

Weekly Buzz

September

4, 2026



Mary Ellen's Corner -

Hello Friends -

What is going on with the POOL? Well let me tell you. We are still waiting for the pump to be rebuilt as of today (Wednesday 9/2 is when I am writing this letter). The Desert Air system is another issue. It will need to be replaced completely. This is a VERY expensive piece of equipment. We thank you for your continued patience, this has been difficult for all of us. If you have questions or concerns, please speak to me, Kara or Brad. We are doing everything we are able to do to get the pool in working order. We ask kindly not to take your frustrations out on our VWAC staff. Have a great week.

Joyfully,

Mary Ellen Layman, Director of Activities

Tuesday Evening Programs -

Please call the signup line if you need transportation by the Monday before the program. 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. in the PAC

9/8 OPUS 216 - Pianist

9/15 League of Women Voters

10/6 Jim Sweeney - Author

10/13 OPUS 216

Bazaar Pick Ups and

Donation Drop-offs-

Bazaar donations are Monday-Friday in the PAC now through Tuesday September 22, 2026. Please place your donations in the designated area of the Smith Performing Arts Center only. There are signs to help you know where to place them.

If you need items to be picked up, you can call the sign-up line now to arrange for a pickup on September 9 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. **Please use attached sign to place on your items.**

Wii Bowling Season 31

Signups & Info

Hi bowlers! **We're so excited to announce that season 31 of Wii Bowling starts on the week of October 4th!** Gather your teams and turn in your forms, which are attached to the buzz and is also available on the portal and send to Olivia Misco from IL Activities by October 11th. If your team does not have four people, you are looking for a team to join, or have any questions, please reach out to Olivia Misco at 440.942.4342 extension 1279 or email at omisco@ohioliving.org.

Schell's Bistro

The Schell's Bistro will be closed until further notice. Thank you.

A Note from the Diversity Task Force National Hispanic Heritage Month -

National Hispanic Heritage Month (September 15-October 15) honors the history, cultural diversity, and extensive contributions of American citizens whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean, and Central and South America. Within its 30 days are anniversaries of the independence of several Latin American countries.

Locally, you can celebrate at the Taco Festival on Painesville Square on Sunday, September 13, from noon to 8:00 pm. It is sponsored by the HOLA Hispanic Center in Painesville, and admission to the event is free.

If you would like to know more about the month and the Taco Festival, please visit the Resident Portal/IL Activities/Off Campus Events page. If you are a member of the Pathways to Diversity Task Force and on their group page, you can see more information there as well.

League of Women Voters Presents -

Meet the Candidates -

Tuesday, September 15

Bus Pickup 6:30 p.m.

Program 7 p.m.

Smith Performing Arts Center

****Due to Space limitations, reservations are REQUIRED by Thursday, September 10. Transportation available.**

For your information -

Please notice that the format has changed a bit. With so few opposed candidates, the League is expecting the speeches and Q and A to last less than an hour. Then we'll allow 30-45 minutes for the candidates to mingle.

The following candidates have been invited, no confirmation yet on who will be here.

U.S. House: David Joyce and Maria Jukic

Ohio House 23rd District: Julie Belich and Daniel Troy

Commissioner 1/1/27: John Plecnik and Tom Trombley

Auditor: Christopher Galloway (for meet and greet)

A representative from WE schools

A representative from the city of Willoughby (2 levies)

Question and Answer Period

1. Anyone wishing to ask a question must write the question on a notecard provided by the League of Women Voters of Lake County and place it in the box provided.
2. The moderator will randomly choose a card from the box. The moderator will ask the question unless it has already been answered or the moderator feels that the question is inappropriate or offensive.
3. If a question is addressed to a specific candidate, all candidates or that office may reply if they wish. Answers may be timed and the order for answering questions will be rotated by the moderator and proceed according to the draw. Answers should respond to the specific question asked.

Campaign Literature

A place will be provided outside the meeting room for campaign literature. No campaigning or distribution of campaign materials will be allowed in the meeting room.

