

BREVILLIER INSIDER

A Newsletter For Brevillier Village
Residents, Families, Friends, And Volunteers.

Future Visitation Protocols at Brevillier Village

As we are winding down the COVID vaccination of residents and staff, I have been receiving many questions about visitation for residents, families, and friends.

Our last day of vaccination distribution will be March 15th, 2021, and will be the last clinic at the Village. The Village received the Pfizer vaccine. We will be vaccinating staff and residents who still require their 2nd vaccination to complete the series for optimum coverage against the virus. We are so proud that overall, 96% of the residents of the Village have received the 2-step vaccination. That is a wonderful number. The CDC recommends at least a 2–3-week period after the 2nd shot to have the maximum coverage.

Beginning on Wednesday, March 17th we will once again have indoor visits available in a controlled setting for Conrad House, Barnabas Court, and Ball Pavilion. You should have received a phone call, letter, email, or check the website for complete details for the visits regarding all of the buildings. These visits will not change anything for those on Hospice or residents who are actively passing away. We will continue visits as long as we have no COVID-positive residents or staff at the village. We are also looking towards warmer weather soon so we can initiate outdoor visits again.

If you or family members, friends have received the 2-step vaccination, or the 1 step Johnson & Johnson please bring your card in so we can make a copy. It may affect future visitation requirements. Please remember- these visits can change at any time due to many factors.

I know you have all been so very patient, but with the new strains in the US, I think the CDC and government are still being very cautious. It is certainly encouraging to see the number of cases and hospitalizations going down.

Once again please feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

Vicky Wittuck
Senior Vice President



March 2021

BV Mission:

Through uncompromising attention to body, mind and spirit, Brevillier Village meets housing and health care needs in a home-like atmosphere.

BV Philosophy:

Continuing a quality not-for-profit outreach of the Episcopal Church, we are dedicated staff and volunteer care givers who serve older adults with dignity and respect.

BV Vision:

Quality of Life Matters.

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COVID-19: How You Can Help Us

By: Maureen Rizzo, Director of Development

It is hard for many of us to comprehend how the past 365 days (and counting) have changed us all. Not only individually, but as a community. As we were going about life, as usual, not many of us could have predicted, how life as we knew it would soon change forever. From the daunting, but necessary restrictions, insurmountable need for personal protective equipment (PPE), cleaning supplies, and of course the necessary face masks, we all have been forced out of our comfort zones. Change is already a difficult process to begin with, especially when considering the element of constant fear, isolation, and learning to adjust to the new rules. Everyone, regardless of age, has been impacted by these frustrating times.



As a non-profit senior housing and health care community, the pandemic has drastically changed the way we can operate. Many of you are experiencing firsthand the hardships of these changes and we are appreciative of your patience as we navigate through this together. Our residents are amongst the most vulnerable to the virus, therefore many of our sacred and most loved routines have been redesigned or eliminated for the time being. To continue in our vigilant efforts in keeping all residents and staff safe, our budget continues to be burdened by COVID-19 related expenses. Despite the decrease in local caseloads and the great news of vaccine rollout, we will continue to be faced with increased operating expenses and postponement of most of our annual fundraising initiatives.



One of the frequently used pandemic quotes is, “*We are in this together*” and we often share these sentiments throughout the workday. We feel this has been true of our Brevillier Village family from day one. Our resilient staff consistently shows up each day to do their job, providing compassionate care to your loved one. Many, often pulling double shifts and picking up weekend shifts to cover the additional responsibilities we’ve recognized as essential to keeping everyone safe. We are an establishment of family, community, and commitment and as we continue along in this journey, we present you with a stewardship opportunity. Your donation, in any amount, is essential in our ability to maintain our high-quality standards of care. We truly do believe in our Mission and we remain optimistic in your support to our residents and staff as well.

Please take a moment to watch some of our resident, family members, and staff interview series on our Facebook page or our website at www.brevillier.org. Each one offers their unique experience with Brevillier Village and expresses inspirational messages of compassion, love, patience, and perseverance during this time. Thank you for your support and for being an integral part of *our together*.

For more questions on how you can contribute, please contact Maureen Rizzo at (814) 899-8600 or mrizzo@brevillier.org

**Please visit our website at brevillier.org to view artwork created by Jon Chisholm, a Conrad House resident.
Jon is donating 50% of sales to the New Nurse Call System.**



PRAYER IN TIME OF PANDEMIC:

Shared by Deacon Chuck Adamczyk

Lord Jesus, you came to bring salvation to our world. You humbled yourself to accept death on a cross. Please be with us on our Lenten journey, and as we still confront the spread of the coronavirus with courage and hope. Please be present to the sick and to those who accompany them in their suffering. Please strengthen our medical professionals and caregivers, and comfort families who are separated from one another. Please protect those who are at risk of the virus in their work. Please spare us from the ravages of this illness and console us in our uncertainty and fear. Please unite us in hope, enlighten us in faith, and give us the grace as a church to love one another as you have loved us. We make this prayer as we place our trust in you.

Amen.

Lent & Easter Services

Spiritual services will be recorded and presented for residents.

- Daily—Stations of the Cross
- 3/28—Palm Sunday
- 4/1—Holy Thursday
- 4/4—Easter Sunday



Tech Zoom with PSU Behrend Students & Residents

By: Jennifer Kehl, Social Worker

A huge component of maintaining the quality of life includes human connection. Keeping our residents connected with family and loved ones has been an important priority at Brevillier Village. With the help of Civic Engagement students from Penn State Behrend, residents are becoming familiar with their communication devices. Participating residents have individualized Zoom meetings where the student can help with questions. Students began working with Conrad House residents on February 3rd and will continue each Wednesday of the month through April 28th.

