



# The Greens of Elgin

August 2021

**Notes and News**

Elgin, IL

## Notes from the Board President

Dear Greens Residents,

Is it really August already??? I hear that U-46 schools will be opening to students in two weeks so it must be true. While I am always sad to see the end of summer on the horizon, it is exciting to see the beginning of the fall season and a chance for a new beginning both for students and those of us who are long past being students. I have a book titled, "How to Become a Sweet Old Lady, Instead of a Grumpy Old Grouch." It could also apply to men, I think. At the end of the book are two pages of "The Sweet Old Lady's Secrets." Here are a some of those secrets:

A sweet old lady takes time to enjoy life. A grumpy old grouch is too busy complaining.

A sweet old lady encourages. A grumpy old grouch criticizes.

A sweet old lady forgives. A grumpy old grouch holds grudges.

A sweet old lady is content. A grumpy old grouch has many complaints.

A sweet old lady develops a vital faith. A grumpy old grouch ignores God.

I guess we all have a decision to make each day. Which camp do we want to fall into?? It takes some effort to take the "high road" but the rewards are great!!

I have some concerns when hearing the news of the spread of the COVID-19 Delta Variant! I would encourage both the few residents and staff who have not been vaccinated to get vaccinated today. Why not? I don't think any of us want to be back in the situations we experienced in the past year. Please care for your own health and the health of others.

When you get your "Greens Newsletter" be sure to check the calendar. Don't miss the fun activities that are planned for this month. Please note the time of each event so you don't arrive too late.

Thanks to all who make The Greens of Elgin such a great place to live!! You are appreciated!!

God bless you all

## Note from the Manager

Hello Everyone,

The last of the summer months is upon us. August is looking like one of the more delicious months with National Watermelon Day on the 3<sup>rd</sup> and National S'more day a week later on the 10<sup>th</sup>. I hope everyone gets out and enjoys some scrumptious treats with friends this month.

The property is looking great with all the landscape enhancements and maintenance services already completed this year. Another project that will have great impact on the appearance of the property is sealcoating. The sealcoating project is scheduled to begin Monday, August 9, 2021. Notices have been posted with additional details about this project. Please be sure to contact the front desk if you need assistance moving your vehicle or have any questions regarding this work.

The suggestion box is located in the activities room. If you have any comments or suggestions on the Association can better serve our residents, please drop a note in the suggestion box.

Enjoy the rest of your summer.

As always, please feel free to come see me if there are any matters you wish to discuss or simply to just say hi.

Steven Walczak Managing Agent  
Dedicated Property Service

If you have a Maintenance Emergency, dial the Greens Emergency Number  
**630- 339-5478**

## Suggestion Box

The Greens suggestion box is open for business. We will be reading all your suggestions in the Open Forum part of our next Board Meeting. The suggestion box is in the Activity Room below the announcement board.



## Reminders

Fully vaccinated residents, visitors, and staff **Do Not** need to wear a mask.  
Not fully vaccinated you have to wear your mask.

Please do not park in the entrance circle; the drive is only for pickups and drop offs.  
Reminder to all family and friends to sign in at the Front Desk.  
All our garage spaces are full currently.

## Front Desk

Housekeeping had a rough month in July. I am happy we have found some help. Adrian who will work in the engineering and housekeeping dept and Alicja will be working in housekeeping. Let's welcome them to The Greens when they come to clean your unit this month.

On another note, I would like to thank all the residents for their kindness during my time of employment here at The Greens. I am moving on to a new journey and see where this takes me. I have enjoyed working at The Greens and getting to know each one of you personally. Thank you once again. May God bless you and I wish you good health.

I would like to inform you that Unit 344 is for sale by Dee Toberman (847- 322-7929). If you have any friends that are interested in this unit, please call Dee Toberman.

*Diane Medina, Office Administrator*

## Activity Department News

I would like to have different individuals share their hobbies with other residents. If you have any suggestions see me or anyone from the Activity Committee.

Since Bingo with Myrna was a big hit, we would like to continue doing it twice a month.

