



# Village View



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## Administrator's Notes

Belated Happy New Year residents and Happy Valentine's Day to all.

In spite of all the challenges that 2020 brought; separation from family and friends, holiday dinners, missed hugs and curtailment of our normal activities, I sincerely say "thank you" to all who adopted the "can do" spirit that allowed us to make it safely though the year. Our prayers are for a rapid return to normalcy. In the meantime, it is important that we do not become complacent and let our guard down.

Our Service Coordinator is working closely with the Wayne County Health Department to secure a commitment from a local vendor for access to and administration of the Covid-10 vaccine. We will keep you updated as we receive more information. In the meantime, Anita Stephens has a list of providers in the area who are providing the Covid-19 vaccine. Please contact Anita Stephens for more information.

Have you returned your Revised House Rules? For residents of Redford Cottages, please read the attached operating policy regarding safe use of barbeques, grills and other open flame outdoor cooking devices.

Monthly newsletters, information on Covid-19 and internal memos are not being picked up from the Cottage information boxes. It is important that each resident stay informed of Governor Whitter's updates and PVM's position on enforcing them.

Please plan to join Minister Margaret Hightower for Sunday morning worship Sunday February 21, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. in the main dining room. Unfortunately, space is limited to 10 or less attendees.

Bingo has resumed in the main dining room. There cannot be more than 10 people in the room. That means no more than 2 people per table and masks must be worn at all times.



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# Administrator Notes (continued)

## OPERATING POLICY AND PROCEDURES FOR BARBECUE GRILLS

Policy: It is the policy of Presbyterian Villages of Michigan to allow personal and community barbecuing under the following conditions:

Procedure:

1. Grills and other cooking devices will be placed away from the building at least 10 feet. The designated cooking area shall be in an open area, not under a building eave, porch or pergola. Patios may be used if the cooking devices are placed in the farthest corner of the patio.
2. Fire safety precautions must be in place at the site of the barbecue.
  - A. Fire Extinguisher
  - B. Bucket of sand or water
  - C. Means to call 911 such as a cell phone or a personal response button.
3. Each Village shall have a resident or group of residents in charge of the Barbecue [program at the Village]. Management shall provide oversight.
  - A. Sign in and sign out sheet
  - B. If a community grill is used, make sure it is returned in good condition.
  - C. If it is the Village's grill we will provide a fire extinguisher.
  - D. Decide how to make sure there is gas for the community grill, where is it stored and who is trained to change the tank.
  - E. If a personal grill is being used at a cottage, management will provide individuals with safety information on safe storage of fuel and lighter fluid.
4. All significant accidents and or, fire spreading beyond the grill should be called into 311 and reported to administration immediately or the next business day.
5. Management reserves the right to terminate the Barbequing Program if it becomes a hazard to the community due to non-adherence to the rules or other safety issues.



# It's Your Life. Live It Well.

By Tom Wyllie,  
Director of Wellness

## Spread the Love not COVID!

What a difference a year makes. Like me, at this time last year you were most likely gearing up to celebrate Valentine's Day. You were looking forward to spending some quality time with family and friends or to spending the day snuggling up with that special someone. Little did either of us know that shortly thereafter a once-in-a-lifetime pandemic would hit that would keep us from being with our loved ones for months on end.

Fast forward to today. One year later. Valentine's Day is once again on the horizon and like me; you probably have plans to spend time with family and friends or with that special someone, but this time through Zoom rather than in person.

Also like me, you may have already received your first dose of one of the two COVID-19 vaccines authorized by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and are looking forward to the day when you can receive your second dose and become fully vaccinated. This we hope, if enough of us do the same, will help end the pandemic and return us to the days when we can celebrate Valentine's Day with the people we love, in person, with hugs, rather than through screens.

Just because we've been vaccinated, however, doesn't mean we should do away with the measures we know have been helping slow the spread of COVID-19. According to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control, even after being vaccinated we need to continue using all the tools we have available to us to help stop this pandemic. They include covering our noses and mouths with a mask, frequently washing our hands, and staying at least 6 feet away from others.

