

OHIO LIVING BRECKENRIDGE VILLAGE

Weekly Buzz

February 6,
2026



Mary Ellen's Corner

Hello Friends –

As you know, many things are going up in price, and craft supplies are no exception. I wanted to make sure you saw in last week's Weekly Buzz that we are increasing the pricing on Care Cards. **Large cards are now \$.75 and Small/Medium are now \$.50.** With the price of cards in the store, you are still getting a wonderful deal. You will also be supporting the Ohio Living Life Care Fund with your purchase. Cards can be purchased at North Apartments, SSH, Gift Shop at OCP and Grace Woods. Thank you very much for your support. Have a terrific week.

Joyfully,

Mary Ellen Layman, Director of Activities

Ash Wednesday Service

February 18 at 10:00 a.m. in the Lyons Chapel. All are welcome.

Imposition of Ashes on Wednesday,
February 18

1:00-1:30 Brownstone Community Room

1:45-2:15 Shafer/Schweitzer Creative Place

2:30-3:00 North Community Room

3:30-4:00 GW Reserve Community Room

LifeLoop Log in Information -

Lifeloop.com

Username: Content.ohio

Password: Breckenridge1!

If you have questions regarding LifeLoop, please contact the Activity Department at 440.953.1375.

Upcoming Trip Pickups -

2/18 *SUFFS* the Musical 6 p.m.

2/20 Severance Pickup 9 a.m.

3/29 *Jesus Christ Superstar* 12:30 p.m.

New Classes and Events -

Women in History Presents -

Sally Hemings

Thursday, February 26

Bus Pickup 12:30 p.m.

Event 1 p.m.

Smith Performing Arts Center

Cost: \$5

Thomas Jefferson's Concubine, Sally Hemings was an enslaved woman owned by Thomas Jefferson. The Jefferson-Hemings Controversy is the question of whether Thomas Jefferson impregnated Sally Hemings and fathered any, or all of her six children. There were rumors as early as the 1790's. But what exactly was the 40-year relationship between Thomas Jefferson and Sally Hemings? Were they lovers, or was it something else because they were master and slave? Join us for this amazing program presented by Women in History. Reservations required and transportation available by calling the signup line. Reservations open now.

Tuesday Evening Programs

Please call the sign-up line if you need transportation.

Bus pickup starts at **6:15 p.m. for GW** and **6:30 p.m. for main campus.**

All Programs start at 7 p.m.

2/10 NO TEP - renovations

2/17 Rey Rangel – Guitar and vocals

2/24 OPUS 216

On Campus Happenings -

Iconnect Presents - Tech Concierge

Monday, February 9

10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

North Private Dining

Cost: No Charge

Bring your laptop, phone or tablet for our Tech Concierge to help you. **No** in-room/home visits will be available. This program is free of charge. Signup for your 15-minute time slot at your housing area's front desk. Shafer Sweitzer and Ranch residents can signup at the Osborne Community Plaza volunteer desk. The schedule will be as follows:

February 9 – North Private Dining

February 16 – Rivers Edge Pub GW

March 2 – Gathering Place at OCP

Lake Metro Parks Presents -

Oliver and Hemlock

Thursday, February 12

Bus Pickup 12:30 p.m.

Class 1 p.m.

Smith Performing Arts Center

Cost: No Charge

Join us for a double feature with Animal Ambassadors Oliver the Red-tailed Hawk and Hemlock the Barred Owl from Penitentiary Glen Reservation. Reservations recommended and transportation available by calling the signup line.

Travels with Marilyn Giverny France

Tuesday, February 17

Bus pickup 1p.m.

Event 1:30 p.m.

Gathering Space

Cost: No Charge

Marilyn Dolence, one of our Ranch residents, invites you to her next travel destination to Giverny France where the great impressionist Claude Monet lived and created a beautiful garden. Come take a stroll through Monet's Garden on February 17th! **Reservations recommended.** Transportation is available by calling the signup line.

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Aging Well Series 2026 Presents -

Over the Counter Supplements

Monday, February 23

Bus Pickup 1:30 p.m.

Event 2 p.m.

