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## THE NITTANY LION VISITED THE VILLAGE FOR A MEET AND GREET ICE CREAM SOCIAL



# Join the Pride!



Retire to Where  
it All Began.



## RAINFALL/ SNOWFALL AT THE VILLAGE

by Marion D.

### SNOWFALL

### RAIN

	October	
-	21	0.10
-	29-30	0.75
November		
Dusting	1	-
-	17	0.35

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\*

To A Squirrel At Kyle-Na-No  
by William Butler Yeats

Come play with me;  
Why should you run  
Through the shaking tree  
As though I'd a gun  
To strike you dead?  
When all I would do  
Is to scratch your head  
And let you go.

Submitted by Anne R.

## WELCOME TO OUR NEW NEIGHBOR!

Pat S.



## DECEMBER TIP OF THE MONTH



**CONSIDER LOCKING  
YOUR WINDOWS OR  
CLOSING CURTAINS  
IN WINTER TO  
PREVENT DRAFTS.**

The Village  
Sustainability Committee



# ONE OF THE BEST DAYS OF THE YEAR—WHEN THE PSU FOOTBALL PLAYERS VISIT



# THE ED VIEW



We are continuing our annual Village at Penn State tradition of having an in-person employee appreciation celebration. The celebration is Friday December 15, 2023. The day-long celebration will kick off with a delicious holiday meal in the dining room from 11:00am – 1:00pm served by resident volunteers for our staff, followed by a festive program in the Community Room at 2:00pm. The program will include music, entertainment, employee service awards and then ending with the distribution of the Resident Annual Fund checks. A big thank you to the Resident Annual Fund Committee who work all year round, to make this day special for our employees. All residents and staff are encouraged to wear festive attire and to attend this fun event.

Ellen Corbin  
Executive Director,  
The Village at Penn State

## MEET EDNA, VILLAGE DRIVER!



**Hi! It's Edna, Village driver since July 2021.** Local native, PSU admin. asst. 32.5 years, retired 2017; Ubered 5 years. Husband Bob, PSU lab animal caretaker. Accidentally started 'R' We Charming? Italian Charms in 2003 doing 150 shows our first year. Opened our 5-star Airbnb 'Coburn Country Comfort' in 2017.

PROUD momma: Josh, USMC CWO4, served 23.5 years, now at Microsoft; Jordan, VP, Ryder Systems & GM of Torque by Ryder; Eryn, Dir., Maritime Systems, Azure Summit Tech. Bob's sons, Robert (USMC Vet), PSU maint.; Adam, Lieut., Allenwood Federal Penitentiary. Also 2 dogs Bentley and Charley, 10 grandchildren and 6 granddogs.

8 years Asst. LL coach; directed wrestling tournaments for Bellefonte YMCA/Kiwanis Club and Bald Eagle Area S.D.; first flight 2002 was to Hong Kong, attended the Ambassadors Ball, shopped in Shenzhen, China. Wait, there's more... someday Kim McGinnis and I will twirl for you! HA!

And THANK YOU VPS for keeping my heart warm, I TRULY treasure the many friends I've gained while here!



# RECYCLING ROUNDUP

Plastic Bottles, Jugs & Jars.  
Miscellaneous Plastic Containers.  
What's The Difference?

## NECK

Plastic BOTTLES, JUGS AND JARS (BJJ) have a neck upon which a cap is attached. Think milk, water, syrup, soft drink, peanut butter, mayonnaise, juice, clothes-washing detergent, vinegar, and bleach containers. What do they have in common? All are BJJ-shaped and have either a narrow or wide neck with a removable lid/cap/top that, usually, can be reapplied.

## NO NECK

Miscellaneous plastic CONTAINERS do not have a neck! They are not bottle, jug or jar-shaped. The most common shapes are tubs, rounds, two-piece, and one-piece "clam-shell" boxes. Think salad, berry, butter tub, dip and other containers that are not shaped like a BJJ and do not have a narrow neck that can accommodate a bottle-shaped lid, cap or top.

## HOW TO RECYCLE

Residents in the West and East apartment buildings may take their plastic BJJ and miscellaneous plastic containers to the recycling room on the ground floor of their building and drop them in bins identified by type of recyclable. Note: Do not mix plastic BJJ with miscellaneous plastic. Each category has its own bin or bins. Cottage residents should place their BBJ at curbside on Wednesday mornings for pick up. Miscellaneous plastics should be dropped off at the recycling dumpsters at Patton Township's municipal

Jim T.  
*Chairman, VPS Resident Recycling Committee*



# PSU FOOTBALL PLAYERS VISIT (CONT.)





# VPS HALLOWEEN PARTY

And the winners were:

**Sparkiest** Martie

**Best** Bunny

**Funniest** Nelson

**Cool** Sebih

**Most original** Jane

Thomas

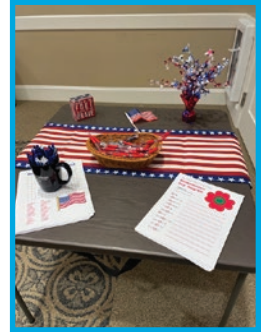
**Scariest** Gail K.



# VETERANS DAY BRUNCH

The Village at Penn State is sincerely grateful for all of our Veterans service and sacrifice.

