

Villa Maria Lifetimes



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Family Picnic

Mark Your Calendars:

***Villa Maria's Annual
Resident/Family Picnic***

Thursday, June 12th

from 4-5:30 pm



Upcoming Events

May:

2nd Bennett Elementary Choir/Chimes 11:00

2nd Leo Kiefer 2:00

6th Clay County Historical Society 11:15

9th Dog Show 2:00

11th Mother's Day:

Special Entertainment 2:00

13th Service of Remembrance 11:30

16th Spring Photo Booth

21st Joanie Miller 11:15

26th Memorial Day Service 2:00

27th Tracy Alin: Violin 11:15

30th Monthly Birthday Party:

Special Entertainment 2:00

June:

12th  4-5:30

15th Father's Day:

Special Entertainment 2:00

17th Glenn Douglas 2:00

19th Redhawks Game 12:30

25th Inez Rath 11:15

27th Monthly Birthday Party:

Rockin' 60's 2:00



Gardening groups starting soon!!!

Happy



Ongoing Activities

Regular Bingo 2:00 (Tues, Sat)

Card Bingo 2:00 (Fri, Sun)

Catholic Mass 2:00 (Weds)

Protestant Services 2:00 (Thurs)

Communion Service 12:00 (Mon, Fri)

Singing 11:15 (daily)

Library Outreach (2nd & 4th Wed.)

We will be scheduling DQ drives, picnics at the park, etc.

Check out the monitor outside the dining room for daily activities.



Fargo Public Library comes to the Villa twice a month for Villa residents. If you are interested, let your Case Manager know.

Knit-Along



We are starting a Knit-Along the last Wednesday of each month from 12-1 in the Garden and Game Room. We will be working on projects that we can donate to area agencies. If you like to knit or crochet, stop by the last Wednesday of the month.



***Nursing Home
Week:
May 11th – 17th***



New friends!!!!

Celebrating Volunteers:



Villa Maria recognized our volunteers with a supper on April 16th. Thank you Volunteers!!!!



At the circus!!!!

Dietary Department



Happy Spring to all from the Villa Maria Dietary Department!

As the warm weather approaches us we will be changing over to our summer menu, which includes more fresh fruit & new salads! We have also recently started a soup & sandwich of the day option for our residents who are looking for something a little extra during the day or at meal times. Since we have received wonderful feedback from this new meal option we will be alternating our spring/summer days with either a soup and sandwich or soup and salad of the day.

Hope you all enjoy the spring weather!

Environmental News



The Villa Maria is currently in the process of renovating our existing windows. We are adding magnetic storm windows to our existing windows which will significantly reduce drafts. By adding these magnetic storm windows, it will help keep the cold out in the winter months and the warm out during the summer months. This will act as a third pane of protection and will add a 25% energy savings.

Spring Cleaning

Hard to believe that spring is finally here. Please check through your loved one's closet and take home the winter clothing and bring in spring/summer clothes.



Coloring Easter Eggs



Easter Egg Hunt

Spiritual Corner

Treat Your Family and Friends as if This Were the Last Time You Were Going to See Them

How often do we run out the door without saying good-bye -- or say something less than kind or something critical under our breath as a parting shot as we go our separate ways? How often do we take for granted those we love and count on the most, assuming we will *always* be together? Most of us seem to operate under the assumption that we can always be kind later, that there's always tomorrow. But is that a wise way to live?

A few years ago, there was a man whose grandmother had passed away. Remembering back on his visits, he approached each visit as if it very well might be their last. Each visit counted and was treated as special. Each good-bye was filled with genuine love, appreciation, and reflection. As he looked back, it was a particularly loving time because each moment was precious.

Our daily lives can be this precious. A powerful exercise to practice on a regular basis is to imagine that this is your final good-bye. Imagine that, for one reason or another, you won't see your family member ever again after this meeting. If this were true, would you think or act in the same way? Would your last thoughts or words be something reminding them of their flaws, shortcomings and imperfections, or complaints and pessimistic comments? Probably not.

Perhaps, if you thought that this was possibly the last time you were going to see those you love, you'd take an extra minute to give a loving hug and say good-bye. Or maybe say something kind and gentle, an affirmation of your love. Rather than rushing

away, maybe give them a smile and tell them how much you care and love them, opening your heart and theirs.

Remember, we were created out of Love – To be Loved – and To Love. As we proceed through this Easter and spring season, let the Light and Love that God created all of us with shine forth from us to those we love the most and to all we meet. Let us live in that moment of Love every waking moment.

God's Love and Peace to All from the

Pastoral Team at Villa Maria



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