Attracting All Generations
A message from

Joseph E. Murphy,
Chief Executive Officer

It may seem like there is constantly some type of construction taking place at the Masonic Villages. Between maintaining buildings that are more than 100 years old, providing new living options and updating existing structures to provide the best quality of life for our residents, change is a necessity. The latest project to kick off is the Freemasons Building personal care residence in Elizabethtown. Residents will enjoy a new larger dining area, enhanced outdoor areas and updates to suites and décor, as well as the addition of eight suites. The project is expected to be completed in fall 2016. The new apartment building and façade renovations at the Masonic Village at Lafayette Hill will wrap up with an outdoor datestone ceremony on Friday, Sept. 18, at 3 p.m. Look for more on this project in the next issue of the Village Voice.

It takes a lot of coordination on the part of our staff to ensure residents experience the least amount of disruption throughout any construction project. I appreciate everyone’s patience as we build a better Masonic Villages today and for the future. Every dollar we spend to provide improved facilities for our residents is part of our committed investment in our Mission of Love.

I’m excited to share an update on some legislation which would’ve had a profound impact on the cost of the charitable care we provide. Thanks to supportive legislators and the actions of LeadingAge PA, an association of not-for-profit senior services that advocates for quality senior services and care, the Department of Human Services postponed its decision to adjust Medical Assistance payments to nursing facilities. Just hours before the decision was overturned, a reporter with Harrisburg-area TV station abc27 interviewed Ron Barth, CEO of LeadingAge PA, and me about the initial change which was not given fair time for public comment. The story aired that night, but with a positive outcome.

We hope you will join us for Autumn Day on Saturday, Sept. 19, at the Masonic Village at Elizabethtown, and for Masonic Village at Sewickley’s Community Festival and Open House on Saturday, Sept. 26. These are great opportunities to learn what’s happening across the state and catch up with friends and family.
The Masonic Village Farm was recognized with the 2015 Pennsylvania Cow/Calf Beef Quality Assurance (BQA) award. Frank Stoltzfus, supervisor of agricultural production (above right), and Stephen McMahon, beef herdsperson (above left), manage the 600-acre farm, which includes 450+/- head of Shorthorn and Shorthorn/Maine/Angus cattle, as well as crops of corn, soy and hay.

The award honors the farm staff for monitoring and improving cattle care, allowing sufficient feedlot time for cattle before going to market to increase quality and value, housing cattle outside year round to improve herd health, constructing a smooth flowing cattle handling facility and being the first farm in Pennsylvania to complete the National Cattlemen’s Beef Association’s National Feedyard Assessment.

In addition to selling Premium Dry Aged Beef in the Masonic Village Farm Market, the farm supplies frozen beef to farmers’ markets near Pittsburgh and fine dining restaurants in New York City.

“Our mission statement for Masonic Village Farm beef production is: Always striving to make beef better in production, performance, promotion and product. That pretty much sums up what we try to accomplish every day,” Frank said.

Frank has been employed with Masonic Village since 1985 and oversees the beef and crop enterprises. Stephen has been with Masonic Village since 2007 and specializes in breeding, grass pasture and herd management.

The farm is now eligible for the national BQA award. Frank and Stephen, along with Gerald Tracy, then-director of environmental services and land management, were also instrumental in the 2011 National Environmental Stewardship Award Masonic Village received for protecting soil and water resources while operating a sustainable beef cattle and farm enterprise.
Stacy Cathrall has been named supervisor of volunteer services for the Masonic Village at Elizabethtown. She provides leadership, sets objectives, plans, organizes, staffs and directs volunteer service programs.

Stacy has been employed at Masonic Village since 2011, most recently as a recreation therapist in the Masonic Health Care Center.

She served on the board of the Pennsylvania Therapeutic Recreation Society (PTRS) from 2013 to 2015. In 2014, Stacy was recognized with the PTRS Outstanding New Professional Award, for which she was nominated by fellow therapeutic recreation specialists.

Stacy completed her bachelor’s degree in recreation and leisure administration at York College. Within her previous and current position, Stacy works with and mentors youth volunteers.

Elizabeth Commander serves as home care manager for Masonic Village at Elizabethtown, a position responsible for directing and coordinating services and daily care for Masonic Village Home Care clients. She is also responsible for supporting the program’s growth.

Elizabeth brings eight years of health care experience to Masonic Village and was most recently employed as the interim director of nursing at Zerbe Sisters Nursing Center in Narvon.

Elizabeth earned an associate’s degree in nursing from Harrisburg Area Community College and a bachelor’s degree in nursing from Immaculata University. She is a member of the Pennsylvania Association of Nurse Assessment Coordinators.

Maureen Dolk-Metcalfe was recently named the director of hospice services for Masonic Village at Elizabethtown. Maureen is responsible for providing vision, leadership and guidance to the Masonic Village Hospice team by focusing on optimizing clinical outcomes, driving service excellence for patients and families and ensuring employee satisfaction and financial performance.

Maureen started her health care career as an admissions director for Brethren Village Retirement Community in Lancaster. Most recently employed with AseraCare Hospice, Maureen has more than 18 years of field experience.

Maureen holds a bachelor’s degree in health policy administration from Penn State University and a master’s degree in business administration from Lebanon Valley College. She is a member of the Pennsylvania Hospice Network and the National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization.
PAMELA FORMICA

Pamela Formica has joined Ashlar Creative Solutions as the vice president of mission development. She is responsible for providing strategic, financial and operational support to Ashlar Creative Solutions’ clients and to Masonic Villages by identifying, evaluating and assisting corporate directors throughout the implementation of strategic business solutions.

Previously employed by Masonic Village at Elizabethtown as assistant controller from 1992 until 2002, and most recently employed with Brethren Village Retirement Community as vice president of finance, Pam brings over 25 years of expertise to Ashlar Creative Solutions and the Masonic Villages.

Licensed as a certified public accountant since 1991, Pam earned her bachelor’s degree from Elizabethtown College.

NICHOLAS MAHLER

Nicholas Mahler was recently named director of sales, admissions and outreach for Masonic Village at Elizabethtown. He is responsible for coordinating and providing direction for those services and performing administrative responsibilities.

Most recently employed with Brethren Village Retirement Community as a nursing home administrator, Nicholas brings over five years of experience to Masonic Village. Prior to his employment at Brethren Village, he served as a nursing home administrator for Golden Living.

Nicholas earned a bachelor’s degree in recreation, park and tourism management from the Pennsylvania State University. He is a member of the LeadingAge PA Fellows in Leadership Program and became a licensed Nursing Home Administrator in 2009. During his time of study, Nicholas worked as an administrator-in-training at Masonic Village. He is a member of Abraham C. Treichler Lodge No. 682, Elizabethtown.

DEBRA BROCKMAN

Debra Brockman has been named vice president of human resources for Ashlar Creative Solutions, a consulting and management firm owned and operated by Masonic Villages. She provides strategic human resources support for clients in the form of identifying, evaluating and assisting with the implementation of organization and development solutions. She also assists in human resources for Masonic Villages.

Debra has been employed at Masonic Village at Elizabethtown since 2004, most recently as the director of marketing and outreach.

She earned her bachelor’s degree in therapeutic recreation from York College in 1987 and her master’s degree in health administration from Penn State University in 2010.

Debra has served on the boards of the Elizabethtown Chamber of Commerce, St. Peter’s Parochial School and Brittney’s Hope Foundation.
An International Star

As an engineer with a background in highway work, construction and mining, Masonic Village at Elizabethtown resident Robert Penoyer never imagined he’d be traveling the world speaking before crowds on the importance of charity and values. Three years into his role as Right Worthy Associate Grand Patron for the General Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star (the international headquarters of the Order of the Eastern Star), and about to transition to Most Worthy Grand Patron in November, now he can’t imagine his life any other way.

Since 2013, Bob has served in the second highest position for a male of the General Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star. Through this role, he has traveled to Pennsylvania’s 160+ chapters, across the country visiting 12 to 15 Grand Chapters a year, and internationally to institute new chapters.

“It’s been very interesting and kept us very busy,” Bob said. “I enjoy meeting people and raising money for different charities. I’ve met a lot of wonderful people.”

