Welcome

Margaret Lloyd joined the Dogwood family in late August. She has lived in Orange for her entire life. She has 2 beautiful children. She is retired from the Orange School System. Margaret is a member of Blue Run Baptist Church. Let's show her a down-home welcome.



Elizabeth Aspland was born in Detroit Michigan but lived most of her life in Silver Spring Maryland. She moved here to be close to her daughter. She is retired RN nurse who worked at Wahington Hospital. She enjoys television, church and bingo. Stop in and say hello.



October Birthdays
10/3 Katerine Bebb
10/4 Bob Vasquez
10/20 Elizabeth Aspland
10/26 Shirley Graham
10/30 William Crenshaw



TRIPS

10/2 Leisure Ride: Skyline Drive 10/4 Shopping: Terry's Place 10/9 Lunch: Outback Steakhouse 10/16 Lunch: Ice House 10/23 Leisure Ride Graves MTN 10/25 Leisure Ride 10/30 Outing: Bakery

Who likes snacks?

Activities Department is now offering a snack cart two times a month. The cart will go room to room on each floor. You will have an option to purchase a variety of snacks of your choice.

- **❖** The times and dates will be: October 15th & October 29th
- **❖** 1:30 1st Floor
- **❖** 2:00 2nd Floor
- ❖ 2:30 3rd Floor



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DOGWOOD DISPATCH



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Celebrating October

Halloween Safety Month

Talk About Prescriptions
Month

Roller Skating Month

Spinning and Weaving Week October 7–13

Free Speech Week
October 21–27

Balloons Around the World Day October 1

Blessings of the Fishing Fleet Day October 6

Handbag Day
October 10

World Origami Days
October 24-November 11

National Mule Day
October 26

October 30

Night Flyers

As Halloween approaches, images of bats often flutter into our minds, adding a spooky touch to the season. However, there's much more to these fascinating creatures than their eerie reputation suggests. Let's explore some interesting facts, common myths, and the many benefits bats provide.

Bats are the only mammals capable of sustained flight, with over 1,400 species worldwide. They range in size from the tiny bumblebee bat, weighing less than a penny, to the large flying foxes with wingspans of up to six feet. Despite their diversity, bats share some common traits, such as echolocation, which allows them to navigate and hunt in the dark by emitting high-frequency sounds.

One common myth is that bats are blind. In reality, all bats can see, and many have excellent night vision. Another misperception is that bats are aggressive bloodsuckers. While vampire bats do exist, they are just three species out of more than a thousand, and they mainly feed on livestock, not humans.

Bats play crucial roles in ecosystems. They are natural pest controllers, consuming vast amounts of insects, including mosquitoes. A single bat can eat up to 1,000 mosquitoes in an hour! Additionally, fruit bats are vital pollinators and seed dispersers for many plants, including those that produce bananas, mangoes, and avocados.

Despite their benefits, bats face numerous threats, including habitat loss and diseases like white-nose syndrome. Conservation efforts are essential to protect these misunderstood animals.

As Halloween casts its spooky spell, remember that bats are more than just a symbol of the season. They are remarkable, beneficial creatures deserving our respect and protection. By dispelling myths and understanding their importance, we can better appreciate the incredible world of bats.

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RUMMAGE SALE

The activity department will hold a
Rummage sale in the lobby on
October 4, 2024, from 8:30 AM11:30 AM. Come shop for a unique
trinket. If you wish to donate, please
contact Lisa Erb, Activity Director.



Oh what a September night! Dogwood Village rocked the evening away with the Catcus Jack Band!



Art of Dance performed in celbration of National Assisted Week. Our community room was overfilled with so much talent to share.

October Events

10/1 Meet & Greet W/Harrison

10/1 Beans & Cornbread

10/2 Blue Birds of Happiness

10/2 Kevin Salyer (Music)

10/4 Billy Caldwell (Music)

10/5 Ice Cream Sandwich Cart

10/7 Dosier Duo's (Music)

10/8 Side by Side (Music)

10/10 Resident Council

10/11 Egg Salad Sandwich Social

10/12 Create a Scarecrow

10/14 Wine & Cheese

10/16 Keith Campbell (Music)

10/16 Blue Birds of Happiness

10/17 Nashville Standard (Music)

10/18 Friday Tailgate Party

10/19 Singing Grandpa (Music)

10/22 Peanut Auction

10/24 Fried Bolonga Sandwich Social

10/28 Wine & Cheese

10/28 Nails W/Heather

10/30 Halloween Movie Night

10/31 Brightside Halloween Parade

10/31 Halloween Party



Rickey and Rebecca Lee are from Unionville Virginia where they have lived for 22 years. They have been married for 53 years. Both were eager to share how they met at a local dance hall. She is a retired RN nurse, and he is a retired foreman with SW Rogers construction. They have 2 beautiful children. Both are proud of raising an amazing family. Stop and give them a warm welcome.

SHOW YOUR SPIRIT

- ➤ 10/18 In honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month. "Wear it Pink Day". We will take a group picture in the lobby at 11:00 AM. We encourage residents and staff to participate to show team support.
- 10/31 Let's have fun and show off some unique Halloween costumes. Stop by the activity room at 2 pm and place your vote for overall best dressed resident and staff member. Prizes will be awarded.



The bus wheels tuned many times in September with a stop at Thorton River Orchard for apples.

Throwback to TV dinners and television!



Loving Lucy



On October 15, 1951, Lucille Ball brought her sitcom *I Love Lucy* to television audiences. The show's plot was relatively simple: the naïve and ambitious wife of a popular bandleader strives for attention despite her obvious lack

of talent. Luckily, the actor who played this character, the inimitable Lucille Ball, had plenty of talent. Her comedic genius propelled the show to the top of the charts. *I Love Lucy* was America's most-watched show for four of its six seasons. It won five Emmy Awards and a George Foster Peabody Award for excellence.

National Food Services Week October 6th-12th, 2024

A huge thank to dining staff at Dogwood Senior Living. The staff go up and beyond to please the residents for breakfast, lunch and dinner. During this week take a few minutes to share a "Thank You" with each of them.

FALL BINGO HAPPENINGS



10/3 Bingo W/Ellen
10/6 Bingo W/Activities
10/10 Bingo W/Activities
10/13 Bingo W/Ellen
10/17 Bingo W/Ellen
10/20 Bingo W/Activities
10/24 Bingo W/Activities
10/27 Bingo W/Activities
10/31 Bingo W/Activities