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A Note from the Administrator Celebrating the Fourth of July

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We all know that it wouldn't be the 4th of July without fireworks! But where did it all begin?

The Chinese are credited with the invention of fireworks. Some say it all began when green bamboo was thrown onto the fire when other fuel was not available. The green bamboo, having pockets of air and water in its fibers, would explode with a loud bang as it heated. The Chinese people believed that if the noise frightened the living it would scare away evil spirits as well. The first fireworks were created when other chemicals such as saltpeter and sulfur were packed into hollow bamboo tubes.

The Italians were the first to manufacture fireworks and became very skilled with their work. Additional compounds and chemicals were added to color the sparks. Soon the displays were used to celebrate all kinds of events. The wedding of Henry VII is the first recorded use in England.

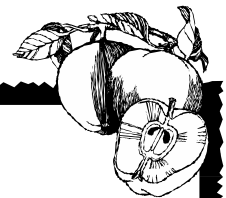
Fireworks were associated with Independence Day celebrations even before the signing of the Declaration of Independence. John Adams, on July 3, 1776, wrote to his wife after the Continental Congress had decided to proclaim the American colonies independent of England:

"The day will be most memorable in the history of America. I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated by succeeding generations as the great anniversary festival...It ought to be

solemnized with pomp and parade... bonfires and illuminations (fireworks) from one end of this continent to the other, from this time forward forevermore."

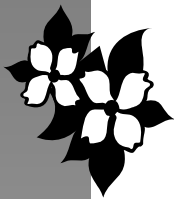
Since then, Americans have used fireworks in a wide variety of festivals and celebrations such as the 400th anniversary of Columbus reaching our land. More recently, the 1976 Bicentennial, the Centennial of the Brooklyn Bridge in 1983, Macy's parades and Presidential inaugurations have all used the pyrotechnics. Possibly the biggest display in the United States was the Statue of Liberty Fireworks Spectacular on July 4, 1986. Approximately 22,000 aerial fireworks were launched from different locations.

We Americans have a lot to celebrate and be proud of. We thank our veterans who have served in our country's military protecting our freedom. We hope everyone enjoys this year's celebration of Independence Day!

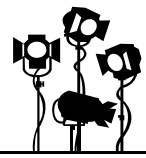


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Employee Spotlight



Donna Roberts, CDM, Dietary Manager



Donna Roberts has been with Orchard Manor for several years. She began working at “The Old Home,” Wayside Inn, in 1975. She left us to work at another facility for a time, but continued to remain active as President of the Orchard Manor Board. She returned as Dietary Manager in 1999, a position she holds today.

Donna is the third youngest of ten children. She has two brothers, Cecil and Clifford and six sisters, Glenna, Cora, Ethel June, Esther, Fay, and Delilah. One sister and one brother have passed away. She and her sister Delilah are the only two siblings not retired. Donna was born in Butler and raised in Slippery Rock. She attended Slippery Rock, Montgomery School—a one-room school house, Grove City, Lakeview and graduated from Victory Joint School in 1962.

Donna has three children, Ralph, Dorothy and Arthur, and two step children, Edward, Jr. and Steve. She has ten grandchildren, seven boys and three girls, one great-grandson and one very spoiled dog, Oscar. Two of the girls are RNs, one of the boys is going to be a criminal attorney and another a police officer. Two are going to culinary school.

A Certified Dietary Manager from the University of Florida, Donna is also a Certified Food Protection Professional. She is on the advisory board at Butler Community College for the Culinary Arts Program. Donna has served on the advisory board at State College to change the Dietary Managers Program and as President of Dietary Managers of PA. She has received Presidents’ Awards for both of these. She has also been on the Board of Directors for the Dietary Managers’ Association.

In her spare time, Donna likes to do crafts, sew, take vacations, walk and be around animals. She collects cows and snow men. She also enjoys camping and horseback riding. At one time, Donna made cakes of all kinds, including for birthdays and weddings. She also took first place in a “sexiest lips” contest!

Donna loves her job and working with the elderly. She would not change one thing in her life.



Our Dedicated Staff

Service Anniversaries for July

Roxanne Barclay, CNA—32 years
Diane Fajohn, LPN—22 years
Brenda Riddle, CNA—7 years
Mary Ellen Wilson, LPN—7 years
Grace Schermerhorn, CNA—7 years

Julie Shambaugh, LPN—6 years
Hulda Heister, Dietary Aide—4 years
Michelle Rose, CNA—4 years
Karen Richards, Activity Aide—4 years
Tracey Wegrzynek, CNA—4 years

Service Anniversaries for June

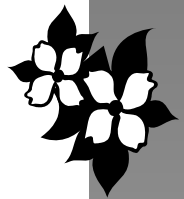
Emily Robinson, Activity Director—1 year
Kayla Yarian, RN—1 year

Our apologies to Emily and Kayla, who were mistakenly cut off from the June Service Anniversaries last month.



