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## NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

VPS Celebrated our volunteers with a wonderful brunch that included raffles and many fun Puns. We appreciate all of our volunteers who give selflessly of their time at our community and in the community at large. Each resident was randomly given a prize that was associated with a pun. Residents loved it!

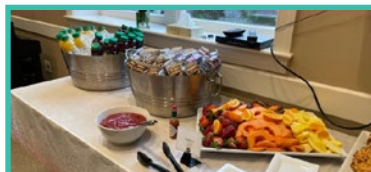
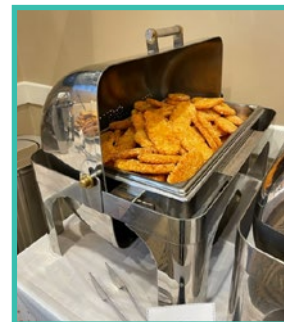
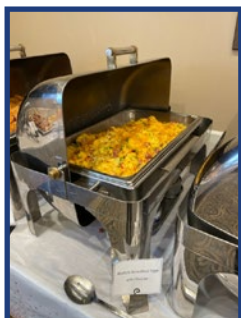
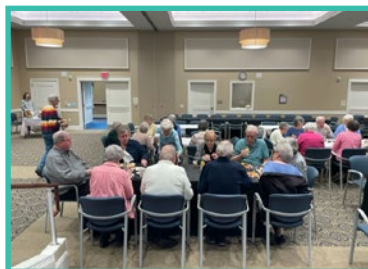
Some examples include:

"We won the LOTTERY with you" ~ scratch off lottery ticket

"Thanks for going the EXTRA mile" ~ extra gum

"We think you are WINE-derful" ~ wine

"Bursting with appreciation for you" ~ microwave popcorn







## RAINFALL/ SNOWFALL AT THE VILLAGE

by Marion D.

SNOWFALL		RAIN
	<b>March</b>	
-	23	0.30
-	25	0.10
-	31	0.15
	<b>April</b>	
-	2	0.15
-	5	0.30
-	15	0.25
-	17	0.25

Measurements in Inches

## Poetry Corner

\*Everyone is welcome to the Poetry Group the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 3:00pm in the Lions Den\*

### OUTWITTED

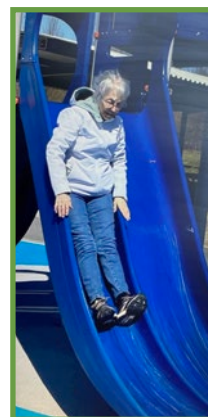
He drew a circle that shut me out  
Heretic, rebel, a thing to flout  
But Love and I had the wit to win  
We drew a circle that took him in.

*Submitted by Betsy T.*

This small poem was an entry in a family diary and dated 1914. Unsigned, but with a message still true today!

## MARCH 30TH WAS TAKE A WALK IN THE PARK DAY

Residents enjoyed a lovely afternoon at Bernel Road Park.



# MEET THOMAS S. HOY!



Hello, my name is  
**Thomas S. Hoy!**

I was raised in the family homestead in Lemont, PA and have fond memories of those growing-up years. I graduated from State College HS

in June, 1966 and enlisted in the USMC in May, 1967. I spent 4 years in the USMC, with 19 months of that time in Vietnam. Upon my return to civilian life, I enrolled at PSU and in August, 1973, graduated from PSU with an accounting degree. Thereafter, I worked for one of the "big eight" CPA firms in Pittsburgh and in September, 1975, I was hired by the FBI as a Special Agent. My ensuing career with the FBI was "exciting, challenging and adventurous" and I never minded getting up on Monday mornings to go to work! I retired from the FBI in July, 2004 and then immediately became re-employed with the FBI as a Special Investigator. In that position, I conducted background investigations (mostly at PSU) on prospective FBI employees. In February, 2015, I retired from the FBI again, with 40 years of total service. In April, 2010, I spent 6 months in Afghanistan doing Special Ops work with the US Army. In the winter of 2016, I drove a snow plow for PennDOT. I can only describe my current employment with The Village as "a hoot!!". It's such a pleasure to interact with these wonderful people. And The Village staff personnel have been wonderful as well. Looking forward to seeing everyone's smiling faces in the future.

## THE ED VIEW



National Nursing Home week will be held May 14-20, 2023.

The theme for this year's celebration is "Cultivating Kindness". "Cultivating Kindness" encourages nursing homes around the country to host a variety of events that recognize individuals who reside, work and volunteer in nursing homes. Mark Parkinson, President and CEO of the American Health Care Association says "Every day in nursing centers there are acts of kindness that go above and beyond the call of duty. The theme captures these acts of kindness that can be transformative for staff and the residents they care for. Kindness is contagious so let's continue cultivation and spreading it to improve lives."

We are all very proud of our Atrium staff who work very hard to maintain the coveted five star rating from CMS. The Atrium staff and residents will be celebrating nursing home week with special activities and treats during the week. Please take the time to visit your fellow residents who reside at the Atrium and to thank the staff who work there.

Ellen Corbin  
*Executive Director,  
The Village at Penn State*





# RECYCLING ROUNDUP

## How to Make Up for the Decline in Newspaper Recycling

It's pretty simple. Recycle all of your waste paper. There is no need to separate envelopes from magazines, cracker boxes from newspapers, and so on. All paper, including newspapers, can be mixed together in one bag and then taken to your recycling/trash room in your apartment building where it can be dropped in a bin identified as the Mixed Paper bin. Cottage residents can place their mixed paper in a bag and the bag in your red bin for pick up each Wednesday.

