



Belmont Village of Buffalo Grove VillageNEWS

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Dear Friends,

Richard Keefer was born in the charming town of Wellsboro, Pennsylvania on July 11, 1939. His mother was a nurse and his father an engineer. Richard was ten years old when his brother Robert arrived. Now, ten year old boys may not be interested in a new baby brother, but Richard was thrilled! When Richard was 18, the Vietnam War was on the horizon. His father advised him to join the Air National Guard. The next 6 years was spent as a POL man; he ensured the planes had fuel and oil.

When Richard was 21, he went rollerskating and met a girl named Rose, whom he married. They had two children; Kelly, who is a nurse, and Michael, who obtained a degree in finance and art. Sadly, the marriage ended after 13 years. He had a group of friends, single, whom Richard refers to as a partying crew. One of the crew hosted a party. It turns out a woman named Barbara, a school teacher, crashed the party! Richard saw the hostess look at the party crasher questioningly and he jumped up and introduced himself to the party crasher. They quickly became a couple, married two years later, and moved to Chicago.

Kelly, who wanted to be a nurse

like her grandmother, decided to go to Elmhurst College. So Kelly moved in with Barbara and Richard. Then Michael wished to be close to his sister and he decided to attend Elmhurst College as well. Interestingly, Richard also went back to school and graduated from Elmhurst College at age 41 with a degree in business.

One of Richard's favorite memories were Christmas holidays; the kids waking up at 2:00 a.m., ready to open presents and trying to get them back to bed again. Kelly remembers her father as being practical, rational, and of course, a loving father. However, the practical part could get a little yucky. One time, Richard, Kelly and Michael were eating pizza and Richard felt the pizza needed more sauce. To Kelly's dismay, her easygoing father simply added ketchup!

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Here is Maureen, our Executive Director, and Richard Keefer



June Birthdays

Resident Birthdays

- 6/3 Marian A. - Apt. 209
- 6/5 Sonia K. - Apt. 325
- 6/9 Ed L. - Apt. 332
- 6/14 Bart T. - Apt. 232
- 6/18 Harriet R. - Apt. 307
- 6/23 Fay F. - Apt. 224



Staff Birthdays

- 6/1 Beth B.
- 6/3 Michael A.
- 6/4 Omari D.
- 6/5 Anh B.
- 6/14 Maureen C.
- 6/16 Gina F.
- 6/30 Pam J.

Staff Anniversaries

- 13 YEARS Felix L.
- 7 YEARS Christine B.
- 4 YEARS Ilona K.
- 2 YEARS Regina O.
- 2 YEARS Dan K.
- 1 YEAR Anh B.



Circle of Friends

The Circle of Friends has spent a lot of time this month on spring themes, planting projects, and associated topics. Learning new information is one of the best things we can do for our brains throughout our lifetime and helps to build cognitive reserve. Here you see Joyce and Gladys assisting to plant one of the larger pots for one of the end hall balconies.



Neighborhood News

The Neighborhood has also been busy with planting this month. We have had many different areas to cover and have enjoyed planting and talking about the various flowers and herbs that are now in the courtyard, as well as on the smaller patios. Many residents assisted, but only a few can be pictured here.



Doug Adler

April Employee of the Month

Doug, our Driver/Concierge is our April Employee of the Month. He was nominated by a resident as well as a family. He was recognized for being a reliable and safe driver who is always concerned with the comfort of his passengers. A resident mentioned that when Doug is at the desk, he handles issues graciously and efficiently. Both the resident and family stated that we are fortunate to have Doug taking care of us at Belmont! Thank you and congratulations to Doug for all you do!



Belmont Derby Days

A roll of the dice and ... they're off! In honor of the Kentucky Derby, several residents enjoyed a day at the races! We fancied up, and everyone gathered to place bets. Would "Lightning" win or "Ol Swayback" win? We enjoyed several races and handed out many 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place awards. Everyone was a winner and went home with a yummy horse shaped sucker.



Beth & Lori were ready for race day!



And they're off...



Jake rolled his horse's number!



Elaine gave it a great toss!



Myrna watched them come in!



Violet was a high roller!



Rochelle blew on the die for luck!



Don with his many medals, winning horses, and sucker!

