

2025

Calendar & Newsletter

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Independent Living * Assisted Living * Memory Care

MEET THE VILLAGES' GREGG & JAY

Management Team

Alexander Ben-Israel
(Senior Executive Director – IL)

Tim Robitz
(Business Office Manager – IL)

Amy Smith
(Executive Director – AL)

Sharon Evans
(Business Office Manager – AL& MC)

Joy Coonrod-Anderson
(Executive Director – MC)

Director of Sales & Marketing

Ember Nordhaus

Plant Operations Director

Eric Zahler

Life Enrichment Coordinators

Anessa Burtner – IL
Hope Gettys – AL
Dolly Mahurien – MC

Dining Services Directors

Bon Hewlett – IL
Jay Harrison – AL
Alexandria Cruz – MC

In 1963, the day after his 21st birthday, Gregg joined the Southern California Firefighters. Starting as a hose man, he faced a busy first shift with five calls. Forest firefighting wasn't his favorite, and he often recounts a harrowing experience when his crew was trapped in the middle of a wildfire. To survive, they dug a trench under their truck, filled it with water, and sheltered there until the fire passed.

Gregg served as a firefighter for 14 years, achieving the rank of captain in 1977. After leaving the fire service, he worked briefly at Copeland Lumber before beginning a 38-year career as a truck driver, retiring in 2008.

In his earlier years, Gregg enjoyed the adrenaline rush of high-speed waterskiing. Now retired, he spends his time Wii Bowling, playing Bingo with fellow residents, participating in Life Enrichment activities, and chatting with staff and visitors. Gregg has resided at the village for 9 months. Gregg was also an ordained minister for 7 years. He married people and he buried people.

Gregg LeBlanc



Jay Harrison



Jay has been The Village's Dining Service Director since October 2023, bringing over 40 years of culinary experience to the community. His career includes many seasons spent at Dude Ranches in Wyoming and Montana, where he perfected his BBQ skills. Now, Jay shares his love for BBQ with residents, firing up the grill every week at The Village.

Married to his wife, Patti, for 36 years, Jay has traveled extensively across the United States. The couple spent many years living in Oregon, splitting their time between home and the ranches, where they met wonderful people along the way. Jay is a devoted family man, proud of his two grown daughters, four grandchildren, and one great-grandson.

WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS!

JANUARY

The Springs (IL)

◆ David Marshall



Birthdays

THE VILLAGE

- 1/4 Charlotte Williard
- 1/5 Roy Fisk
- 1/12 Dolores Wallace
- 1/13 Flora Wildey
- 1/16 Toni Gonzales
- 1/24 Gregg LeBlanc

THE POINTE

- 1/14 Rusty Cline
- 1/21 Carol Cohen
- 1/22 Wilma Witmer
- 1/25 Barbara Conley

THE SPRINGS

- 1/4 Jerry Jessup
- 1/6 Maggie Tripp
- 1/7 Erwin Kirby
- 1/8 Shirley Kreifels
- 1/8 Bud Shaw
- 1/8 Gus Garrigus
- 1/14 Marlene Hulsey
- 1/15 Rene' Cote
- 1/17 Jim Smith
- 1/27 Dan Dowling
- 1/20 Bonnie Fouste
- 1/30 Lloyd Smithgall
- 1/31 Gerald Weskirchen



Find the **SNOWFLAKES!!!** There are hidden snowflakes throughout this newsletter. If you find them, you or someone can help you contact Anessa by emailing AnessaB@cascadeliving.com and email her the # of snowflakes you found and Anessa will put your name on a raffle ticket and draw a name by the end of the week. If you win you get to pick a surprise prize!!!



31 DAYS IN THE MONTH

- National Puzzle Day
- Elvis Presley's Birthday
- Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- Carnation January Flowers
- The Coldest Month of the Year
- Eating Black Eyed Peas on New Years Day is Good Luck
- Garnet Birthstone
- National Spaghetti Day
- National Book Month
- National Soup Month
- National Thank You Month
- The Tournament of Roses Parade has run since 1890.
- Capricorn
- Aquarius
- National Penguin Day
- National Rubber Duck Day
- Thank you!
- 1st Month of the Year

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Happening out in the Community

- \$5 Movie Tuesdays at Southgate Cinema
- Elmer's offers a free breakfast to Veterans on the 1st Thursday of each month.
- Phagans' Grants Pass College of Beauty offers free haircuts to Veterans.
- Saturday market Saturday mornings over at the Fairgrounds 9:00am-1:00pm



Buildings Guide

Spring Meadow IL=Independent Living

The Village AL=Assisted Living

The Pointe MC=Memory Care

GARDEN NEWS:

Happy New Year!