A Mason for more than 50 years, Bob joined Rainbow Chapter No. 517, Red Lion, in 1993, soon after Pennsylvania Right Worshipful Grand Master Scott Stoner lifted the edict which had prevented Pennsylvania Masons from belonging to the Order of the Eastern Star. He did so because he wanted to do something with his wife, Mari. He quickly became active, serving as Worthy Patron 10 times and became involved in Grand Chapter as Grand Sentinel under Past Grand Matron Judy Rutter. He served as Worthy Grand Patron from 2001-2002. During a trip to Florida, he met Helen Westmoreland from the General Grand Chapter. She asked him to be her counterpart in the line of officers. It would be a nine-year commitment, and after talking it over with Mari, Bob agreed.

The General Grand Chapter includes 10,000 chapters in 20 countries, with approximately half a million members. While overall membership numbers have dropped in recent years, the fraternal organization continues to grow with chapters recently forming in Italy, Romania, Germany, South America and the Philippines.

Many of the rituals, principles, signs and passes of the Order of the Eastern Star are the same around the world. The membership all share similar values.

“Most people who are members have the same moral principles and similarities in thinking,” Bob said. “We’re certainly not a secret organization. We want to make sure people know we raise a lot of money for charity.”

Charity is one of the biggest appeals of the Order of the Eastern Star for Bob. Pennsylvania’s chapters focus on raising money for multiple sclerosis, while other states concentrate on diabetes, the Shriners Hospitals for Children, service dogs, cancer research, the American Heart Association and many other causes.

His responsibilities as Most Worthy Grand Patron will consist of serving as an advisor to the Most Worthy Grand Matron and constituting new chapters, including ones in Brazil and Italy, along with trips to Scotland and Australia. He’ll also...
speak to members about becoming involved in the Order of the Eastern Star’s projects and charity work with a special focus on membership during his term.

“Being in Eastern Star makes you feel you’re doing something for your fellow man,” he said. “You’re accomplishing something just by being a member. To really enjoy it, I encourage members to do some traveling to other chapters in their state. Find people you enjoy being with – people are what make it worthwhile. I’ve had more fun and met more people in my 20 years in Order of the Eastern Star than I did before joining. Plus, it’s nice to be able to do things together with your spouse.”

In addition to enjoying his visits with members around the world, Bob has found himself growing personally.

“I’ve been exposed to a lot of the world, and it has been a learning and growing experience,” he said. “It’s challenging to speak to people. I’m not a professional speaker by any means. As an engineer, I didn’t have to do much talking. Now, I do it everywhere.”

As they’re traveling, especially overseas, Bob and Mari squeeze in time to visit local attractions and sightsee whenever possible. Since they’re often hosted by fellow members, they always have enthusiastic tour guides.

“You make friends you wouldn’t otherwise know, and they invite you into their home,” he said. “They want you to see their country and learn about its history. You get a different perspective. Romania is a nice, growing area. We just started a Rainbow Girls assembly there, and DeMolay is coming in, too. Those groups are all interrelated with Order of the Eastern Star.”

Not so much for international travel, but when flying domestically, the Penoyers are able to spend less time in airports thanks to Bob’s pilot license and their own personal plane. He has flown everywhere from Florida to California. It also comes in handy when they want to visit their 11 children (from their first marriages), 23 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren (with another on the way).

Another factor which makes all their traveling a little easier is knowing their home is secure. As residents of the Masonic Village, they just tell staff they’re leaving. When they come home, the house is safe and even clean.

“Everything you need is here,” he said. “You woke up in the winter and the roads are plowed and the sidewalks are shoveled. The grass is mowed. They really make sure all your needs are met.”

When he is at home, Bob enjoys visiting the Masonic Wellness Center, attending lodge meetings at Clearfield Lodge No. 314 and completing crossword puzzles.

Once his term as Most Worthy Grand Patron is complete in 2018, Bob looks forward to taking a “vacation” from traveling. Perhaps by then, the international jet setter will have time to rest in his cottage.

New Additions

Thanks to volunteer and project visionary Cindy Strong and members of Order of the Eastern Star Palmyra Chapter No. 402 and Hershey Chapter No. 509, as well as individual donations, a turtle and fish pond at the Masonic Village at Elizabethown received a face lift last year to make it even more turtle, fish and visitor-friendly. Located in a courtyard of the Masonic Health Care Center, the new pond was officially dedicated on June 29. Cindy was inspired to coordinate the project while visiting her mother, who lived at Masonic Village prior to her passing. Shown right (l-r): Jacqueline Ball and Cindy Strong.

Thanks to Williamson-Corinthian Lodge No. 368, Philadelphia, residents of the Masonic Village at Warminster can enjoy the great outdoors in the comfort of a new gazebo. The Advisory Board contributed plants to surround the beautiful new structure. Residents took part in a ribbon-cutting ceremony in June to officially celebrate its arrival. Shown right (l-r): Marian Esbenshade and Ronnie O’Hara.
The One-Man Builder

Edward “Ed” Ostrowski can be considered one of those lucky few to have made a successful lifelong business based on his passion. For 67 years, Ed spent his time both on and off the clock constructing, designing and carving. His home at Masonic Village at Lafayette Hill proudly displays his beautiful masterpieces.

“I was self-employed at 16 years old,” Ed said. “Ever since I was young, I was interested in building with whatever I could get my hands on.”

For the most part, Ed was hired to construct houses from the ground up for various clients with an array of design styles.

“People used to call me ‘the one-man builder,’” Ed said. “I would build the houses alone, and the only people I hired were plumbers, electricians and excavators.”

Although he mastered constructing houses, his detailing craft really began to refine about 30 years ago when Ed’s two daughters-in-law returned from a craft show and asked him to construct decorative door pieces for them to paint and display – just like the ones they saw at the show.

“After I made them, and the girls hung them up, I said to myself ‘I can do better than that!’” he said. “Those details became a challenge, and I’ve been at it ever since.”

For the next 30 odd years, Ed carved hundreds of detailed decorative items including lamps, chairs, chests of drawers and countless figurines for clients, family members and friends. One of his biggest projects was carving a china cabinet for a client.

“She wanted something unique and large, something that she couldn’t buy at a store,” Ed said. “Once all of her neighbors saw it, they wanted one. I eventually had to start turning projects down!”

Ed also began carving wooden chests to give as gifts to family and friends.

“Every time I was invited to a wedding, I would hand-carve a chest and put $50 in it,” Ed said. “I had a friend get married in South Africa, so I have a chest there, which I think is pretty interesting.”

One of Ed’s masterpieces also made it to the White House when he sent a carved wooden rose (similar to the one shown above) to the Clinton family in 2001.

“Someone bet me I wouldn’t get a response, but I was hoping I would,” Ed said. “At first, I didn’t get anything, but then I got a personalized ‘thank you’ from Hillary Clinton.”

Ed also spread his creativity into the world of painting, where he brought still life scenes to canvas.

“My favorite painting I completed was one of a sunset,” Ed said. “I saw the scene out of my bedroom window one day. I never saw a red sunrise with white and then blue like that before. It inspired me.”

Before Ed and his wife moved to their home at Masonic Village, Ed decided it was time to give up his crafting and pass his tools down to his sons and grandsons. As he sits back and relaxes at 93 years old, he still enjoys viewing and appreciating pieces from his life’s work.
A Noteworthy Experience

Since she was a young girl, Carolynne Waddington listened to the stories and experiences of her mother, Ruth, director of nursing at the Masonic Village at Lafayette Hill. She heard and learned so much, she felt as though Masonic Village was a part of her life.

When she discovered she needed to fulfill volunteer hours as a senior in high school, she knew there was no better place to spend her time than Masonic Village. She helped her mom with administrative work, updated bulletin boards with information about breast cancer awareness and programs on campus, and assisted during special events, like last summer’s camp activity with local Boy Scouts. She also saw this as an opportunity to share a passion of hers with residents of Masonic Village.

