

# Chat & Happenings

January 2019

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## Jessica's Journal



Hello!

I hope everyone enjoyed his or her holidays. It was certainly busy around here. It was so nice to see many of your family members coming in and out.

I want to let you know we will have a new sign in/out system at the front desk. We will be using a small touch screen for your friends and family to sign in and out on. It will then print out a visitor's badge they will have to wear. This of course is for added security, as these badges are color coded with a date. This new system will also be the new way residents will sign in and out when leaving the building. It is very easy to use and the front desk staff will be available to help you.

We are still waiting for the township to approve the permits for the renovation. We have had a few construction meetings to make sure we are planning appropriately. The crew is just as eager to get started. I am hoping by the town hall date, I am able to give you the actual start date.

As you know, Beth Mallozzi retired as of December 31, 2018. Marcia Stanford will be starting as our Chaplain on January 7, 2019. I am very excited for Marcia and her new adventure with us. Many of you know her, as she has been a volunteer chaplain here for quite some time. Please be sure to give her a warm welcome when you see her.

Our resident council will also be changing over members. I want to give a special thanks to those who have served. We will be welcoming our new committee members the first meeting in January.

As always, it is a pleasure to serve you and my door is always open if you need anything.

Warmly,  
*Jessica*



### *NEW RESIDENTS*

We are pleased to welcome new residents to The Shores!

Please make these folks feel comfortable by  
inviting them to join you in our great activities.

**Valdi Bjork**

**Francis Giordano**

**Elsie DiNicola**

### *NEW ASSOCIATES*

Please extend a warm welcome to our new associates!

**Mary Becht, Community Life Assistant**

**Sara Draper, RN**

**Elizabeth Duarte, RN**

**Adam Ford, Housekeeper**

**Lisbeth Peter, Community Life Assistant**



## *Here's What Happened Last Month*

### *Hannukah Celebration ~ Christmas Carolers*



Staff and volunteers from Jewish Older Adult Services (JOAS) in Atlantic City brought a wonderful celebration of Hanukkah to The Shores. We remembered the Tree of Life Congregation in Pittsburgh with prayer. Residents sang and ate in Hanukkah's light of hope which is lifted up this season.



It was a tap dancing treat when students Chloe, Ally, Maura and Ciera from New Motion Dance Studio and Pro Dance Studio visited for the holidays. These talented teenagers enjoy singing as well as dancing!



Our friends G.O. Homeschoolers delighted residents with Christmas carols and homemade cards.

## *Here's What Happened Last Month*

### *2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Senior Space Holiday Vendor Fair*

There was something for everyone at the Holiday Vendor Fair this year! Christy's hot chocolate stand, Chef Art's hearty soup station and gift items from local vendors created a delicious and fun shopping event.





## *Here's What Happened Last Month*

### *Hamilton Township Community Band ~ Fun with Santa*



Town Hall was filled with holiday cheer during the Hamilton Township Community Band concert. Future band member, Mark, practices his skills on the drums.



Big smiles with Santa!



## *Here's What Happened Last Month*

Town Hall was filled with residents and staff enjoying Christmas day games, music and friendship. Rev. Beth, her family and volunteers prepared a special day for all in attendance!





## *December Birthday Luncheon*

*Birthday host Michele Musto and residents Susan and Nancy enjoyed celebrating their December birthdays together.*



Residents Larry and Shirley share a festive birthday lunch with Ruth, Richard and Joan.



Associate member, Keri, enjoyed announcing the lucky winners of the poinsettia centerpieces. She's pictured here with Mary, Shirley, Barbara, Joan and Janet.



*Best wishes to everyone who celebrated a December birthday!*



## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

We are pleased to welcome Rev. Marcia to our community!

Rev. Marcia Stanford has served as pastor of the Macedonia United Methodist Church in Ocean City since 2009. She has also served as a volunteer Chaplain at The Shores since November 2017. Prior to her appointment to Macedonia, Pastor Stanford served on three other ministerial staffs, her last being Asbury United Methodist Church in Woodlynne, New Jersey for eight years. She has also served as a Spiritual Director for Emmaus and Crysalis teams in the south Jersey area. While serving in ministry, Pastor Stanford also worked with Bayada Home Health Care in Pennsauken, NJ as a Recruiting Manager for nineteen years until October 2017. She is currently completing the Course of Study at Wesley Theological Seminary in Washington, DC.