Campus Movies -

North

Saturday, September 5

6:30 p.m. - NCMR

Ordinary Angels

Based on a remarkable true story, *Ordinary Angels* centers on Sharon Steves, a fierce but struggling hairdresser in small-town Kentucky who discovers a renewed sense of purpose when she meets Ed, a widower working hard to make ends meet for his two daughters. With his youngest daughter waiting for a liver transplant, Sharon sets her mind to helping the family and move mountains to do it. What unfolds is the inspiring tale of faith, everyday miracles, and ordinary angels. Starring Hilary Swank and Alan Richardson

Grace Woods Movie

Saturday, September 5

7 p.m. - Reserve Community Room

Tootsie

A 1982 critically acclaimed satirical romantic comedy film starring Dustin Hoffman as an out-of-work actor who disguises himself as an actress (Dorothy Michaels) to land a television role. What was supposed to be a short-lived role turns into a long-term contract, but when Michael falls for his castmate Julie (Jessica Lange), complications develop that could wreck everything as he simultaneously fights off unwanted romantic advances of Julie's father. The film earned ten Academy Award nominations and the Best Supporting Actress Oscar for Jessica Lange.

Osborne Community Plaza

Thursday, September 10

4:30 p.m. – MCAT

The Bee Movie

Bee Movie is a 2007 American animated satirical comedy film starring Jerry Seinfeld and Renée Zellweger. The film centers on Barry B. Benson (Seinfeld), an anthropomorphic honeybee who tries to sue the human race for exploiting bees after learning from his new florist friend Vanessa Bloome (Zellweger) that humans sell and consume honey.

New Classes, Events & Trips

The Resident Academy Presents -

Understanding Use of Force

Tuesday, September 29

Bus Pickup 12:30 p.m.

Class 1-2:30 p.m.

Smith Performing Arts Center

Cost: \$5 per class

Due to the August Residents Academy having to be canceled, we will be doing that program for September. Officer Shirey will present a program on Understanding the Use of Force. The presentation will cover Case Law and legal standards, use of force continuum, use of force examples, de-escalation tactics and less lethal tools. **Reservations REQUIRED, transportation available by calling the signup line.**

POSTPONED UNTIL OCTOBER 2

Science Friday with Joe Presents -

A GUIDE TO EVOLUTION - Week

Two: Darwin's Voyage and Insight

Friday, September 4

Bus Pickup 10:30 a.m.

Class 11 a.m.

Smith Performing Arts Center

Cost: No Charge

Ahoy! Climb aboard the HMS Beagle with a then-unknown naturalist, Charles Darwin, for a trip around the world in 1836. Unlike him, bring your seasick pills. What exactly did he observe that inspired him to write the books that brought such meaning and unity to the study of living things?

Suggested text: Evolution: The Triumph of an Idea by Carl Zimmer, available online for less than \$10.

Reservations recommended and transportation available by calling the signup line.

Trip Pickups

9/10 Senior Fair Day	9:15 a.m.
10/16 Sweets & Treats Trip	11:15 a.m.

Juggler

Tuesday, October 6

Bus Pickup 10:30 a.m.

Event 11 a.m.

Smith Performing Arts Center

Cost: No Charge

David Cain is a world champion and Guinness World Record holding professional juggler who has appeared on America's Got Talent and the Today Show. He will be in our area doing some evening shows and reached out to see if we wanted him to perform during the day. We gave him a resounding YES!! We hope you can juggle your schedule enough to see this program. Reservations recommended and transportation available by calling the signup line.

Sweets and Treats Trip

Friday, October 16

Bus Pickup 11:15 a.m.

Trip 12 p.m.

Trip level 4

Stop 1 – Jeff's Candy, Stop 2 - lunch,

Stop 3 - Patterson's Farm Market

Cost: \$5 Plus lunch and purchases on your own.

Join us on a fun filled Fall afternoon with our Sweets and Treats Trip. Our first stop will be to Jeff's Candy Shoppe, with an old-fashioned candy making demonstration and tour. Our second stop will be lunch at a local eatery (TBD) with our final stop at Patterson Farm Market. **Cost is \$5 plus your merchandise and lunch purchases. Transportation included. Space is limited. Reservations REQUIRED by calling the signup line starting on Wednesday, September 9 at noon.**

Trips -

Senior Day at Lake FarmPark -

Thursday, September 10

Bus Pickup – 9:15 a.m.