Smith Performing Arts Center

Cost: No Charge

Join us for our first 2026 Aging Well lecture featuring Haidy N. Kamel, Ph.D. Assistant Professor, Chemistry at Cuyahoga Community College who will educate us on over-the-counter herbal and dietary supplements. Dr. Kamel received a fellowship from the NIUST (National Institute of Underwater Science and Technology) in 2006 to continue her research in the field of drug discovery from natural sources. Dr. Kamel comes to us from the Tri-C Speakers Bureau.

Registration required. Transportation is available by calling the signup line.

CMA Long Distance Learning

Presents - From the Earth Through

Her Hands: African Ceramics

Wednesday, March 4

Bus Pickup 10:30 a.m.

Class 11 a.m.

Smith Performing Arts Center

Cost: \$5

African women have worked in ceramics for millennia, yet their accomplishments are under-exhibited compared to male artists who sculpted in wood. This rotation considers key western, central, and eastern African ceramics spanning the first through 20th centuries. The intimate presentation illuminates the deeply historical practice of African women working in ceramics and considers connections between functional and display ("fine art") ceramics. One of the 10 works is newly acquired (a mid-20th-century bowl by renowned Nigerian ceramicist Ladi Kwali OON MBE), while others have not recently been on view or are being exhibited for the first time. Join the Cleveland Museum of Art's Arielle Levine as we explore this important exhibit. **Registration required;** transportation available by calling the signup line.

Sign-up Line 440.953.1375

Watercolor Techniques & Tricks Painting class with Sandy Reddig

Starting Monday, March 9

Bus Pickup 12:30 p.m.

Class 1-2:30 p.m.

MCA Art Room at OCP

Cost: \$45 plus \$15 supply fee

Rancher Sandy Reddig will be teaching a **4-week class** for people of all painting levels starting on Monday, March 9 and running every Monday through March 30. All supplies will be provided. This watercolor painting class is for **YOU!** Take time to Paint! Don't know how? Beginner or seasoned? Struggling to improve as a painter? Here's your opportunity to be inspired & build new skills! All this & more watercolor techniques & tricks will be covered in a series of classes taught by our own OLBV artist **Sandy Reddig**. Sandy has been professionally painting in watercolor, pastel & oils for 45 years. What? You'll learn to accurately draw your image & know what supplies to get started & so much more. These classes are designed for someone with a bit (maybe almost none) of painting experience in watercolor, who feels a need to grow to a new skill level. A brief discussion of the topic will be followed by a demo. Each artist will then work on their projects, with one-on-one personal attention and constructive suggestions. All questions are encouraged so all participants will learn. Topics discussed & demonstrated include:

- Paints/Brushes/Materials
- Drawing/Designing your painting from pictures
- Color Mixing from a limited palette & learning Values and Color Temperature

Space is limited; transportation is available. **Reservations required by calling the signup line.**

Group Reiki

Friday, March 27

Bus Pickup 12 p.m.

Class 12:30 p.m.

MCA Theatre

Cost: No Charge

Join our Reiki Masters, Mary Ellen Layman and Kim Bradac for a relaxing time. Reiki is translated as "guided life force energy" and it is a compliment to modern medicine to aid in the improvement of your well-being using healing touch. **Registration is required** and transportation is available by calling the signup line.

Campus Movies -

North

February 7

6:30p.m. - NCMR

Eleanor the Great

A 2025 American comedy-drama film directed by Scarlett Johansson. The film stars June Squibb supported by Erin Kellyman, Jessica Hect, Rita Zohar, and Chiwetel Ejiofor. The movie follows Eleanor Morgenstein, a 94-year-old woman, who strikes up an unlikely friendship with a 19-year-old student in New York City.

Osborne Community Plaza

Monday, February 9

5:15 p.m. - MCA Theater

Overboard

While her yacht's stuck for repairs in a small town, socialite Joanna Stayton hires local carpenter Dean Profit to remodel her closet. When she accidentally falls overboard and loses her memory Dean takes his chance for revenge by claiming she is his wife. This hilarious rags-to-riches movie will have you laugh out loud. Starring Goldie Hawn and Kurt Russell.