Pastor Stanford was the 2015 recipient of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Community Health Award and a 2017 recipient of the Martin Luther King Community Service Award. She is married to Gabriel Stanford and is the mother of two adult daughters.

Pastor Stanford states “I look forward to serving this wonderful community which I have been blessed to serve as a volunteer. My hope is to continue to build upon the foundation already established in our community. We hope to continue to reflect the love of Christ to all we serve both associates and residents. We are all important and valuable, not only to God, but to each other.”

### **January Chapel Service:**

2<sup>nd</sup> Rev. Gabrielle Martone, Assoc. Pastor, Central UMC Linwood

9<sup>th</sup> Rev. Dan Unrath

16<sup>th</sup> **Eucharist Service** Fr. Steve Connor, Holy Trinity Episcopal

23<sup>rd</sup> Rev. Larry Oksten, St Peter's UMC, OC

30<sup>th</sup> Rev. Jerry Crossley, prior Chaplain

## **January Birthdays**



1/2 Janet Goodman  
1/4 Virginia Scheets  
1/6 Catherine Toner  
1/9 Wesley Leopold  
1/9 Dave Hubbard  
1/13 Helen Auliffo  
1/13 Gene Lindacher  
1/14 Al Erb  
1/14 Eileen Wojcik  
1/15 Raymond Johnson  
1/16 Jane Higgins  
1/18 Joan Rishel  
1/18 Carolyn Sellers  
1/19 Elwood Davis  
1/19 Amelia Everson  
1/20 Rosemary Krieger  
1/20 Rosemarie Speitel  
1/21 Mary Pike  
1/28 Jeff Deal



## **The Shores Book Club**

### **2018-19 Book Selections**

3:00pm Music Room

All are welcome!

**Jan 7 – Beartown by Fredrick Bachman**

**Feb 4 – A Gentleman from Moscow by Amor Towls**

**March 4 – A Gentleman from Moscow by Amor Towls**

**April 1 – Still Life by Louise Penny**

**May 6 – Princess: A Private Novel by James Patterson**



**The Shores needs a copy of residents' new Medicare Cards. You can bring them to Michelle Morrell and she will copy them while you wait. For further details contact Michelle at ext. 6515**



## *Around Our Community*



Associate member and Shores festive fashionista, Chris, embraced the holiday season by wearing fun Christmas outfits each day!



Ginny and Carl pose in front of the beautifully decorated Christmas tree in the Music Room.



Resident, Guido, celebrates a very special birthday with family!



Volunteer chaplains with Rev. Beth celebrating Christmas, her retirement, and the exciting beginning for the new Chaplain Rev. Marcia Stanford beginning January 7th.

## *New Resident Spotlight*

This month Michele Musto had the pleasure of interviewing The Shores new residents, Maxine Nealy.

Maxine, as she prefers to be called, was born and raised in the south west city of Donalsonville, Georgia. She grew up in a large family with three sisters and two brothers. She moved to Mays Landing, New Jersey, when her husband secured a job with the FAA Tech Center in 1961. She continues to keep her Southern accent with frequent telephone conversations with her nephew, Bill. Bill is her sister's son; and he and his three brothers continue to live "down south". Joel and Norm, are Maxine's two sons who live locally. She shared with me that the Nealy name will certainly live on as she has two sons, three grandsons and two great grandsons!



Prior to retirement Maxine enjoyed a fulfilling career as the church secretary at Mays Landing Presbyterian Church. She had the good fortune of working with the same pastor for 36 years, Pastor John Ash. She truly enjoyed the position as it offered many ways to connect with people through conversation and socialization. Sharing stories and fellowship is important to her.

Reading and communicating with friends via email are only two of Maxine's interests. She also enjoys playing RummiKub and Bridge. During my interview I attempted to persuade Maxine to consider learning the game of Mah Jongg. She may find it equally as much fun and pleasantly obsessive!

What Maxine likes most about The Shores is the kind and friendly residents and associates. She finds this community to be welcoming and comfortable.

When asked what she holds dear to her heart, she was quick to answer her children. But also her car, a Hyundai Sonata!

The one word Maxine would use to describe herself is...**sociable**.



## *Associate Spotlight*

This month Michele Musto interviewed The Shores Senior Fit Project Coordinator, Karen Cooper. Karen celebrated her one year anniversary with our community in October.

Karen shared with me that she has always been an athlete but when entering college she chose a graphic design degree. Health and wellness continued to stay important to her during her career in graphic design. After 15 years in the business, she decided to chase her passion for fitness and became a personal trainer in fitness centers and private homes. Karen specialized in working with clients that suffered from Parkinsons.

