The Meadow Lark

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The Senior Olympics



Celebrating Active Aging Week

October 2 - 6

Cheer on your family, friends and neighbors as they compete in special games and festivities all week long!

Monday, October 2

Opening Ceremony

Fun & Games All Week!

Health Seminars • Power Walk Race Walk • Cornhole (Singles)

Basketball • Noodle Throw

Baseball Throw • Healthy Sleep Habits

Cornhole (Teams) • Swimming Relay

Golf Games • Frisbee Throw

Friday, October 6

Closing Ceremony with Awards & Lunch

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HONORING REMEMBERING

In Memory of **Marvin Hoff** by Rolling Meadows

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In Memory of **Edna Edwards** by Rolling Meadows

In Memory of **Bill Brockriede** by Rolling Meadows

In Memory of **Sam Nilasena** by Rolling Meadows

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What did the ghost teacher say to the class?

Keep your eyes on the board while I go through it again!

Joke of the Month



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Shirley Craft 2
Cheryl Beaty 3
Susan Smith 3
Harold Apple 12
Renee Brockriede13
Ron Johnson14
Janelle Cremeens 17
Dorothy Jones 17
Elaine Paden 17
Robert Doley 21
Royce Smith 21
Don Holder 23
Polly Pate 25
Shirley Foley 27
Marge Sheppard 31
Mary Chapman 31

Welcome New Residents!

GLORIA BROOKS

Gloria was born in Ohio. She has lived all over the world and United States. Gloria enjoys reading, decorating, gardening and now watching these activities from the sidelines!!! Please make Gloria feel welcome by introducing yourselves to her. Welcome to the family Gloria!



Greetings Readers,

Seniors who read often enjoy much more than just a good story. Scientific studies have found many benefits to reading for older adults.

- 1. Enhancing memory-reading exercises your memory. This is critical to the short-term recall of everyday events.
- 2. Sharpening decision-making skills-this is an ability known as fluid intelligence. Those who read test higher.
- 3. Reducing stress-Studies found it took only six minutes for the heart rate and muscle tension of participants to relax once they dove into a book. This was faster than listening to music, having a cup of coffee or going for a walk.
- 4. Reducing anxiety-Another study found that people who read frequently are less likely to act impulsively. They were also more likely to think before reacting to things. This means frequent readers are better equipped to process information., be prepared for life's uncertainties and reduce their anxiety.
- Sleeping better-Research confirms that reading in bed is a sure-fire way to fall asleep. Swap your TV show for a good book and enjoy drifting off easier.
- 6. Reading brings people together, whether formally in a book club or chance conversations about what you are reading. (This is not from a scientific study, but from my life experience).

Until next month, Happy Reading
– Judy B



ACTIVE AGING WEEK OCTOBER 2 - OCTOBER 6

October kicks off with the Rolling Meadows
Resident Olympic Games!

Check the calendar for times and events happening each day this week. Even if you didn't sign up for these events, please come and cheer on your neighbors and friends as they compete in the games.

We will have family, friends and sponsors who have helped make this week festive and fun so please make them feel welcome and thank them for supporting our retirement community.

Let the games begin!!!

Monday, October 2

Opening Ceremony Health Seminar Games Practice

Tuesday, October 3

Power Walk Race Walk Health Seminar Cornhole (Singles)

Wednesday, October 4

Basketball Noodle Throw Baseball Throw Healthy Sleep Habits Cornhole (Teams)

Thursday, October 5

Swimming Relay Golf Games Frisbee Throw

Friday, October 6

Closing Ceremony, Awards & Lunch

⋒ SIT & CHAT

Mosey on over to the Media Center at 1:30 PM for our Sit & Chat. Please bring your questions and concerns to this meeting so they may be heard and addressed.

1 THE BIRTHDAY PARTY

Join us in the Media Center at 2:00 PM for our monthly birthday party for all October birthdays. Come and enjoy some cake and ice cream.

13 ALL STAFF MEETING

Quarter Bingo has been cancelled for this staff meeting at 1:30 in the Media Center.

1 7 GOURMET GETAWAY

The bus will be leaving at 10:45 AM to head over to Mazzio's Pizza. I hope you make plans to go and please sign up in the mail room.

1 7 CRAFT HOUR

Today in the Media Center at 2:00 PM, we will be making Halloween decor for your door or wall. It's fun and easy! Please sign up in the mail room.

1 O SPA DAY

Patti Gilmore, a local Mary Kay Consultant, will be pampering us in the Media Center at 2:00 PM. Please sign up.

1 HISTORY HOUR

Today in the Media Center at 2:15 PM, we are going to travel through California. Please bring items or pictures to show and tell.

EARLY HALLOWEEN PARTY

Come celebrate Halloween a little early today in the Media Center at 2:00 PM. We will have food, fun and games.

1 HALLOWEEN DINNER

It's Halloween, so let's all wear our costumes to the Renaissance Room for dinner tonight!



