

# Village Voice

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## Helping Hands



We received the below note from the daughter of one our residents.

*I just wanted to reach out and thank you and all the staff for your swift action on limiting visitations during this public health crisis. I read through the new criteria on the website and it is all so smart and evidence based. I am so grateful for all you do to keep my mom and all her fellow residents safe and happy at all times, but especially now.*

*I 100% endorse and honor the 'essential visitor' model, but I do want to ask if there is anything I can do from a safe distance? Do you need supplies that I can provide? Care packages for staff or residents? Anything that you can think of at all that would support your efforts or take a little bit of the edge off, please let me know, now or in the future.*

*All the best to the EHL staff, Jen*

This kind note prompted us to make the below list of ideas for anyone who would like to help our residents during this time. You are welcome to bring items to the front office between 8:30 am and 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday. Just ring the door bell and someone will help you!

- If you can sew, we are in need of reusable face masks, gowns, and booties!
- Bring fresh fruit and/or veggies. Packaged bakery products are also accepted.
- Magazines or picture books.
- Easy games and craft projects.
- Contact the homes directly if you'd like to set up a phone call or Facetime connection with your loved one.



## Support Groups

**Support Groups** are cancelled until further notice, as ordered by the State of Oregon. While it breaks our heart to mandate such restrictions and cancellations, we do this for the ultimate protection of our beloved residents.



## Village News: Delay in Ownership Change

We have been notified there will be a delay in the transition of ownership to Peary Wood/Tierra Senior Living from April 1st to May 1st, 2020. This date is subject to change if the COVID-19 Virus impacts usual processes. We will keep everyone informed as we get more details.

**Thank you all for your love and support during these hard times!**

## EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

Michelle @ Aspen Home

We are pleased to announce that Michelle is our April 2020 Employee of the Month!



Michelle was born and raised in the Eugene and Springfield area. She has one older brother, and is the proud mother of two kids, Mercedes and Daygen. Her family also consists of five furry members - one dog and four cats. When asked about her family, Michelle said, "They will never leave my side. They accept me. They love and support me. They are my home!"

Michelle joined EHL in July of 2017 and currently works as Lead Direct Care Staff in our Aspen Home. In her time at EHL, she has also worked as a NOC Float. Michelle is still often seen working in the middle of the night to help cover breaks for our staff who work the overnight shifts. We don't know what we would do without Michelle!

When asked why Michelle likes working here, she replied, "Working with the residents has helped me realize that I love being part of this loving, living, learning environment. Working for EHL is my second home." She also told us that, "There is a reason I am drawn to this field - it's because the people living with memory loss have a lot to teach me!"

### Michelle's Words of Wisdom:

**"Dance like there's nobody watching, love like you'll never be hurt, sing like there's nobody listening, and live like it's heaven on earth!"**

**Thank you, Michelle, for your hard work and your dedication!**

## In Remembrance

### Mary Murray

Mary came to EHL in September of 2016. David, Health Services Coordinator, shared that, "Mary lived life the way she wanted to live it and was a well-respected and loved member of our community." Mary passed away at the age of 95. She will be missed dearly.



### Sam Pickard

Sam came to EHL in August of 2017. Chelsea, Resident Coordinator of our Aspen Home, shared with us, "Sam was such a sweet and kind man. He was so caring and he had such great values. We will miss him so much." Sam passed away at the age of 86.



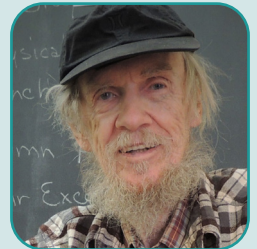
### John McCarthy

John came to EHL in June of 2019. Chelsea, Resident Coordinator of our Aspen Home, told us, "John was so polite and such a sweet guy. We will miss him always saying 'Mo Betta' (more better) about everything. We will never forget his sweet smile." John passed away at the age of 89.



### Joe Cameron

Joe came to EHL in September of 2018. David, Health Services Coordinator, shared that, "Joe had an amazing way of drawing people into conversation and entertaining us with his stories and amazing artwork." Joe passed away at the age of 93. We will miss him very much.



*Wherever a beautiful soul has been, there is a trail of beautiful memories.*

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