Among Carolynne’s talents are singing and playing the piano, trombone and guitar. As part of her senior thesis project, she planned a jazz concert for Masonic Village residents in January. It was such a hit with residents, the band returned for an encore performance.

“It especially meant a lot to me the way the residents responded to the concert I held,” she said. “It was really great to see them enjoy themselves to great music.”

While her heart was already set on a future career in music, the experience cemented her desire to work with people and share the power and beauty of music. Being able to make residents smile made volunteering so enjoyable for Carolynne.

“I would encourage other teens to volunteer here because it brings joy to so many residents to see that people my age care about them,” she said. “You really do feel good afterwards.”

Carolynne graduated high school on June 10 and will attend Houghton College in the fall where she’ll pursue a degree in music education.

Her efforts, and those of all Masonic Villages’ volunteers, are instrumental in fulfilling our Mission of Love and showing residents how much we care about them.

Garden Party

Since 2010, Masonic Village Hospice Services have cared for more than 1,086 individuals and their families. To commemorate the fifth anniversary of these valuable services, family members and staff gathered in the Formal Gardens in Elizabethtown for music, light refreshments and to share what hospice services have meant to them.

Hospice staff (back row, l-r): Timothy Nickel, hospice chaplain; Danielle Berardi, hospice sales associate; Maureen Dolk-Metcalfe, director of hospice services; Helen Heidelbaugh, hospice bereavement coordinator; Josie Schies, hospice volunteer coordinator; and Brenda Brandt, hospice assistant. Front row, l-r: Kristin Thomas, hospice social worker; Janice Wilt, RN case manager; Jasmine Maloney, hospice social worker; Valli Williams, hospice social worker; Amber Leed, nursing supervisor/RN; and Ashley Watts, RN case manager.

Hospice volunteers Robert Gillespie, Marianna Gillespie and Donald Morgan.
The Dangers of Melanoma

On July 11, the Elizabethtown Area High School Key Club organized a March for Melanoma at the Masonic Village at Elizabethtown. Dozens of people gathered for a 5K run/walk and to show their support for a disease which results in the death of one person every hour, according to the American Cancer Society. The event raised money for the Melanoma Research Foundation.

According to www.skincancer.org, one in five Americans develop skin cancer in their lifetime. In the last three decades, more people have been diagnosed with skin cancer than all other cancers combined. Melanoma is the most dangerous form of skin cancer, the result of cancer cells attacking melanocyte cells. Melanocytes make melanin, which gives skin its natural pigmentation. Melanoma is most common in men over the age of 50 (more common than colon, prostate and lung cancer).

Detecting melanoma starts at home by checking yourself monthly for any changes to existing moles or the appearance of a new mole. The website www.cancer.gov advises to check for any moles that are asymmetric, have an irregular border, have uneven color, increase in size, or change in overall appearance over weeks or months. If you notice anything suspicious, contact a dermatologist.

If your dermatologist finds anything of concern, he or she may take a biopsy (removal of the unusual spot) to take a closer look. A pathology report will indicate if the spot is non-cancerous or melanoma. Your doctor will discuss any necessary additional steps.

Prevention

Nearly 90 percent of melanoma cases are preventable according to the Melanoma Research Foundation. Steps you can take include:

1. Avoid tanning beds.
2. Generously apply sunscreen to all exposed skin year-round, even on overcast days.
3. Wear long sleeves, pants, a wide-brimmed hat and sunglasses while outside for long periods.
4. Stay in the shade between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. when the sun’s rays are the strongest.
5. To replace the vitamin D you may need, ask your physician about taking a supplement.
6. Check with your physician about prescription medications and over-the-counter drugs that may increase your skin’s sensitivity to sunlight.

Risk Factors

If you meet at least five of the below criteria, you may be at a higher risk for developing melanoma, according to the Melanoma Research Foundation:

- Light skin, blonde or red hair and blue eyes provide less protection against damaging UV rays, although having dark skin, hair and eyes does not eliminate your risk.
- Tanning bed use before the age of 30 increases your risk of melanoma by 75 percent.
- Whether it’s from natural or artificial sources, UV exposure will increase your risk of getting melanoma.
- If one or more of your immediate family members has been diagnosed, your chance of a diagnosis increases.
- Just one blistering sunburn at a young age doubles your chances of a diagnosis.
- Individuals with more than 50 moles have an increased risk.
- A previous diagnosis increases your risk of a recurrence.
- Certain cancers and illnesses which weaken your immune system can place you at an increased risk.
- If you have been diagnosed with basal or squamous cell carcinoma in the past, you are at increased risk.
- Melanoma is most common in men age 50+ and is the most common type of cancer for young adults.

The threat of melanoma doesn’t mean you have to avoid going outside. Taking a few simple precautions and being vigilant about checking your skin can help you prevent a problem or detect it early. Encourage your loved ones to do the same.
Employee Wellness Earns Platinum Award

With healthy employees, anything is possible, especially in the eyes of the Lighten Up Lancaster Coalition, which encourages Lancaster County businesses to participate in “healthy competition” to measure and compare the wellness of their employees amongst other organizations.

This year, Masonic Village at Elizabethtown came out on top and was awarded the Lancaster Health Summit Platinum 2015 Well Workplace Award for excellence in creating successful workplace initiatives.

Masonic Village sponsored wellness initiatives include:
- Packaging wellness programs around the seven dimensions of wellness: emotional, environmental, intellectual, physical, social, spiritual and vocational
- Branding its wellness campaign with a mascot, Frogwell
- Creating the catchy slogan, “Balancing Your Routine in 2015,” to accompany wellness programs

“We want employees to feel valued, and that’s why we consider their wellness,” Stacy Schroder, director of wellness and prevention at Masonic Village at Elizabethtown, said. “Wellness brings meaning, purpose and happiness, all of which contributes to more productivity, energy and positive relationships.”

“Taking care of the wellness of our employees not only improves the quality of their lives, but equals better resident care,” Claudia Stephens, chief human resources officer, said.

Lancaster County businesses who participated in the competition were “graded” on national Center for Disease Control and Prevention topics such as employee nutrition levels, tobacco control, physical activity and stress management.

“Wellness to us means considering the whole employee, not just the one we see during work hours,” Cindy Phillips, executive director of Masonic Village at Elizabethtown, said.

“Our wellness initiatives have been supported both financially and emotionally through our senior level staff. Since I started here 17 years ago, I’ve been so proud and thankful for that,” Stacy said. “Everyone’s support and hard work has helped pave the path to making our Masonic community a Platinum Award winner.”

A Burst of Fitness

When doing reps of exercises, whether pushups or lifting weights, you may have learned to do three sets of 10-12. When it comes to walking or running, you may strive for a steady pace. While these methods will burn calories and increase your heart rate, professional trainers are now encouraging burst-interval training.

Burst-interval training requires doing a rapid set of exercises or increasing the speed on the treadmill, stationary bike or elliptical machine for 30 seconds to one minute, resting or slowing down for 30 seconds and then repeating.

“This intense, exhaustion-type of workout is big for weight loss and metabolism boosting,” Stacy Schroder, director of wellness and prevention at the Masonic Village at Elizabethtown, said. “It challenges people to do something until they’re fatigued. Three sets of 10 may be too easy, but doing two sets until you’re fatigued can have measurable benefits.”

For older adults who may be worried about losing muscle mass, this type of exercise can help build strength.

“Well into your 80s, you can increase strength,” Stacy said. “You can gain muscle back which helps with balance and fall prevention.”
Residents in Warminster wanted to celebrate with three pregnant staff by organizing a baby shower. Residents made favors and decorations and shared in cake and refreshments. Shown are (l-r): Sarah Clendaniel, evening supervisor; Cassidy Mitchell, administrative assistant; and Jennifer Prince, nursing supervisor/RN.

Residents in Sewickley, including Marjorie Reid and Joyce Miller (shown below), enjoyed Mother’s Day with their family and friends during a special tea and luncheon.

Organized by the Veterans Events Committee, a Meet and Greet brought veterans in Elizabethtown from across the campus together in the Masonic Health Care Center. After a program featuring a color guard, service songs and more, veterans shared stories with one another.