So this Valentine's Day, spread the love, not COVID. Mask up. Wash your hands. Stay six feet apart. Indeed, if we all do our part, perhaps this Valentine's Day will be the last one we have to celebrate at a distance.





# The Senior Advocate.

By Lynn Alexander,  
Vice President of Public Affairs

## **PVM Communities Deliver on Vaccines**

We are hearing from residents, their caregivers and board members how pleased they are with the rollout of Covid vaccines. They are most appreciative. Tom Wyllie, PVM Director of Wellness and Innovation, and Katrina Summersett, Director of Risk Management and Corporate Compliance, along with home office staff and leadership at our communities, deserve our gratitude for making this happen. Tremendous advocacy and attention to detail played an important role.

Some folks are still a bit hesitant about receiving this vaccine. Yet many PVM residents have received vaccines in the past and are so pleased to receive it.

PVM President & CEO Roger Myers and our new PVM Board Chair Roshunda Price are paving the way to inspire others and showcasing their inoculations via video. They are joined by fellow board members and staff leadership to help allay fears. Check out the PVM website, Facebook and YouTube to view these.

Please keep in touch with your community's staff if you have not yet received your shot. Many of our fellow citizens are feeling desperate to receive this blessing. Join with us in taking advantage of a groundbreaking privilege. Take Care and Stay Safe!

# Service Coordinator Corner



**January 2021 /February 2021**

**Quote of the Month:**

**“ All that is gold does not glitter  
not all those who wander are lost;  
The old that is strong does not wither,  
deep roots are not reached by the frost of winter.”  
~ J.R.R.Tolkien**

**2021**  
**Happy New Year**

**The service coordinator is currently checking with CVS Pharmacy on a daily basis for the covid-19 vaccine. I will inform all residents when it is available and schedule a date & time in the building. Continue to wear a mask, wash your hands, social distance from others & stay safe.**

**This will come to pass and teach us how resilient we truly are.**

**Please sign up for Tax Preparations for seniors with Tax Brackets Service on Wednesday, February 10<sup>th</sup> 9:00am-12:00noon/ 2:00pm-4:00pm Fee \$ based on Income. Bring your ID & documentation to the computer/Library room on the first floor. If you need information about other free tax preparation contact my office @ 313-541-6450. Anita Stephens/ Service Coordinator**

**Wayne State University School of Medicine has created a DISTANCE LEARNING-TECHNOLOGY TRAINING on how to use a smart phone. If your interested, contact me for more details.**

**Our Pantry will be open for business on Monday, February 15, 2021. Store Hours: 10:00am-1:00pm. Stop by to purchase small household items.**

**HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY! SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14<sup>TH</sup> 2021**



**CONGRATULATIONS! TO THE VILLAGE OF REDFORD SHARKS WHO ARE THE WINNERS OF THE  
VILLAGE VICTORY CUP “SPIRIT AWARD” FOR 2020!**

**Dorothy Anderson**

**Mary Ellen Baker**

**Thomasine Brantley**

**Nadine Doolan**

**Leona Gates**

**Sandra Moore**

**Debra Liberman**

**Kelly Graves**

**Donna Owens**

**Vanessa Raglin-Webb**

**Estelle Willis**

**Gloria Whittington**

**Tamela Waymer**

**Glynn Waymer**

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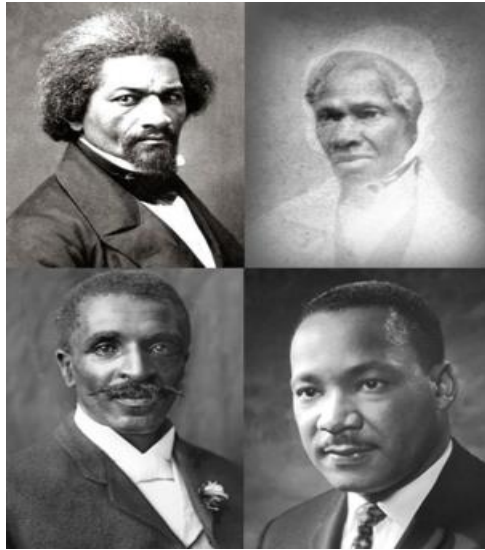
# FEBRUARY IS BLACK HISTORY MONTH

