

April 2024

GeoCam Connection

Georgetown & Cambridge Assisted Living 141-151 Port Sheldon Rd. Grandville, MI 49418



April Happenings

April 2

Jenison Historical Society
Presentation

April 8

Grace Gospel Band

April 10

Kim Carson & Friends

April 11

Outing to Meijer Gardens

April 12

Annual Wing-A-Thon

April 15

Music with Marty Miller

April 17

Visser Farms Presentation

April 24

Music with Tom & Tom

April 25

Music with David Molinari

April Devotion

I remember in days gone by, when our kids would have swimming lessons at the pool. The kids would swim & the parents would wait in the bleachers on the sides. Most of the times the kids were too involved with splashing & jumping & paddling to notice the loving audience of parents watching over them. But every now & then, each child would intentionally turn & look for that one face that mattered.

When I would see one of ours looks over, I would hold up my hand in the way that forms the “I Love You” in sign language. They would instantly smile, knowing what I was saying, even without spoken words, & then go back swimming but with a much more dedicated effort knowing that I was watching them.

God too is a loving parent, watching over us & waiting for the chance to show us His love for us. However, just like my children had to look to me to get that message, we too need to turn & look for His face or we will miss those messages. In an age of constant distractions, & the splashes of life that are happening all around us, we can forget to seek out the face of God, forget to see the sign of His love for us in Jesus Christ, & miss out on feeling His love for us. We need to examine our lives & find those tiny moments where He has showered us with signs of His great love for us & then do our best to remain in that love in all we do.

“The Lord your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; he will rejoice over you with gladness; he will quiet you by his love; he will exult over you with loud singing.” Zephaniah 3:17

“But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ-by grace you have been saved.” Ephesians 2:4-5

Chaplain David Price

For the Love of Birds



Many have heard of the Audubon Society and know it as an environmental organization dedicated to studying and preserving birds and their natural habitats. The organization is named after John James Audubon, the French American painter of birds who dedicated his

life to his unique art. His birthday, April 26, is now celebrated as Audubon Day.

Audubon showed an affinity for birds starting in childhood. He spent hours roaming the countryside, collecting birds' nests and eggs, and drawing them once he returned home. Audubon's father was a sailor and hoped his son would join the navy, so John James went to military school. However, he suffered from seasickness and so returned to the woods.

In 1803, the Napoleonic Wars broke out in France. Audubon's father obtained a fake passport and sent John James to America to avoid the war. It was at his family's farm in Pennsylvania that Audubon devoted himself full-time to the outdoors: hunting, fishing, and drawing birds.

Audubon was obsessed with birds. In an effort to study their habits, he tied string around their legs to see if they returned year after year. He learned the art of taxidermy and worked in natural museums. But his greatest contribution to ornithology was his brilliant book *Birds of America*. He dedicated his life to drawing every single bird in America. His style was new and different: a highly detailed drawing of each bird, more accurate than ever before. His drawings were life-sized, with some pages over three feet tall and two feet wide. After 14 years of traveling the entire country, Audubon drew over 700 species of birds. *Birds of America* is often considered the greatest picture book ever made, and original copies have sold for over \$10 million. How's that for a nest egg?



RESIDENTS

Sharon Okronski~12th
Ellie Kramer~15th
Karen Matuzak~20th
Jane Golin~23rd
Sybil Gretz~30th

STAFF

Aricely Ortiz-Vierya~9th
Christie Huff~10th
Sharon Heath~14th
Hailey French~17th

WELCOME TO THE MANOR!

We're happy you're here!

Harriet Beezhold to North
Helen Bramer to South
Andy Droge to South
Karen Hemmeke to West
Hester Hinken to West
Paul Leiffer to East
Nancy Miller to East
Nancy Rickels to East
Henry Schragg to West

IN SYMPATHY

You're in our thoughts & prayers.

Shirley Eschels
Greg Irwin
Melvin Molenkamp
Ginny Staahl

This year's PIE IN THE FACE Contest was a huge Success! We had a ton of LAUGHS & FUN! THANK YOU to everyone who participated, whether you received a pie in the face, put a pie in someone's face, or donated to this favorite fundraiser! We raised over \$1,300 to go towards the BUS FOR GT/CM!



Did You Know???

Monday, April 8 there will be a Solar Eclipse?

The last time we experienced this was back on August 21, 2017.

The eclipse will be visible from Mexico, 14 U.S States & southeastern Canada.



REMINDER:

If you have a library book that you are reading from our GEORGETOWN LIBRARY CART, we need to have them back by April 12th.

The library is coming on April 16 to refresh our selection.

Then you can enjoy some new reads!! See Rachel if you have any questions!

SPRING & SUMMER EVENTS 2024

APRIL:

3rd~ Samaritans Carriage Outing to Meijer Gardens (Only 5 residents can go)

11th~Outing to Meijer Gardens

MAY:

9th & 10th~ Mother's Day Garden Party (the 9th will be at 2pm/10th will be at 6p)

14th~ Outing to Holland & Picnic Lunch

15th~ On the Border Fundrasier

16th~ Community Blood Drive

18th~ Becky's exchange student, Afri's Graduation Open House

29th~ Outing to the White Caps Senior Day

31st~ Outdoor Concert on our Patio with Marty Miller

JUNE:

1st~ Clean Up Day here at the manor

17th~ Father's Day Car Show & Ice Cream Social

JULY:

17th~ Annual Corn Hole Tournament

AUGUST:

6th~ Annual Summer Picnic "Dancing Through the Decades"

Here is a quick look at some of the fun things we'll be doing! Stay tuned to future newsletters for any additions!

If you have any questions, please see Rachel!

SAMARITAN'S CARRIAGE is back for the year! The first Wednesday of every month is our day to go on an outing with Samaritan's Carriage. Wednesday, April 6 they will be going to Meijer Garden's. They will be leaving at 10am. Only 5 residents can go along. If you'd like to go, please see Rachel to sign up.



They're back! We are patiently waiting to see our Duck, turkeys, chickens & Geese!