I have had several people asking me to schedule a donation pick up. Therefore, I contacted the Salvation Army and they will come Thursday, August 12<sup>th</sup>, between the hours of 8am-4pm. Any items that you would like to donate should be brought to the Front Desk beginning Thursday, August 5<sup>th</sup> and ending Wednesday August 11<sup>th</sup>. The following items are not acceptable:

- Box Spring
- Entertainment center
- No Medical equipment
- No large Furniture

*Janet Soto, Activity Coordinator*

## SPECIAL EVENTS

We would be celebrating National Senior Day on Friday, August 20<sup>th</sup>, with a Grand Luau Buffet Celebration at 5pm and George Holmes performing at 7:15pm.

On August 7<sup>th</sup> and August 28<sup>th</sup> Myrna Stidham will be calling a Special Bingo from 6:30pm-7:30pm. Each Bingo card will cost .25 cents for the evening. You may purchase as many cards as you like.

After the bingo hour, you may stay to play Chase the Ace from 7:30pm -9:00pm.

Notice on the August calendar we will also be having Bingo on Thursdays at 2:30pm. Hope you can come and win some money There will be a Knitting & Crocheting Club every Sunday beginning August, 8<sup>th</sup> From 2:30pm in the Activity Room.

Sandy Braun invited us to a fashion show at Banbury Fair on Friday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm  
Mark your calendars for this special event!

## VESPER

On Monday, August 16, we will have the opportunity of hearing a gentleman who is no stranger to those of us who have lived at the Greens for some time. We have been delighted and thoughtfully entertained by well known secular/sacred singer, the Reverend George Holmes. He not only is an amazing singer, but also a passionate Christian who loves to preach the message of Jesus Christ.

Everyone is welcomed at this service which is held in the common area by the piano, on  
Monday August 16, at 3:30pm-4:15pm,

Your Vesper Committee: Leila B., Sandy B., Joan D., Barb L., and Janice W.

## FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Happy & Blessed August 2021,

It is bittersweet to announce, Mona, who is one of my/our top servers, will be leaving us. She has been a great support and back-bone for me when it comes to the administration side of kitchen operations since my arrival in December 2020. Mona is going off to college the first week in August. When you see her, please wish her the best of luck and God's Blessings!

Sunday breakfast brunch is happening Sunday August 1<sup>st</sup>.

Hawaiian Luau Buffet/Cookout will be Friday August 20<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. I am currently working on recipes for Hawaiian Coconut Chicken Soup, Grilled Pineapple Meatball Skewers, Fruit Kabobs, Pineapple Upside Down Cupcakes, Pulled Hawaiian Pork Sliders, Aloha Burgers, Hawaiian Salsa, Hawaiian Rice, Grilled Mango Chicken and Salmon, Tropical Maja Blanca Pudding Cake, and more. Creative juices are flowing...EVERYTHING HAWAII! There may even be some Hawaiian Hot Dogs with Grilled Pineapple, Mango, and Teriyaki Mayo. We shall see.

Residents, please remember to turn in your menus to the front desk every Tuesday by 1:00 pm. This will allow me to plan and prepare accordingly for ordering, recipes updates, etc.

Thank you.

Chef James



# Celebrating Christmas in July







## Note from the Music Committee:

Singer Joerge Holmes makes his return to The Greens

Wow! Christmas in July at The Greens was spectacular. Everyone will agree that Chef James gave us a dinner party to remember. Also thanks to Activity Director Janet Soto for making "801" so very festive.

Now we have another exciting party to attend.

On Friday, Aug. 20 will we celebrate the 62<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of Hawaii becoming a state in 1959. Chef James will work his magic to create a grand dinner party. We will have a Hawaiian luau on the menu.

To top it off we are pleased to announce that our guest Joerge Holmes will be singing a selection of tunes for your enjoyment immediately following the dinner. Of course you remember Joerge from his wonderful performance with the Huntley Brown quartet this past spring.

So mark your calendars for Friday, Aug. 20 for a fun evening, with the special Hawaiian dinner at 5 p.m., followed by the performance at 7 p.m. in the piano room.