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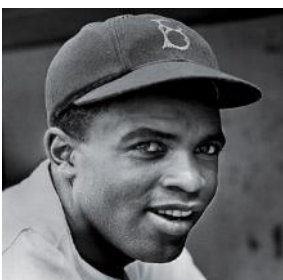
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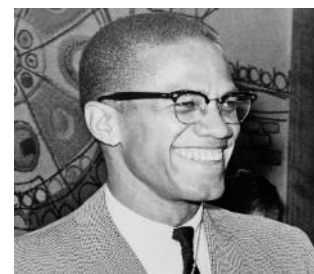
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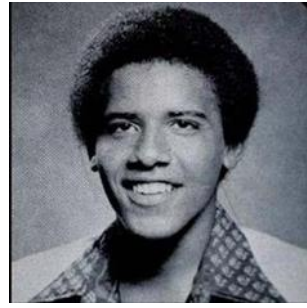
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# RESIDENT COUNCIL NEWS

FEBRUARY 2021



## COUNCIL MEMBERS

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We thought the following quotes might help you cope after a year of COVID lock down. Although our lives are filled with unexpected challenges, we hope you stay inspired to get through anything.

## SOME FUNNY AND NOT SO FUNNY QUOTES ABOUT COVID

“My 30<sup>th</sup> birthday is today, but I just want everyone to know that I will be postponing it indefinitely due to the virus, and I will be turning 30 at a later date. Thank you!”

I’m a cleaner and cleaned my whole house this weekend and told my boss I was working from home . . . she didn’t buy it . . . “

“I already ate all my quarantine snacks.”

“Once COVID is over” is starting to feel a lot like “I’ll pay you back tomorrow.”

“Once COVID is over” is starting to sound a lot like “When I win the lottery.”

“What is the difference between an obstacle and an opportunity? . . . Every opportunity has a difficulty and every difficulty has an opportunity.”

J. Sidlow Baxter

# *Notes from the Maintenance Staff*

## *Redford Cottage Residents*

Trash pickup for Cottage residents – Monday and Thursday 10:00am – 10:30am.

- Make sure trash is bagged properly
- Loose trash in boxes will not be picked up
- Do not place trash out too early, it gives the animals more time to forage for food.

To maintain your garbage disposal, you must run it daily. To keep odor at bay, add a couple of ice cubes or baking soda.

Please call (313) 541-5991 during normal business hours for non-emergency work requests.

Nothing other than toilet paper should be discarded in the toilets. Flushable wipes are not particularly flushable and eventually cause sewer line problems

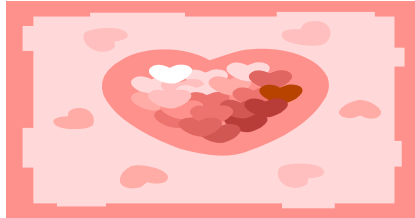
## *Redford Villa Residents*

- All boxes must be broken down and brought to the Shipping/Receiving area on the first floor.
- Boxes cannot be thrown down the trash chute.
- Please do not place food in the cardboard box container located in the Shipping/Receiving area.
- Old T.V's, lamps, furniture, etc. must be placed in the large dumpster outdoors (through the Shipping/Receiving doors).
- Nothing other than toilet paper should be discarded in the toilets. Flushable wipes are not particularly flushable and eventually cause sewer line problems.