Residents of the Bleiler Caring Cottage in Elizabethtown sent a “human greeting card” to congratulate Missy Kilmer, residential cottage program manager, and her husband, Nelson, maintenance manager, on the birth of their grandson.

Dallas residents attended a baseball game with the Scranton/Wilkes Barre RailRiders, a local Triple-A affiliate of the New York Yankees.

To celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary, Lafayette Hill residents Chris and Joan Reynolds’ children made them sweatshirts to show off during a family vacation.

Job’s Daughter Bethel No. 15 served up strawberries and ice cream to residents in Elizabethtown, including Dave Thomas (above right), while they enjoyed a summer concert.

Led by Megan Zulauf, music therapist, the Jolly Ringers, a group of residents and volunteers in Sewickley who play chimes and sing, recently performed “Take Me Out to the Ball Game.” Check out the video at www.MasonicVillages.org by selecting the YouTube icon on the top left.
On May 18, State Senator Ryan Aument (second from right) visited Elizabethtown. He met with Cindy Phillips, executive director, and residents, including Ray Simpson, to discuss issues facing aging adults.

The Master Masons Picnic brings residents in Sewickley together for good food, fun games and great company. Shown above, Charles and Johanna Fuellgraf.

Patti Kostas cuddles with Warminster’s newest family member, Gizmo the bunny.

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On May 29, the Masonic Village Farm Market hosted a grand opening for the Orchard View Café, including a ribbon cutting with Tad Kuntz, orchard supervisor; Elizabethtown Mayor Chuck Mummet; and Cindy Phillips, executive director.

District Deputy Grand Master of the 37th District and resident William Moisey handed out 50 and 60-year Masonic service emblems to residents in Sewickley. (L-R): William Moisey, Ed Turnbull, William Nelson, Harvey Stone, Ernest Stanger and E. Ross Reynolds. Not shown are recipients Harold Honath and Norman Clark.


For the seventh year, Masonic Village presented $15,000 to the Elizabethtown Area Educational Foundation for its educational classroom grant program which awards funds to Elizabethtown Area School District teachers for creative and innovative programs.

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Elizabethtown recently held its annual Personal Care Picnic for residents. Participants had a blast with face-painting, carnival games, a clown making balloon animals and hats, and a photo booth with crazy props!
When recalling their childhood, residents of the Masonic Village at Elizabethtown can remember finding, chasing and catching monarch butterflies, the iconic orange-and-black symbols of the beautiful outdoors. But will today’s children be able to say the same?

Unfortunately, according to the Monarch Joint Venture, a partnership of federal and state agencies, organizations and academic programs who work together to protect monarch migration, the butterfly population has dramatically declined in the past two decades.

Each spring, adult monarchs arrive in northern and eastern states shortly after milkweed plants first appear in the area. In the summer, those monarchs mate, lay eggs and die. Their eggs will then start the cycle over again and grow into adults by summer’s end. The monarchs are unable to stay in colder climates for the winter and end up migrating to warmer parts of the world.

Thanks to a newly planted monarch butterfly garden at Masonic Village, brightly colored monarch butterflies will soon accompany the various wildlife that inhabit the Conoy Creek, which runs along the outskirts of campus.

Several residents initiated the project, including Ray Horn (shown left), Jim Tarman (show below) and Carol Wolford (on cover), who were interested in both supporting the life cycle of the butterfly species and enriching Masonic Village’s campus.

“We’re continuing the Masonic Village tradition of supporting the environment,” Ray said. “We all have to do our part.”

In 2008, Masonic Village at Elizabethtown took part in restoring parts of the Conoy Creek. The project removed centuries of nutrient-laden sediments and restored 3,200 feet of the creek’s floodplain.

“I think this garden is a great idea, and it couldn’t be in a better location,” Carol said. “Down by the creek is a nice place to rest and feel close to nature.”

“An overwhelming percentage of the monarch butterflies are gone, which is why it’s important that we do something,” Jim said.

While enjoying background music provided by bullfrogs, crickets and various birds, the residents and the Landscape Department teamed up to plant rose milkweed, common milkweed, butterfly milkweed, joe-pye milkweed and red cardinal flowers. These will help attract monarchs and other types of butterflies and give them a place to lay eggs and feed both themselves and their caterpillar offspring. The various plants will also attract hummingbirds and swamp sparrows.

“I want to thank the residents for their participation. This is a very humble beginning, but we hope the garden gains interest and grows even larger,” Scott Ruth, director of land management at Masonic Village at Elizabethtown, said. “We hope this will lead to further discussions and installations across campus this fall and in future years to bring the pretty orange-winged beauties back to our grounds.”

With the continued collaboration of residents, the Landscape Department, community volunteers and local garden suppliers, additional butterfly gardens will be sprouting up and attracting more wildlife to the secluded areas on campus.

“When my grandkids come to visit they love to play outside,” Ray said. “They will be excited to see the new wildlife, especially the monarch butterflies.”
Trusting others to care for loved ones who may need support throughout the day can be a difficult task, but Masonic Village at Elizabethtown’s Adult Daily Living Center (ADLC) makes it a little less daunting.

For almost 20 years, the ADLC has been relieving caregivers from their stresses and demands by providing top quality care to individuals who may have difficulty structuring their own daily activities or can’t be left safely at home due to physical, social or cognitive impairments. Some of these impairments may include Alzheimer’s disease, dementia, stroke, brain injury and intellectual and developmental disabilities.

On Aug. 14, 1995, the ADLC opened its doors for the first time with two enrolled participants and one mission in mind. Now, with over 40 enrolled participants and up to seven staff members, its mission has continued.

“We want our participants to be comfortable, forget any disabilities they may have and feel like they’re having fun, not being cared for,” Vickie Brown, program director, said. “We also want everyone to have a successful day. Success and how to achieve it varies for each participant, but we’re committed to working with each person and his or her unique situation.”

The ADLC can serve as a cost-effective alternative to home care and works to develop a care plan for each participant based on his or her specific needs. It also allows caregivers time to regroup, maintain a job and complete daily errands.

“Rather than sitting in the house, my mom can enjoy lots of activities and companionship,” Ken Knier, of Elizabethtown, said. “I see a big difference when she returns home. She is more alert, and it gives me peace of mind knowing she’s safe during the day.”

For participants, a day at the ADLC may involve engaging in physically and mentally stimulating games, cognition groups, creative arts, community outings and exercise classes, under the supervision of licensed nurses and qualified staff including activity coordinators, program aids and specialists.

Participants enjoy these activities, trips and companionship all while returning to the comfort of their home in the evening. They also have access to on-campus services such as rehabilitation, dental, podiatry, bathing assistance and a salon.

“When we involve our participants in activities, sometimes they don’t even realize they’re exercising and sharpening their cognitive abilities,” Vickie said. “We also help our participants with community skills building. We want to help build their confidence.”

In 1995, Vickie started as the program’s licensed practical nurse, and in 2004, she took on the role of program director, which she now balances along with providing nursing care when needed. She’s not the only one who wears several hats to ensure the program’s success.

“We’re all experienced and can provide various types of care whenever it’s needed,” Vickie said.

To meet the caring staff, tour the facility and have your questions answered about the services offered at Masonic Village’s ADLC, visit the Open House on Aug. 14, from 3 to 6 p.m. If you are unable to attend the Open House and would like additional information, please call 717-361-5353, email adlc@masonicvillages.org or visit www.masonicvillages.org/adult-daily-living-center.

Staff shown in photo (l-r): Sherry Brubaker, program aide; Scott Cranston, activity coordinator; Vickie Brown, program director; Kerstin Edmonds, program aide; Kathleen Morgantini, program aide; and Linda Moser, program aide.
The Masonic Villages of Pennsylvania are known for their amazing physical structures – impressive, sturdy monuments to the strength of the Masonic fraternity and its dedication to serving those in need – as well as providing a wonderful place to retire. Photographs of our facilities don’t do them justice, for to really appreciate them, you must see them in person. Those who have never had the opportunity to visit all our Masonic Villages can now experience our campuses virtually, through our websites and social media.

New Website

Over a four-month period, the public relations department recently rebuilt Masonic Villages’ website, www.masonicvillages.org.