Chaplain's Chatter

Pastor Walter Mehman



July 4th—Independence Day

On July 4, 1776, the founding fathers signed the Declaration of Independence in the city of Philadelphia. It was the beginning of a new form of government, an experiment that hadn't been tried as yet.

Out of the men who signed the Declaration, there were 24 lawyers, 9 landowners, 11 merchants as well as physicians, ministers and politicians. They were educated men who were held in high regard by their communities. They knew about security and prosperity, but the most important idea in their minds wasn't prosperity—it was freedom. They also knew that the penalty for treason was death, yet they all signed the paper.

Perhaps the signature that is most famous is that of John Hancock, who signed his name twice as large as any others. His remark about this was that "Now his majesty can read my name without his spectacles."

Stephen Hopkins, perhaps the oldest man present, said this about his signature "Gentlemen, my hand trembles, but my heart does not!"

America is seen as the greatest place on Earth to live. The question is what makes her "great?" Our country is great in her beauty. We also have a population that has a great diversity to it. America, over the years, has always possessed a great sense of ingenuity in many different areas of life. This includes industries of all kinds, in the medical field and in the field of science as well. Just think about the cell phone for a moment. From the early experiments of Alexander Bell we have gone from phones wired to each house to phones with no

wires that can receive calls from around the world, surf the net, tell you where you are geographically and store thousands of bits of information. Cell phones can do everything but cook a dinner and do the dishes. But who knows—maybe that will happen soon.

There is yet one more item about the Declaration of Independence and the founding fathers that is sometimes forgotten—Their sense of faith and their belief that God had brought the first settlers to this land. A little band of people crossed the Atlantic in a boat that measured 26 x 113 feet. They landed in the bitter cold of winter. The first thing they did when they stepped off the boat was to kneel in prayer. The first buildings erected were churches where they could worship God. In 1777, the Continental Congress voted to spend \$300,000 dollars to buy Bibles for distribution in the nation.

The Ten Commandments became the basis for civil and criminal laws in 12 of the original 13 colonies.

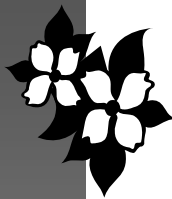
The great concern for freedom that was expressed by those men in Philadelphia came from the belief that God had brought them to this country where they would be "free" to worship God. Our opportunity to live in a "free" country is our greatest blessing.

Psalm 33:12 expresses this belief. "Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people whom he has chosen as His heritage!"

Have a safe and happy Fourth of July!

Pastor Walt





Family Picnic

Don't forget Orchard Manor's 19th Annual Family Picnic! The theme will be "Red, White and Blue."

Family members and friends are invited to attend this special afternoon of food, music, and fun. The date is Saturday, July 10th. The picnic will begin at 11:30 a.m., with the meal being served at noon. We will be having hot dogs, hamburgers, chicken and other picnic treats. We invite families attending the picnic to bring their favorite dessert, Jell-o salad or fruit salad.

The Auxiliary will be holding their craft sale and we will have our traditional "Chinese" Auction. The winner of the picnic cooler of goodies will be drawn and a 50-50 raffle will be held. We will also get to see which manager will get the "Pie-in-the-Face." We look forward to seeing you there!

"Chinese" Auction

One of the most popular traditions at our Annual Family Picnic is the "Chinese" Auction. Items donated will be on display in the Hobby Room during the week of July 5th. Tickets will be 3 for \$1 or 20 for \$5. They can be purchased from any member of the Activities Staff. Best of luck to all who participate and thank you to all who donated for this event!

Good Luck!

Best wishes to Social Service/Admissions Director, Tara Michaels. Tara resigned from her position at Orchard Manor and is now working for Vitas Hospice, so we will still be in touch. We will miss you, Tara!

We'll keep everyone posted when Tara's replacement is hired. Until then Denise and Intern Deborah Lugo will be available to help with any concerns.

Salute to Our Military

Orchard Manor would like to acknowledge family members of Residents and Staff who are currently serving in the Military.

- ☆ SSG. Jarett Buchanan,* brother-in-law of Stacy Saeler, Speech Therapist
- ☆ Spc. Steve Fox, Army National Guard, son of Wanda Fox, CNA
- ☆ Pfc. Jeremy Fry,* Army, cousin of Amy Bailey, CNA
- ☆ Pfc. Jonathan Hogue,* brother of Stacy Saeler, Speech Therapist
- ☆ E5 Sgt. Adam Reddinger,* Army Infantry, cousin of Amy Bailey, CNA.
- ☆ Sgt. Justin Robinson (Maintenance), Army National Guard, son of Diane Robinson, Administrator, brother of Emily Robinson, Activity Director

- ☆ Spc. Jacob Sydlik and
- ☆ Spc. Matthew Sydlik, Army National Guard, grandsons of Resident Norie Young
- ☆ Senior Airman Josh Winder and
- ☆ SSG Matt Winder (Maintenance), Air Force Reserves, grandsons of Gloria Kaufman, Housekeeper.
- ☆ LCpl. Nathaniel Yarian,* U.S. Marines, husband of Kayla Yarian, RN.

