

Brevillier Village

# THE INSIDER



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

National Volunteer Month | Diversity Month

## APRIL IS VOLUNTEER MONTH



By Jennifer Kehl - Conrad House Building Administrator/Volunteer Coordinator

Every year we come together to recognize one of the most powerful forces for the charge: Volunteers. National Volunteer Week is a reminder of the impact individuals can make when they dedicate their time, skills and kindness to helping others. National Volunteer Week is April 19-25th this year. This is the week we set aside to recognize and honor our wonderful volunteers at Brevillier Village. These volunteers make an impact in all Departments at Brevillier. In 2025, we had 3,413 Volunteer hours between 60 active Volunteers. We also have many groups from our community that Volunteer at Brevillier Village: Mercyhurst University Beyond the Gates Program, Penn State Behrend Honors Service Course, Harborcreek School District, and Iroquois School District, aBrevillier Village also has a great Junior Volunteer Program that will start in June, and we have many students from local High Schools and Colleges that complete service hours at Brevillier Village. We can not say THANK YOU enough to ALL our dedicated Volunteers! We appreciate each individual volunteer more than you know!!!

## BREVILLIER VILLAGE: OUR MISSION

After revisiting our history in our previous newsletters for 2026, this month we will continue to share 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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### April Blessing: Deacon Chuck Adamczyk

May April bring you the freshness of spring, with new beginnings and endless possibilities blooming all around you."

#### Mission:

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#### Philosophy:

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#### 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 hundreds.

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!

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## Never underestimate the power of a planted seed.

<b>2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Onsite nurse aide training course. 2025 boasts 20 CNA graduates with more classes scheduled through 2026.</li> </ul>
<b>2020</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>COVID-19 Pandemic – Virtual communications, infection control measures enhanced, controlled visits, etc.</li> </ul>
<b>2018</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ball Pavilion Renovation/Expansion with St. Paul Chapel began August 2018</li> </ul>
<b>2013</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Team RAD Adopted Dignity and Respect Program</li> <li>Creation of C. Thomas/J. LaRiccia Comfort Suite</li> <li>Creation of BVA Advisory Committee</li> </ul>
<b>2012</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Renovation of Conrad House began 2012-2014</li> <li>Creation of Wellness/Fitness Trail 2012-2014</li> </ul>
<b>2008</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Construction completed on the St. Barnabas Chapel and Education Room. Consecration was held on September 28th.</li> </ul>
<b>1998</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>August 18th the "new" Ball Pavilion opened.</li> <li>The original Ball Pavilion became Barnabas Court North, and the original Barnabas Court became Barnabas Court South.</li> </ul>
<b>1997</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Endowment Fund for Brevillier Village Foundation renamed in Ruth Pedersen's honor.</li> <li>HVA Senior Living Alliance is incorporated. Brevillier is a founding member.</li> </ul>
<b>1987</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Formation of Brevillier Village Foundation Inc.</li> </ul>
<b>1986</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Barnabas Court opens on April 1<sup>st</sup>. The building was dedicated on May 4<sup>th</sup>.</li> </ul>
<b>1977</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>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.</li> <li>In December, the Ball Pavilion and St. Barnabas Board of Directors merged.</li> </ul>
<b>1972</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Conrad House opens on March 1st.</li> <li>This facility was named after Katherine Conrad Brevillier.</li> </ul>
<b>1939</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>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.</li> <li>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."</li> </ul>



# IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD: Upcoming Events

## Wondrous Monarchs!



Monday, April 13, 7:00 p.m.  
Erie County Master Gardener and Monarch Specialist Sue Scholz will share information on the fascinating Monarch migration journey, life cycle, habitat, and how we can help Monarchs survive and thrive. All are welcome at this free community presentation!  
Faith Lutheran Church  
5414 E Lake Rd, Erie, PA 16511

