

# BREVILLIER INSIDER

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



**May 2022**

## Nurse's Week: May 6—12

*From: Amy Paszkowski, Director of Nursing*

Each year, during the first week of May, we celebrate Nurses Week! Brevillier Village is proud to have the most compassionate and caring long term care and personal care Nurses! Nurses are special people by profession, but it has always a saying here that "there are Nurses, but then there are BREVILLIER Nurses!" Nurses know our residents best – their histories, health issues, routines, likes and dislikes, and Brevillier nurses even know their families!



**OLDER  
AMERICANS  
MONTH**



AGE MY WAY: MAY 2022

## May is Older American's Month

*From: Maureen Rizzo, Director of Development*

At Brevillier Village, we take pride in learning the needs of each resident through implementation of individualized care plans. These plans are derived from our social services, nursing staff, and resident family members. This enables our staff to provide person-centered care, as each person's needs and preferences differ. Our dedicated team is committed to taking the extra step in keeping everyone comfortable and safe. In addition, our residents are kept active through various recreation planning, our Haven Program pets and plants, they are nourished with tasty homemade meals, and are truly cared for each day and night. Brevillier Village supports the acknowledgement of Older Americans Month but truthfully, we are celebrating their presence year-round!

### **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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## Please Enter Your Brevillier Village Nominations May 5-24th

**Visit GoErie.com to cast your nomination!**

Home & Home Services: Retirement/55+ Community  
Beauty & Health: Rehabilitation  
Top Employer: 101—500





## Amy Learn Steps Into Ball Pavilion Administrator Role

*By: Amy Learn, Ball Pavilion Administrator*

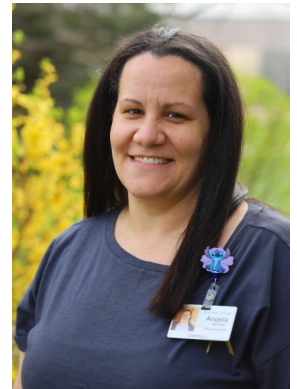
I'd like to introduce myself to those who don't know me. My name is Amy Learn. Vicky Wittuck has left very big shoes to fill for the incoming Administrator, and that task is going to me. Rest assured, I'm no stranger to Brevillier Village. I've worked here for over 27 years and consider this my second family. As a teen I started in Dining as an Evening Server then became a cook after I graduated high school. From there I moved into a supervisory role as the Assistant Director, then Director, and have been leading the department for over 20 years.

I've always loved my job as a director but felt I could do more for the Village. A few years ago Vicky asked if I'd ever considered becoming an Administrator and that's when it clicked. This is the opportunity I've been seeking. I've always admired how Brevillier encouraged professional growth and development and pushed others to pursue their calling.

A little bit about me. I have lived in Harborcreek all my life. My mom worked here years ago as an aide and suggested my part time job back then (thank you Mom!) I'm happily married and have three wonderful children. When I'm not at work I love live music, hunting, camping and spending time with my family. My faith is important to me and I also have a special place in my heart for veterans. I look forward to getting to know those I haven't met and welcome you to stop in and say hi or call me.

## Angela Lingenfelter, Director Of Dining Services

Over the years we have been known for a variety of things, including our great food! Angela has been employed with the Village for five years in our Dining Services as a Cook. She has truly embraced the Brevillier Village family culture over the years. We are very fortunate that she has accepted to step into this leadership role. We are very proud of our longevity within our team and staff who have truly grown into new roles over the years. We look forward to seeing Angela grow as she takes on this new position.



## Jillian McGill, Respiratory Therapist

Hello, my name is Jillian McGill and I am the new Respiratory Therapist here at Brevillier Village. I was born and raised in North East. I graduated from Edinboro University in 2006 with a bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice and graduated from Mercyhurst College in 2010 with an associate degree in Respiratory Therapy. I have 12 years of hospital experience, including trauma, critical care, and sleep lab. I am excited to be a part of the Brevillier Village family. I look forward to providing quality and compassionate care to the residents. I currently reside in Harborcreek Township with my husband and our two daughters. When I am not working, I enjoy adventures with my family and making as many memories as I can with them. I also enjoy crafting and refurbishing furniture, baking, and decorating cakes!