June Happenings

Lunch Bunch

- 6/3 Culver's
- 6/10 Carson's Ribs
- 6/17 The Village Tavern
- 6/24 Denny's

Special Events

- 6/2 Red Hat Ladies
- 6/7 Welcome Lunch For New Residents
- 6/8 Long Grove Chocolate Tour & Shopping
- 6/13 Steven Frenzel With: "Funniest Sport Movies
- 6/16 Wii Tournament
- 6/18 Father's Day Cookout
- 6/20 History of Dance Show
- 6/21 John Boda Presents: "The Big Band Era"
- 6/22 Boomers Baseball Game
- 6/27 Movie Day!
- 6/28 Resident Council
- 6/29 MBA Meeting
- 6/29 Opera in Focus Trip
- 6/30 Root Beer Floats and Music on Back Patio

Entertainment

- 6/1 Alex Talbott
- 6/5 Mihai Vlad
- 6/8 Sandi Haynes
- 6/10 "Laurel Larks" Senior Choral Group Performs
- 6/12 Luke Lucky
- 6/15 Rob Cunningham
- 6/19 Randy Walker
- 6/22 Dennis Koppo
- 6/26 Sounds of Time With Gino & Jan
- 6/29 Jae Wilkins

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Something to Think About: *Live Your Life & Forget Your Age! *There's A Reason They Call Them Laugh Lines! *Look For Something Positive In Each Day, Even If Some Days You Have To Look A Little Harder!</p>			<p>1 9:30 O Walgreens 10:00 JK Exercise 10:30 TH Walking Balance 🌿 2:30 JK Wine & Cheese With Alex Talbott 3:30 FP Crosswords 6:00 FP Trivia</p>	<p>2 10:00 TH Boot Camp 🌿 10:30 TH Red Hat Ladies Community Service Craft - Make Cards For Belmont's Cookie Bags 🌿 1:30 TH Bingo ★ 2:30 TH Choir Practice 🌿 3:30 FP Trivia 6:00 FP Cards With Jen</p>	<p>3 10:00 TH Exercise 10:30 FP Current Events 11:00 O Lunch Bunch At Culvers 1:30 L Shabbat ★ 2:30 TH Pokeno 3:30 FP Trivia 6:00 FP Games With Nancy</p>	<p>4 10:00 FP Exercise 10:30 FP LRC Dice Game 10:30 O Scenic Drive ■ 2:00 TH Bingo ★ 3:15 FP Blackjack/Poker 6:00 FP Board Games</p>
<p>5 9:00 O St. Mary's Church 9:30 Communion ★ 10:00 FP News & Views 2:00 FP Entertainment With Mihai Vlad ★ 6:00 FP Giant Crossword Puzzles</p>	<p>6 10:00 TH Exercise 10:30 TH Think Tank 🌿 2:00 TH Tai Chi With Lori 🌿 3:15 FP "Laughter Is the BEST Medicine" 6:00 FP Crossword Puzzles</p>	<p>7 9:30 L Communion ★ 10:00 TH Boot Camp 🌿 11:30 TH Welcome Lunch For New Residents ★ 1:30 TH Bingo ★ 2:30 TH Nostalgic Toss - Discussion Group 🌿 3:30 FP Trivia 6:00 FP Games With Tom</p>	<p>8 9:30 O Jewel 9:30 O Long Grove Confectionery Candy Tour which includes Shopping In the Outlet Store 🌿 10:00 TH Exercise 10:30 FP Dice Game - Your Choice 2:30 JK Wine & Cheese With Sandi Haynes 3:30 FP Crosswords 6:00 FP Trivia</p>	<p>9 10:00 TH Boot Camp 🌿 10:30 TH Dancercise 🌿 1:30 TH Bingo ★ 2:30 BP Bocce Ball Off Back Patio 🌿 3:30 FP Trivia 6:00 FP Cards With Jen</p>	<p>10 10:00 TH Exercise 10:30 FP Current Events 11:00 O Lunch Bunch at Carson's Ribs 1:30 L Shabbat ★ 2:30 FP Entertainment With the "Laurel Larks" - Highland Park Senior Center Group ★ 3:30 FP Trivia 6:00 FP Games With Nancy</p>	<p>11 10:00 FP Exercise 10:30 O Scenic Drive ■ 10:30 FP Blackjack/Poker 2:00 TH Bingo ★ 3:15 FP Sing-A-Long ★ 6:00 FP Board Games</p>
