

Brevillier Village

THE INSIDER



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

Social Worker Month | Red Cross Awareness Month | Women's History Month

MARCH IS SOCIAL WORKER MONTH

March is National Social Work Month! We have an amazing Social Services team at Brevillier Village! Social Work is often referred to as the "Helping Profession," and although they are not all Social Workers by degree, they all help our residents on a daily basis in many different ways.



- Vickie Gilchrist, BSW, PCHA - Barnabas Court Administrator
- Jennifer Kehl, BSW - Conrad House Administrator
- Kristin Laine, BA - Director of Admissions
- Janet Dubich, LPN - Admissions Case Manager
- Rebecca Wargo, MSW - Barnabas Court North Social Worker
- Kayla Turk - Barnabas Court South Resource Coordinator
- Grace Clark, MSW - Ball Pavilion Social Worker
- Ashley Buterbaugh, BSW - Ball Pavilion Social Worker

These Social Service Team Members are our Happy Helpers, Compassionate Caregivers, Paperwork Processors, Gifted Grief Supporters, and Amazing Advocates! Thank you for all you do to help our residents!

BREVILLIER VILLAGE: OUR MISSION

After revisiting our history in our previous newsletters for 2026, this month we will discuss the Brevillier Village Mission. Readers will learn how it was established, how it has evolved, and why it provides structure to our non-profit community of caregivers.

“Through uncompromising attention to body, mind, and spirit, Brevillier Village meets housing and healthcare in a home-like atmosphere.”

Our mission statement is more than just a few words strung together. It represents foundation in which we operate, providing compassionate, person-centered care to our residents.

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March Blessing: Deacon Chuck Adamczyk

HAPPY MARCH: May this month be a chapter of blessings, opportunities, and beautiful moments in your life.

Mission:

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Philosophy:

We are dedicated staff and volunteers who serve older adults with dignity and respect while following a not-for-profit mission of the Episcopal church.

Vision:

Quality of Life Matters.

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BUILDING ADMINISTRATORS

Jeff Wieser
BV President/CEO

Amy Learn
Ball Pavilion, VP

Dominick Alberico
Ball Pavilion

Vickie Gilchrist
Barnabas Court

Jennifer Kehl
Conrad House

Brevillier Village News

Please be sure we have your most recent contact information on file. This provides us with the means to relay messages, share upcoming activities, and when necessary, send emergency notifications. Our BV Hotline 898-5900 is updated daily with the menus and Recreation schedule for each building.

Help Keep Our Residents Safe: DO NOT Hold Doors Open

Resident safety is our top priority. We ask that you be mindful of who is going through the coded doors at the front office.

- Please take care to NOT hold the door open for a resident that is not accompanied by staff or their family.
- Any visitors taking a resident off campus must notify the nurse before doing so. Paperwork is required to ensure the safety of your loved one.

Amy Learn, VP/Ball Pavilion Nursing Home Administrator
Vickie Gilchrist, Barnabas Court Personal Care Home Administrator



Ball Pavilion Welcomes New Nursing Home Administrator, Dominick Alberico



My name is Dominick Alberico. I am a 2022 graduate of Penn State University where I studied Health Policy and Administration and Labor Human Resources. I did my AIT program at Fairview Manor where I stayed as Assistant Administrator for about a year after passing my licensing examinations. I served as Interim Administrator at Hempfield Manor in Greensburg, PA this past September where I gained relevant experience pertaining to operations in different facilities and observing how different processes work.

In my role at Brevillier Village, I oversee daily operations and work to ensure our residents receive the highest quality care in a safe and supportive environment. I collaborate closely with our department leaders and frontline

staff to maintain strong standards, stay compliant, and continuously improve the experience for those who call Brevillier home. I take pride in building a culture rooted in accountability, compassion, and teamwork, while supporting both our residents and the dedicated staff who care for them each day.

Resident Mail and Visits

Residents love receiving personal mail, especially a letter from their loved ones. We have recreation staff and volunteers who are happy to ensure prompt delivery, and spend time reading to them. To be sure your family member receives your message and/or holiday packages, please note the separate addresses for each building.



Ball Pavilion
(Resident Name & Apt #)
5416 East Lake Road
Erie, PA 16511

Barnabas Court
(Resident Name & Apt #)
5456 East Lake Road
Erie, PA 16511

Conrad House
(Resident Name & Apt #)
5436 East Lake Road
Erie, PA 16511



BV MISSION: PART 1

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Becoming Brevillier Village



As previously shared, our driving forces were the Ball and Brevillier Families, the Brothers of St. Barnabas, and the Episcopal Diocese, we now shift our focus to the Brevillier Village Mission. With a glance at a condensed timeline on the right highlights some of the milestones of our history. Like any organization, the mission serves as the core of operations. In all of our day-to-day interactions, providing compassionate care to our residents remain our priority.