She's been married to the love of her life Brett for 24 years and they share a home in Galloway with their 14 year old adopted daughter, Savannah and their two little dogs Lady and Goldie. In her spare time Karen enjoys hiking, cooking, decorating, gardening, and of course, exercising. She believes that daily exercise is essential to living a healthy lifestyle. This is a belief she passes along to The Shores residents by creating challenging but enjoyable exercise programs.

Karen's favorite part of her job is getting to know the residents and it's important to her to make people feel comfortable. She believes laughter is great way to connect to others!

Karen said the one word that describes her is...**genuine**. That rings true as she can be seen all around our building demonstrating genuine kindness and passion for wellness to all residents in our community.

We are lucky to have Karen as part of The Shores team!



## *Gigi's Salon Hair-do of the Month*

### ***Eileen Steelman***

*Salon offers services  
for men and women.*

*Hours*  
*Tuesday - Friday  
9am to 3pm*



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## ***Our Mission***

*Compassionately serving in community  
so that all are free to choose  
abundant life.*

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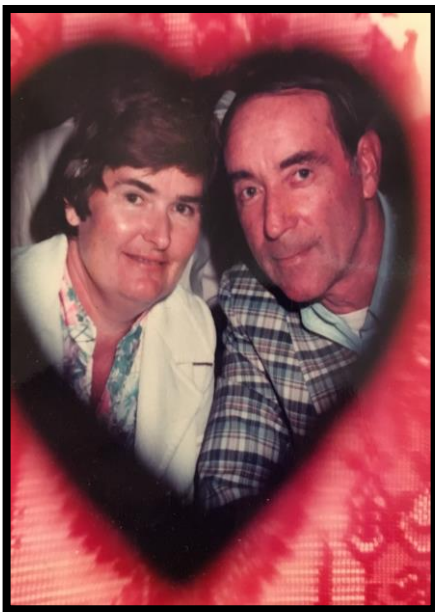




# The Giving Corner

## Special recognition of worship volunteers

In recognition of Peter Kachonick's dedicated volunteer service, Rev. Beth happily presented him with an ecumenical worship pin. Pete's dedicated assistance to the chaplain and Sunday worship service is deeply appreciated. In addition, The Shores is grateful for Pete's kindness and dependability with all our residents, especially the residents, families and associates in Bridges.



Joe and the late Eleanor Lang moved to Ocean City 30 years ago. Joe was an athletic director and high school PE teacher in Pitman. One of the reasons for moving here at his retirement was Eleanor's deep involvement in the Legion of St. Mary, a Catholic group who brings ministry to those in nursing homes, prisons, etc. The Langs became leaders here through this organization of St. Damien's parish at our community...then known as Wesley Manor. For 30 years they have been the heartbeat of our catholic ministries. This year, Joe Lang was given special recognition for ***Lifetime Service***. He along with our late Helen Barber were the two recipients. His was for sacramental ministries. Helen's was for the ministry of music. Helen Barber's award was received by Carol Hutchison, her niece.



# The Giving Corner continued...

## Toys For Tots Drive

What an amazing collection of toys gathered by our community! Thank you to all who contributed to the abundant donations. The Toys 4 Tots organizers appreciated the kindness represented in these gifts that were donated to needy children during the Christmas season.

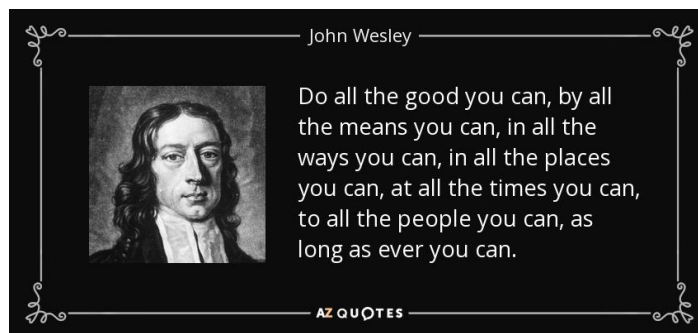


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## Annual Food Drive

This year a total of **6,834 pounds** of food was collected during the Post Office Holiday Food Drive! Our local food cupboard is stocked and our community has much to be thankful for. The Shores is committed to participating in this annual food drive that helps families in and around our neighborhood.

Rev. Beth was quoted as saying “it was an awesome day for human community working together!”



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