With the oversight and assistance of Rich Johnson, creative director, I first took a hard look at the previous website to determine what needed to be included in the new site and mapped out the navigation and where each piece of information would be located. By the end of this process, I managed to reduce the site from 275 pages to less than 50, making sure no piece of information, anywhere on the site, was more than two clicks away from the home page.

Lindsey Ford, graphic designer, figured out how the menus would look, which photos to present and what fonts to use to convey information.

Every word on every page of the website was reviewed by two editors, Tina Raybold, corporate director of public relations for Masonic Villages and Ashlar Creative Solutions, and Debra Davis, public relations manager, who double-checked grammar, language, spelling and content.

I strengthened security software and enhanced the site to assist individuals with disabilities in viewing it. Once all the pieces were in place, I launched the site. Everything worked just as expected, and some constructive criticism helped to make the site even better.

The next step is to maintain a stream of fresh content in the form of blog articles. I am reaching out to all locations and departments, asking them to contribute. Whether it is the latest trends in food service, how music therapy helps our residents or updates from the executive team, the blog will play host to all sorts of interesting content. This article originally appeared on the blog, which can be found under The Latest News headline on the home page of www.masonicvillages.org.

Social Media

According to a Jan. 9, 2015, Pew Media Report, 71 percent of American adults use Facebook. Women tend to use social media more than men, and women over age 50 are registering for Facebook at a faster rate than nearly any other age demographic. For Masonic Villages, this is a great opportunity to reach out and engage people in what the organization offers related to five demographics:

1. Current Residents – Social media provides a great way to send messages to residents about programs and happenings on our campuses.
2. Potential Residents – Showing all of the amenities the Masonic Villages have to offer provides an opportunity to interact with potential residents and give them a taste of what life is like at our communities.
3. Families – While staff often hear from potential residents, they are also likely to hear from the children of potential residents who are looking for information. Family members of current residents enjoy seeing their loved ones featured in posts and articles.
4. Community Supporters – Masonic Villages’ campuses are not islands. They are integral parts of the communities they serve. They play host to local events and act as gathering places for local individuals and groups. They are places of employment, volunteerism, education and entertainment.
5. Employees and Potential Employees – Finding and retaining excellent and talented employees is a challenge for any organization. Meeting employees online provides the opportunity to highlight their successes and share them with everyone. It also helps potential candidates get a sense for the culture of Masonic Villages’ communities.

Each piece of content published usually fits into one of these categories. Reaching out to and engaging with a variety of people creates a better understanding of Masonic Villages’ Mission of Love. With the increased use of social media by older adults, we can continue to offer exciting and intelligent content that shares what makes Masonic Villages unique, our values and the charitable work we do.

Be sure to check www.masonicvillages.org often and find us on Facebook and Pinterest to see what’s new at Masonic Villages!
Across the state, Masonic Villages’ campuses vary in acreage, population, demographics, types of services offered and local surroundings. One thing remains constant though: a culture of caring for and encouraging people.

Culture, as defined by Merriam-Webster, is
• the beliefs, customs, arts, etc., of a particular society, group, place or time
• a particular society that has its own beliefs, ways of life, art, etc.
• a way of thinking, behaving or working that exists in a place or organization (such as a business)

Culture is a popular topic of conversation, evident by the fact that it is currently in the top 1 percent of lookups and is the 6th most popular word on Merriam-Webster.com. An organization may define its culture through a mission statement or a set of values, but it is the actions and feelings of those who are part of the organization that truly define it.

Cultural Influences & Inspiration

The culture of Masonic Villages is the merging of the influences of hundreds of residents and their families, staff, board members, donors, volunteers and members of Masonic organizations, as well as external sources. It is also directly affected by a commitment to the Eden Alternative® philosophy which emphasizes person-centered care and eliminating feelings of loneliness, boredom and helplessness. Care is based less on a medical model and more on individual needs.

Masonic Village at Elizabethtown became Eden Alternative® certified in 1999, followed by Warminster in 2001, Lafayette Hill in 2009 and Sewickley in 2010. (Masonic Village at Dallas isn’t Eden Alternative® certified because it does not offer nursing and personal care services on site.)

“Masonic Village was always focused on resident care, but before Eden Alternative®, there was a certain ‘hominess’ missing,” Lori Seiders, corporate director organization development and training, said. “Before, certain things were done by some staff, but not all staff. Now, everyone goes the extra mile for residents. We see the appreciation by residents for what staff do.”

Eric Gross, executive director of the Masonic Village at Sewickley, started employment with the organization in 2009.

“The culture at Masonic Village at Sewickley is a culture that first and foremost values people,” he said. “Included are our residents, staff and family members. It is a culture of charity modeled by the members of the fraternity who live at Masonic Village. It is a culture that puts people ahead of profits. And finally, it is a culture of excellence and continuous improvement where we are always looking to get better.

“Culture influences everything we do on a daily basis. It affects the kind of people we hire, the way we treat one another, how we prioritize our work, how we spend money, the programs and services we provide, how we spend our time and much more.”

Cindy Phillips, executive director of the Masonic Village
at Elizabethtown, worked with staff for several years as a consultant prior to joining the organization as executive director. She knew it was a culture to which she wanted to contribute.

“I would describe the primary culture as one of service, whether that be to residents, families or fellow staff,” she said. “We tend to think of each other as part of a family in many ways and do our best to support each other in times of need. Staff is very good at advocating for residents, and that is their job. Additionally, we have a ‘heroic’ culture. In crisis or during difficult obstacles, we tend to jump in and do big things to resolve the issue, no matter how hard.”

“When you work with an organization that is dedicated to its mission of care and services, you know the expectation is to meet or exceed the needs of those you serve,” Adrienne Staudenmayer, executive director of Masonic Village at Lafayette Hill, who has been with the organization since 1998, said. “It is an amazing feeling to be able to say ‘yes’ to requests and to know that you might have changed someone’s life by being able to do something for or with them that they couldn’t have done on their own.”

“Our first impression was like, wow, they know the residents by ‘Hi, Doris or Hi, Ann.’ Not a ‘who are you?’ kind of attitude,” Carol Stambaugh, family member of Masonic Village at Warminster resident Ann Burry, said. “They make you feel comfortable. That’s very important from day one. … Staff are caring. If they see somebody who needs something, they’re all right there to be of assistance and never ‘that’s not my job.’”

L.F. McArthur, a resident of the Masonic Village at Elizabethtown, cared for his wife for many years as she progressed through Alzheimer’s disease. When he became unable to provide for her needs on his own, he moved her into care facilities in Delaware and later Maryland and soon became appalled by the poor services, management and care in those facilities.

“He filled his home with six workbenches and tools for crafts and repairs including: antique clocks and musical boxes; and models, ceramics and sculptures. Kitchen cabinets have more tools than food. He considers himself more of a craft person than a social person, but he’s still made countless friends through shared interests.

“The bonding between people happens so fast,” he said, “and not because most have Masonic membership. If you’re here, people look for opportunities to help even when it’s not obvious. It’s unique. Ordinary neighborhoods are not like this. The minute you move in, you’re part of it. People make you feel part of it. Everyone is a potential friend.”

Environment & Community

Each of Masonic Villages’ campuses is designed with the comfort and well-being of residents in mind. All of the Masonic Villages’ nursing and personal care accommodations are designed as neighborhoods where small groups of residents sleep, eat, socialize and receive care.

“The porches are great for providing residents with a safe way to be outdoors,” Ann Beck, recreation director, said of the new Sturgeon Health Care Center in Sewickley. “We have been enjoying activities on the porches, and family members love to sit and visit there.”

“It’s a beautiful new environment and a pleasant place to be,” Jo Hart, nurse manager, said of the newly renovated
Masonic Health Care Center in Elizabethtown. “Residents love the fireplace and the knickknacks. The decorative touches make it so much more home-like.”

Masonic Villages has worked with RLPS Architects for more than 17 years on architectural, interior design and master planning initiatives.

“The staff members at Masonic Village are extremely knowledgeable and dedicated,” Michael Martin, managing partner, RLPS Architects, said. “Their passion reflects an unwavering commitment to support the organization’s mission to serve its residents and the surrounding community.”