The legacy giving from each of the influential people involved, created the catalyst for our Brevillier Village Community to be born. Their carefully planned and executed wills, provided the resources needed to create a remarkable home to thousands.

Through the years Brevillier Village has evolved, but never losing sight of our purpose. Just as Katherine Brevillier had intended over 60 years ago. Dedicated leadership, staff, board members, volunteers, supportive community members, and families, all have played a major role in our development. None of this would have been possible without the direction and philanthropy bestowed upon us years ago. The best part about all of it, is that we get to witness it each day. Truly, a living legacy!

MISSION:

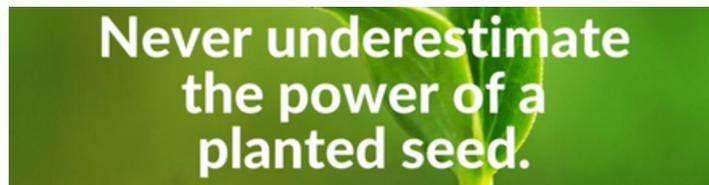
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2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Onsite nurse aide training course. 2025 boasts 20 CNA graduates with more classes scheduled through 2026.
2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> COVID-19 Pandemic – Virtual communications, infection control measures enhanced, controlled visits, etc.
2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ball Pavilion Renovation/Expansion with St. Paul Chapel began August 2018
2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Team RAD Adopted Dignity and Respect Program Creation of C. Thomas/J. LaRiccia Comfort Suite Creation of BVA Advisory Committee
2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Renovation of Conrad House began 2012-2014 Creation of Wellness/Fitness Trail 2012-2014
2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construction completed on the St. Barnabas Chapel and Education Room. Consecration was held on September 28th.
1998	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> August 18th the "new" Ball Pavilion opened. The original Ball Pavilion became Barnabas Court North, and the original Barnabas Court became Barnabas Court South.
1997	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Endowment Fund for Brevillier Village Foundation renamed in Ruth Pedersen's honor. HVA Senior Living Alliance is incorporated. Brevillier is a founding member.
1987	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Formation of Brevillier Village Foundation Inc.
1986	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Barnabas Court opens on April 1st. The building was dedicated on May 4th.
1977	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> St. Barnabas House closed its doors after 50 years of service. 21 residents residing at St. Barnabas House become the first residents at Ball Pavilion when it opened on November 29th. In December, the Ball Pavilion and St. Barnabas Board of Directors merged.
1972	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conrad House opens on March 1st. This facility was named after Katherine Conrad Brevillier.
1939	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Frederick and Katherine Brevillier build the two story mansion that still stands at Brevillier Village today. Originally it was built as a summer home but soon became Mrs. Brevillier's permanent home. Upon her death in 1960, Katherine Brevillier bequeathed the mansion, property, and trust to the Episcopal Cathedral of St. Paul that it be used for "religious, charitable, educational, and such other similar purpose for the elderly."



IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD: Upcoming Events

Presque Isle Forever Curious

Monday, March 16th @ 10 am - 2 pm

The Presque Isle Neighborhood Network has announced a new opportunity for older adults to rediscover a sense of wonder.

The Forever Curious Festival: A Day of Fun and Discovery for Older Adults is a free community event that will take place on March 16 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the Tom Ridge Environmental Center.

Admission for the event is free. For questions, please call 833-7424.

Tom Ridge Environmental Center
301 Peninsula Dr
Erie, PA 16505



Saint Patrick's Day Parade

Downtown Erie

Get ready to celebrate in downtown Erie on Saturday, March 14, at 2 p.m. for the annual St. Patrick's Day Parade!



The parade will be marching down State Street, and spectators will be free to watch from south of 10th St. to 4th St.

There will be a designated sensory-safe family zone on the block from 8th to 9th Streets on State. This is an area where there will be no sirens or loud noises for those children, adults, or pets who experience sensory overload.



Mature Driver Improvement Course

Wednesday, April 22, 2026, @ 9:00 am - 1:00 pm. PennDOT Approved. Designed For Drivers 55 And Older. Become a safer, more confident driver. Receive a minimum 5% discount on your auto insurance Premium For 3 Years.

