

Hearthstone Happenings

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NEWS AROUND HEARTHSTONE

Voter Assistance

Monday, October 29, 9:00-12:00pm

Hearthstone has invited the Washington County Voter Assistance Team to provide voting assistance for our residents. In the past this program has been very successful in helping our Hearthstone residents with voting. The program helps residents by reading the ballot or the Voter's Pamphlet to the resident. They may also assist the voter by providing the latest voting technology and can also be the "pencil" for the voter, if needed. The program does not include making voting decisions for the voter. Washington County offers this as a free service to our residents.

Plan to bring your ballot with you. If you do not have your ballot, one can be provided. The Voter Assistance Team will provide an official Ballot Drop Box for anyone to drop in a completed ballot.



Welcome Molly Lyster

Welcome, Molly Lyster to the Hearthstone Family! Molly enjoyed that her first day was the same day as the car show celebration. She has expressed how happy she is to be here with so many friendly people and looks forward to welcoming more people to the neighborhood in her role as Community Relations Director. Molly looks forward to learning more about everyone. When Molly is not here she is spending time with her husband of 18 years and two sons.

Cadet Heater Upgrades

Mel has been updating the cadet heaters in our 1 bedroom apartments. In addition, he has installed a digital thermostat so that residents can "regulate" how warm they want their bedrooms to get. The new insides will not go above 80 degrees for safety reasons.

As we head into cooler weather, this is a friendly reminder for all residents and families to have extra nonelectric blankets in the apartment, should there be any type of power outage. This is also a good time to begin switching out summer clothing to warmer clothing/jackets/scarves/gloves/mittens.



Gerry Allen Life Story



Gerry Cecilia Allen was born May 14th, 1923. She resided in a quaint home in Colorado, with her mother, father and sister Shirley. Grandma Gerry and her sister were very close and enjoyed roller skating together in the alley beside their home. When my Grandma was in her late teens a handsome gentleman in uniform, on leave from the air force, walked into her life. There he was in her back yard. She was taken with his good looks and chivalry that resulted in a playful stance on his “military shined” shoes. My great grandmother Opal quickly took the opportunity to snap a photo. To this day, my Grandma always smiles, reminisces and tells me the story of the day they first met.

Charles Robert Allen aka “Papa Bob” and Geraldine Cecilia Allen wedded in their early 20’s. After he completed his service in WW2, they started the foundation of our closely woven family. They had three children, Bill, Jan and Susan. All three children were raised to appreciate family, respect others and work hard, among many other wonderful attributes my grandparents instilled in them.

She was very involved with all five grandchildren. We all have shared memories with her as well as individual recognition that reflects her appreciation for each unique attribute. Grandma Gerry went back to work as her children became older. She worked in various positions in administration. She has always been wonderful with numbers and meticulous with money management. However, I believe her favorite “job” was being the best wife, mother and grandmother she could be.

Her dedication, commitment and love for us all was a reflection of her warm, compassionate spirit which she shared with everyone lucky enough to cross her path. Holidays and birthdays were always filled with an abundance of home cooked meals, gifts and irreplaceable memories we all visit often.

After the very difficult loss of her husband and three children, my Grandma gathered all of her strength to continue on without ever letting the memories of her family fade. Shortly thereafter, life’s challenges struck again. However unfortunate, events once again found a silver lining. It was during this time that Grandma and I decided we were going to tackle all these events together; we were teammates and bonded with love for each other and our shared memories of better times.



September Happenings



Virgil and his brother, David talk engines at the Annual Car Show and Picnic.



Martha and her granddaughter Erica.



Bill, Walter and Cliff checking out a classic car at our Annual Car Show and Picnic.



Jean and Mel share a dance at our Annual Car Show and Picnic.



Florence and Ramona at the Beaverton Celebration Parade.



Molly and Bert share a dance at our Annual Car Show and Picnic.



Grace, Mel and Suzanne having a good time at the Parade.



