



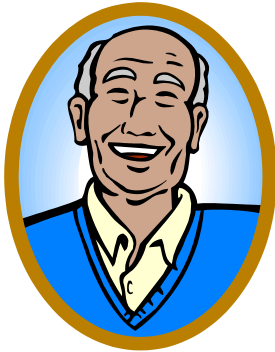
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National Grandparents' Day September 11, 2011



Having this day to celebrate grandparents has a threefold purpose : to honor grandparents, to give grandparents an opportunity to show love for their children's children and to help children become aware of the strength, information and guidance older people can offer.

Grandparents Day is a family day. Some families enjoy small, private gatherings. Others might celebrate by having a family reunion. Grandparents Day is the perfect time to enhance communication between the generations. On this special day, we can signify a loving spirit that lives within us throughout the year — a spirit of love and respect for our elders. Unfortunately, there are many elderly who are not lucky enough to have family to celebrate this special day, but through the Foster Grandparent's Program they are included in this day of celebration and have been adopted by children without their own grandparents. Other holidays can then become shared throughout the year with someone special. Credit for creating Grandparents Day in 1973 goes to Marian McQuade, a West Virginia housewife and mother of 15. In 1978, President Jimmy Carter signed a proclamation announcing that the first Sunday following Labor Day would be observed as Grandparents Day. Did you know that more than 4 million children in more than 3 million households are being raised by their grandparents? Would you be surprised to learn that more than 5 million children live in a household with a grandparent present? It seems that grandmas and grandpas, formerly in the business of "spoiling" grandchildren, are taking on additional responsibilities that involve raising their children's children.

Grandparents have much to contribute to the family with special talents. They possess endless talents and experiences. And of course, who are the best ones to help trace your family tree and identify old photos that have been carefully packed away? So, take a few minutes to hug your grandparents and let them know how special they are to you!!

There will be a Grandparents Day Picnic with "Separate Directions" Bluegrass Band held outside in the courtyard on Saturday, September 10th at 5:00 P.M. Families are welcome with a reservation and may call Activities at 410-939-5500, ext. 2126. Adults \$7.00, children 6-12 are \$5.00 and children under 6 are free. In the event of bad weather, rain date is Sunday, September 11th.



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September 2011 Resident Birthdays

- 6 Frances C.
- 7 Angelina L.
- 9 Bertha W.
- 10 Ann C.
- 10 Violet K.
- 12 Viola H.
- 16 Marie S.
- 16 Paul Y.
- 20 Katherine Y.
- 22 Grace M.
- 23 Margaret F.
- 23 George M.
- 25 Arianna H.
- 26 Nora D.
- 27 Jung M.
- 27 Helen W.

Birthday Party
Wednesday,
September 7, 2011
12:30 PM

Sloppy Joe on Roll
Tater Tots
Seasoned Green Beans
Birthday Cake
Iced Tea



Resident of the Month

Lester Albert Butler was born in Batavia, New York. Lester was named for his grandfather. Lester has two younger brothers, Frank and Gary and one sister, Jean. Following graduation from high school, Lester attended Erie Tech to study chemistry, which included a self-study course in math. Lester then served two years in the Air Force.

Lester's father always had a huge garden where Lester developed a love for plants. Lester enjoys taking care of the plants here in the courtyard. Lester got married and moved to Wisconsin where he worked in a manufacturing plant. When the plant closed and his wife left him, Lester moved back home and following his father's death, he and his mother moved to Maryland to live with brother Frank and his wife. Lester found temporary work at a nursery and also delivered newspapers until he was hired at APG where he worked for 20 years as a security guard. While working in the motor pool he became a dispatcher. During income tax season he found additional employment at H & R Block from January to April.

A favorite memory of Lester's while growing up was becoming an Eagle Scout. Eagle Scout is the highest rank attainable in the Boy Scouting program of the Boy Scouts of America. He also raised pigeons and liked going to the library. He looks forward to seeing the robins in the spring and the wild birds and seeing to it that the fish in the aquariums are fed.

Astrology and the planets greatly interested Lester—he even had a telescope.

Lester's mother, Marion Butler, was a resident here years ago. Lester is considered one of our "official greeters" and is often heard complimenting a pretty visitor or female member of our staff. He is also a devoted Yankees fan!



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Did a Resident Catch You?



**GOODWILL AMBASSADORS
SHOW APPRECIATION FOR
DEEDS DONE
“ABOVE THE CALL OF DUTY”**

Patty P : Sharon helps me with breakfast and lunch. She tries to help me in anyway she can. Brittney emptied my purse, cleaned it out and put away the change. Theresa G. waters my flowers and plant every day. Ruby F. brings dumplings, cookies, watermelon and hugs and kisses everyday. Connie T. brings me cold water and hot tea. Roxanne T. helps me with my meals.