- Classroom Instruction Only
- Tuition Only \$17
- No Exam Will Be Given

Harborcreek Municipal Building
5601 Buffalo Rd
Harborcreek, PA 16421

BINGO FUNDRAISER



Please join us for our annual bingo fundraiser, Saturday May 2nd at the Harborcreek Social Hall. We will be accepting sponsors for the event as well as donations for our basket raffle. Questions? Please contact Marti Colliss (814)899-8600

Scan Here for Ticket Sales

\$30 per Ticket

\$250 per VIP Table



Bingo Haven Fundraiser

Saturday, May 2nd Doors open at 5 pm
Games begin promptly at 6 pm
Harborcreek Social Hall
7275 Buffalo Rd, Harborcreek, PA 16421

HOLIDAYS & SAVE THE DATES

March

- 03/08 - Daylight Savings Time Starts
- 03/17 - St. Patrick's Day
- 03/20 - First Day of Spring
- 03/29 - Palm Sunday

April

- 04/05 - Easter Sunday
- 04/22 - Earth Day



May

- 05/02 - Brevillier Village Bingo Fundraiser
- 05/09 - Goodwill Donation Drive Fundraiser
- 05/29 - Memorial Day



Goodwill Donation Drive

Saturday, May 9th 9 am - 2 pm
Brevillier Village front parking lot.
Visit our website for details.

RESIDENT ACTIVITY & EVENT SCHEDULE

Listed below are a few of the upcoming activities for our residents and their families to enjoy! Be sure to check with building staff for any updates or changes in building status. Please be mindful of our residents and staff, if you or anyone in your home is not feeling well please stay home. Our priority is to keep everyone healthy and safe.

Ball Pavilion and Barnabas Court

- 3/12 - 1:30 Music Bingo With Cindy Sue & Bryan - BCN Recreation Room
- 3/17 - 1:30 St Patty's Day: BP Peaceful Easy Feeling & BCN Mike & Marie
- 3/27 - 1:30 Social Hour: BP - Country Blue Band& BCN David & Don
- 4/1 - 1:30 Robyn Vitson - BP - Recreation Room
- 4/2 - 10:30 Coloring Easter Eggs - BCS Rec. Room
- 4/2 - 1:30 Coloring Easter Eggs - BP & BCN Recreation Rooms
- 4/3 - Good Friday
- 4/3 - 1:30 Resident Birthday Party: BP - Elizabeth Tomcho & BC - Darren Lambert - BCN Rec. Room
- 4/5 - Happy Easter
- 4/12 - 2:00 Religious Services Saint Barnabas Chapel
- 4/17 - 1:30 Under The Sea Party: BP - Z Praise & BC - Angelo Phillips BCN Recreation Room
- 4/24 - 1:30 Elvis Lives - BP Recreation Room



Conrad House

Residents are encouraged to get out and enjoy the variety of activities made available through resident council. Updates and additional events can be found posted on the whiteboard near mailboxes.

- 3/17 - Conrad House Birthday Celebration 11 am MPR
- 03/17 - St. Patrick's Day - Corned Beef & Cabbage 5 pm MPR
- 03/30 - Conrad Chorus Spring Concert 4 pm MPR



CONRAD HOUSE SCHEDULE FOR BOOKMOBILE VISITS:

The Erie County Public Library Book visits in front of the Conrad House on the Mondays listed below from 2:30 - 3:15 pm. The mobile schedule is subject to change. Contact info: (814)451-6935 or bkm@eriecountypa.gov



- March 9, 23
- April 6, 20
- May 4, 18
- June 1, 15, 29
- July 13, 27
- August 10, 24
- September 21
- October 5, 19
- November 2, 16, 30
- December 14, 28

<p>MONDAY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 am Exercise MPR • 12:30 pm Book Club Library* <small>Meets tri-weekly</small> • 2 pm Pinochle Library • 6 pm Craft Group MPR • 6 pm Card Game MPR
<p>TUESDAY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 pm Bingo MPR • 6:30 pm Rosary Library • 6:00 pm Card Game MPR
<p>WEDNESDAY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 am Exercise MPR • 6:00 pm Card Game MPR
<p>THURSDAY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11 am Bible Study Library • 2 pm Pinochle Library • 6 pm Card Game MPR
<p>FRIDAY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9 am Coffee & Donuts MPR • 10 am Exercise MPR • 11:15 am Religious Svc. MPR • 5 pm Happy Hour MPR • 6 pm Card Game MPR

"Caregiving often calls us to lean into love we didn't know was possible."