## McCord Library Used Book Sale

April 13 - 18  
Mon. - Thurs. 9:30 am - 7 am  
Saturday 9 am - 4 pm  
All types of books, puzzles & more  
Saturday is \$1 bag day  
32 West Main Street  
North East, PA

## YMCA Holistic Workshop Series

- Talk: Understanding Self Hypnosis for Well-being. Wed, Apr 15, 1 pm
- Talk: The Power of Positivity: Good Vibes, Better Health Mon, Apr 20, 11 am and 7pm
- Workshop: Better Balance Through Guided Meditation and Self-Hypnosis (\$ 75 value) Wed, Apr 15, 1 :30pm
- Workshop: Guided Meditation and Sound Bowls. Mon, Apr 20, 12:30pm and 7:45pm

EASTSIDE YMCA  
2101 Nagle Rd, Erie, PA 16510  
814-899-9622 - ymcaerie.or

## 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



# BINGO FUNDRAISER



Please join us for our annual bingo fundraiser, Saturday May 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> Doors open at 5 pm  
Games begin promptly at 6 pm  
Harborcreek Social Hall  
7275 Buffalo Rd, Harborcreek, PA 16421

# HOLIDAYS & SAVE THE DATES

## April

- 04/01 - April Fools Day
- 04/03 - Good Friday
- 04/05 - Easter Sunday
- 04/22 - Earth Day
- 04/22 - Administrative Professionals Day



## May

- 05/02 - BV CA\$H BA\$H Bingo Fundraiser
- 05/09 - Goodwill Donation Drive Fundraiser
- 05/10 - Mother's Day
- 05/29 - Memorial Day

## Goodwill Donation Drive

Saturday, May 9th 9 am - 2 pm. Community Spring Cleaning! Bring your donations to Brevillier Village front parking lot & help the entire community. Please see flyer in back of newsletter 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

- 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



**COVID VACCINE CLINIC: Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup> beginning at 9am. It will still begin in Lakeview Lounge at Barnabas and then move to BP salon.**

## 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.

- 4/21 - Birthday celebration 11:30 am MPR
- 4/23 - Sweet Adeline's 6 pm MPR
- 5/28 - Trivia

### MONDAY

- 10 am Exercise MPR
- 12:30 pm Book Club Library\*  
Meets tri-weekly
- 2 pm Pinochle Library
- 6 pm Craft Group MPR
- 6 pm Card Game MPR

### TUESDAY

- 2 pm Bingo MPR
- 6:30 pm Rosary Library
- 6:00 pm Card Game MPR

### WEDNESDAY

- 10 am Exercise MPR
- 6:00 pm Card Game MPR

### THURSDAY

- 11 am Bible Study Library
- 2 pm Pinochle Library
- 6 pm Card Game MPR

### FRIDAY

- 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

## 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](mailto:bkm@eriecountypa.gov)



- 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



## Love is unselfishly choosing for another's highest good." —C.S. Lewis

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.

## Thoughtfulness & Gratitude: Alive & Well!

*Please enjoy this message shared from one of our independent living residents.*



While out walking one early February afternoon, a car parked nearby and 2 girls hopped out – “Probably coming to visit a relative”, I thought to myself. I said “Hi!” and started to step aside to allow more room for them near the building’s entrance. But, they didn’t head for the entrance –

they stopped, smiled back and asked, “May we give you something?” Caught off-guard and a little perplexed, I stammered, “What? Well, I-I guess so, sure.” They handed me a yellow daisy attached to a blue card, with the message: Thoughtfulness & Gratitude: Alive & Well! “Sending you a little sunshine.” I thanked them, admired their artwork, and asked what inspired them to do such a thoughtful thing. They said their Godmother had lived at Ball Pavilion before she passed, and that day was her birthday. So, to celebrate her birthday and honor her, they decided “to do something nice for others, like she always did.” And the next day, I noticed blue cards with daisies attached to some vehicles in Brevillier Village’s parking lots! Thoughtfulness & gratitude on a cold February day – what simple, yet meaningful, gifts!

