

Brevillier Village

THE INSIDER



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

Resident's Right Month • National Physical Therapy Month • Breast Cancer Awareness

PUMPKIN SPICE AND EVERYTHING NICE!

From our neatly maintained grounds with strategic bursts of colorful mums, to the indoor Halloween-inspired decor, there is no secret that, the Autumn season is in full force at Brevillier Village! Like always, we take advantage of any opportunity to make each day special. Be sure to check out the list of resident activities and community events throughout this newsletter.

Notable moments from September include our participation in the End Alzheimer's Walk at Perry Square on Saturday, September 19th. **Our Team, "The Village People" raised over \$2,500 to contribute to the Alzheimer's Association.**

We look forward to the upcoming holidays and spending time with you. Please check out the daily resident events that are posted on our website calendar and throughout this newsletter.



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BREVILLIER VILLAGE: GOALS

Moving onto the last few months of the year, we have transitioned the focus to be related to Brevillier Village Goals. 2027 will be a particularly exciting year, as we celebrate a Golden Year: **Ball Pavilion's 50th and Conrad House 55th Year Anniversaries.** The planning committee has determined we will host several special days of recognition including a family picnic with entertainment, resident celebrations, and a formal fundraising festivity concluding the anniversary year. Please stay tuned for more information! If you are interested in volunteering please contact Maureen Rizzo at (814)899-8600 or by email at mrizzo@brevillier.org

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A Blessing from Deacon Chuck Adamczyk

MY WISH FOR OCTOBER - 31 days of happiness and hope. 744 hours of good health. 44,640 minutes of bountiful blessings. And every second your heart be filled with joy, love, and laughter. In every way may everyday flow with God's grace.

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/Rolaids, 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.

Be Aware of Scammers

Phone scams target senior citizens by exploiting their trust, polite nature, and accumulated savings, resulting in billions of dollars in annual losses. In recent years, fraudsters have heavily escalated their tactics, incorporating advanced technology like AI voice cloning alongside traditional high-pressure telephone schemes. **IF YOU OR A RESIDENT YOU KNOW HAS BECOME A VICTIM OF FRAUD, PLEASE REPORT ANY SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY TO THE BUILDING ADMINISTRATOR IMMEDIATELY!** If you or a family member has been targeted, acting quickly within 24 to 48 hours gives you the best chance to recover lost funds. National Elder Fraud Hotline: Call 1-833-FRAUD-11 (1-833-372-8311) for free, personalized support from the Department of Justice.

From the Desk of Dominick Alberico, Ball Pavilion Administrator

Brevillier Village has partnered with Nightingale College to provide clinical learning opportunities for their nursing students. Nightingale College is a nursing program that uses a blended-distance learning model supported by formal clinical partnerships with healthcare facilities. We are excited for the opportunity to provide these aspiring nursing students with a clinical environment for them to complete their required nursing experiences while gaining hands-on experience in a skilled nursing setting. This partnership provides our residents with additional opportunities to interact with nursing students while allowing our staff to support and mentor the next generation of nurses. It also gives Brevillier Village an opportunity to connect with potential future nursing professionals. Questions or concerns, please contact me at by phone at ext. 275 or email: dalberico@brevillier.org



INFORMATION & NEWS

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



Welcome New Residents

Ball Pavilion - Dora Frances & James Hoppe Barnabas Court South - Jon Chisholm Conrad House - Lenora Stull

Important Dates for November 3rd Election

- **October 19** - Last day to register or update registration
- **October 27** - Last day to apply for a Mail-In Ballot or civilian absentee ballot
- **November 3** - 2026 Primary Election Day! Polls are open from 7:00 am - 8:00 pm



Brevillier Village will provide FREE transportation to Faith Lutheran Church (Poll Location) for the independent living residents from 9:00 am - 11:00 am. Please see the office to be added to the van calendar.