- Tia Walker

The truth is caregiving is hard, whether caring for your own loved one or as a staff member. This is not a job for the weary, however the rewards are priceless. Sharing your time with the elderly is one of the kindest gifts you can share. Brevillier Village takes pride in providing a dignified and respectful environment for residents and caregivers.

Why It's Meaningful to Mention Brevillier Village in Obituary Planning

An obituary is more than a notice of passing—it is a reflection of a life lived and the legacy left behind. For many individuals and families, including a meaningful nonprofit in obituary planning is a powerful way to honor those values while making a positive impact. For supporters, residents, and families connected to Brevillier Village, mentioning the Village in an obituary is a thoughtful and impactful choice.

Honoring a Commitment to Compassionate Care - Brevillier Village is a nonprofit senior living community dedicated to providing compassionate, dignified care for older adults. For many residents, families, volunteers, and supporters, Brevillier Village represents community, faith, service, and respect for life at every stage.

Creating a Legacy That Lives On - Many families choose to include a line in an obituary suggesting memorial contributions be made to Brevillier Village in lieu of flowers. This simple mention transforms remembrance into action. Memorial gifts help sustain programs, support staff, enhance resident services, and ensure Brevillier Village can continue its mission well into the future. For a nonprofit organization, these gifts are not symbolic—they are essential. Each memorial contribution directly supports seniors who depend on high-quality care, creating a living legacy that continues long after the obituary is published.

Providing Purposeful Direction for Family and Friends - In times of loss, friends and family often ask, "How can I help?" Including Brevillier Village in an obituary provides a clear and meaningful answer. Rather than sending flowers that fade, loved ones can honor the deceased by supporting a cause that mattered deeply to them. This guidance can be comforting for families as well, knowing that tributes made in their loved one's name will have a tangible and lasting impact on the lives of others.

Strengthening a Community Mission - Every obituary mention helps raise awareness of Brevillier Village and its mission as a nonprofit senior facility. This awareness fosters broader community support, ensuring the Village can continue to serve future generations of seniors with the same compassion and excellence. In this way, one life remembered can strengthen an entire community.

A Simple Line That Makes a Lasting Difference - Including Brevillier Village in obituary planning is a small act with profound impact. Whether through a memorial gift designation or a brief acknowledgment of the Village's role in a loved one's life, it is a meaningful way to honor the past while investing in the future.

For more information related to legacy giving, please contact: Maureen Rizzo, Director of Development at (814)899-8600 or email at mrizzo@brevillier.org



In Loving Memory

The ones we love never go away. They walk beside us even on this day. Unseen, unheard, yet always near. Still loved, still missed, and very dear.

Last Goodbyes

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

Marlyn Barnett
Dee VonBurg
Shirley Crisswell
Yvonne Doerr
Pauline Hicks
Robert O'Leary
Richard Smith

Fundraising Programs

- Benevolent Care
- Grounds Fund
- Haven Program
- Education & Tuition
- Employee Holiday Fund
- Technology

Did You Know?

The Brevillier Village, Ruth Pedersen Benevolent Fund has supported over \$7 million dollars in resident care since 1997.



GOOD NEWS TO SHARE!

STAFF BIRTHDAYS

STAFF ANNIVERSARIES

Jennifer	Schultz	Administration	03/11/2003	23 Years
Alicia	Roberts	Nursing	03/01/2016	10 Years
Sheryl	Galbreath	Nursing	03/01/2016	10 Years
Jennifer	Adams	Nursing	03/23/2016	10 Years
Belinda	Baldwin	Nursing	03/12/2019	7 Years
Timothy	Bennett	Maintenance	03/22/2021	5 Years
Amari	Stewart	Dining Services	03/04/2022	4 Years
Renee	Martin	Nursing	03/07/2023	3 Years
Gabriella	Storm	Recreation	03/13/2023	3 Years
Samia	Jibul	Nursing	03/20/2023	3 Years
Anthony	Szyplik	Nursing	03/07/2024	2 Years
Sophia	Stinson	Recreation	03/14/2024	2 Years
Grace	Clark	Administration	03/18/2024	2 Years
Hatija	Hucic	Enviro. Svc.	03/26/2024	2 Years
Jennifer	Huff	Nursing	03/07/2025	1 Year
Gerri	Slater	Nursing	03/10/2025	1 Year
Bri	Hanson	Dining Services	03/17/2025	1 Year
Danielle	Saxton	Dining Services	03/26/2025	1 Year
Elma	Husagic	Enviro. Svc.	03/28/2025	1 Year