## Remembering Our Loved Ones

At Brevillier Village Ball Pavilion, we are privileged to care for individuals who have lived rich and meaningful lives, each leaving a lasting imprint on their families, friends, and our community.

When a loved one passes, many families and friends look for a meaningful way to honor their memory. A memorial gift to Brevillier Village is a beautiful tribute—one that helps us continue providing exceptional care, comfort, and dignity to those who call our community home.

We are honored to recognize memorial gifts and, upon request, will notify the family of your thoughtful tribute. If you would like to make a gift in memory of a loved one, please visit our website: [www.brevillier.org](http://www.brevillier.org) or you may contact Maureen Rizzo, Director of Development at (814)899-8600 or email at [mrizzo@brevillier.org](mailto:mrizzo@brevillier.org)

Thank you for helping us celebrate lives well lived and for supporting our mission of compassionate care.



## 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.

Dot Beatty  
Barbara Burghart  
Roberta Dufala  
Nancy Dunn  
Carl Marshall  
Dorothy Wright

## 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.



# CELEBRATION TIME!

## STAFF ANNIVERSARIES

Chris	Glassman	4/2/2025	1 Year
Alexis	Walburn	4/4/2016	10 Years
Sayler	Moo	4/4/2024	2 Years
Katie	Falkenhagen	4/12/2017	9 Years
Leland	Williams	4/12/2025	1 Year
Lyv	Koszewski	4/13/2025	1 Year
Jeffrey	Wieser	4/16/1987	39 Years
Bobbi	Barnes	4/19/2010	16 Years
Olivia	Jeffery	4/20/2024	2 Years
Kylee	Harkness	4/24/2023	3 Years
Brianna	Grzelak	4/25/2024	2 Years
Corrine	Geiger	4/27/2010	16 Years
Arabella	Byers	4/29/2025	1 Year
Chey	Wienczkowski	4/30/2025	1 Year

## RESIDENT BIRTHDAYS

### Ball Pavilion

Jim Warus	4/05
John Eichenberger	4/09
Shirley O'Neil	4/18
Judy Skuce	4/20
Tom Doyle	4/25

### Barnabas Court North

Lori Sailor	4/05
Marge Zimmerly	4/11
Don Rhodes	4/14

### Conrad House

Sean Rickel	4/7
Darlene Cash	4/14
Frank Webb	4/15
Robbie Schleicher	4/15
Phil Zazcyk	4/16
Janine Slawinski	4/19
Sev Brocki	4/21
Norma Mack	4/21
Betty Rositer	4/28
Roberta Shuttle	4/20

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



## STAFF BIRTHDAYS

Tea	Delgado	4/2
Tyler	San Felice	4/2
Autumn	Gariepy	4/3
Lealyn	Hinkler	4/4
Antoijia	Hardy	4/5
Tara	Gann	4/8
Sherry	Payne	4/11
Sherri	Encracion	4/11
Jolene	Armstrong	4/13
Selah	Meadows	4/13
Samantha	Bryan	4/15
Alicia	Roberts	4/16
Tyler	Skidmore-Murray	4/16
Tracy	Steele	4/19
Hunter	Gorton-Thompson	4/22
Karen	Rodland	4/25
Jennifer	Mackall	4/28
Jay	Ellman	4/28
Brittany	Sterling	4/29
Aiden	Fenno	4/29
Katie	Falkenhagen	4/30

## NEW RESIDENTS

### Ball Pavilion

Rosemarie Burke

### Barnabas Court North

Peggy Smith  
Calvin Wurst

### Barnabas Court South

### Conrad House

Diana Brady



# BODY MIND SPIRIT

## Resident Activities

On Monday, March 30<sup>th</sup> Conrad House residents preformed their spring chorus concert for family and guests. The ensemble is organized and directed by Mark Brice of Conrad House.