<p>12 9:00 O St. Mary's Church 9:30 Communion ★ 10:00 FP News & Views 2:00 FP Entertainment With Luke Lucky ★ 6:00 FP Giant Crossword Puzzles</p>	<p>13 10:00 TH Exercise 10:30 TH Think Tank 🌿 2:00 TH Steven Frenzel Presents: "Funniest Sports Movies" 🌿 3:15 FP "Laughter Is the BEST Medicine" 6:00 FP Crossword Puzzles</p>	<p>14 9:30 L Communion ★ 10:00 TH Boot Camp 🌿 10:30 TH Craft - Patriotic Wreath - Part One 🌿 1:30 TH Bingo ★ 2:30 TH Craft - Patriotic Wreath - Part Two 🌿 3:30 FP Trivia 6:00 FP Games With Tom</p>	<p>15 9:30 O Walgreens 10:00 TH Exercise 10:30 TH Walking Balance 🌿 2:30 JK Wine & Cheese With Rob Cunningham 3:30 FP Crosswords 6:00 FP Trivia</p>	<p>16 10:00 TH Boot Camp 🌿 10:30 TH Wii Bowling Tournament - Even Numbered Rooms 🌿 1:30 TH Bingo ★ 2:30 TH Wii Bowling Tournament - Odd Numbered Rooms 🌿 3:30 FP Trivia 6:00 FP Cards With Jen</p>	<p>17 10:00 TH Exercise 10:30 FP Current Events 11:00 O Lunch Bunch At The Village Tavern 1:30 L Shabbat ★ 2:30 TH Pokeno 3:30 FP Trivia 6:00 FP Games With Nancy</p>	<p>18 10:00 FP Exercise 10:30 O Scenic Drive ■ 11:00 JK Father's Day Cookout With 2 Guests. Seatings at 11:00 & 12:30 ★ 2:30 TH Bingo ★ 3:30 FP Blackjack/Poker 6:00 FP Board Games</p>
<p>19 9:00 O St. Mary's Church 9:30 Communion ★ 10:00 FP News & Views 2:00 FP Entertainment With Randy Walker ★ 6:00 FP Giant Crossword Puzzles</p>	<p>20 9:30 O History Of Dance at Cutting Hall. A high-energy performance from Ballet to Breakdancing! 🌿 10:00 TH Exercise 10:30 TH Think Tank 🌿 2:00 FP Tai Chi With Lori 🌿 3:15 FP "Laughter Is the BEST Medicine" 6:00 FP Crossword Puzzles</p>	<p>21 9:30 L Communion ★ 10:00 TH Boot Camp 🌿 10:30 TH John Boda Presents: "The Big Band Era" 🌿 1:30 TH Bingo ★ 2:30 TH Acting Up! 🌿 3:30 FP Trivia 6:00 FP Games With Tom</p>	<p>22 9:30 O Jewel 10:00 TH Exercise 10:00 O Boomers Baseball Game in the Skybox Vs. Beach Bums & Ball Park Lunch 🌿 2:30 JK Wine & Cheese With Dennis Koppo 3:30 FP Crosswords 6:00 FP Trivia</p>	<p>23 10:00 TH Boot Camp 🌿 10:30 TH Craft - Make Glass Sun Catchers 🌿 1:30 TH Bingo ★ 2:30 TH Choir Practice 🌿 3:30 FP Trivia 6:00 FP Cards With Jen</p>	<p>24 10:00 TH Exercise 10:30 FP Current Events 11:00 O Lunch Bunch At Denny's 1:30 L Shabbat ★ 2:30 TH Pokeno 3:30 FP Trivia 6:00 FP Games With Nancy</p>	<p>25 10:00 FP Exercise 10:30 FP Blackjack/Poker 10:30 O Scenic Drive ■ 2:00 TH Bingo ★ 3:15 FP Sing-A-Long ★ 6:00 FP Board Games</p>
<p>26 9:00 O St. Mary's Church 9:30 Communion ★ 10:00 FP News & Views 2:00 FP Entertainment With Gino & Jan - Sounds of Time ★ 6:00 FP Giant Crossword Puzzles</p>	<p>27 10:00 TH Exercise 10:30 TH Think Tank 🌿 1:30 O Movie Day! 3:15 FP "Laughter Is the BEST Medicine" 6:00 FP Crossword Puzzles</p>	<p>28 9:30 L Communion ★ 10:00 TH Boot Camp 🌿 10:30 TH Resident Council 1:30 TH Bingo ★ 2:30 TH Tai Chi With Lori 🌿 3:30 FP Trivia 6:00 FP Games With Tom</p>	<p>29 9:30 O Walgreens 10:00 TH Exercise 10:30 TH MBA Meeting - Wear Your Lanyards! 🌿 1:30 TH Paxxon Talk 🌿 2:30 JK Wine & Cheese With Jae Wilkins 3:00 O Opera In Focus - Musical & Puppet Performance featuring Music from Wizard of Oz, West Side Story, and The Sound of Music 🌿 3:30 FP Crosswords 6:00 FP Trivia</p>	<p>30 10:00 TH Boot Camp 🌿 10:30 TH Therapeutic Color Art & Relaxation 🌿 1:30 TH Bingo ★ 2:30 BP Root Beer Floats and Music on the Back Patio 3:30 FP Trivia 6:00 FP Cards With Jen</p>		