Rafi	Williams	Enviro. Svc.	3/1
Corrine	Geiger	Enviro. Svc.	3/2
Camryn	Edinger	Nursing	3/2
Geraldine	Rickrode	Recreation	3/9
Rhonda	Baxter	Nursing	3/12
Sandra	Corey	Enviro. Svc.	3/16
Becca	Shepardson	Dining Services	3/17
Michelle	Johnson	Home Care	3/19
Carley	Estok	Dining Services	3/19
Erica	Vicary	Nursing	3/20
Deborah	Learn	Clerical	3/21
Madi	Jones	Enviro. Svc.	3/23
Leland	Williams	Enviro. Svc.	3/26
Joseph	Fenno	Maintenance	3/27
Kassie	Ramirez	Dining Services	3/29

RESIDENT BIRTHDAYS

Ball Pavilion

Betty Stokes	3/4
Marilyn J. Garfield	3/6
Corkie Sands	3/7
Beatrice Pruzenski	3/12
Carolyn Henry	3/26

Barnabas Court North

Carl Ahlgrim	3/9
Ron Washe	3/22
Bill Geertson	3/24
Janice Meyer	3/30

Conrad House

Kathy Sharples	3/1
Denise Foster	3/8
Ann Groves	3/8
Jan Stryker	3/9
Doris Causgrove	3/13
Kim Austin	3/13
Cal Wurst	3/22
Rose Gensheimer	3/23
Mary Putman	3/25
Joan Rickel	3/28

Barnabas Court South

Cindy Jarzab	3/5
Sally Rhines	3/9
Barbara Miller	3/16
Clarence Beveridge	3/17
Patricia Bablak	3/25
Andrea Davis	3/31

May every moment be filled with the same joy you bring to others!

NEW RESIDENTS

Ball Pavilion

Audrey Lytle

Barnabas Court North

Barnabas Court South

Conrad House

Diana Brady



BODY MIND SPIRIT

Resident & Staff Fun

February was full of fun and excitement for everyone!

On Friday, February 26th, staff members enjoyed an Employee Cook-Off with countless delicious meals and treats to taste.

Congratulations to our winners:

- Rhonda Baxter: Buffalo Chicken Dip
- Marti Colliss: Jalepeno Tortelini Soup
- Becca Wargo: Brookies



Staff & residents celebrate with Gerry Rickrode from our recreation team as she prepares for her next adventure: Retirement!! Thank you, Gerry!

Conrad House hosted their Annual Wii Bowling Tournament on Friday February 26th. This ended in a playoff match between husband and wife, Sean and Joan Rickel Way to go!!



2026 Wii Bowling Tournament

Brevillier Worship Schedule

March 8th

Deacon Mary Lord, St. Mary's Episcopal Church

April 12th

Rev. Dave Fulford, St. Augustine of Canterbury

May 10th

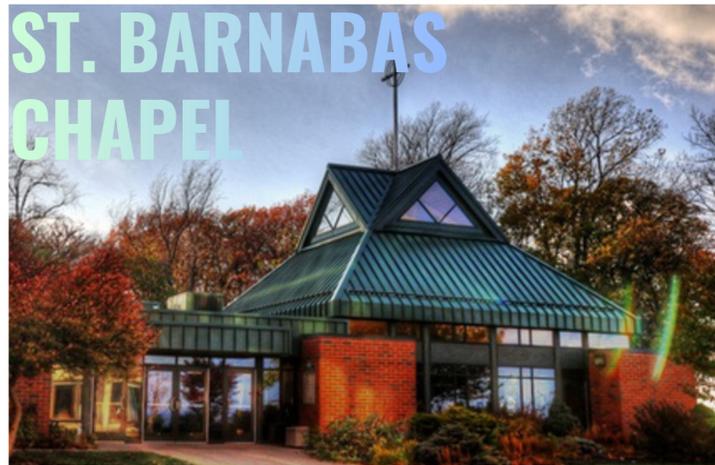
Pastor Jean Kuebler, Faith Lutheran Church

June 14th

Rev. Sarah Brock, St. Mark's Episcopal Church

Sunset Service TBA - August

ST. BARNABAS CHAPEL



All services are held on the second Sunday of each month, in the St. Barnabas Chapel at 2:00pm. Services can be Eucharistic or something like morning prayer. There are prayer books and hymnals; elements for the Eucharist are also available at Brevillier in the sacristy. Contact Deacon Chuck Adamczyk at cadamczyk@brevillier.org with questions.

Blessed