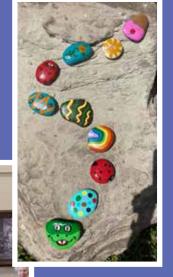
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1:00 Worship Service, Chapel	10:00 Resident Olympic Games 2 Opening Ceremony, South Lawn 1:00 Health Seminar, MedCtr 1:00 Our Lady Queen of Peace, Chapel 2:00 Grocery Shopping 2:00 Olympic Games Practice, FitCtr 3:00 Olympic Games Practice, FitCtr	9:30 Blood Pressure Clinic, Atr 10:00 Game: Power Walk, South Lawn 10:30 Race Walk: Wheelchairs & Canes, South Lawn 1:00 Health Seminar, MedCtr 2:30 Cornhole Individuals, Atr	10:30 Basketball, FitCtr 10:45 Noodle Throw, South Lawn 11:00 Baseball Throw, South Lawn 1:00 Healthy Sleep Habits, MedCtr by the Rehab Department 2:30 Cornhole Teams, Atr	9:00 Shopping at WalMart 10:00 Bank Day "First Bank" till 11:00 10:00 Swimming Relay, FitCtr 1:00 Dale's Bible Study, Chapel 2:30 Golf Games, FitCtr 3:30 Frisbee Throw, South Lawn 6:15 Worship Service, MedCtr 6:30 Bridge, Lib	10:00 Resident Olympic Games Closing Ceremony, Awards and Lunch, South Lawn 2:00 Quarter Bingo, MedCtr 3:00 Chair Volleyball, FitCtr	1:00 Puzzles, 3rd Floor 7
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A Note from Kari

It's October, which means Active Aging Week is upon us. This year is going to be a little different and because of that, all normal activities for the week of October 2-6 will be canceled. That being said, I hope you will come out and participate or support those that are participating. I think it's going to be a lot of fun and I'm excited to see you try some new activities. In addition to October bringing Active



Aging Week it is also the start of the cold and flu season. Please be mindful of how you are feeling and stay home if you are under the weather. A final bit of news, starting October 2nd, I will once again be pulling out my Ghost. If you happen to find it on your doorknob, return it to me in the Fitness Center for a Halloween treat and the opportunity to "Ghost" someone else.

Stay Healthy This Cold and Flu Season

Here are some practical cold and flu season prevention tips that can help keep you feeling healthy this year.

Avoid Crowds and Unnecessary Travel

This season is a time of travel but crowds, especially those in airplanes, can increase your chance of catching a cold or flu from an infected person. Try to avoid large groups of people, especially in poorly-ventilated spaces.

Don't Touch Your Face

Illness can enter the body quickly through your eyes, nose and mouth. To reduce the risk of getting sick, minimize touching your face.

Drink Plenty of Liquids

Staying hydrated, especially hot tea or just plain water, can help the body battle germs better.

Exercise Regularly

Moderate exercise boosts the immune system and could reduce risk of a cold. A regimen of 20-30 minutes of exercise five days a week can help. For the long term, working out regularly also reduces the risk of many chronic diseases such as cardiovascular diseases, metabolic diseases and respiratory illnesses.

Get a Flu Shot

Older adults are especially vulnerable and are most likely to be hospitalized for complications of the flu. Check with your doctor about getting the flu vaccination.

Get a Pneumonia Vaccine, Too

Flu can develop into pneumonia, which can be deadly for seniors. This shot helps prevent certain strains of bacterial pneumonia. Ask your doctor about the pneumococcal vaccine.

Keep Your Surroundings Clean

Multiple hands can spread germs through door knobs, light switches and other household things. Wipe clean anything that gets a lot of touches and also sanitize your mobile devices.

Stay Away from People Who Are Sick

Keep your distance from people who are sick. If you find yourself around a sick person, limit your contact and avoid unnecessary touching like shaking hands or hugging. Also avoid touching anything they've touched.

Stay Away If You're Sick, Too

If you have the flu, you need to stay home to protect other people.

Fun In The Fitness Center

Please note the Fitness Center schedule has changed!

Pool Walking Mon, Wed, Fr	Pool i8:00 am
	Fitness Center 9:00, 10:00, & 11:30 am
Open Fitness Mon-Fri	Fitness Center1:00 pm
Chair Volleybal Mon-Fri	IFitness Center 3:00 pm
Core Strength . Tuesdays	Fitness Center11:00 am
	Fitness Center ours, Fri 1:00 pm
Wii Games Tues & Fri	Fitness Center1:00 pm
Stretch Thursdays	Fitness Center11:00 am
Open Fitness Wed	Fitness Center2:00 pm
Trivia/Brain Ga Wednesdays	mes Media Center 1:00 pm

Take In More Vitamin C

Although it won't prevent you from getting sick, studies indicate that extra vitamin C may limit the severity or shorten the duration of illness. Vitamin C is best to receive through food such as citrus fruits, but supplements of 200 milligrams can be helpful.

Wash Your Hands

Soap and water can help remove viruses from your hands. One rule of thumb is to scrub vigorously for 20 seconds, roughly the time it takes to sing "Happy Birthday" twice. The water doesn't need to be hot, because the scrubbing itself will do the job. Also keep alcohol-based hand sanitizer nearby to use if you can't get to soap and water.

A Peek At The Pines









Painting and Pumpkins at The Pines













The Gables At A Glance