## Junior Volunteer Program

*By: Jen Kehl, Volunteer Coordinator, Conrad House Administrator*

With summer coming soon, I am excited to announce that Brevillier Village will once again be starting our Junior Volunteer Program from June 21<sup>st</sup>-August 17<sup>th</sup>. The Junior Program is such an important part of our wonderful volunteer program. Young people ages 10-16 are invited to become part of the Brevillier Family and contribute many talents in different departments throughout our Village- including but not limited to our Recreation, Landscaping and Dining Services Departments. We are limited to only 10 students. Covid guidelines do apply. For more information or to sign up, please contact Jennifer Kehl at 814-899-8600.



## Congratulations to Our Basket Winners:

Medical Basket:	Richard Sarge
Kitchen Basket:	Jan Newhard
Dog Basket:	Colleen Herman

Baskets can be picked up in the BP front office. Congratulations again!

The basket raffle brought in a total of \$352.00. Nurse Call and Haven will get \$176.00 each.

## Happy Mother's Day!

*By: Deacon Chuck Adamczyk, Village Chaplain*

My mother kept a garden, a garden of the heart; she planted all the good things that gave my life its start. She turned me to the sunshine and encouraged me to dream, fostering and nurturing the seeds of self-esteem. And when the winds and rain came she protected me enough, but not too much because she knew I needed to grow strong and tough. Her constant good example always taught me right from wrong; markers for my pathway that will last a lifetime long. I am my mother's garden. I am her legacy and I hope today she feels the love reflected back from me.

## Sheltering Oak Fund

In honor of Vicky Wittuck's recent retirement she has created the Sheltering Oak Fund. This fund is designed to help employees when they need it the most. This fund is established to help pay an unexpected bill, help with a modest down payment on a car so someone can get to work, help when an employee suffers a major illness or has to be off for a period of time and they have no benefit pay left, etc. Most of us work and can pay our bills but things happen in life where we lose a household income, an unexpected illness, a bill we did not plan on, etc. We are proud to have a fund that will help in those rare instances that people need a helping hand. Upon initial request the generous donation the leadership team was able to present Vicky with an initial fund of \$2,200 on April 22nd and has grown to over \$3,100 already!! And as Vicky stated best, "The residents, families and volunteers are the Heart of the Village but the Employee are the soul! They are the ones that do their very best each day to bring quality of life experiences to the residents." We are appreciative to everyone who has contributed already. It is nice to let the staff know they are genuinely cared for here!





# Harbocreek Community Engagement Team

The Harborcreek Community Engagement Team is comprised of local business representatives and community leaders. The group meets each month to discuss relevant topics including events, fundraising, grant opportunities, and opportunities to further engage neighbors and businesses. Currently the team is working on the In Bloom garden contest and a community survey. We encourage you to participate in these activities! If you have questions or are interested in joining, please contact Tim May at: [tmay@harborcreek.org](mailto:tmay@harborcreek.org).



## Enter the In Bloom Garden Contest— “Grow For It!”

Spring is here! Let's celebrate by enjoying the beautiful gardening season. Harborcreek residents are encouraged to show off their green-thumb talents Bloom. Register at the Township Building Office by May 31st. Judging week of July 18th. Winners will be notified the week of July 25th.

### Categories:

- **Young Gardener**
- **General Garden**
- **Vegetable Garden**
- **Outdoor Oasis**



### Category Winners:

#### 1st Place

\$100 Stan's Garden Center Gift Card

#### 2nd Place

\$50 Stan's Garden Center Gift Card

#### 3rd Place

\$25 Stan's Garden Center Gift Card

**Register at the Township Building Office by 5/31**



## Community Survey

We want to hear from you! The Harborcreek Community Engagement Team (HCCET) is in the process of developing a long-term plan for Harborcreek that will create a healthy and vibrant community. This team is seeking input from our community regarding events and priority areas of focus. Surveys have been created for individuals, businesses, and non-profits. Copies of the form are available at the Township Building office, front offices at Brevillier Village, and on Facebook at: [www.facebook.com/HCCCommunityEngagement](https://www.facebook.com/HCCCommunityEngagement).

