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MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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Covid-19 Vaccine

The first round of COVID-19 vaccinations were a success in our Village! We had 79 residents and 40 staff vaccinated in just three hours.

Round two and three of vaccinations are scheduled for February 16th and March 9th.

We want to give a special thanks to *Walgreens* for coming out for this!





EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

Ryan @ Maintenance

We are pleased to announce that Ryan is our February 2021 Employee of the Month!



Ryan was born and raised in Springfield. When asked about his family, he shared that, "I have a great family. Three kids, three dogs, and a beautiful wife." In his spare time, Ryan likes to disc golf and spend time outdoors.

Ryan started with EHL in May of 2017 within our Maintenance Department and then spent time in our Recreation Department. In November 2019, he was promoted to Maintenance Coordinator. When asked why Ryan likes working here, he replied, "The residents! I love it when I get to work with them and I enjoy fixing things around our village."



Ryan is wonderful at his job, there is no doubt, but he also has a special touch with the residents. They absolutely adore him, and the feeling is mutual for him!

Ryan's Words of Wisdom:

"It's not what happens to you, but how you react to it that matters." - Epictetus

Thank you, Ryan, for your hard work and your dedication!




Covid-19 Vaccine

& Testing!



Molly gives a thumbs up!

Here are just two of the forty staff who received their COVID vaccination! Did you also know that we test all of our staff weekly for COVID? We take  serious here!



A sign for testing and vaccinating!



We know Karyn is smiling under her mask!



In Remembrance

Richard Kelsey

Richard came to EHL in November of 2020. Jada, Shift Supervisor, shared with us, "Richard loved watching the Green Bay Packers and drinking a bunch of eggnog. He would often talk about his dog that was like a child to him. He was very clever and often times would be seen joking around with other residents. His favorite times were when he would get phone calls from his family, which always put a big smile on his face." He will be missed greatly. Richard passed away at the age of 83.



Shirley Wallace

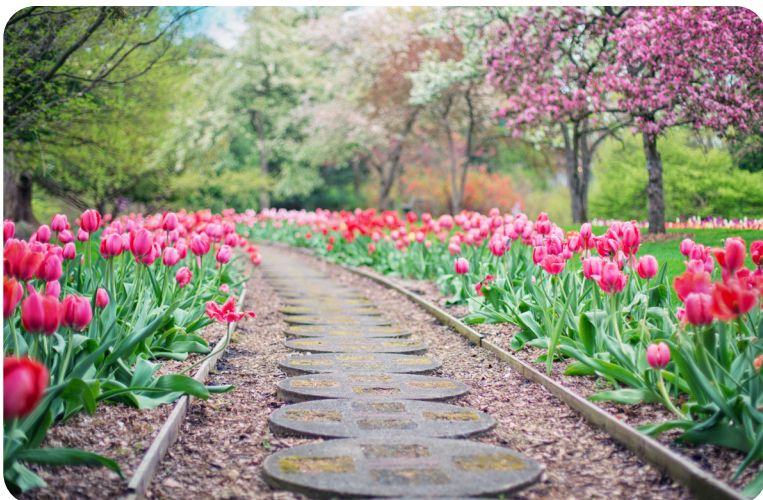
Shirley came to EHL in November of 2018. Amee, EHL Administrator, shared that, "I loved Shirley's big smile and the times when she would play her harmonica. I will always remember her as a fiercely independent woman." Amber, our Assistant Administrator, told us that, "She was such a sweet little lady with a great smile. She always thought we were related and we would talk about the old days." And finally, Trina, our Administrative Assistant, shared that, "I just loved Shirley. Her smile would light up any room and she was always sparkling! She had a positivity about her that transposed onto all who came in contact with her. She will be missed!" Shirley's family decided to move her home in October of last year. She was home with her family when she passed away at the age of 83.



Heather, Resident Coordinator of the Cedar Home, was the granddaughter of Shirley.

Heather shared the below with us:

My grandma Shirley will forever live on in my memories as the strongest, most caring person I was blessed to know. In life, we loved her dearly. In death, we love her still in our hearts. She will hold a place no one else will ever fill.



Those we love do not go away... They walk beside us every day. Unseen, unheard, but always near. Still loved, still missed, and very dear.

Fidget Aprons

We recently posted a request on Facebook for fidget aprons, which are great options for our residents because they do not get shared between residents and they are washable. We are so grateful that the family member of one of our former residents donated these fabulous aprons! The residents love them!

If there is anyone else out there who is crafty with extra fabric and ideas on fidgets to add, we'd love to get some more of these donated for our residents. You may deliver them to the front office.



Employee of the Month Nominations

If you are interested in nominating one of our staff for employee of the month, you can drop an email to Marianne, our HR Coordinator, at mcarothers@elderhealthandliving.com. Please provide the name, home/department, and the reason you think the person has gone above and beyond.

We look forward to hearing from you!



Happy Valentine's Day from Elder Health & Living

Living with Memory Loss

Our Living With Memory Loss educational series is on a Zoom Online Meeting platform. There is help provided if you need extra support with Zoom. Please call 541-747-4858 to register!

Date: Apr. 6th - June 8th, 2021

Time: Tuesdays from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

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Living with Memory Loss Series

This 10-week educational seminar offers a unique opportunity for persons with a memory loss disease AND their care partners to gain valuable education and support. Each session features a local professional offering information about memory loss and the community support services available. With our Zoom facilitators there will be opportunities for questions and support for participants.



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