Move-In Rate

SPECIAL OFFER

Independent Living at Conrad House and Barnabas Court South
(for leases signed by May 1st):

- 1st month's rent waived
- Technology Install Fees waived

Personal Care at Barnabas Court North and South (for leases/admissions through May 1st):

- Rent portion of 1st month waived for BCS (elder care not included)
- Technology Install Fees waived for new admissions at BCN and BCS

Coming Soon: Virtual Tours and FaceTime Tours!



Ball Pavilion:

Dorothy Brown
Irene Krineski
Carl Marshall
Louis Newara
Blanche Willet
Joe Yates

Barnabas Court North:

Barbara Burghart
Ruth Weigle

**CONGRATS TO
CONRAD HOUSE!**

The residents of Conrad House and their families have struggled for many months with the COVID restrictions placed on them as part of the Brevillier Community. But the residents were strong and vigilant. For the most part, they did wear their masks outside their apartments, they did not go to stores, or to lunch or to family gatherings. They limited their gatherings within the building as well. There was a true sense of community as our CH residents fought to keep the virus out! And they did it! Conrad House residents have gone for a whole year without any cases of COVID reported! We thank you for your efforts and we Congratulate you on this achievement!

HC Community Engagement Team

Special thanks are sent to the Harborcreek Community Engagement Team. During the February Zoom meeting Township Supervisor, Tim May, asked the group if there are any needs in the community. I had the opportunity to share with everyone a simple request to keep the residents, family members, and staff at Brevillier Village in their thoughts and intentions, as we continue to brave the storm of COVID-19. Immediately, the team members responded with ideas and eagerly worked together to help bring cheer to the Village. Pastor Keith of South Harborcreek UMC coordinated with the fellow Harborcreek Ministerium of Churches including Faith Lutheran, C-3, Harborcreek Community Church, North Harbor Baptist, Our Lady of Mercy, and South Harborcreek UMC. Their efforts produced five elegant floral arrangements which were delivered to each of our nurse stations at Brevillier Village. Also, Robin Margosian of Laskowski Insurance (Harborcreek), volunteered her time and talents by creating five boxes of beautifully handcrafted



greeting cards to share amongst Village staff. Whether keeping the frontline workers in your prayers or dropping off a sweet treat, all your good deeds are 100% appreciated and have a positive impact on everyone's spirit. These gentle, yet selfless gestures, are indicative of the wholesome community we are all a part of. Thank you!

In Loving Memory

*The ones we love never go away,
They walk beside us even on this day.
Unseen, unheard, yet always near.*



Last Goodbyes

We share our heartfelt goodbyes to those who have recently passed.

Evelyn Evans	02/19
Marie Morealli	02/20
Bethann Crounauer	2/22



Ball Pavilion

Corinne Sands	03/07
Jacie Rosthauser	03/08
Louis Newara	03/09
Theresa Agostine	03/10
Rita Slomski	03/29

Barnabas Court North

Momoko McClure	03/01
Tony Wienczkowski	03/17
Janice Bradway	03/19
Esther Northrup	03/19

Barnabas Court South

Kathryn Hirsch	03/05
Jack Carr	03/14
Mary Ella Bole	03/16
Doris Krahn	03/23

Conrad House

Leah Moore	03/01
Kathleen Sharples	03/01
Evelyn Senger	03/07
Denise Foster	03/08
Doris Causgrove	03/13
Frederick Heiler	03/14
Eric Johnson	03/15
Calvin Wurst	03/22
George McCool	03/23
Ingelie Nordin	03/26

Employees

Sarah Martin	Dining Services	03/01
Corrine Geiger	Housekeeping	03/02
Melissa Pence	Nursing	03/05
Christa Smith	Housekeeping	03/05
Molly Zemla	Social Services	03/06
Bev Conn	Dining Services	03/08
Geraldine Rickrode	Recreation	03/09
Victoria Yonko	Dining Services	03/11
Rhonda Baxter	Nursing	03/12
Sandra Corey	Housekeeping	03/16
Aiden Bruce	Dining Services	03/17
Krishonda Troop	Dining Services	03/18
Deborah Learn	Administration	03/21
Rachel Green	Nursing	03/27
Dani DeGrave	Rehabilitation	03/30



Alicia Roberts	LPN	03/01/2016
Sheryl Galbreath	LPN	03/01/2016
Hannah Perrin	RN	03/04/2008
Shelby McAuley	PCA	03/08/2016
Mary Schuster	RN	03/09/2006
Donald Miller	Maintenance	03/09/2020
Jennifer Shultz	Admin Asst/IT	03/11/2003
Brady Hartle	Nurse Aide	03/12/2019
Belinda Baldwin	PCA	03/12/2019
Christa Smith	Housekeeper	03/18/2019
Sandi Leube	Bookkeeper	03/19/2012
Jennifer Adams	PCA	03/23/2016
Dinedia Ramey	PCA	03/24/2020
Kayleigh Torres	Server	03/31/2020



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- ◆ Maintenance
- ◆ Recreation



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Upcoming Events

March	Social Work Month
03/14	Daylight Savings Time Begins
3/12	Gearing Up For Spring—Wear your spring colors today!
3/14	Spring Ahead, Don't forget to turn your clocks forward
03/17	1:30 St. Patrick's Party Cart W/ Virtual music by 23 Skidoo (BP & BN)
03/20	First Day of Spring
3/25	Spring Celebration Cart (BP & BN)
03/28	Palm Sunday