Karen W : Cindy C. made my day better when there were no volunteers available. Latera L. is always available to help with food from the cafeteria. Jessica L. anticipates my personal needs so that I don't have to do things myself. Tracey M. showed caring and kindness toward Frank during his final days. Lisa P. goes out of her way to give me special help. Carrie C. (night shift) is very efficient when serving breakfast. Mark (Construction Worker) is always very kind and pleasant. I've noticed how kind and caring Heather K. is to residents.

Lakiesha B : Tara C. took time from her breakfast break to assist Theresa so she could go outside for a walk.

Thank You

Bingo Nickels : Marie Bannister, Marilee Moore and Young at Heart of HdG.

Bingo Donation : Diane Bechtol

Clothing Donation : Rosie (Bingo Volunteer)

American Flag : Darlene Tester in memory of uncle George Gerlinger who served in the military from New Orleans, Louisiana.

Riverwalk Receptionists : Frances Dorman, Anna Yanney, Ruby McCown, Marilee Moore and Lloyd Shires.

September Employee Birthdays

- 3 Karen Jones (Nursing)
- 3 Jane Karethio (Nursing)
- 3 Kim Mitchell (Nursing)
- 4 Alicia Smith (Dietary)
- 5 Gletta Banks (Nursing)
- 5 Karen Leppert (Administration)
- 5 Bonface Njoroge (Nursing)
- 6 Arlene Horseman (Nursing)
- 7 Victoria Palmer (Nursing)
- 8 Paula Picard (Nursing)
- 10 Jerusha Kibe (Nursing)
- 14 Tara Cullum (Nursing)
- 14 Melissa Martinez (Nursing)
- 17 Luchanna Morgan (Nursing)
- 19 Cindy Campisi (Activities)
- 19 Paula Clark (Nursing)
- 19 Shelia Collins (Nursing)
- 20 Helen Kim (Nursing)
- 21 Maureen Cromwell (Nursing)
- 22 Ruksana Sidik (EVS)
- 25 Marie Leuwa (Nursing)
- 27 Jessica Little (Nursing)
- 27 Barbara Morrison (Beautician)
- 30 Tina Uphoff (Nursing)



Employee Years of Service

Shelia Collins (Nursing)	34 yrs.
Richard Ackerman (Nursing)	16 yrs.
Debbie Askine (Dietary)	14 yrs.
Maureen Cromwell (Nursing)	10 yrs.
Leona Belen (EVS)	9 yrs.
Brandy Barrett (Nursing)	9 yrs.
Tawnda Churchill (Nursing)	7 yrs.
Shirley DiPerna (Activities)	6 yrs.
Jennifer Hopkins (Nursing)	4 yrs.
Adaku Onyembi-Adiele (Nursing)	4 yrs.
Florence Kyger (EVS)	3 yrs.
Mary Demanou (Nursing)	2 yrs.
Katie Frazier (Nursing)	2 yrs.
Aloysius Galimah (Nursing)	2 yrs.
Rachel Lalik (Nursing)	2 yrs.
Victoria Palmer (Nursing)	2 yrs.
Stacy Ann Williams (Nursing)	2 yrs.



September is kind of a “middle of the road” month. It can be hot...it can be cold or it can be rainy, but we don’t think that it will snow. That’s the one thing we can pretty much count on; however, this is being written in the very, very end of August. Apparently, we are expecting a hurricane and everyone is concerned, so even though this will be in the past, we’ll see what we get. I think actually the hurricane coming is my fault because we planned to have a yard sale for that very weekend; but, such is life!

September is also a month where some of the people in my family get older, like my brother. He lives in Nebraska and his birthday is the 13th of September, but he’s still going to get old — even in Nebraska. HA!

The leaves now have pretty much done nothing but fall and so, if some more fall we’ll have to do some raking, and everyone knows that raking is not fun. If we get a lot of wind then they may blow off your property onto someone else’s. This part of fall can be interesting. I don’t expect any of us living here will be jumping into piles of leaves, but I do have some grandchildren who might be. It seems so weird to have grandchildren now and it makes me feel just a little older than I think I might be. My grandchildren are wonderful and I love them and I can’t wait to see them every time they come to visit me.

September is also a month for things like apples. I used to pick apples when I was young. Making cider and drinking cider is also associated with September.

So here’s wishing you a happy September and we hope the weather stays good!



....Written by
Karen Wiley, BA, BS, MA
Mallard Way



Angels

Angels in heaven and
angels here below.
Many of us see Jesus’ face
who have never seen Him before.

Angels in Heaven
and Angels in the sky.
Helping God prepare
the sun and rain
for you and I.

My daughter is an angel.
Just look around and see.
She tries to help everybody
but she’s an Angel to me.