Reminders -

Care Cards Price Increase -

BV North - 75¢
SSH and Gift Shop - Small - 50¢ Large 75¢
GW - 75¢

Severance Concert Dates

Please mark your calendars for the following dates.

February 20 for Frenzied Tango

March 20 for Chan Conducts Bartok

May 8 for Wagner's Gotterdammerung

As always, these concerts also include a pre-concert lecture, coffee and donuts and a one-hour Cleveland Orchestra concert.

Bus pickup starts at 9 a.m.

Jesus Christ Superstar Trip -

Jesus Christ Superstar will be on Sunday March 29 at 2 p.m. This trip is now full. Please call the signup line to be put on the waitlist.

OCP Parking -

Please refrain from parking in the two "future new resident" parking spots in front of the OCP. We want to make sure we provide a warm welcome to the increased prospect site tours. Thank you!

This includes after hours and weekends due to tours.

Schell's Bistro -

Hours are Tuesday through Friday starting at 11a.m. and closes at 6p.m. Reservations can be made during regular business hours by calling 440.497.5160. Please note that the Bistro is closed daily from 3-3:30 p.m. for the server's lunch.

Specialty Recycling -

If you have used batteries, hearing aids, or eyeglasses, residents can send them through campus mail to Ken Jones or Susanne Carter. You can also drop them off at Ranch 171 or the Grace Woods front desk.

Brain Games at Grace Woods -

Brain Games meets from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. every Monday in the Woodland Ridge Community Room at Grace Woods. Open to the entire campus. Call transportation directly at 440.954.8343 if you need a ride.

Breckenridge Gift Shop -

The Breckenridge Gift Shop is open Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 12-2 p.m.

Vision Loss Support Group -

If you are experiencing vision loss and want to connect with others for emotional support and to share ideas, please come to our vision loss support group. The group will take place on the third Wednesday of each month in the North Community Room at the North Apartments, 1-2 p.m.

If you have any questions, please contact Rebecca Kilkenney, LISW-S at 440.954.8341 or rkilkenney@ohioliving.org.

Hearing Loss Support Group -

Do you feel isolated due to hearing loss? Do you wish you could connect with others who understand what you're going through? If so, you are welcome to join our Hearing Loss Support Group, which takes place on the second Wednesday of each month, 1-2 p.m. in the BV North Conference Room. If you have any questions, please contact Rebecca Kilkenney, LISW-S, 440.954.8341 or rkilkenney@ohioliving.org.

Foundation Information

Together, We Make Caring Possible

At Ohio Living, our mission is simple yet profound: to provide adults with caring and quality services toward the enhancement of physical, mental and spiritual well-being consistent with the Christian Gospel. Every day, our dedicated employees bring this mission to life. From those who prepare delicious meals to those who keep our spaces shining, from nurses and therapists to chaplains and volunteers, their caring hands and open hearts create the experiences that make Ohio Living feel like home for so many.

And your generosity is what makes it all possible. As a nonprofit organization, every gift and every dollar we receive is reinvested into our people, programs, and communities -- not into profit. This is what sets Ohio Living apart.

Your kindness allows us to go beyond meeting needs -- it helps us nurture those who give so much of themselves to care for others. From June 2024 to June 2025, donors across Ohio Living gave more than \$444,000 in support of our employees. These funds helped more than 110 team members facing unexpected hardships - from car repairs and house fires to health challenges and family losses - through The Caring Fund, our largest source of donor-supported assistance. Additional donor gifts enhanced child and elder care support, renovated staff break rooms, provided uniforms, funded continuing education, and even stocked "Caring Closets" with free everyday essentials for team members right in our workplaces.

When our employees feel supported, valued, and inspired, they can give their very best each day - and that creates a ripple of care reaching every corner of Ohio Living. Because of you, we're not only changing lives; we're lifting spirits and building stronger communities of care together.

Your continued support helps us keep this circle of care growing. If you feel inspired to make a gift to the Caring Fund or other employee support initiatives, please reach out to Eva Allen, Director of Gift Planning for the Ohio Living Foundation at Breckenridge Village: 440.497.5237 or EAllen@ohioliving.org

Every act of generosity makes a meaningful difference. Thank you for helping our caregivers continue to shine!

