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# Veterans Day Brunch



Thank you for your service,  
resident veterans!

Dick A.	Ed F.	Helen M.	Bob S.
John B.	Bud G.	Nelson	Dan S.
Bob C.	Phil H.	Jim P.	Jim W.
Ron C.	Bill H.	Don R.	Ed W.
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Marion D.	Harry K.	Bob S.	Doris W.
Frank D.	Jim K.	Chuck S.	Philip W.
Roland F.	Bill L.	Pat S.	Kermit Y.

# Join the Pride!



## Retire to Where it All Began.



### RAINFALL/SNOWFALL AT THE VILLAGE

by Peter P.

<u>Snow*</u>	<u>Oct</u>	<u>Rain*</u>	<u>Nov</u>	<u>Rain*</u>
N/A	16	0.01	1	0.03
	24	0.03	11	0.61
			15	0.22

**Total 0.90**

**October 2024 Total, 1.58 inches**

\*Measurements in Inches

NOTE, Since the end of September, it has been quite dry: Across the Central Appalachians, especially to our south, October is normally an annual dry period. Secondly, there has been an extremely severe and widespread drought, in every direction. Centre County, fortunately, has had a wet summer. The drought has been much shorter and much less severe across Centre and a few adjacent counties.



# Succulent Workshop



Succulent workshop  
in collaboration with  
the Dr. Keiko Ross  
student farm

## Poetry Corner

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

### "December"

By Madeline Searle

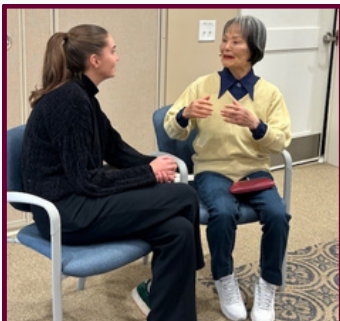
Candles in Menorahs  
Baubles on a tree  
Santa Claus and twinkly lights  
As far as the eye can see

Carols blare from storefronts,  
Hearts full of good cheer  
The old year racing to a close -  
A new one drawing near!

Perhaps just pause, take a breath  
And recall that long-ago Birth  
Then close your eyes, and murmur a prayer  
For the New Year,  
and Peace on Earth

Submitted by Madeline Searle

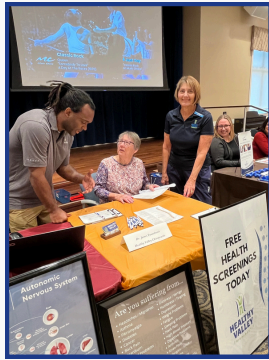
## Conversation Partners



Penn State Hospitality in Senior  
Living class conversation partners  
social. The purpose of conversations  
is for students to understand a  
resident's individual experience and  
story to learn why residents chose to  
live at a senior living/life plan  
community and how VPS supports  
their lifestyle. These intergenerational  
interactions are so meaningful to the  
students and residents.



# The Village Health Fair



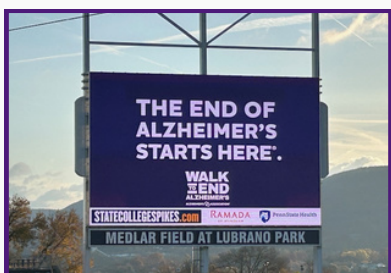
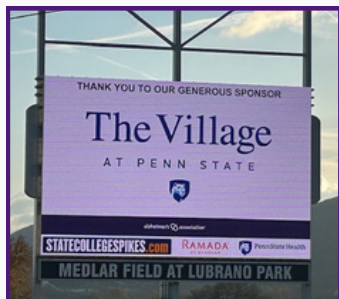
**Thank you to everyone who assisted and attended our 2024 Health Fair!**

**Julie Frank Vaux** - Advantage Care Rehab  
**Jackie Hook & Meghan McGraw** - End of Life Doulas  
**Jamie Hayward** - VPS Wellness  
**CPI Students**  
**T&B Medical Company**  
**Janice Germann** - Atrium Social Worker  
**Taylor Brookens** - Grane Hospice  
**Healthy Valley Chiropractic**  
**Trish Shallenberger** - Mary Kay Consultant

**Libby Black** - VPS Fitness Coordinator  
**Renee Reed** - VPS Sous Chef  
**Mitch Straub** - PT Vital Rehab  
**Lori Reese** - Consider it Done  
**Sammi Bases** - Massage Therapist  
**Encompass Health**  
**Tara Saltzburg** - Care Compass  
**Bellefonte Art Museum**  
**Elaine Spicher & Karrie Sarisky** - KMA Elder Law Firm  
**Uhrings Audiology**

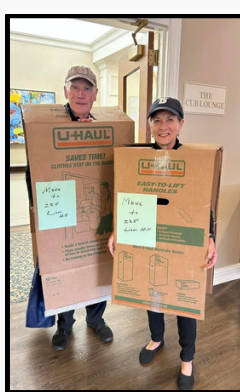


# Walk to End Alzheimer's



VPS Valiant Villagers Walk to End Alzheimer's Team raised over \$3500. A special thank you to all team members, donors, and everyone else who made OUR walk successful! It was a team effort and is greatly appreciated! Due to unforeseen circumstances not everyone was able to walk but we were still represented with love and gratitude!

# Halloween Happy Hour



## Costume Contest Winners:

- Most Original** – Anne & Jerry G.
- Best Overall** – Marge C.
- Funniest** – Veda Kay B. & Nelson
- Best Group Costume** - Marge S. Rosalie D. & Pat D.
- Sparkiest** – Trudy S.
- Scariest** – Irmgard L.
- Coollest** – Sabih & Guler H.





## DECEMBER IS:

December is  
National  
Handwashing  
Awareness Month

## DOCTOR'S IN

Advanced Regional Center  
for Ankle/Foot Care, call  
Amanda to schedule, 814-  
225-1418 (tell her you are  
from VPS)  
Albrecht Audiology,  
814-867-4327

## LABORATORY HOURS

Lab will be here  
Mondays and  
Thursdays from 8:00  
- 8:15am

## "THE NURSE IS IN" HOURS

**Monday - Friday**  
**9:00 - 11:00 am**  
By appointment  
as needed

The podiatrist will be at The Village on December 23rd from 12-6pm.

## Meet Donald Hoff, Lead Bistro Cook



Hello! I'm Donald Hoff, proudly born and raised in Happy Valley. Growing up, my love for cooking began in my family's kitchen, watching my mom prepare dinner. My favorite moments were being her taste tester! As soon as I was old enough, I started working at

Mamma Luccesca's in Bellefonte, crafting pasta from scratch and tossing homemade pizzas. This experience ignited my passion for culinary arts.

To further my skills, I pursued a Food and Beverage degree through CPI's two-year culinary program. Since graduating, cooking has become my true passion.

Beyond the kitchen, I enjoy exploring the beautiful outdoors with my lovely wife and our four-legged furry baby. We cherish hiking, camping and discovering hidden gems in Central Pennsylvania.

Cooking remains my creative outlet, allowing me to express myself through innovative recipes and flavors. I'm excited to share my culinary journey with others!

## PAWSitivity PAW!



The November winner is:  
Calvin, Dining Room Host