## Staff Longevity Celebrations

Jennifer Adams 10 Years  
Nursing Team



Tim Bennett 5 Years  
Maintenance Team



## Brevillier Worship Schedule

April 12<sup>th</sup>

Rev. Dave Fulford, St. Augustine of Canterbury

May 10<sup>th</sup>

Pastor Jean Kuebler, Faith Lutheran Church

June 14<sup>th</sup>

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

Sunset Service TBA - August

*Blessed*

## 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](mailto:cadamczyk@brevillier.org) with questions.



DONATION

# Community DONATION DRIVE

**Think Spring Cleaning!!** Community members are welcome to bring unwanted, but useable items to our donation drive on Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup> from 9 am – 2 pm.

Proceeds earned will benefit Brevillier Village's Team RAD, promoting Respect and Dignity within our neighborhood!

## WHAT YOU CAN DONATE:

- Bedding, blankets, sheets, etc.
- Books (fiction & non fiction)
- Clothing (infant - adult)
- Common household goods
- Computers & other electronics
- Cookware, Dishes & Utensils
- Household goods & more!
- Scan QR Code for full list!

Drop-Off Event

**SAT. MAY 9<sup>TH</sup> 9 AM – 2 PM**

5416 East Lake Road Erie, PA 16511

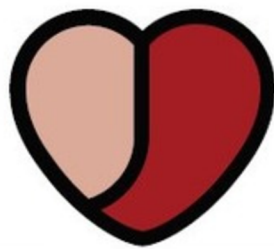


# Donation Guidelines



All Donation Drive Fundraiser donated items must:

Be in good, clean, sellable condition. We do not repair, re-finish, or reupholster. Goodwill has developed the following ●**REDLIGHT** ●**GREENLIGHT** guidelines to help increase the amount of sellable donations received. Only sellable items will be credited towards your fundraiser.



## ●**REDLIGHT**

### Unacceptable:

- Automotive Parts/Equipment
- Bed Frames, Head/Footboards
- Bed Pans, Porta-potty's
- Bicycles and Wheeled Toys
- Blinds (Unless in Original Package)
- Bolts of Fabric
- Carpeting, Carpet Pads
- Construction Materials
- Exercise Equipment
- Filtration Systems
- Food
- Furniture (Sofas, Tables, Chairs, Dressers, etc)
- Gas Powered Tools, Landscape Equipment
- Guns, Knives, Bows, Arrows, Ammunition
- Hangers
- Hazardous Products/Waste (Paint, Oil, etc.)
- Hospital Beds, Waterbeds, Air Mattresses
- Infant Cribs, Playpens, Car Seats, Strollers
- Major Household Appliances
- Mattresses, Box Springs, Bed Pillows
- Metal Desks, Metal Filing Cabinets
- Personal Care Items
- Pianos and Organs (In-store Only)
- Pool Tables
- Recyclables (Paper, Glass, Plastic, Aluminum)
- Skis, Ski Boots
- Sofa Beds, Futons
- Textbooks, Encyclopedias
- Water Heaters
- Wheelchairs, Walkers



## ●**GREENLIGHT**

### Acceptable:

- Antiques and Collectibles
- Artwork and Frames
- Audio/Visual Equipment
- Bedspreads, Blankets, Liners
- Books
- CD's, DVD's, Records and Videos
- Clothing, Shoes, Accessories (Infants to Adult)
- Computers, Accessories and Other Electronics (Working or Not)
- Cookware, Dishware and Utensils
- Crafts (Packaged Sets)
- Curtains (No Rods or Hardware)
- Giftware and Knick Knacks
- Glassware
- Hand Tools and Small Power Tools
- Holiday Decorations
- Jewelry
- Lamps (With or Without Shades)
- Radios and Stereos
- Small Appliances
- Sporting Goods and Sleeping Bags
- Televisions (Except Consoles)
- VCR's and DVR's