If you would like a copy to be emailed to you please contact Maureen Rizzo at: (814)899-8600 or [mrizzo@brevillier.org](mailto:mrizzo@brevillier.org)

## Brevillier Village Historical Timeline



As many of you already know, Brevillier Village has deep historical roots in the community dating back to 1939, when the Brevillier Mansion was built. This, along with the Brevillier and Ball Family, Episcopal Diocese, The Barnabas Brothers of Gibsonia, PA, and all who are a part of our Brevillier Village family have contributed to our Mission.

We are currently working on video production of milestones and memories collected from the last 90 years. If you have any memorabilia or photographs you would like to share, please contact Maureen Rizzo at: (814)899-8600 or [mrizzo@brevillier.org](mailto:mrizzo@brevillier.org)

## Students From Charter School of Excellence Visit BV

On Wednesday, May 11th several students from CSE and their Career Coach, Dan DiTullio, came for a tour and to learn more about job opportunities at Brevillier Village. They began their day learning about our various departments, personal leadership career paths, and all the countless reasons why Brevillier Village is a great place to work. The students were encouraged to ask questions and interact with residents. Ashley Amoroso, Director of HR has been working closely with the school and we are happy to report that previous to this visit we have already hired a few students from CSE. This is a great partnership and we look forward to hearing more about their hands on experience.

Open Positions	
Cook	6a-2:30p/10:30a-7p
Evening Servers	3:45p—7:15 pm
Housekeepers	1 <sup>st</sup> Shift
Floor Tech	Any Shift
RN	2 <sup>nd</sup> Shift and 12hr PM
LPN	2 <sup>nd</sup> Shift and 12hr PM
Nurse Aides	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Shift
Personal Care Aides	2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> shift
Maintenance	2 <sup>nd</sup> Shift
Rec Coordinator	Full Time, 9- 5:30
Rec Aides	Varies

**Online Job Application:**  
[www.brevillier.org/careers](http://www.brevillier.org/careers)



## Insider Newsletter

As expenses continue to rise, we are asking for people to please share with us your email address. This will ensure we are still able to send you newsletters and important Brevillier Village news. The printed version of the Insider Newsletter will be available to residents and copies will be available at the front entrances of each building. If you do wish to receive the mailed copy please respond to Maureen Rizzo by email [mrizzo@brevillier.org](mailto:mrizzo@brevillier.org) or by phone (814)899-8600 ext. 210. Thank you and we look forward to providing you with our colorful, content-rich, Brevillier Village news!



**15th Annual Golf Outing**  
**Monday, August 15th**  
 Email: [mrizzo@brevillier.org](mailto:mrizzo@brevillier.org)



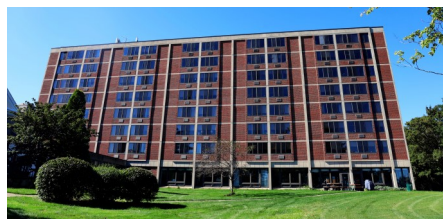
### **Ball Pavilion:**

Thomas Martin  
Thomas Kulich  
Larry Reslink  
Mary Ann Palkovic  
Joanne Ramsdell



### **Barnabas Court North:**

Ron Gibbens  
Margery Palkowski  
Mary Jane Reed  
Barbara Haynes



### **Conrad House:**

Sharon Friewald  
Patrick Woods  
Barbara Charles  
Doris Sayban

## **Gazebo Concerts**

*By: Marti Colliss, Director of Recreation*



Summer concerts at the gazebo will be in full swing come June. I'm happy to announce families can come to these events with the residents. Please understand in the event of bad weather, they will be canceled as we still are not holding large gatherings & mixing the buildings, and covid restrictions could come into effect at any time. If you plan to attend, it's encouraged for you to call to assure the event is still taking place. All Gazebo Concerts Begin At 1:30pm.