*Currently serving overseas

If you have a family member you would like to recognize in the Apple Blossom, please call Laura Cook at 724-458-7760.

Our Deepest Sympathy

Everyone at Orchard Manor extends our heartfelt thoughts and prayers to the family and friends of the following Resident who recently passed away.

Mrs. Ruth Dietrich, 6/2

Mrs. Margaret "Peg" Weber, 6/6

Mrs. Edith Lightner, 6/25

Mrs. Eleanor Elliott, 6/27

Mrs. Bessie Graham, 6/28



In God's care you rest above,
In our hearts you rest with love.
Memories of you are ours to keep,
Our words are few but our love is deep.

Author Unknown

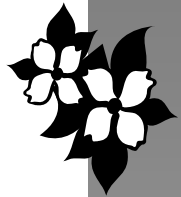
Pie in the Face Fundraiser

Tickets for this event are available from the Activity Staff. The tickets can be purchased for \$1.00 each, or six for \$5.00. There will be a jar for each of the six staff members. The person buying the tickets can choose which jar to put their tickets in. The Manager's jar with the most money is the "winner" and will get the pie in the face! All tickets purchased for the "winning" Manager will go into a drawing to see who gets to throw the pie at the Annual Picnic on July 10th.

The more tickets you buy, the more chances you have to throw the pie! All proceeds will benefit the Activity Department.

The Managers are:

1. Scott Anderson, Maintenance Supervisor
2. Brian Begley, Housekeeping Director
3. Amber Morian-Gowetski, Assistant Administrator
4. Donna Roberts, Dietary Manager
5. Rich Tallis, Assistant Dietary Manager
6. Diane Robinson, Administrator



New Residents!

Mrs. Hattie Hoffman, 6/3
Mrs. Delilah Mickley, 6/28

New Employees

Cathie Turner, CNA
Mary Lou Altman, RN
Jennifer Sagulla, LPN

Best Wishes

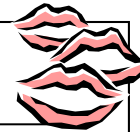
Best wishes to the following Residents who were discharged from Orchard Manor.

Mrs. Thelma Roxberry, 6/1
Mrs. Theresa Plichta, 6/28

Support Group

The monthly CAREgiver's Support group will be held on Wednesday, July 21st at 10:30 am in the Front Solarium. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Jo Palmer at 724-458-4456.

Senior Snickers



Last week, I stated this woman was the ugliest woman I had ever seen. I have since been visited by her sister, and now wish to withdraw that statement. - Mark Twain

The secret of a good sermon is to have a good beginning and a good ending; and to have the two as close together as possible
- George Burns

Santa Claus has the right idea. Visit people only once a year. - Victor Borge

Be careful about reading health books. You may die of a misprint. - Mark Twain

By all means, marry. If you get a good wife, you'll become happy; if you get a bad one, you'll become a philosopher. - Socrates

I was married by a judge. I should have asked for a jury. - Groucho Marx

My wife has a slight impediment in her speech. Every now and then she stops to breathe. - Jimmy Durante

I have never hated a man enough to give his diamonds back. - Zsa Zsa Gabor

Only Irish coffee provides in a single glass all four essential food groups: alcohol, caffeine, sugar and fat. - Alex Levine

Money can't buy you happiness ... But it does bring a more pleasant form of misery. - Spike Milligan

I never drink water because of the disgusting things that fish do in it.. - W. C. Fields

We could certainly slow the aging process down if it had to work its way through Congress. -Will Rogers

Don't worry about avoiding temptation. As you grow older, it will avoid you.

- Winston Churchill

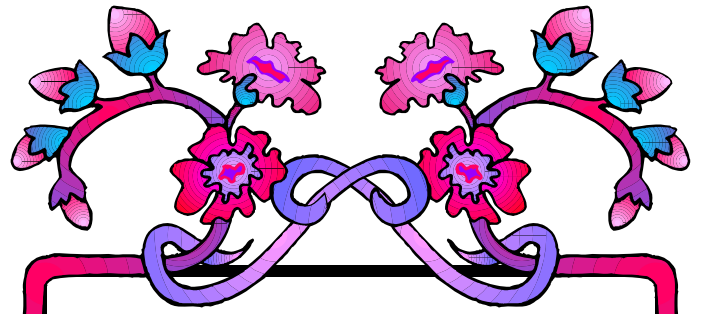
Maybe it's true that life begins at fifty. But everything else starts to wear out, fall out, or spread out. - Phyllis Diller

Calendar Highlights

- July 4 Patriotic Music with Johnny Oakes
Grove City Fireworks Display
- July 10 19th Annual Family Picnic
- July 11 Sundaes on Sunday
- July 13 Puppet Show with Chuck
- July 15 Music with Dick Fisher
- July 20 Music with Joe Lege
Outing to Pymatuning
- July 21 Children's Carnival
- July 23 Ceramics with Clarinda
- July 26 Barry Spiker & Friends



*For a more thorough list of activities and times,
please see the calendar on pages 2 & 9.*



Happy Birthday!