**\*\*\*\*\*Elevator repairs are becoming too frequent and costly. Please take care when pressing the buttons. It is not necessary to press the buttons with force. Repeated pressing will not make the elevator move faster. We thank you for your cooperation.\*\*\*\*\***

## **NOTES FROM THE MAINTENANCE STAFF (CONT.)**

### **RHONDA'S 2 CENTS**



- 1) Baking soda is a great natural cleaner. You can clean your kitchen and bathroom with it. Put it in your laundry for a fresh sanitize. Put some on your carpet before you vacuum to help clean it and deodorize.**
- 2) Do not flush wipes, and/or tissue down the toilet.**
- 3) Run your garbage disposal daily.**

## WHAT IS “AN AFTER-HOURS MAINTENANCE EMERGENCY?”



An after hour's maintenance emergency is defined as:

**ELECTRICAL** Any major electrical problem or power outage

**NO POWER** No power to your stove or refrigerator

**WATER LEAKS** Any water that cannot be contained in a bucket until the next business morning **OR** any water that is causing structural damage

**SEWER** Any major sewer back-up **OR** a non-working toilet.  
A toilet that needs plunging is not a maintenance emergency

**NO AIR/ NO HEAT**  
No air when the outside temperature is over 80 degrees.  
No heat when the outside temperature is less than 50 degrees.

**Please call Mark Uzarek at (313) 910-7027 if your emergency meets the above criteria.**

If the issue is not of an emergent nature, please call (313) 541-5991 the following business day to place a work order.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL OF OUR  
JANUARY AND FEBRUARY RESIDENTS**

**JANUARY**

Joseph Zerbini 01/01  
Charlene Attles 01/01  
Darlene Beal 01/07  
Francine Harper 01/09  
Caroline Jonah 01/10  
Tamela Waymer 01/10  
Thelma Scott 01/11  
Florence Morton 01/17  
Nancy Painter 01/18  
Tonna Brown 01/19  
Georgia Thompson 01/21  
David Jonah 01/22  
Frank Morris 01/22  
Gerald Belcher 01/23  
Gloria Whittington 01/26  
Leona Gates 01/28  
Robert Willis 01/29  
Cheyney Thompson  
01/31

**FEBRUARY**

Joyce Muhammad 02/02  
Freddie Thompson 02/02  
Juanita Johnson 02/03  
Annie Love 02/04  
Virginia Spurr 02/05  
Angelee Roland 02/06  
Bernice Gardner 02/08  
Mildred Fortune 02/10  
Mary Dobson 02/14  
Eugene Anderson 02/17  
Georgia Deck 02/19  
Rosetta Avery 02/19  
Betty Daney 02/20  
Elizabeth Miller 02/27  
Stephanie Cain 02/29



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Guided by our  
Christian heritage,  
we serve seniors of  
all faiths and create  
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**MAIN OFFICE NUMBER 313-541-6000**

Village Staff

**Gloria Robinson**

Senior Housing Administrator (313) 541-6042

**Angela Hooks**

Administrative Assistant (313) 541-5991

**Mark Uzarek**

Maintenance Lead

**Linda Smith** Receptionist

(313) 541-6126

**Anita Stephens**

Service Coordinator (313) 541-6450

**George Simmon IV**

Sales & Leasing Specialist (313) 541-6140

**Rhonda Kuhn**

Housekeeper

Phyllis @ The Beauty Salon (313) 541-6077 (By Appointment)

(Salon Hours: Wednesday & Saturday 12:00pm–4:00pm)



EMERGENCY NUMBER (VILLA) (313) 910-7027

EMERGENCY NUMBER (COTTAGES) (313) 573-3572

NON-EMERGENCY REDFORD PD (313) 387-2500

CLASSIC SECURITY (313) 662-4648



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Presbyterian Villages of Michigan Foundation serves Michigan seniors of all faiths by raising essential funds to support the mission of Presbyterian Villages of Michigan for the greatest needs of our residents. A gift to Presbyterian Villages of Michigan Foundation is truly an investment in our residents. For more information on how you can help Michigan seniors, call Presbyterian Villages of Michigan Foundation at 248-281-2040 or visit [www.pvmfoundation.org](http://www.pvmfoundation.org)

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