Cliff and Mary enjoying their picnic lunch at Champoeg Museum



Sue on the Hearthstone Bus waving her clapping hand at the Beaverton Parade.



Carol showing off corn that was grown in the Hearthstone Garden.



Hearthstone residents at drum circle in the activity room.

ACTIVITIES

In Celebration of October being Animal Month—we have the following visits:

October 4th at 3:00pm – Betsy the Goat
(outside front door)

October 5th at 1:00pm – off to the
Oregon Zoo

October 8th at 10:00am – Olive and Kylie
(happy dogs)

October 10 at 2:00pm – Bunnies
(in a Basket)

October 11 at 11am – Rojo the
famous llama!!!

Gerry Allen Life Story Continued

In 2014, Grandma, always the trooper, hopped on a plane with me and left California behind to be my partner here in Oregon, and from that moment we have not left each other's side. I will always be grateful she came with me that day. She sacrificed for the love of family and has given me the best gift she could have ever given. Today, we both share a love for every moment we have together. Our conversations and visits are filled with laughs and fun memories, but most of all we share the love we feel, knowing that we are on this journey together, side by side and that we need nothing more in this life as long as we have each other.

Grandma Gerry, her strength is unflappable, her courage unequivocal, her love for life and family, is infinite.



Come one, come all to our Harvest Festival!

On Halloween, October 31, at 2:30pm in the activity room, Hearthstone will combine a Harvest Festival with the fun of Halloween. Come dressed up if you'd like. We will have an apple cider press so we can enjoy fresh apple cider, along with donuts and other samples of the season! Music and games will keep us all busy and the activity room should be full of good spirits (no ghosts).

Be sure to join us!



Something New!! Let's be Pampered

As cooler days approach, we thought it would be fun to warm up and soften our hands, have a friendly massage for circulation and get our nails painted... On October 26th at 1:15pm come to the activity room and get pampered. We will have several volunteers to help us that afternoon—and just so you are aware, none of us are professionals! We will have good conversation, good smells from essential oils and lots of cheer! Men are welcome!

Thank you to our very special Volunteers

The Hearthstone Activity Department want to thank some of our volunteers for recent programs. Our activities could not run as smoothly without these caring people.

We thank Corrie Gilmore who arrives most Tuesday afternoons and willingly helps with our “Game Afternoon”, always with a smile. She also visits residents on a one on one basis, giving a bit of extra attention to those not able to join in a group setting.

We thank Mary Jane Gleeson who helps in so many ways from exercise, to walking with residents, to decorating, to helping with parties, to providing us huckleberries. You name it, Mary Jane is there.

We thank Karen Lloyd and husband Chuck for **consistently** playing cards on Tuesday afternoons. Karen also helps with a craft time program.

We thank you Fred and Allison Kruger who recently came on the outing to Boring, Oregon to be with us as we watched the special graduation of the Guide Dogs for the Blind. Fred and Allison graciously helped residents on and off the bus and helped get everyone settled in chairs. They also come and do one on one visits and attend our church service, helping residents in and out of the activity room..

We thank Ron Burns for his Sunday church help – passing out church programs and helping with seating.

We thank, Julie Salmon, who has been helping us with Monday Fred Meyer outings, enjoying it herself, as she does the weekly scavenger hunt.

And we thank Michael Llewellyn who comes and shares Rudy his sweet poodle, and Sandy Willis, who shares Olive her yellow lab.

A big thank you to Stephen Hunter who comes regularly on Mondays to do the devotion time with our residents

A special thank you to our resident, Janet Wilson who plays the piano for church services and morning devotions. What would those programs be without her music?

A big thank you goes out to Penny Labberton, our volunteer coordinator who is always ready to lend a hand in a million ways. Working with other volunteers and working with us.

We hope these special people know how much they are appreciated!



October Birthdays

Rustie Wolf—8th

Ray Cinco—10th

Agnes Winston—30th

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