Need a Ride? Take EMTA Route 260



Erie Metropolitan Transit Authority



Did you know that Brevillier Village is a daily stop for the E-Erie Metropolitan Bus? That's correct, Route 260 makes three stops daily Monday through Friday (with the exception of holidays). EMTA recommends that all seniors interested in riding the "e" for free sign up for the Free Senior Identification card. By showing this card you may ride any EMTA bus for free. An application can be mailed to you or you can fill one out at the EMTA offices. Seniors can apply for a FREE bus pass. Applications

are processed and passes are issued at the Intermodal Transportation Center located at 208 East Bayfront Parkway during business hours. Proof of age is required to receive the ID card.

Grow Your Healthcare Career at Brevillier Village

We are always looking to enhance our team of dedicated caregivers. If you, or someone you know would be a good fit at Brevillier Village, we encourage you to complete an online application at www.brevillier.org. You can scan the QR code for a list of current openings. We are known for our longevity and growth opportunities. Share with someone you may think would be a great fit in our Village of Care Giving!!



OPEN INTERVIEWS

Wed. 10/14 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Sat. 10/17 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

**Ball Pavilion - Recreation Room
5416 East Lake Road
Erie PA 16511**



Our GOALS

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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, board of directors, 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.

Our 2026 Brevillier Insider Newsletters have focused on History, Mission, Community, and now we will dig into the GOALS that will shape the future of Brevillier Village. 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.

A few ways we will direct our focus.

1. Honor Five Decades of Service
2. Celebrate Residents, Families, and Staff
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



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Maureen Rizzo at (814)899-8600 or by email at

mrizzo@brevillier.org



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!

Master Gardeners Pumpkin Walk

Fri. Oct. 9th & 10th 5:30 - 9:30 pm

Fall is in the air, and one of Erie County's favorite autumn traditions is back! Stroll among over 1,000 illuminated carved pumpkins, created by 52 local schools, businesses, and community organizations throughout Erie County.

Enjoy a fun-filled evening of:

- Local food vendors & treats
- Carousel rides for a fee
- Activities for all ages

Waldameer Park
220 Peninsula Drive
Erie, PA 16505



Seniors for Safe Drivers

Wed. October 14th 9 am -1 pm

Mature Driver Improvement Course

- PennDOT Approved
- No On-The-Road Driving Required
- 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 – As Mandated By Pennsylvania State Law
- Classroom Instruction Only
- Tuition Only \$17
- No Exam Will Be Given

Municipal Building
5601 Buffalo Rd.
Harborcreek, PA 16421
Register: (800) 559-4880 or
www.SeniorsForSafeDriving.com

Finnell Farms Harvest Fest

Sat. Oct. 10th & Sun. Oct. 11th

11 AM - 4 PM

Make plans to stop out with the kiddos for a weekend of fun! Crafters, face painting, expanded slime bar, bounce houses, and for the first time ever... pick your own pumpkins!! There will be yummy food from Mulecreek Grille, kettle corn, & fan favorite Jr's Ice Cream.

Finnell Farms
7840 Buffalo Rd
Harborcreek, PA

HarborCREEP Nights

Fri. Oct. 16th & Sat. 17th 7 – 10 PM

Features a Harvest of Horrors Scare Zone, Slasher Cinema Haunted House, and live music by the Broke Boland String Show.

Harborcreek Township Barn
5601 Buffalo Road Harborcreek, PA

HarborCreek Fall Fest

Sat. October 17th 1 - 4 PM

Features lights on haunted house, bouncy house, face painting, games & prizes.

Harborcreek Township Barn
5601 Buffalo Road Harborcreek, PA



Brevillier Village Craft Show

Sat. Oct. 24 10 am - 2 pm

Shop with over 14 unique vendors. Enjoy homemade baked goods from Conrad House Bake Sale. Conrad House Multipurpose Room
5436 East Lake Road Erie, PA 16511

Brevillier Village Book Sale

Sat. & Sun. Oct. 24 & 25th

9 am - 3 pm

Browse through preloved books & media. Donation. Proceeds benefit residents.

