

Brevillier Village

THE INSIDER



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

Wellness Month | Back to School Month | International Peace Month

AUGUST: ERIE GIVES DAY AUGUST 11TH

Please mark your calendars for August 11th Gives Day 2026. We are grateful for the support from our community as it enables us to continually enhance our resident experience and supports the Brevillier Village Mission.

Give Online or By Phone

Online giving is the easiest and most convenient way to support participating nonprofits during Erie Gives.



- Give through the Erie Gives website on August 11, 2026, from midnight to midnight.
- By phone at (814) 454.0843, from 8am to 8pm.

BREVILLIER VILLAGE: GOALS

Our 2026 Brevillier Insider Newsletters have focused on History, Mission, Community, and now we will begin to share some of our **Goals** that will shape our future. To preserve our rich history, purposeful Mission, and extraordinary community that creates Brevillier Village, it is necessary to have goals in place. The timing is perfect to discuss goals as we are well into the second half of the year. 2027 will be a particularly exciting year, as we celebrate a Golden Year: **Ball Pavilion's 50th and Conrad House 55th Year Anniversaries**. Please stay tuned for more information!

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A Blessing from Deacon Chuck Adamczyk

"May the month ahead be filled with an abundance of magnificent miracles, blissful blessings, and splendid surprises."

Brevillier Village Cookbooks

Are you looking to spice up your menu? Stop by the Ball Pavilion office to get your very own resident recipe inspired cookbooks. Books are available by making a recommended donation of \$10. Limited quantity available!

Mission:

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

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

Amy Learn

BV President/CEO

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:

Please 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.

Dominick Alberico, Ball Pavilion Nursing Home Administrator

Vickie Gilchrist, Barnabas Court Personal Care Home Administrator

Prohibited Items: Outside Medications

A reminder to families with residents at Ball Pavilion and Barnabas Court (personal care residents)... Please do not bring in any of your own prescription or over the counter (OTC) medications for residents in these buildings. This includes but is not limited to Tylenol or Advil, Tums/Roloids, Pepto-Bismol, Cough Drops, Biofreeze or Bengay products, anti-itch lotions, Vics VapoRub, etc. There are strict regulations for each building to operate efficiently, and we need to make sure there are orders from a doctor for any medication. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to the Social Workers, nursing staff, or building Administrators.

Welcome, Dr. Hancox!

We would like to welcome Dr. Ryan Hancox as the new Ball Pavilion Medical Director. Dr. Hancox will begin his duties as Medical Director effective July 1, 2026. We are confident that Dr. Hancox's experience and commitment to person-centered care will continue to support the high-quality services our residents and families expect. We would also like to extend our appreciation to Dr. Lesseski for his dedicated service to our facility and community.

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 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



COMMUNITY: PART 1

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It's pretty incredible to recognize we are all here because someone cared about the wellbeing of others.

For over five decades, Brevillier Village has been more than a place to live—it has been a place to call home. As we prepare to celebrate our golden year ahead, we wish to honor the residents, families, employees, volunteers, and supporters whose dedication has created a legacy of compassion and excellence. Together, we celebrate our past, embrace the present, and look forward to the next 50 years of enriching lives and providing exceptional care for our community.

The process of defining goals is all encompassing throughout the Village. Board of Directors, Leadership Staff, department team members, volunteers, residents, and family share their input to guide necessary planning. This includes resident care, infrastructure, staffing, technology, and more. From these conversations, the team can determine priority level for each. Leadership will be having their semi-annual (check-in) strategic meeting next month and we are looking forward to sharing relevant updates soon.

Listed below are a few ways we will direct our focus.

1. Honor Five Decades of Service
2. Celebrate Residents, Families, and Employees
3. Reinforce the Mission
4. Strengthen Community Engagement
5. Inspire Philanthropic Support
6. Preserve and Share the Legacy
7. Increase Public Awareness
8. Build for the Next 50 Years



"It's not just getting a goal that matters, but the quality of life you experience along the way."

Anthony Robbins



IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD: Upcoming Events

Don't overlook this page: Be sure to read the list of upcoming activities and events happening at a location near you!

Backyard Bees

Join us for an "un-BEE-lievable" evening with Cathy Vorisek, Outreach/Educator of Vorisek's Backyard Bee Farm. Located in Linesville, PA, this little honey bee farm primarily serves local customers and is one of the very few markets in NW PA that offer locally and domestically produced honey and hive products. Cathy will "bee" presenting on bees and the hive and will bring along hive products for purchase, including honey!