Masonic Villages believes in being a good neighbor by supporting those in the community through Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) agreements which benefit local school districts, counties, townships and boroughs. Masonic Villages also offers an outreach program, internship and volunteer opportunities, financial donations, free use of space, advocacy leadership and much more.

“Masonic Villages cares about all people, not just our residents and staff, but the families of both and the outside community as well – whether they are Masons or not,” Adrienne said. “When a resident or staff member or someone in the outside community has a request, the thought is always about how we can help them. For example, our local high school has a LifeSkills program where special needs children are taught skills to prepare them for the future. Masonic Village is proud to assist these students in paving a future for themselves.”

Care

Providing for a person’s needs is an essential part of quality of life, whether their needs are medical, physical, social, spiritual or intellectual. For older adults who may be experiencing changes in any or all of these areas, staff strive to engage them in recreational opportunities new and old and allow them the chance to give care whenever possible, as well as receive it.

Robert Carwithen, a resident of the Masonic Village at Lafayette Hill, recently experienced a full scope of care when he fractured his hip. After returning from the hospital, he received nursing care and rehabilitation at Masonic Village. He eventually returned to his retirement living apartment.

“All of the things I experienced with the care and loving graciousness of staff – in nursing and therapy, in the administrative office and the wellness center – the whole culture of that for me has been a positive experience. I’m grateful for the opportunities that this place has. Staff are knowledgeable, caring and persistent.

“To have a place where we’re all gathered to be cared for until the Lord calls us – the culture here allows me that privilege. I could think of nothing better than what we’re presented here. This is one of the few organizations that does not put you on the curb when you’re down to your last penny. Does that not define a culture of love? This place takes care of its family.”

In Elizabethtown, therapeutic recreation staff from several neighborhoods in the Masonic Health Care Center recently purchased butterfly pavilions and a dozen Painted Lady caterpillars. Residents and staff watched as the caterpillars climbed to the lid of a cup, hung upside down in the shape of a “J” and formed into a chrysalis. A week or so later, they transformed into beautiful butterflies which were released into a courtyard. Residents helped feed the butterflies homemade nectar water and gave them fresh orange slices and flowers while they waited to be released.

Staff may also connect residents with volunteer opportunities reminiscent of a past career or experience, such as spending time with children, helping in the library or assisting with administrative tasks. Some opportunities allow the resident to use a skill they’ve developed, such as acting as tour guides or quilting and knitting blankets for charity.

Teachers and students from Plymouth Whitemarsh High School’s LifeSkills program with Adrienne Staudenmayer, executive director, Masonic Village at Lafayette Hill

Elizabethtown resident William Barnett with one of the butterflies he helped care for
Masonic Villages employs more than 2,200 individuals across the state.

“In order to achieve and maintain the culture we desire, it has to be the focus of the entire team,” Eric said. “We look for ways to reinforce the behaviors that help produce the desired culture. This can be through one-on-one affirmation, the sharing of letters from residents and families during employee meetings and through ‘Mission Minutes’ shared each week in director meetings.”

“I believe it’s my job to serve the staff and make it easier for them to do their jobs, whether that is providing information, prioritization, tools, resources, etc., so they can do what they do best,” Cindy said. “Because the staff is overall focused on residents and caring for them, if I assure they have the right resources, it will all work. When things break down, we often find a way to get things done anyway, but I want it to be easier and less stressful than that!

Orientation to Our Culture

“Eden Alternative® isn’t just about residents,” Lori said. “Employees play a huge role in residents’ lives. They need to understand what Eden is about. Everyone on campus has to be an advocate for our residents.”

“Our ‘caring/Eden’ culture is a work in progress,” Cindy said. “It’s something we have to work at every day. We aren’t perfect, but our goal and mindset is to get it right and we work at that everyday.”

Lori, along with a committee of staff, developed a course for new employees to help them understand Masonic Villages’ philosophy in resident care and overall customer service. The course is mandatory for all new staff at the Masonic Village at Elizabethtown, whether they work in a department which directly provides resident care, manages the campus’ landscape or prepares meals.

The course includes exercises to help staff relate to the many feelings someone moving into a long-term care community may experience, such as a loss of self. For example, a person may have had to give up a pet or favorite hobby like cooking before moving into the Masonic Health Care Center. Staff also learn to avoid jargon, medical terms or insensitive language.

“Often staff don’t realize the losses residents go through until they experience it in the class,” Lori said. “It makes them question how they could do their job differently.”

One of the activities which resonates with many staff is the visit to the memorial garden at Sell Chapel where plaques list names and dates of birth and death. Staff are encouraged to think about what the dash between those dates means. It signifies someone’s lifetime – all that they achieved and all whom they loved. A follow-up activity connects each staff member with a resident whom they can ask about their life experiences.

“The culture here at Masonic Village is very friendly and welcoming. This makes it easier to assimilate to my new role here in the Masonic Health Care Center and gives all new hires an example of the level of service that we provide each and every day,” Austin Scully, housekeeping supervisor, said. “I felt that the class illustrated how the culture here was formed, where it is now and where we will need to drive in the future to deliver quality service levels to our residents on a daily basis.”

Staff embrace Eden Alternative® philosophies across the state and incorporate them into various programs and training.

An organization’s culture is transformative as it adapts to changes in trends, technology, philosophy, regulations and customer expectations. One thing that will never change about Masonic Villages’ culture is the desire to serve others in need and empower employees to do their best.
Youth Appreciation Day 2015

Dressed to impress, 38 youth paraded across the stage on May 28 as they were recognized for their many accomplishments – scholastic, athletic, artistic, vocational, spiritual and volunteerism.

The three graduating seniors, Jamir, Jesse and Tianee, prepared to say “goodbye” to their friends and houseparents.

All are the benefactors of generous donors, many of whom attended the event, who believe in these children and invest in their future success. Masonic Villages board member Thomas Toscani called these donors “unsung heroes.”

The youth also received awards handed out with the assistance of R.W. Grand Master Robert J. Bateman, children’s home alumnus and Rev. A. Preston Van Deursen and donors Bob and Joyce Umbaugh. Preston presented each of the graduating seniors with a Kindle e-book and $10 to purchase the book, “The Orphan Train,” which he felt they might identify with since he had recently read it himself.

The three seniors presented a poem, picture and flowers to show their appreciation to Bill and Dorothy Stout, alumni who have been very active within the alumni association by assisting with newsletters, tours and the advisory committee since they returned to Masonic Village as senior residents in 2005.

The highlight of the day is always hearing final thoughts from the graduating seniors.

Jamir came to the children’s home five years ago, and since then, he has learned the importance of being true to himself.

“I finally shed the fear of being myself,” Jamir said. “The last few years have been more exciting than I could have imagined, and I am grateful for the chance to break the cycle and go on to better myself.”

Jamir will attend Shippensburg University in the fall to pursue a Bachelor of Arts degree in international studies and is looking forward to one day helping others who may need encouragement completing their own life goals.

“Jamir is very mature, creative and a motivated thinker with a great deal of self-confidence, initiative and independence. His work habits have become excellent, and he freely expresses his ideas,” Jamir’s chemistry teacher, Scott Baylor, said. “I believe that Jamir is an excellent leader and will succeed in whatever he decides to do in the future. He is the type of student that demonstrates the hope and brilliance of his generation.”

Along with completing his school work and preparing for his college career, Jamir has held a part-time job at GIANT food store throughout his high school years.

“Every day I thank the children’s home because they took the shackles off and gave me a better opportunity to succeed,” he said.

Jesse has been accepted to Penn State Harrisburg and will begin earning a Bachelor of Arts degree in humanities and the social sciences. With the degree, he hopes to become a police officer, a career he has wanted to pursue since moving to the children’s home three years ago. Jesse is also a recipient of the Penn State Harrisburg Scholarship based on his outstanding academic record.

“I will be able to become something that I’m proud of, something that my loved ones can be proud of,” Jesse said. “Moving to the children’s home is the greatest thing that has ever happened to me.”