Resident Committees

President: Bart Tasca
Vice-President: Chuck Burrzinski

The Resident Council meetings are held on the last Tuesday of the month at 10:30 a.m., in the Town Hall. The Resident Council officers encourage everyone to attend. If you would like to speak with one of the above members, please ask for their numbers at the concierge desk. The next meeting will be May 31.

Transportation Schedule

Sunday: 9 a.m.
Church

Sunday: 10:30 a.m.
Neighborhood Outing

Monday: 11 a.m.
Circle of Friends Outing

Tuesday: 8:30 a.m.–4 p.m.
Doctors' Appointments

Wednesday: 9:30 a.m.
Jewel or Walgreens

Thursday: 8:30 a.m.–4 p.m.
Doctors' Appointments

Friday: 11 a.m.
Assisted Living Outing

Saturday: 10:30 a.m.
Scenic Drive



Lolita Paquit

May Employee of the Month

Lolita is our May Employee of the Month. She has been recognized by her peers for being a sweetheart, stepping up to help a resident in need and putting her residents first. Lolita is consistently a top performer, patient, and never complains. Lolita works in our Neighborhood and is a gentle and nurturing soul with our frailest residents. She is an angel. A BIG congratulations goes out to Lolita!

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Richard is a history buff and took the kids on trips to the National Parks. Kelly said that history was her favorite subject, thanks to her Dad. Richard shared history about his family that extends to the Civil War at Gettysburg. He fondly remembered an aunt, last name Hollingsworth, that convinced Richard as a young child that the government owed them money for land utilized during the war and they would be very wealthy. He wryly comments that he is still waiting.

Richard is very proud of his two children; he shakes his head in amazement at his son Michael's artistic ability and Kelly's passion for nursing. Richard is devoted to his wife Barbara who lives with him at Belmont Village. Richard has an amazing memory; he

paints an accurate picture of days gone by. You can tell that as a young child he listened intently to his grandparents', aunt's and uncle's stories because he takes the listener with him as he recounts their tales. During our conversation, Richard said that his father taught him a man's word was everything. Richard was very proud of his father, and has always tried to live up to that motto.

Happy Father's Day, Richard, and to all the wonderful fathers!
-Maureen



Richard & Barbara Keefer



Thank You Belmont Moms!

A HUGE thank you to all of our wonderful ladies here at Belmont Village for everything they have taught and shared with us. Many of you are mothers to your children; however, **all** of you have surely supported our staff, and we sincerely thank you!



Our ladies enjoyed their Mother's Day cards from the Belmont staff!



The ladies enjoyed the tea and delicious scones!



The room was full of smiles!



The ladies enjoyed the entertainer!



Claire enjoyed singing along!



Gloria & Sandi sounded great!



Our team leader, Peggy, had fun!



Dorothy enjoyed joining in on the song!



Rochelle knew every word to every song!

Belmont Choir News!

The Belmont Choir put on another fabulous show! The audience participated by spinning the wheel to see which category of songs the choir would sing. First, we enjoyed answering trivia questions and learning fun facts about the particular song.



Kudos to our pianist, Gina!!



Our May Wii Winners:



Belmont Village Scene



Our "Opera in Focus" MBA Group!



Bart, our Resident President, welcoming in Chuck as our newly nominated Resident VP!



Grace is our newest reader! Our readers enjoy reading to the children at Hawthorne school!



Grace & Emma reading through the newspaper together!



This MBA group enjoyed the "Expressions" musical group at Buffalo Grove H.S. and dinner afterwards!



Residents working out at "Boot Camp" exercise class! Exercise is a GREAT way to start the day!

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