Spiritual Life -

Weekly Scripture Verse and Devotional from Chaplain Bev...

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent, a 40-day season of fasting, reflection and remembrance before Holy Week and the Resurrection of Jesus on Easter Sunday. Take a moment and meditate on this passage:

By the sweat of your brow, you will eat your food until you return to the ground, since from it you were taken; for dust you are and to dust you will return. (Genesis 3:19)

Weekly Worship Schedule -

Held every Friday from 2:30-3:30 in the Lyons Chapel. Open to all campus residents, family and friends. A Breckenridge bus comes each week from North Apartments. Others can call for transportation.

Feb 6 – Rev. Bev Wrobel (with Communion)

Feb 13 – Rev. Barbara Holzhauser

Feb 20 – Pastor Wayne DeMarco

Feb 27 – Rev. Cassie Wolfe

Mar 6 – Rev. Bev Wrobel (with Communion)

Mar 13 – Pastor Candy Jankowski

Mar 20 – Pastor Wayne DeMarco

Mar 27 – Rev. Cassie Wolfe

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Creative Place

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Community Room

Lenten Challenge -

Draw closer to Christ by reading through all four gospels during the 40 days of Lent and/or learn more about the attributes of God by reading three Psalms a day. Reading guides will be available at the front desks of BVN, SSH and GW. Or please call Cheryl Manos at 440.954.8361 and one will be emailed or put in the campus mail to you.

Loss of a Spouse Grief Support -

One session meets Thursday, February 26 from 1:30-3:30 in the North Private Dining Room. Call Chaplain Bev at 440.954.8373 or bwrobel@ohioliving.org for more information.

GriefShare -

Grief Support Group – 13 weeks
Utilizes a video, participant book and discussion to help you on your journey through grief. Meets Thursdays, beginning March 5 from 1:30-3:30 p.m. in the North Private Dining Room. If you're not sure that GriefShare is for you, please attend one or two sessions. Building community with others who understand is a significant part of the healing process. Call Chaplain Bev at 440.954.8373 or bwrobel@ohioliving.org for more information.

Monthly Spiritual Life and Visitation Team Meeting -

Meets on the second Wednesday of every month.

Wednesday, February 11 from 1p.m.-2 p.m. in the Lyons Chapel at the Nason Center. Please attend if you are interested in learning more about these impactful ministries. For more information contact Chaplain Bev Wrobel at 440.954.8373 or bwrobel@ohioliving.org

Chapel Choir Singers -

Chapel Choir Singers practice at 1:30 p.m. in the Lyons Chapel. Contact Marcine Petrea at 216.261-.6117 or mrcine@aol.com for more information.

Visitation Team -

The Team provides friendly visits to residents throughout the campus. They offer friendship, a listening ear and assistance to new residents in their transition. If you would like to receive a visit or be a part of the Team who makes visits, please contact Chaplain Bev Wrobel at 440.954.8373.

Prayer Chain -

If you have a prayer request or would like to join the Prayer Team to pray for others, please call Cheryl Manos at 440.954.8361 to be added to the prayer chain. The Prayer Team is here to pray for you.

Prayer Shawl Ministry -

Meets on the third Monday of every month from 1-2 p.m. in the Nason Center upper-level lobby outside the Lyons Chapel balcony. This is a social time to knit or crochet together. Prayer shawls are available in the Pastoral Care Office and can be given to residents, family or friends who need support and encouragement.

Monthly Catholic Mass -

February 23, the fourth Monday of each month from 1:30-2 p.m. in the Lyons Chapel. Provided by Immaculate Conception Church

Monthly Sunday Worship

February 22, the last Sunday of each month from 10-11 a.m. in the Lyons Chapel. Provided by Wickliffe Presbyterian Church

Lectio Divina -

Wednesdays from 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. in the Community Room at The Landing at Grace Woods.

Weekly Scripture Meditation meets on Wednesdays. Led by Chaplain Bev. Come as you can. No prior reading or preparation is required.

Please call transportation directly at 440.954.8343 for a ride to any Spiritual Life program 24 hours before the event.