Education Room
at Barnabas Court
5456 East Lake Rd.
Erie, PA 16511



Alzheimer's Association®

Caregiver Support Group

Meets first Friday of each month.

Friday, November 6th

3:30 - 4:30 pm

Alzheimer's Association® caregiver support groups, conducted by trained facilitators, are a safe place for caregivers, family and friends of persons with dementia to:

- Support system
- Challenges & solutions
- Issues and ways of coping
- Share feelings and concerns
- Community resources

Iroquois Branch Library
4212 Iroquois Avenue
Erie PA 16511

alzheimer's association®



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

- 10/1 - 1:30 Tree Family Party Piggies Ball Pavilion
- 10/2 - 1:30 Resident October Birthday Party: BP - Ron Fitch & BC - Elizabeth Tomcho
- 10/8 - 1:30 Carving Pumpkins for the Pumpkin Walk 2026 Come join us BP & BN
- 10/11 - 2:00 Religious Services @ St. Barnabas Chapel
- 10/12 - COLUMBUS DAY
- 10/12 - Tailgating Party at BP & BCN. Harbor Creek & Iroquois Cheerleaders visit
- 10/16 - 1:30 October Fest: BP - Mike & Marie & BC - Johnny "G" On The Keys
- 10/27 - 1:30 Hey Joe BCN Recreation Room
- 10/30 - 1:30 Halloween Party: BP - David & Don & BC With Darren Lambert
- 10/31 - HAPPY HALLOWEEN



VACCINE CLINIC
October 15th
beginning at
10am at BCN
Lakeview lounge.

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.

- 10/09 - Music for Veterans 6:00 - 7:30 pm MPR
- 10/13 - Impact Singers 6:30 pm MPR
- 10/20 - Vaccine Clinic 11 am - 1 pm CH MPR
- 10/24 - Bake Sale & Craft Show 10 am - 2 pm MPR
- 10/24 & 25 - Book Sale 9 am - 3 pm Education Room

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



- October 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



Save the Date: Upcoming Brevillier Village Events

Annual Memorial Service - November 5

Family members will receive an invitation to attend the Annual Memorial Service honoring those who have passed away between September 1, 2025 - August 30. There will be a small reception with cake and punch following the mass service.

Christmas in the Village Kick Off - December 3

Staff, residents, family and friends are welcome to join us in each building for holiday cheer. Word is Santa will be near! 6:00 - 7:30 pm. Volunteer Opportunity: We need help hanging lights. Please contact Jennifer Kehl at (814)899-8600 or jkehl@brevillier.org

Holiday Buffet - December 12 & 13

Family members of are encouraged to signup for the annual Holiday Buffet. Ball Pavilion residents will celebrate on December 12th and Sunday, December 13th for Barnabas Court. Signup sheets will be available at the front offices closer to the event dates. More details to follow!

Remembering Our Loved Ones



At Brevillier Village 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.

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. 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).



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.

Dave Duttry

Molly Keenan

Jacqueline Rzomp

Joann Shields

Laure Smith

John Trombetta

Maryann Wargo

Norma Whaley

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

Veteran's Affairs Honor Harry Nye

Friday, September 25th was a special day for our dear friend Harry, as he received a gift from the VA. Harry is the last local WWII POW. This moment was shared with his family, close friends. Thank you for your service Harry! Special thanks to Dr. Jamie Mayr and Veteran Matthew Killian for taking the time to present Harry with this special accommodation. A local artist created the handcrafted wooden flag with two embedded military medallions. Harry turned 102 on September 27th. God Bless & Thank You, Harry!



Residents and Staff Celebrate a Tribute to Dolly Parton on 9/25

What a fun way to honor the life of Dolly Parton! There were games, music, food, oodles of fun & pink everywhere!



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 similar to 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.

Blessed



Celebration Time!