Time – 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Lake Farm Park trip level 4+

Cost: \$5 picnic lunch included

Event features a guest speaker, Bingo games with prizes, catch and release fishing and a vendor showcase featuring products and services important to today's seniors. Enjoy Farmpark activities and demonstrations all day! **Registration REQUIRED by calling the signup line.**

Campus Happenings -

BV Players Announces Auditions - **

Tuesday, September 8

Time: 11 a.m.-12 p.m. or 1-2 p.m.

Smith Performing Arts Center

You are invited to audition for the BV Player's next play, the drama, 12 Angry Jurors. Adapted to be in Reader's Theater style, the production will require very little moving and does not need to be memorized. The production will take place on Thursday, November 12 in the afternoon and on Friday, November 13 in the evening. Auditions will consist of reading from the script. Please call the signup line to reserve your spot for your audition. When calling please indicate which time slot you will be attending. Transportation is available.

**** If you are unable to make it on**

Tuesday, September 8, we have added Monday, September 14 at 2 p.m. for callbacks and for those unavailable on the 8th. Thank you.

Chautauqua Reboot - Ken Burns and Jeffrey Rosen - America at 250: In

Partnership with The Colonial

Williamsburg Foundation

Session 1 – Wednesday, September 9

Session 2 – Monday, September 14

Bus pickup 10:15 a.m.

Sessions 10:45 a.m.

Cost: No Charge

The sessions that couldn't be live streamed will be presented on the above 2 days and will be from week 6 of the Summer 2026 Series. The milestone anniversary of our Nation offers an opportunity to survey the previous quarter millennium – how a collection of British colonies became the world's pre-eminent constitutional democracy, with major successes, failures and continued struggles along the way – alongside world-renowned leaders in historical education. Chautauqua welcomes Ken Burns and Jeffrey Rosen back to the Amphitheater stage for a two-day conversation on themes and threads from the pair's latest projects: for Burns, the November 2025 PBS documentary "The American Revolution," and for Rosen, his October 2025 book *The Pursuit of Liberty: How Hamilton and Jefferson Ignited the Lasting Battle Over Power in America*. **Reservations REQUIRED, transportation available by calling the signup line. Light refreshments will be served.**

Lake Metro Parks Presents -

Tundra the Rough Legged Hawk

Thursday, September 10

Bus Pickup 12:30 p.m.

Event 1 p.m.

Smith Performing Arts Center

Cost: No Charge

Animal Ambassador Tundra, the Rough Legged Hawk is heading our way to teach us all about her species. Did you know that the rough-legged hawk is a unique arctic bird named for the feathers that extend all the way down its legs to its toes? Or that along with the ferruginous hawk and golden eagle, it is one of the only North American raptors with legs completely feathered to the toes—an adaptation to keep warm in the cold arctic. Come and find out more with Tundra.

Reservations recommended and transportation available by calling the sign-up line.

Book Study on Dominic Crossan: The Greatest Prayer

Starting Wednesday September 16 (LA) or September 17 (GS)

4 p.m.

Cost: Book purchase made on your own

In this text the author reflects, both deep and wide, on each petition of the Lord's Prayer. Join Susanne Carter and Ken Jones either in the Community Room at the Landing on Wednesdays or in the Gathering Space at OCP on Thursdays, both times at 4 p.m. The first of the 10 sessions will be on September 16 / 17 respectively, and the last one will happen during the week before Thanksgiving. Sign up for either location, purchase a copy of the book ***Dominic Crossan: The Greatest Prayer***, and read the Prologue before the first meeting.

Call the signup line to register.

Reservations REQUIRED, space is limited.

Transportation NOT available. Please indicate which day you prefer.

Reminders -

Barbershop News-

Please welcome James, our new barber down by the Veale Wellness Center. The barbershop is open Tuesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Save the Dates-

Mark your calendars for the following. More information is coming soon. Please do not call about these programs yet. This is just for you to mark your calendars. Thank you

10/7 – Cleveland Museum of Art Virtual Classes begin – 11 a.m. in the Smith Performing Arts Center

10/20 – Travels with Marilyn begins at 1 p.m. in the Gathering Space at Osborne Community Plaza

TRIP LEVELS

To clarify questions about trips we have provided a guideline to the amount of walking and standing during a trip.

The guidelines are:

Level 1- **NO** walking/ all riding

Level 2-**Minimal** walking

Level 3-**Extensive** walking and/or stairs

Level 4-**Strenuous**-long periods of walking

EXERCISE on BTV 1855 is Back

We wish we knew why it disappeared in the first place, but what matters is it is back on. At 10:00 a.m. Monday through Saturday you can tune into Channel 1855, also known as BTV and do a morning workout. Enjoy!!