**“Honoring the sacrifices many have made for our country in the name of freedom and democracy is the very foundation of Veterans Day.” — Charles B. Rangel**



John B.  
Bob C.  
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Roger C.  
Joe D.  
Marion D.  
Roger D.  
Frank D.  
Roland F.  
Ed F.  
Bud G.  
Phil H.  
Bill H.

Howard H.  
Lam H.  
Jim K.  
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Jim K.  
Bill L.  
Helen M.  
Garrett M.  
Chuck N.  
Nelson  
Vince N.  
Jim P.  
Don R.

Jim S.  
Dave S.  
Bob S.  
Chuck S.  
Pat S.  
Dan S.  
Ted T.  
Jim W.  
Brian W.  
Cliff W.  
Doris W.  
Philip W.



# CULINARY CORNER



Looks like it's that special time of year again. The holiday season is upon us with all of its activities and seasonal treats. I wish all of the residents and staff the most joyous season. So go ahead and overindulge a little with Christmas cookies and holiday treats.

Dining services will be offering several special menus In December. Christmas day dinner will highlight seasonally inspired items. Followed by New Year's Eve dinner menu featuring pork and sauerkraut to bring good luck in the New Year. Both menus will be a 4 course ala carte format designed for you to choose your favorite holiday treats.

Looking forward into 2024, there will be lots of updates to our current offerings. Revised cycle menu with new soups, salads, entrees, & desserts. The Bistro menu has been freshened with more emphasis on signature creative items. If you have not had the opportunity, check out the new Bistro menu items. The warm apple tarte tartin ala mode is developing quite the following! We will strive to utilize the highest quality ingredients and cook to order techniques to deliver a consistently quality meal each and every day.

Best wishes to all this December. A new year will quickly be upon us with the opportunity to serve the residents at The Village creative, inspired meals. I look forward to the challenge.

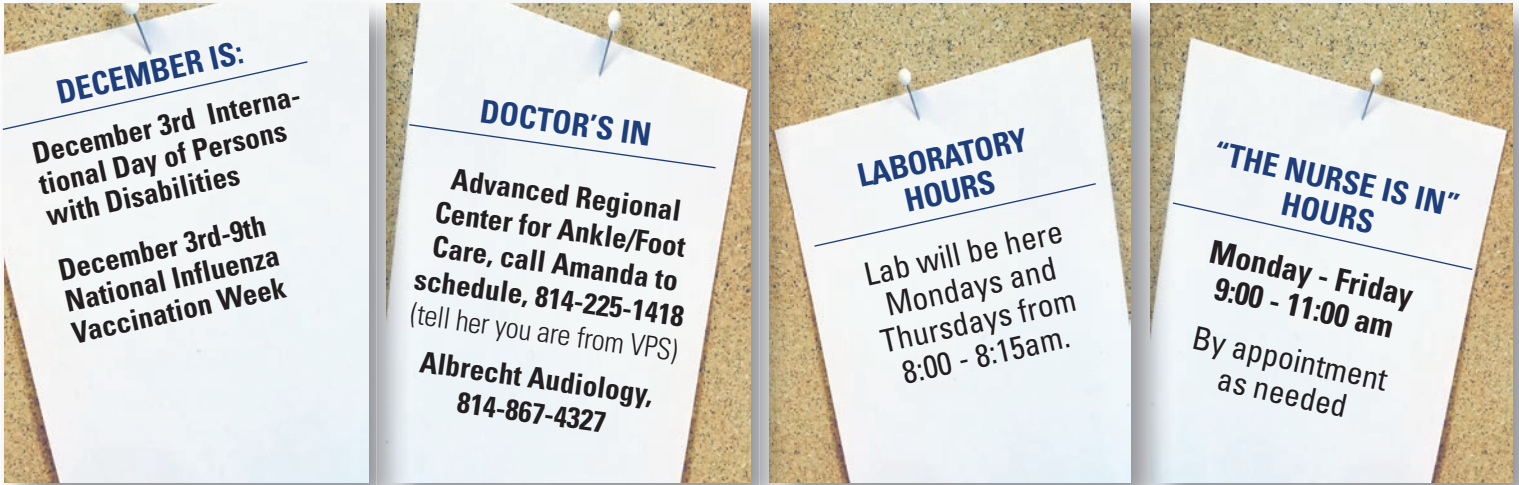
Matt Lambert  
*Executive Chef, The Village at Penn State*

## MINI WHINNIES FROM QUARTER ACRE WOOD FARM

IL residents had an opportunity to visit with Mini Whinnies from Quarter Acre Wood farm. As Karen Flickinger said, "I am so happy when we can pet animals and it is true that it calms our hearts."







**The Podiatrist will NOT be at The Village in December.**

**Albrecht Audiology is here the 2nd Wednesday of the month, Dec. 13th, in the Doctor's Office. Sandy Miller, a Hearing Instrument Specialist will be at VPS for walk in appointments, cleanings, help, etc.**

# HARVEST FEST AT VPS IS SO MUCH FUN!

It wouldn't be possible without Don A., who makes/tends the fire most of the day for hot dogs and marshmallows! Thank you, Don!



**Judy won the pumpkin decorating contest!**