While waiting for spring and warmer weather to arrive, be thinking about what you want to plant. Vegetable beds and large pots will be available on a first come first serve basis. Whole or half beds.

Would you like to be a garden partner? You have an opportunity to enjoy your community garden.

We would love for you to join us in the coming year!

Sunflowers and annual flowers added extra color all around last year. Thank you to our garden partners who participated in making last year a success!

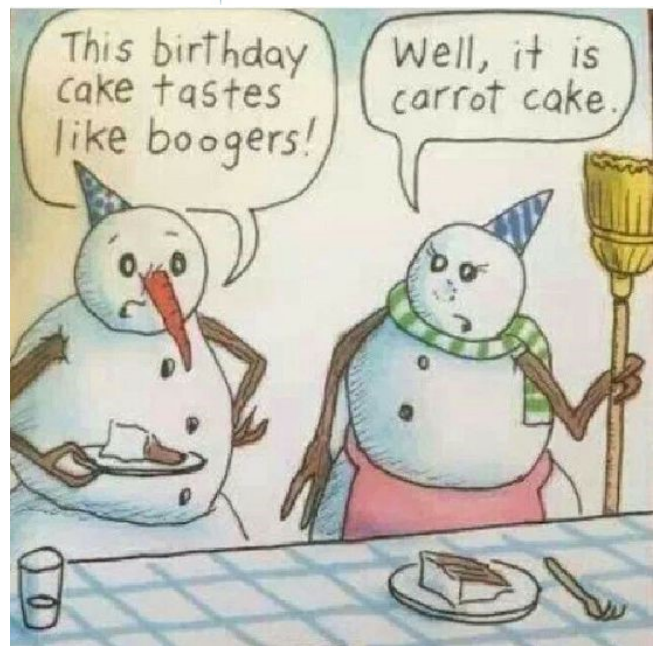
Questions or need information on the upcoming seasons plans? Contact Katherine or Julie in the Spring Meadow store.

See in the garden!

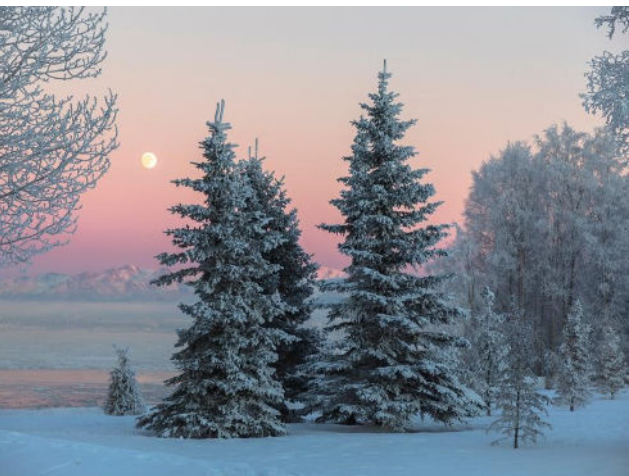
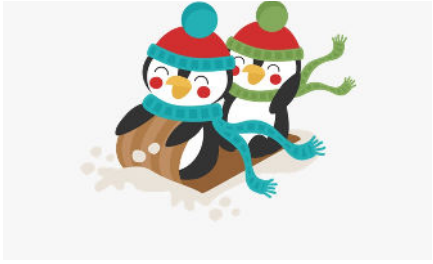


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| BOOTS | FROSTY | SCARF |
| COAT | HAT | SHOVEL |
| COCOA | ICE | SKIING |
| COLD | ICICLES | SLEDDING |
| DECEMBER | JANUARY | SNOW |
| EARMUFFS | MARCH | SWEATER |
| FEBRUARY | MITTENS | WINTER |



A NOTE FROM THE "LITTLE STORE"

Oh, my....where did the time go? 2025 New Year is here!

The store has many, many interesting items to choose from that won't break the bank. We'll be stocking up on stamps. We're here for you. If you don't see what you want, just speak up and we'll try to get it done for you.

Julie, Dianne, Kathy, Cathy, and Jerrie