### **June:**

6/8 Rick Bruning  
6/15 Mike & Marie  
6/22 Kirt Hamza  
6/29 Jam Starr

### **July:**

7/6 Dave Julius  
7/13 Singing With Darren  
7/20 Peaceful Easy Feeling  
7/27 Jonny "G" On The Keys

### **August:**

8/3 Elizabeth Tomcho  
8/10 Pats Jazz



### **Whitford Park Summer Concert Series 2022 Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.**

#### **June**

6/8 Country Blue  
6/15 Generic Grass  
6/22 The Mountain  
Thyme Ramblers  
6/29 Abbey Road

#### **July**

7/6 The Loose Change Band  
7/13 Shady Side  
7/20 Acoustic Ear Candy  
7/27 Mike & Marie Acoustics, Elvis  
Impersonator

#### **August**

8/3 Nicely Done  
8/10 Polka Relations  
8/17 Kurt Novakowski  
8/24 David Julius  
8/31 Gem City Band





# Let's Celebrate!



## Staff Birthdays

<b>Beverly Conn</b>	<b>05/12/1997</b>	<b>25 Years</b>
Jennifer Mackall	05/17/2001	21 Years
Victoria Gilchrist	05/19/2003	19 Years
Karen Triana	05/28/2003	19 Years
<b>Alena Poplavski</b>	<b>05/22/2007</b>	<b>15 Years</b>
Amy Barrett-Heitzenrater	05/12/2008	14 Years
<b>Melissa Klinzing</b>	<b>05/17/2012</b>	<b>10 Years</b>
Simeon Castano	05/13/2014	8 Years
Rebecca Giles	05/12/2015	7 Years
Amaryliz Lopez	05/10/2016	6 Years
<b>Jacqueline Gulnac</b>	<b>05/15/2017</b>	<b>5 Years</b>
<b>Jessica Mezzacapo</b>	<b>05/23/2017</b>	<b>5 Years</b>
Beth O'Baker	05/07/2018	4 Years
Karen Rodland	05/23/2018	4 Years
Dani DeGrave	05/07/2019	3 Years
Lois Perrin	05/05/2020	2 Years
George Myers	05/04/2020	2 Years
Holly LaFuria	05/24/2021	1 Years

Kayla Turk	5/3
Mary Walters	5/7
Pete Paszkowski	5/8
Kim Whitman	5/12
Jessica Smith	5/13
Olivia Marzka-Scarlett	5/14
Cynthia Steinhoff	5/15
Patty Watson	5/15
Anthony Randazzo	5/24
Bobbi Barnes	5/30



### Ball Pavilion

Chris Avery	5/01
Bev McCurdy	5/21
"Rem" Muffie	5/24

### Barnabas Court South

Judi Krahe	5/03
Grace Reed	5/04
Evelyn Dicarlo	5/13
Ray Yurcak	5/26

### Conrad House

Laurel Dohanich	5/6
Dawn Julius	5/11
Don Mattis	5/17
Gene Marino	5/19
Tom May	5/20
Mary Homchenko	5/27
Dorothy Dudenhoefer	5/31

*Happy Birthday*



## BREVILLIER VILLAGE

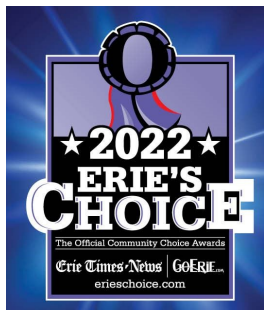
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Erie, PA 16511

**“When Quality of Life Matters!”**

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## Nominations May 5-24th

Please nominate @ [www.goerie.com](http://www.goerie.com)

Health & Beauty: Rehabilitation

Home & Home Services: Senior/55+ Community

Top Employer: 101+

## Upcoming Events

### May is Older Americans Month

Nurses Week May 6-12

Mother's Day May 8

Armed Forces Day May 21

Western Day & Afternoon Party Cart May 26

Memorial Day May 30

### June is Alzheimer's & Brain Awareness Month

Flag Day June 14

Father's Day June 19