- 7/9 Naomi Louise Allen
- 7/12 Mary Ruth Montgomery
- 7/14 Ethel Mae Allison
- 7/15 Eunice Bickel
- 7/16 John "Chuck" Dickey
- 7/20 Audrey Wilson
- 7/23 Myra McCorkle
- 7/27 Joe Humphrey

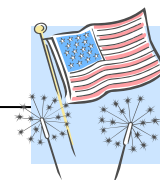


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Residents of the Month



Don't forget to look at the pictures of our Residents of the Month!
They are on the bulletin boards located on each wing.

Iva Stickel—A-Wing

Iva Stickel was born Iva Mae Gongaware in the family home near Ellwood City in 1923. She was the tenth of thirteen children born to parents Samuel and Lydia Loughner Gongaware. Only three of the children survive. Iva went to the Muddy Creek School in Portersville.

In October of 1942, Iva married Gaylord Stickel and the couple had three children, Edith (Anderson), Roy and Viola (Smith). Viola passed away in 1973. The family lived in Portersville across from the Oak Grove Presbyterian Church, where Iva was a member. Gaylord worked at the Ellwood Works of US Steel and ran a sawmill during his time off. Iva often helped him with his work at the mill. She liked country living and made quilts in her spare time. The quilts were often given as wedding and baby gifts and some were sold at flea markets.

Iva enjoyed going on long car rides to national forests and into the mountains of West Virginia. The family had a camp near Tionesta that they visited. In her spare time, Iva enjoyed collecting. Some of the things she collected were bells, Barbie dolls, coins, marbles, commemorative spoons and vases. Iva is well-known for her apple pies!

After 51 years of marriage, Gaylord passed away in 1993. Iva now has four grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

Elizabeth "Betty" Drennen—B-Wing

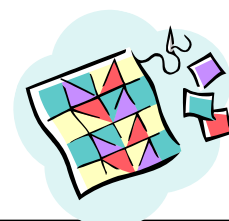
Elizabeth "Betty" Kelly was born on May 10, 1919 to parents Jesse and Jean Kelly. She and her brother, Jesse, grew up doing chores with their dad on the family farm. Betty went to Slippery Rock Schools where she graduated in 1937. After high school, Betty attended Slippery Rock College for two years.

Betty was a real-life "Rosie-the-Riveter" at Cooper-Bessemer where there was a shortage of men to work because of the war. Later, Betty and her best friend joined the Army and served in the W.A.C. working in a San Antonio, Texas hospital.

After the war, Betty married Thomas Drennen on April 30, 1948. The pair had four children, Timothy, Tom "Tucker", Tara and Tamara. The family took a summer vacation each year to *The Cedars* on Crow Bay in Ontario, Canada where they loved to fish, swim and spend time together. Today, Betty has 6 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

Betty loved to cook and bake. She would can and freeze fresh vegetables from the garden. In her spare time, Betty enjoyed dancing, roller skating, playing the piano and singing in the church choir.

Patchwork of Memories Quilt



More of our Residents have added squares showing their interests and special memories to the Orchard Manor quilt.

Resident Janice Eiler is represented with a square showing her favorite beverage, Coca-Cola and their mascot polar bears.

Resident Nancy Indre's square has a picture of her favorite rag dolls, Raggedy Ann and Andy. She also loves pigs, especially the babies.

Resident Carolyn Hollands was a piano teacher and has put a keyboard on her square. If you've ever visited her room, you would see her collection of panda bears.

Resident Bertha Rodgers and her husband used to travel all over the United States in their RV. Her square shows a map of the U.S. and pictures of campers.

Our employees are adding to their quilt as well. Family is very important to Kelli Shollenberger, CNA. She has listed the names of her family members on her square.

Activity Aide Janet Whitmer shows a picture of a place on the river called Whitmer's Bend, named after her family. She also has a picture of her best friend, Activity Aide Erma McKnight, her dog, Buddy, elephants and Virginia Beach.

Receptionist Linda Garner is a self-proclaimed shop-a-holic! A photo of her nieces and nephew that she adores is also on her square. Linda loves strawberries as well.

Midnight shift LPN Barb Riddle is a big Steelers fan as shown by her square. She loves her family and friends and grandchildren! In her spare time, she likes to read and do arts and crafts.