WHEN: Monday, Aug. 10 @ 6PM

WHERE: Faith Lutheran Church,
5414 East Lake Road, Erie, PA

Harbor Creek All Class Reunion

Come join fellow Huskies classmates (all years) to reminisce about days of roaming the halls of Harbor Creek High School, attending sporting events, and enjoying being a part of Husky Nation! DINNER SERVED AT APPROXIMATELY 5PM. Bring a dish to share!

Wednesday, August 19th @ 4pm



Whitford Park
5400 Iroquois Ave
Erie, PA 16511

Whitford Park Summer

Concerts

Wednesdays @ 7:00 pm. Be sure to bring your own blanket or chair and enjoy music entertainment provided by our talented local musicians at Whitford Park. These concerts have been sponsored by Brevillier Village for the last several years and are a staple in the community.

Whitford Park

5400 Iroquois Ave Erie, PA 16511

8/12 - Kurt Novakowski (As Elvis)

8/19 - Kokomo Time Band

Brookside VFD Chicken BBQ.

Chiavetta's Famous Char-Broiled BBQ Chicken Served with potato salad, baked beans, and dinner roll.

\$16 Presale | \$18 at the door

Saturday, September 5th

11AM - 3PM

Brookside Fire Company

3560 Athens St. Erie PA 16510



Walk to End Alzheimer's September 19th

Join us in fighting for an Alzheimer's Cure! The Alzheimer's Association's "Walk to End Alzheimer's" will be Saturday, September 19, 2026, at 10:00am in Perry Square. If you are interested in joining our team, please let Vickie Gilchrist know. This is open to all family members and residents who are able to walk, or be pushed in wheelchair, to raise funds and awareness about Alzheimer's Disease. Our team name is "The Village People" and we have some fun ideas in the works! The Longest Day was acknowledged on June 21st and represents the long, challenging journey for caregivers and those living with dementia. The initiative is a key highlight of June's Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness Month. This year our team had a lemonade stand and raised over \$1,000. Donations will be accepted through August and until the time of the walk in September. vgilchrist@brevillier.org.



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.

Ball Pavilion and Barnabas Court

- 8/7 - 1:30 Resident Birthday Party:
 - BP - Johnny G On The Keys BP Rec. Room
 - BC - Conneaut Creek String Band BCN Rec. Room
- 8/21 - 1:30 National Senior Citizens Day Party
 - BP - Grumpy Men BP Rec. Room
 - BC - Carl & Barb BCN Rec. Room



2026 Summer Gazebo Concerts

In the event of poor weather, concerts will be held in Ball Pavilion or Barnabas Court North.

- 8/12 - Rick Brunning
- 8/19 - Darren Lambert
- 8/20 - Elvis Live
- 8/26 - Mike & Marie
- 9/2 - 23 Skidoo
- 9/16 - Elvis Lives

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.

- 8/20 - Annual Conrad House Reunion Picnic
- 10/24 - Annual Book Sale & Craft Show 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



- August 10, 24
- September 21
- October 5, 19
- November 2, 16, 30
- December 14, 28



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



Deacon Chuck Adamczyk: Prayer Box

The Village has purchased a Prayer Request box to allow residents, staff, or family members to write a brief prayer request for a loved one. A prayer request is a short message asking others to pray with and for you about a specific issue or situation. It can relate to any of the following:

Health and surgery, healing, job and career, finances, family and guidance, comfort, and peace, expressing gratitude for prayers answered, or any concern you would like others to lift up in prayer.

Please, only use first names. This prayer request box will be in the library of the Conrad House apartments. Prayer requests will be read and offered at the Rosary conducted at the Conrad House on Tuesday evenings. If you have any questions, please contact Chaplain Chuck Adamczyk at (814) 899-8600, extension 219, or (814) 323-5738 (cell).



Special thanks to the Nurse Honor Guard of Erie County who made a special appearance for the memorial service for Lola Ellison on Wednesday, July 22nd. Lola was a resident at Conrad House and spent decades as a nurse.

"Lola May Ellison known for your dedication, hard work, knowledge, and compassion. You were an exemplary nurse to all of your patients that you cared for. You were respected by your students & colleagues. You left this world a better place. Please watch over us (to make sure we are doing it right), guide us, but most of all; rest. This is your time. God Bless."

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 or you may contact Maureen Rizzo, Director of Development at (814)899-8600 or email at 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.