Jesse is a member of the National Society of High School Scholars and has been enrolled in several advanced placement history classes.

“Jesse is full of potential and is willing to challenge himself to reach excellence both academically and personally,” Jesse’s math teacher, Michael Booth, said. “He is a person you want to be around and have in your life. He
As the sun peeked out behind the clouds on April 26 and shined down on Citizens Bank Park, 20 children from the Masonic Children’s Home sang “Take Me Out to the Ball Game” and cheered on the Philadelphia Phillies as they beat out the Atlanta Braves 5 to 4.

At 9 a.m., the youth, children’s home staff, R.W. Grand Master Robert Bateman and Tom Toscani, Masonic Villages board member and children’s home liaison, boarded a bus and headed to the city for the 1:30 p.m. game.

“The kids loved the ‘party bus’ as they called it,” Virginia Migrala, director of children’s services, said. “They enjoyed the comfy seats and getting to watch movies on the way there and back.”

Larry Christenson, retired Phillies starting pitcher, Mason and Masonic Children’s Home donor, organized the event and accompanied the youth as they enjoyed the game from the Hall of Fame Club section paired with an abundance of baseball fare. He also shared his 1980 World Series Ring with them!

The game celebrated the 37th birthday of the Phillie Phanatic, who made his debut on April 25, 1978, when the Phillies played the Chicago Cubs.

For the celebration, some mascots from local sports teams, including the Philadelphia Eagles’ Swoop, came to join the party. Even the Phanatic’s mother, Phoebe, and girlfriend, Phillis, were in attendance. The fun continued when Phillis visited the skybox, hugged the kids and helped them cheer.

“For some of the children, this was their first time at a Major League Baseball game, so this was truly a special time.” Virginia said.

This trip of a lifetime was generously sponsored by supporters of the children’s home.
Many people live in their principal home for years. Often, they eventually face the decision of what to do with their pride and joy as they grow older. Selling their home and moving to the Masonic Villages is one alternative, or they could live out their lives at home and leave the house to their family. There are also other alternatives to consider.

The tax code provides several incentives to consider when deciding what to do with your home (or any other piece of real estate you own) when you reach your golden years. Let’s consider a couple, Bob and Sue, who have lived in a beautiful 4-bedroom home in Bucks County for most of their married life. They commuted to work each day for 40 years and raised two fine children who have moved on to their own homes. Now, as they reach their retirement years, they must consider what to do with the homestead where they have many fine memories.

Bob and Sue call their trusted advisor at the Masonic Villages’ Office of Gift Planning to see what alternatives are available. To their surprise, the advisor has several intriguing suggestions. Let’s take a look at their options:
First Option

The advisor suggests that if they want to spend their remaining years in the house that is close to them, they could give the house to the Masonic Villages and retain the right to live in the house until they either need to leave or pass away. They would be responsible for the general maintenance of the house, and Masonic Villages would be responsible for the often expensive capital costs such as replacing the roof. In the year they give the home to Masonic Villages, they would receive a tax deduction equal to the future value of the home that goes to the Masonic Villages when they leave. Bob, who does not want to leave his home, likes this proposal, but Sue, who would like to move to the Masonic Villages, wants to hear about other alternatives.

Second Option

The advisor suggests if they want to finally move out of their home and take up residence somewhere else (like a Masonic Village), they could outright give the home to the Masonic Villages and receive a tax deduction for the appraised value of the home in the year it is given away. Sue likes this idea since she is ready to move, and the tax deduction would be a nice offset against her yearly income. It also frees them from the hassle of trying to sell the home. Bob, however, says that it might be better to give their vacation home in Cape May, New Jersey, to Masonic Villages instead because they hardly use it anymore, and they would avoid thousands of dollars in capital gains taxes from the sale of the property. The advisor offers to do the analysis for Bob and Sue to determine which property would provide the greatest tax deduction and savings from taxes if transferred to the Masonic Villages.

Third Option

Sue expresses to the advisor that she was worried about having enough income to pay for the monthly fees if they move to Masonic Villages. The advisor explains that they could transfer their home to a charitable remainder trust and receive income payments for the remainder of both their lives. Bob comments that their home was worth about $300,000. The advisor said that if they transfer the home to the trust, they could receive about $15,000 to $18,000 a year after it is sold by the trust and receive a nice tax deduction to boot. Upon the passing of the surviving spouse, any money left in the trust would go to the Masonic Villages. They could even transfer the vacation home in Cape May to the trust at another time and earn additional income for life, avoid taxes and receive an additional tax deduction. The advisor said Masonic Villages would take care of all the paperwork for them. Sue really likes this idea — get rid of their home and get paid from the sale proceeds for life — a real win-win situation.

The advisor then prepared a summary report for Sue and Bob to assist them in deciding which of the three options best fit their goals for the use or disposal of their home. Or, they could do nothing, and the house will ultimately pass to the kids. In the end, our fictional couple decided to go with the charitable remainder trust by moving to the Masonic Villages and transferring their home to the trust for a tidy income for life. Several years later, after they stopped going to the shore each summer, they transferred the Cape May property to the trust in return for a greater income for life.

If you own a home or other piece of real estate (even raw land or a commercial property) that you are considering selling or giving to the Masonic Villages when its no longer in use, please contact the Office of Gift Planning at 800-599-6454 for a free consultation from one of our expert Gift Planning officers. Or complete the enclosed business reply envelope and return it to the Office of Gift Planning. You may be pleasantly surprised what the Masonic Villages can do for you and your property.

Disclaimer: Not all properties will be accepted by the Masonic Villages. The Masonic Villages reserves the right to reject any property it believes, at its sole discretion, after due diligence, would not be in the best interest of the Masonic Villages to accept. Factors may include, but not be limited to, the unsuitability of the property to be sold or the value of the property being insufficient to warrant accepting.
Masonic Villages’ Resident Associations are responsible for collecting ideas, working with Masonic Villages’ staff and sharing information with all residents. Making up various committees, ranging from executive to food to activities, residents volunteer their time to serve in leadership capacities and make sure all residents’ voices are heard.

At the Masonic Village at Elizabethtown, the Retirement Living Resident Association also takes on the responsibility of distributing funds to various charitable endeavors. Last year, this included more than $7,000 in donations. Dues for the association are $5 per year per resident, which is voluntary, except for the executive committee who is required to pay dues.

Recipients of the association’s charity in 2014 included the Bleiler Caring Cottage for resident vacations, Pastor Van Deursen Honorary Scholarship Fund, Masonic Tree of Life Fund, Masonic Children’s Home Endowment Fund, Cord-Mate necklaces (with wireless help buttons) in the Masonic Health Care Center, a laptop computer for the Grand Lodge Library, equipment for the Music Therapy Department (see residents using it above) and the Veterans Grove. The group has also supported the Children’s Dyslexia Centers of Lancaster and Reading in the past.

The laptop computer is already proving to be a great benefit to campus libraries. Volunteers have been using it to create a central ONlineCATalog (ONCAT) of books, CDs, etc. for residents. Currently, it includes 95 percent of materials from the Grand Lodge Hall (GLH) Library, and volunteers will add materials from the other two libraries on campus – a task made easier thanks to the portability of the laptop. The database will be searchable from all three libraries, not only by volunteers, but by residents who want to learn how to search on their own.

“One thing I’ve learned since being on board in the GLH Library is many people who didn’t take time to read before retirement, find they’re reading now!” Jane Beach, librarian, said. “Although they might have a Kindle, etc., they still find that either what they want is not available electronically, or sometimes, they just like the feel of a book in their hands.”

In addition to membership dues, money is collected through the Greeting Card Project prior to the winter holiday season. Rather than each resident sending multiple cards to multiple people on campus, they can choose to have their name listed in one card, a copy of which is sent to all residents. People also have the option of donating money, including what they saved by not having to buy holiday greeting cards. This money is used to purchase one card for every resident, and the remainder is distributed to charities.

A committee, led last year by resident Ray Betz, chooses which charities to distribute the money to, and the association’s executive committee approves the plan. Then the general association membership votes on the final decision.

