher

Russell Gilmore
Anna Kaiser
Dorothy McCulley
Mildred Lorenz
Lillian Warner

Don Shalosky
Margaret Seymore
Marian Prysi
Carol Wardell
Chetty Angelozzi

In the News...

Flu Season is Upon Us

As many of you are likely well aware, the flu season is upon us! It has been noted that throughout Tuscarawas County, the state of Ohio, and now nationwide, severe cases of the flu are being reported. This news leave many of concerned about how to prevent contracting the virus and what we should do if we get sick.

First and foremost, prevention is key... as best as can be expected. Obviously limiting contact with those feeling under the weather is greatly recommended. Please call the nurse before coming in to determine whether it is a good time to visit. If you feel you must visit someone who is ill, please make sure you ask the nurse or aides for proper protective equipment if needed, potentially including gloves and a mask. If you are feeling ill yourself, please stay home and take care of yourself! Rest and plenty of fluids are always recommended as well as proper medical attention if needed!

Finally, as we move forward through this flu season, we ask for your cooperation and consideration for the residents, their visitors, and our staff. We will continue to provide quality care to all of our residents, we may change a few of our procedures along the way. While these changes may prove cumbersome (i.e. eating meals in rooms), they are a necessary means of preventing the spread of infection or containing the illness. As always, please feel free to contact the resident's nurse, the Director of Nursing, Diana Murray, or any other member of the management team with concerns.

Looking Ahead...

January brings in a new year and an opportunity to celebrate. Many of you joined us for the New Year's Eve celebration, which rounds our next year, but gets us geared up and excited about things to come in the year ahead! Please feel free to join the residents for any of the planned activities and encourage your loved one to recommend those activities they wish we offered. Our New Year's Resolution is to continue to provide and improve upon the care we provide and the quality of life our residents experience!

February continues the winter months, which may bring fewer visitors but a lot more fun here at Park Village! We will continue our tradition of an enjoyable Valentine's Day Celebration. Please feel free to join your resident for an enjoyable meal and a chance to remember some wonderful winter memories.

March will hopefully bring us signs of better weather, starting with a lot of GREEN! We look forward to our St. Patrick's Day Celebration and decking the halls with lots of Irish cheer! While we see how much green we can pack into one day, please feel free to stop in and enjoy the activities that the day has to offer. Our Activities Department is constantly trying to come up with new and exciting games and crafts... hopefully we'll have the Luck of the Irish on our side!