Berdina Jaskiewicz

Lola Ellison

Bob Lapenz

Lucy Markle

Janette Martin

Mary Ann "Mae" Palkovic

Judith Skuce

Roger Urmann

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.



BODY MIND SPIRIT



Team RAD Presents Our Rising Star 2026



Congratulations Cassie Ramirez of Dining Services for being voted as our "Rising Star" of Brevillier Village Staff.

"My hire date is January 29th, 2026. I remember that as it's the day before my son's birthday. My Aunt Arlene (Dietrich) lived at Ball for about 20 years or so. I brought both my boys here almost every Sunday. When I first started working here, I had nurses who recognized me from so many years ago. I couldn't believe it! She passed away about 15 years ago. Brevillier Village feels like home to me. Maybe it's because my aunt lived here for many years. The staff is so incredible here! The activities that are planned for the residents are pretty neat too, especially Elvis! It's just very "homey" here. I'm very impressed with the menu. Lots of variety and "pricier" items being offered like seafood and chuck roast. One of the coolest things to me was being able to make my dad's cheese potato soup here. It's well-loved in our family, and it was well loved here too. I am so honored to be part of the Village."



Brevillier Worship Schedule

August 16th Annual Sunset Service

Please join us at the concrete pad at our outdoor altar between St. Barnabas Chapel & Conrad House. Enjoy a peaceful service overlooking a gorgeous Lake Erie sunset.



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 for the Eucharist are also available at Brevillier in the sacristy. Contact Deacon Chuck Adamczyk at cadamczyk@brevillier.org with questions.



CELEBRATION TIME!

STAFF ANNIVERSARIES

Michael	Quirk	08/15/2000	26
Janet	Dubich	08/20/2002	24
Louise	Wiley	08/08/2002	24
Bobbi Jo	Gariepy	08/08/2005	21
Diana	Carson	08/28/1985	41
Taylor	Klinzling	08/01/2022	4
Sarah	Dorosch	08/03/2023	3
Samantha	Ferrick	08/10/2022	4
Dijana	Feratovic	08/30/2023	3
Brianne	Reed	08/07/2024	2
Mark	Taylor	08/21/2024	2
Sue	Hill	08/19/2024	2
Alyssa	Cieslak	08/07/2025	1
Olivia	Crotty	08/11/2025	1
Carlajzah	Mendez	08/15/2025	1
Selah	Meadows	08/19/2025	1
Michelle	Saxton	08/30/2025	1

STAFF BIRTHDAYS

Dawn	Hartman	8/2 Nursing
Colleen	Herman	8/4 Nursing
Dontayja	Carr	8/6 Nursing
Dez-Ray	Confer	8/11 Nursing
Angela	Ducuaara	8/11 Dining Services
Priscilla	Torres	8/11 Nursing
Marcela	Aguil-Meadows	8/12 Dining Services
Kayleigh	Grinnell	8/12 Dining Services
Jamie	Zdunski	8/13 Recreation
Dawn	Baldwin	8/14 Nursing
Mark	Taylor	8/16 Transportation
Sefelina	Elletson	8/21 Nursing
Cheyenne	Kopta	8/28 Dining Services
Melanie	Sutton	8/30 Nursing

**"Celebrate life in every way, every day.
Let your heart sing and your spirit fly."**

– Wayne Dyer

RESIDENT BIRTHDAYS

Ball Pavilion

NuNu Boorady	8/11
Robert Dodds	8/11
Dorothy Scholze	8/14
Lois Jordan	8/17
Jackie Rzomp	8/17
Betty Bish	8/18
Jane Nies	8/21
Chris Shick	8/23
Dawn Rzepecki	8/28

Barnabas Court North

Peggy Smith	8/03
Molly Keenan	8/22

Barnabas Court South

Christine Andre	8/04
Vicky Norvaisa	8/11

Conrad House

John Dudenhoefer	8/01
Barbara Rosenborough	8/01
Joseph Shesman	8/05
Fran Fisher	8/06
Vicki Mosbacher	8/10
Jon Chisolm	8/21
James Protho	8/26

ERIE'S CHOICE 2026

TOP THREE FINALISTS!!

Beauty & Health

Rehabilitation Facility

Services

Apartment Complex
Non-profit/Charity
Retirement/55+ Community

Top Employers

101-500 Employees

Top Employers

Best Place To Work



*Winners to be announced October 2026.



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