At each monthly meeting, the association collects voluntary donations for the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania’s Change for the Troops program and recently hosted one of the program’s baby showers. In addition, they collect funds to sponsor two high-school aged youth from the Masonic Children’s Home to attend the National Sojourners’ Youth Leadership Conference each summer. The program gives an opportunity for the youth to discuss current issues facing the United States from a historical and political perspective. The association also coordinates the Employee Appreciation Gift Fund, which raises tens of thousands of dollars every year to purchase gift cards to a local grocery store for each employee on campus.

“We’re charitable people and want to help others in need here on campus and show our appreciation to our employees for their efforts on our behalf,” Ray said. “We feel fortunate to be able to give back as much as we can.”
Below is a list of individuals (names are shown in red) whose loved ones have made a gift in their memory to one of the five Masonic Villages located at Dallas, Elizabethtown, Lafayette Hill, Sewickley or Warminster. Great care has been taken to ensure the accuracy and thoroughness of the names listed below. We regret any errors or omissions. If an error has been made, contact the Office of Gift Planning at 800-599-6454; 717-367-1121, ext. 33003; or by emailing giving@masonicvillages.org. Thank you.

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Lois R. Reynolds
William H. Adams
Richard and Dolores Adams
Thomas M. Alban
Mary E. Alban
Mr. and Mrs. Norman Alban
Betty Bannon
Mr. and Mrs. Mike Bannon
Judy Bixler
Mr. and Mrs. James Bunty
Donna Rutters
Peggy Stuffle
Ruth Sterner
Dorothy Tawney
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Evelyn W. Angle
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Carroll S. Arnold
Lois M. Axsom
Charles and Carol Curry
Paul H. Baer
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**Summer 2015**
Below is a list of individuals (names are shown in red) whose loved ones have made a gift in their honor to one of the five Masonic Villages located at Dallas, Elizabethtown, Lafayette Hill, Sewickley or Warminster. Great care has been taken to ensure the accuracy and thoroughness of the names listed below. We regret any errors or omissions. If an error has been made, please contact the Office of Gift Planning at 800-599-6454; 717-367-1121, ext. 33003; or by emailing giving@masonicvillages.org.

Thank you.

Robert J. Bateman, RWGM
Edward and Dolores Peterson
Alma F. Casaro
Dennis and Deborah Bonanno
Verizon Foundation
Chester A. Derk, Sr.
Chester A. and Barbara Derk, Jr.
Mary S. Frey
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Joseph Goff
James and Jane Goff
Margaret Guiliams
Ralph Barisci

Agnes Haggarty
Bryan and Eileen Hill
Karen L. Hammond
William and Marlene Moisey
Janet Hartman
Max and Barbara Moyer
Jeanie Hummer
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Ben and Polly Levinson
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Michael J. Mandarino
Our 69th Wedding Anniversary
John and Elizabeth Crilley
Outpatient Services Staff
Donna N. Hershey

Personal Care Department Staff
Donna N. Hershey
William M. and Gilda B. Sayres
Wendy Riggall
Staff on Washington 4
Phyllis L. Dayton
William T. Staman
Paul and Peggy Leitzel
Swatara Lodge No. 267
Richard and Dolores Adams
Myrrah Trout
Ralph Barisci

Doree K. Williams
Donald and Carole Light
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Eileen E. Brostowicz
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Palestine-Roxborough Lodge No. 135
Walter L. Wolf
Michael and Marjorie Jenkins
William D. Worley
William and Diane Worley
Your Parents
Robert and Monika Jones
Rosa J. Yohe
Barbara E. Shields

Honorarium Gifts
February 1 - April 30, 2015
Below is a list of individuals (names are shown in red) whose loved ones have made a gift in their memory to Masonic Village Hospice Care which is offered at our Elizabethtown location.

James (Jim) H. Albert, Jr.  
  Bryan and Eileen Hill  
Mary Ellen (Pete) Brandt  
  Warren and Helen  
  Heidelbaugh  
Ann F. Brubaker  
  Harry and Doris  
  Longenecker  
Anna F. Brubaker  
  David and Colleen Weaver  
Christine Clay  
  Arthur and Dorothy Wert  
John H. Enterline  
  Tim and Becky Cosgrove  
Elizabeth K. Goodling  
  Vaughn and Deborah  
  Nissley  
Michael L. Grove  
  Warren and Helen  
  Heidelbaugh  
Mary Jane Hodgkins  
  George and Shirley Halbleib  
Mary Beth Humphreys  
  Paul and Sarah Atkins  
  Campanella Family  
Antoinette Cellini  
Mary Grace Cellini-Bush  
  F. Peter Conaty, Jr.  
Richard and Mary Ann  
  Duncan  
Neil P. Fitzpatrick  
Iras Humphreys  
  Pearl L. Jordan  
Paul Richards’ Family  
  Brian and Eileen Shiple  
  Dean and Valorie Stiles  
Nellie H. Kubala  
  Brian P. Condon  
Library System of Lancaster  
  County  
  John and Temmy Mahoney  
Mary H. Leisey  
  Alvin L. Leisey, Jr.  
Rachel (Rae) G. Lenker  
  Angie Intrieri  
  Judy Intrieri  
Suzanne K. Krizan  
Karen P. Lenker  
  Mike Lenker  
  Carol Mastosati  
Hayden P. Machamer  
  Nancy J. Dehner  
James W. Maiden  
  Noel L. Whiteside  
Raymond J. Meyers  
  Ervin Meyers Family –  
  Thelma, Karen and Jill  
Lorraine S. Moyer  
  Virginia M. Carvell  
  Troy and Kathy Kilkuskie  
Clifford E. Querry  
  Vincent Bresch  
Kenneth J. Samara  
  Mark and Jennifer Bradshaw  
  George and Susanna Breslin  
  Michael C. Eyster  
  Karen R. Feldman  
  Ronnie S. Fields  
  Maria R. Gerhard  
  Edward and Deborah  
  Madenford  
  Arthur and Eileen McNulty  
  Beatrice M. Meisel  
  North-Eastern Pennsylvania  
  Telephone Company  
Bruce and Sharon Peterson  
Evelyn D. Reese  
Brent Reid  
Joel and Robyn Schwartz  
Joseph and Lauren Spinelli  
  Kent and Rhonda Staver  
  Chet and Rita Stein  
  Edward and Mary Tourje  
Clarence Shuey  
  The Brownies (Brown  
  Building Residents)  
Beatrice Smith  
  The Brownies (Brown  
  Building Residents)  
John P. Smuck  
  John P. Smuck Family  
  Marjorie A. Yellets  
Mary Alice Sylvester  
  Stanley A. Reith  
Jane C. Wetzel  
  Leatrice A. Warner  
  William J. Wilbert  
  Jean C. Wilbert
Autumn Day 2015
Saturday, Sept. 19, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Join members and friends for Autumn Day at the Masonic Village at Elizabethtown. The event will feature entertainment, information, delicious food served from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., farm market stands, children's games, lots of Masonic family organization booths and much more. Autumn Day provides the perfect opportunity to visit with family members, reunite with friends and tour parts of the 1,400-acre campus.

Masonic Village is unable to provide wheelchairs, so please bring your own, if needed. Handicap parking is available; however, you must advise Masonic Village on the coupon to the left if handicap parking is needed, so a special parking pass can be forwarded to you in advance.

The Central Pennsylvania Blood Bank will be holding a blood drive to benefit Masonic Village residents on Autumn Day. Donations will be taken at the blood bank stand from 9 a.m. - 3:15 p.m. Anyone interested in donating blood should make an appointment by calling 800-771-0059 between 7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m., Monday - Friday. Please do not call Masonic Village for these appointments.

FOR HANDICAP AND BUS PARKING ONLY

Name___________________________________________
Lodge/Chapter No._________________________________
No. of Adults__________________ No. of Children_______
Address___________________________________________
City____________________ State________ Zip___________

□ Need Handicap Parking*    □ Charter Bus

Complete and return to:
Autumn Day, Masonic Village, One Masonic Drive, Elizabethtown, PA 17022

*Enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope with this coupon. A special parking permit will be sent to you, which must be presented upon arrival.