Music Committee Chair: Marilyn Foster. Members: Jim and Carolyn Gathman, Coral Reinert, Joyce Shannon, Joan Stevenson and Sue Williams.













# August is a Great Month to Have Birthdays Hope Everyone Has a SUPER ONE!!



## Birthdays!

August 6 – Donna F  
August 6 - Edward H  
August 8 – Mary Ann L  
August 11 – Shirley P  
August 15 – Russell K  
August 23 - Dennis D  
August 23 - Mary M  
August 28 – Pat S





# Having a great time with friends BYOB





# August 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
10:30am Prayer Service	11am Claude playing the Guitar	11am Walgreens / Local Banks	10:30 am Exploring the Scriptures with Jim G.	11am Dollar Tree	11am Homegood's	2pm Movie (Bengi)
11:30am -1pm Brunch Buffet	1pm Fitness Class	1pm Bingo w/ Janet	11am - 2pm Chair Massage by Nora	1pm Walmart	1pm Fitness Class	5pm Dinner
2:30pm Knitting & Crocheting Club	6:30pm Bridge	6:30pm Hand & Foot Games	6:30pm Card/Games	2:30pm Bingo w/ Janet 6:30pm Hand & Foot Games	4pm-5pm BYOB	6:30pm Bingo w/ Myrna 7:30pm Chase The Ace Game
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
10:30am Prayer Service	11am Briana's Pancake House	10am Board Meeting	10:30 am Exploring the Scriptures with Jim G.	10am-1pm Podiatrist	11am Parkinson's Support Group	2pm Movie (Shallow Hal)
1pm Dinner	1pm Fitness Class	11am Walgreens / Local Banks	12pm - 2pm Chair Massage by Nora	1pm Jewel / Osco	1pm Fitness Class	5pm Dinner
2:30pm Knitting & Crocheting Club	6:30pm Bridge	1pm Bingo w/ Janet 4pm-4:45pm Mobile Books 6:30pm Hand & Foot Games	1pm Resident Birthday Party 7pm Book Club	2:30pm Bingo w/ Janet 6:30pm Hand & Foot Games	4pm-5pm BYOB	6:30pm Chase The Ace Game
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
10:30am Prayer Service 1pm Dinner	11am Ross Store 1pm Fitness Class	11am Walgreens / Local Banks	10:30 am Exploring the Scriptures with Jim G. 11am - 2pm Chair Massage by Nora 1pm Ice Cream Social	1pm Butera 2:30pm Bingo w/ Janet	11am-2pm Grand Victoria Casino 1pm Fitness Class 5pm Celebrating National Senior Day w/ Grand Luau Buffet	2pm Movie (Uncle Buck) 5pm Dinner
2:30pm Knitting & Crocheting Club	3:30pm Vespers Service 6:30pm Bridge	1pm Bingo w/ Janet 6:30pm Hand & Foot Games	6:30 pm Hand & Foot Games	6:30pm Hand & Foot Games	7:15pm Jeorge Holmes	6:30pm Chase The Ace Game
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
10:30am Prayer Service 1pm Dinner	11:30am The Village Squire Restaurant 1pm Fitness Class	11am Walgreens / Local Banks 1pm Bingo w/ Janet	10:30 am Exploring the Scriptures with Jim G. 11am - 2pm Chair Massage by Nora	10am-1pm Podiatrist 1pm Meijer's	11am Parkinson's Support Group 1pm Fitness Class	2pm Movie (Ridding Hood) 5pm Dinner
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29	30	31	<p><i>We are so grateful to our elders and we love them so much...</i></p> <p><b>Happy World Senior Citizens Day</b></p>			
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2:30pm Knitting & Crocheting Club	6:30pm Bridge	6:30pm Hand & Foot Games				

**Rick the Barber 1st Monday of the Month  
by Appointments (847) 697-6005**

**Nails by Linda (Monday from 8:30am to 1pm  
by Appointments only (847) 421-3369**

**Dee Wednesday by Appointments (847) 224-9499**

**Diane Friday and Sarurday (847) 997-3073**