Mindfulness with Jen

Wednesday Evenings

2nd at 6:30 p.m. in the BVN Community

4th at 6:30 p.m. in the GW Reserve Community Room

This is a perfect way to end your day with mindfulness practices provided by Jen Bradac, OT. Everyone is welcome, no reservation required. Transportation **not** provided.

Music and Meditation with Catherine

The 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month
Class 3 p.m.

1st Thursday at GW Woodland Ridge Pub

3rd Thursday at BVN Community Room

Cost: No Charge

This late afternoon program will combine live music and meditation practices provided by Catherine Otto-Hadley, MT-BC. **Everyone is welcome.** Transportation **not** provided.

The Diversity and Social Justice

Library -

The Breckenridge Pathways to Diversity Taskforce reminds campus staff and residents that a Diversity and Social Justice Library is in the Music Room in Osborne, and it offers more than 80 books and periodicals discussing multiple issues of diversity for both children and adults. The library is on the left as you enter the Music Room and we invite you to browse and to borrow!

Music with Catherine

The 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month
Class 2:30 p.m.

Shafer-Schweitzer House Dining Room

Cost: No Charge

Join us for this new music group led by Catherine Hadley, MT-BC, where we sing your favorite songs, play some new instruments and share some stories. This group is for you if you enjoy music, want to connect with others and have some fun. This program is made possible by a generous donation to the Ohio Living Fund. Everyone is welcome. Transportation is **not** provided.

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 takes place on the third Wednesday of each month in the North Community Room at the North Apartments, 1-2p.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.

Spiritual Life -

Weekly Scripture Verse and Devotional from Chaplain Bev...

Give thanks to the Lord and proclaim his greatness. Let the whole world know what he has done. (Psalm 105:1)

Gratitude comes from reflecting on what God has done for us. In order to show gratitude, we need to recognize how God has been at work in our past circumstances. When we do that, we can acknowledge God's faithfulness and genuinely worship him and proclaim his greatness to others. As others discover what God has done for them, it can inspire them to seek God for themselves and discover his incredible love.

Weekly Traditional Worship Schedule

Held every Friday from 2:30-3:30 p.m. in the Lyons Chapel. Open to all campus residents, family and friends. Come and worship with great music and an engaging message. A Breckenridge bus comes each week from North Apartments. Others can call for transportation.

September 4 – Rev. Bev Wrobel
w/communion

September 11 – Rev. Eric Leissa

September 18 – Pastor Wayne DeMarco

September 25 – Rev. Cassie Wolfe

Volunteers Needed -

Fridays at 2:00 to transport FHC and Nason residents to and from chapel worship. Please call Cheryl Manos at 440-954-8361 for more information or just show up.

Chapel Choir Singers -

The choir is growing! Please join us if you enjoy singing! Chapel Choir Singers practice on Fridays at 1:30 in the Lyons Chapel and sing each week in the worship service at 2:30 p.m. Contact Marcine Petrea at 216.261.6117 or mrcine@aol.com for more information.

Spiritual Care/Visitation Team -

Meetings alternate on the second Wednesdays of the month from 1-2 p.m. in the Lyons Chapel. The Spiritual Care Team meets on odd months (Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sept, Nov) and the Visitation Team meets on even months (Feb, Apr, Jun, Aug, Oct, Dec). 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. Next Spiritual Care Team meeting is September 9 at 1p.m.

Grief Support

GriefShare starts on Thursdays, September 3rd, from 1:30-3:30 p.m. in the Private Dining Room at North Apartments. GriefShare has helped many on the grief journey. Contact Chaplain Bev Wrobel at 440-954-8373 or bwrobel@ohioliving.org for more information.

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 Spiritual Care Office and can be given to residents, family and friends who need support and encouragement.

Monthly Catholic Mass -

September 28, the fourth Monday of each month from 1:30-2:00 in the Lyons Chapel. Provided by Immaculate Conception Church

Monthly Sunday Worship -

For ALL Independent Living Residents **September 27**, the last Sunday of each month from 10-11a.m. in the Lyons Chapel. Please join us if you do not have a church home.

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.