STAFF ANNIVERSARIES

First Name	Last Name	Hire Date	Years
Amy	Learn	10/04/1994	32
Jennifer	Kehl	10/30/1995	31
Jessica	Smith	10/13/1999	27
Jammi	Kosiorek	10/20/2004	22
Dawn	Hartman	10/14/2013	13
Joshua	Lencki	10/21/2014	12
Autumn	Gariepy	10/13/2021	5
Tobias	Vahey	10/07/2023	3
Kataleigha	Stuchul	10/18/2023	3
Alexis	Schultz	10/24/2023	3
Kristina	Soto	10/02/2024	2
Helena	Burgos	10/02/2024	2
Samantha	Charlton	10/16/2024	2

RESIDENT BIRTHDAYS

Ball Pavilion

Johanna Davis	10/01
Edward Jaglowski	10/02
Helen Szparaga	10/30
Annette Slater	10/31

Barnabas Court North

Patricia Hitchings	10/03
Ted Wardzinski	10/06

Barnabas Court South

Marie Fiscus	10/07
Para Bendeviski	10/10
Bob Schroeck	10/11
David Frick	10/14
Sandra Kobielski	10/31

Conrad House

Mark Brice	10/06
Bob Walls	10/07
Beth Seidler	10/11
Mary Tomlin	10/14
Lois Parkhurst	10/14
Patricia Urmann	10/23
Twila Bash	10/24
Richard Polancy	10/25
Doug Robbins	10/25



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

STAFF BIRTHDAYS

Diana	Carson	10/1
Kiara	Lentz	10/1
Maureen	Rizzo	10/2
Hillary	Calderon	10/2
Kendra	Gordillo	10/5
Julianna	Osiecki	10/7
Janet	Dubich	10/8
Anthony	Szyplik	10/8
Becky	Klimczak	10/9
Alyssa	Kehl	10/12
Tobias	Vahey	10/12
Bobbi Jo	Gariepy	10/13
Julia	Chludzinski	10/13
Aurora	Willey	10/14
Linda	Gamble	10/15
Deirdre	Howard	10/20
Sondra	Ramos	10/21
Lillian	Festa	10/21
Saida	Harper	10/22
Summer	Skinner	10/27
Amy	Learn	10/30
Amy	Barrett-Heitzenrater	10/31

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 8, 2026.





GECAC's Medicare Minute

Annual Notice of Change for Advantage and Part D Plans

The Medicare Annual Notice of Change (ANOC) is one of the most important notices to look for in the mail each year. The ANOC tells you what changes to expect for your plan in the coming year. If you have an Advantage Plan (Part C)/Drug Plan, insurance companies are required to send the ANOC by September 30th each year. The ANOC is essentially the "what's changing?" document. The Evidence of Coverage provides the more detailed description of what the plan covers and what members pay. The Evidence of Coverage notice is sent by October 15th each year. Here's some of the important things to look for in your ANOC:

Cost. Your premium may go up, down, or stay the same. Look at costs associated with deductibles, copays and coinsurance, your Maximum Out-of-Pocket costs (MOOP), prescription costs, drug deductibles/ cost sharing, and extra benefits, their limits, and changes.

Network. Provider networks can change. Don't assume doctors you've seen for years are still in network because network changes can occur.

Covered Prescriptions. Verify your drugs are still covered. Check to see if drugs have been moved to a different tier, if costs have changed, if they will require prior authorization, if limits apply, and which pharmacies are preferred / in-network.

Changing or disappearing benefits. Extra benefits can be impacted. Check to see if any benefits have changed, or were removed, for example, dental, vision, hearing, transportation, gym benefits, and other extra benefits.



Pennsylvania
Medicare Education
and Decision Insight



PA MEDI, available through your local Area Agency on Aging, offers free, confidential, unbiased, and easy-to-understand information to Medicare-eligible individuals, their families, and caregivers.

PA MEDI empowers seniors and people with disabilities to make informed decisions about Medicare health insurance.



Pennsylvania
Department of Aging



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Navigating Medicare

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