Here's a partial list of the type of (unsoiled!) paper that makes up the Mixed Paper category:

Magazines	Newspapers
Ad fliers	Uncoated food boxes
Stationery	Lightweight cardboard boxes
Post-Its	Mail
Invoices	Office paper
Calendars	Paper bags
Business cards	Package inserts
Receipts	Wrapping paper

Size does not matter. Color does not matter. Just toss that 2" X 3 ½" business card in with your Vogue magazine. In the end, all of the mixed paper is compacted and baled as such for the mills that process it into new boxes, newsprint, game boards, food packages, etc.

So, my recycling friends, the message this month is "Offset the decline in newspaper tonnage by recycling mixed paper. Bada bing bada boom!"

"20 in '23"

*We can, we will!*

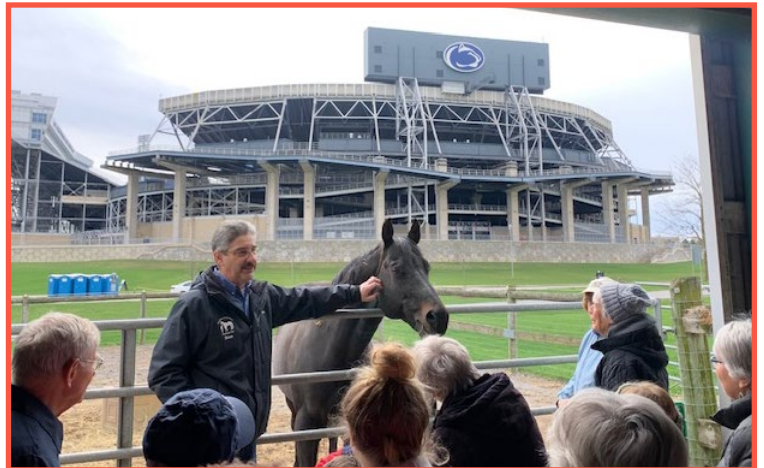
Jim T.  
*Chairman, VPS Resident Recycling Committee*

## MEET YOUR NEW NEIGHBORS



Joe and Sandy D. moved in April!

## ENJOYING THE TOUR OF THE PSU HORSE BARN with Brian Egan, Assistant Teaching Professor of Equine Science





# PSU BLUE & WHITE GAME TAILGATE

VPS held a pre-tailgate for the PSU Blue and White game. Trivia with Kay K. was a huge hit along with walking tacos! Lucky winners took home a tailgate basket and a metal lion. WE ARE!



## PEABODY CONSERVATORY GRADUATE STRING QUARTET

Entertained residents on March 31st.



## A WALK TO REMEMBER

On Saturday, May 27th, as a Memorial Day event, a 5K walk, titled "A Walk to Remember our Fallen" will be held in Boalsburg from 8:00 -10:00am at the PA. Military Museum, rain or shine, sponsored by A Soldiers Hands, the Military Museum, and in partnership with Carry The Load.



A Soldiers Hands is a volunteer opportunity at The Village for those interested in occasionally participating in the creation of gift bags containing necessary toiletries, treats, and thoughtful messages to our service men. In the 15 years of participation, A Soldiers Hands has served over 25,000 troop members with care packages.

If interested in learning more about A Soldiers Hands or participation in the May 27th Marathon, call Betsy Taylor at 814-308-9953.

<https://runsignup.com/Race/PA/Boalsburg/ASoldiersHands>





# Live Your Dreams Today!



## MARY BACH RETURNED TO ENLIGHTEN RESIDENTS ABOUT “ARE YOU GETTING WHAT YOU PAY FOR”

An educational and entertaining presentation packed with important consumer information.

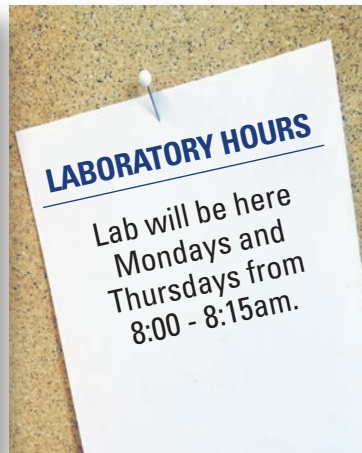
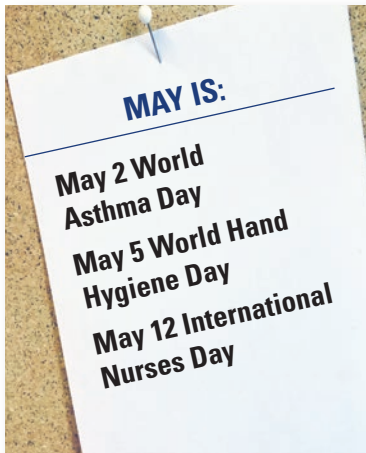
Mary is a long-time independent, nationally recognized, Consumer Advocate who volunteers with AARP and is a delightful speaker.



## RESIDENTS CONTINUE TO ENJOY ART CLASSES

(Shown is a watercolor class and stenciling class) Thanks to all the wonderful teachers who bring out our creativity.





**The Podiatrist will be at The Village on May 22nd  
from 12:30-4:00pm (in the Art Studio).**

## NITTANY VALLEY SYMPHONY MUSIC DIRECTOR, TIM FARRAND

Tim spoke about the music to be performed at the spring concert along with a little history and why he chose the music. He played the piano as well. Thank you to Tim and Roberta Strebel, Executive Director.