.....Written by
Beulah Burns, Bay Lane

Pet Visits



Visits from our furry friends are very important. These visits can be very enjoyable, but also therapeutic for our residents and pets alike. Before pets are permitted to visit, State law requires that a Maryland Visiting and Residential Pet Program Certificate of Examination be filled out by the pet owner and completed by their personal veterinarian. This form will describe the pet in detail and also lists all shots being current. Upon completion of this form by the owner and veterinarian, a copy will be on file with the Volunteer Office and a copy will be included in the personal file of the resident receiving the pet visit.

This form is available in the Volunteer Office, the Reception/Security Desk and the Riverwalk Reception Desk.

Guild & Volunteer News

Guild Auxiliary Volunteer Meeting

Tuesday, September 13, 2011

10:30 AM

Conference Room

Due to construction in the Chesapeake Room, the Guild Membership & Installation of Officers Luncheon scheduled in September has been moved to October. September will be a regular scheduled meeting. Officers will be elected at the September meeting.

The Guild Nominating Committee Members are: Frances Dorman, Ruby McCown and Liz Baxter. Nominations of members in good standing will be accepted for President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. Nominations may also be voiced at the meeting. Officers will serve for one year.

Volunteer Opportunity

Activity Department. Hours are scheduled to fit the needs of the resident activity, Orientation and training provided. Volunteers are needed 7 days a week. Hours are flexible. Applicants need to contact Janet McDonald, Director of Volunteer Services at 410-939-5500, ext. 2112.

Vera Bradley Bingo

The Guild Auxiliary Vera Bradley Bingo held each October has been postponed until a later date due to construction in the Chesapeake Room. The Guild is also in the process of purchasing a new bingo machine. Watch for up-dates on the bingo.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

9/4 Alicia Smith

9/12 Barbara Bryant

Speedy Recovery

Charlotte Lavicott

Renee Farley

Sewell & Mary Louise Matthews

We'll Miss You!

Good Luck to our Youth Volunteers
as they return to school

Thank You's

Medical Escorts: Barbara Bryant, Mary Willard, Annie Ware, Gail Jackson, Lloyd Shires and Frances Dorman.

Working Extra at River Walk Reception : Ruby McCown.

Special Thanks to Guild Auxiliary Volunteers, Board of Directors, Resident Council and Pat Skebeck for making it possible with monetary donations to provide our employees with "back to school" supplies for their children.

A Special Thank You to Lloyd & Mimi Shires for their donation to purchase the new popcorn machine.

Magazines : Marilee Moore, John Gallagher and Joan Weir for magazines.

Wheelchair : Liz Baxter

Thank You *Reba Grove and Madison Evering* for spending the day visiting our residents and entertaining through activities. There were a lot of residents that so enjoyed your youthful energy and smiles.

Thank You Lloyd Shires & Grace McCoy for hosting "Coffee & Current Events" on Mallard Way, and Grace for hosting gourmet galley on Thursdays in the Mallard Way Dayroom

Thank You to our Hospitality Volunteers :Ruth Gebhardt & Nan Beyer on Mallard Way. Mary Welshons on Riverwalk, Eleanor Testerman & Margaret Branner to fill-in on Harbor View and Susquehanna Place, Frances Dorman & Gail Jackson who filled in "where needed" on the units.

Welcome Back

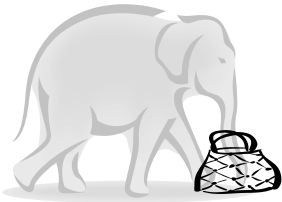
Fred Gebhardt to Gourmet Galley. Fred hosted Gourmet Galley on Harbor View & Mallard Way.

Welcome New Volunteer

Roger Gaumont

Volunteer Hours for July 2011

727 Hours



White Elephant Sale

CCRC Resident Council is having an White Elephant Sale on Friday, October 21st. Sale items will be accepted in Activities beginning Monday, October 17th. Proceeds will benefit the Council's Nursing Scholarship Program.

This is an opportunity to rid your home of household "clunkers" and the opportunity to purchase new treasures. Please NO clothing.



Share Your Talent!

Are you talented? Do you sing? Do you dance? Well, here's your chance to participate in a Talent Show on Thursday, September 15th at 2:30PM. Why not

dust off that old instrument and tune it up for a treat for our residents. We will schedule you for just a few minutes of your work time.

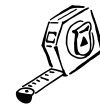
See Ruth Fender or David Wenner in Activities to sign-up. Start practicing!!



Scholarship Winner!

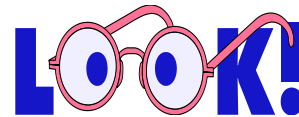
The CCRC Resident Council is pleased to announce that *Cindy Campisi* has received a Scholarship to attend the Medix School of Towson. Cindy will be attending classes to become a Medical Office Assistant.

Scholarships are still available. Any CCRC employee interested may pick up an application from Ruth Fender in the Activity Department, or from a member of the Resident Council. This scholarship does not cover prerequisite courses.



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